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Deputy Fergus O'Dowd, Dáil Éireann, Kildare St., Dublin 2

Re: PQ 28410/23 - To ask the Minister for Health if he will seek an update from within the HSE in respect of the need to provide a state of the art new primary care centre in Dunleer, County Louth given the significant population increase in the area; the details of premises in the area that would be suitable for the project that are already in HSE ownership; the projected cost of such an addition; and if he will make a statement on the matter – Fergus O'Dowd

Dear Deputy O' Dowd,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Representation, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and outline the position as follows;

The current HSE building in Dunleer is a small building and currently not suitable as a Primary Care Centre. There is no plan currently for a new Primary Care Centre in Dunleer Co.Louth as the needs are not there to warrant same.

Services covering that catchment area are delivered as follows;

Services	Primary Care Centre
Nursing	Clogherhead Health Centre and home visits are also provided.
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Occupational Therapy	Clogherhead Health Centre
Physiotherapy	Ardee Primary Care Centre
Speech & Language	Boyne Primary Care Centre, Drogheda
Psychology	Boyne Primary Care Centre, Drogheda
Dietetics	Boyne Primary Care Centre, Drogheda

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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Chief Officer

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