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Expansion of Day Care Services at St. Augustine's in Ballina, Co. Mayo. This service currently operates three days a week but many people are limited to attend for just one day due to the high demand for the service in the area. To ask the Minister for Health if additional funding could be provided for the expansion of a service to enable people to attend more frequently; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Ring

I refer to PQ ref 27828/23 uploaded on the PAD system on the 2nd June, 2023, due for response on the 26th June regarding representation you have made to the Minister of Health regarding the Expansion of Day Care Services at St. Augustine's in Ballina, Co. Mayo and if he will make a statement on the matter. The HSE has been requested to reply directly to you on this matter. The following outlines the current position.

I wish to advise that St. Augustine's Day Care Centre is moving from a three to a five day per week service, due to limited space we can take a maximum of nine clients daily. There are no plans at present to increase the service but it will be kept under review.

I trust this response has clarified the matter you have raised in this instance.

Yours sincerely

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