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PQ 26571/23* To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1569 of 18 April 2023, the status of the development of a primary care centre on Inisbofin; the status of the land transfer process; the expected timeline for the completion of the land transfer; the progress to-date on the appointment of a design service for the primary care centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Catherine Connolly

Dear Deputy Connolly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

As previously communicated, a number of property transactions are required to facilitate this development. These involve the transfer of land from Galway County Council to the Department of Rural and Community Development, and the subsequent land acquisition by the HSE from the Department of Rural and Community Development.

Initially the land was not registered to Galway County Council and there were a number of registration processes, boundary and ownership concerns that had to be dealt with in order to progress this land transfer process.

Galway County Council have advised the HSE that a final survey has been completed to allow for the progression and approval of the proposed land transfer.

It will be possible to provide a more definitive timeframe for the acquisition of the site by the HSE when the legal processes associated with the transfer of the lands to Department of Rural and Community Development concludes.



In parallel with, and subject to land transfer activities, the HSE proposes to appoint a design team to advance this healthcare facility. The delivery of a primary care centre on Inisbofin remains a priority for the HSE, subject to resolution of site acquisitions as noted above, and the related matters of statutory approvals and availability of capital funding for the project.

Yours sincerely,


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