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**PQ 26666/23\* To ask the Minister for Health when construction will recommence on Ballyhaunis primary care centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Alan Dillon**

Dear Deputy Dillon,

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.

The HSE can confirm that a new Primary Care Centre is planned to be delivered in Ballyhaunis under the HSE's primary care operational lease model. In this regard, an Agreement for Lease was signed and executed by the developer and the HSE in January 2018 with a Deed of Amendment (to reflect change of ownership) signed in September 2019.

Construction on the new Primary Care Centre commenced in November 2019. Progress of the works was impacted by Covid restrictions in 2020. Construction of the facility was stalled again in May 2021, unfortunately, and is not currently progressing on site reflecting, amongst other issues, ongoing commercial considerations.

HSE Capital and Estates remain in dialogue with the developer with a view to determining a way forward for the project and have formally requested confirmation of a planned recommencement date and programme of works to completion.



Once construction does recommence, it is estimated that a further eight month period is required to complete the construction phase of this project, followed by an equipping and commissioning process before coming into operational use as a Primary Care Centre.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Paul de Freine', written in a cursive style.

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**Paul de Freine**  
**National Director**  
**Capital & Estates**