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**Re: PQ 29964/23**

**To ask the Minister for Health when day care services will resume in west Sligo and at the day care centre in Easkey; if there are plans to resume a five-day service; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Cullinane

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic, Easkey Social Day Centre operated from Monday to Thursday each week, while Enniscrone Social Day Centre operated on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday each week.

However, due to staff vacancies, the operation of Easkey Social Day Centre was reduced to Wednesday and Thursday each week, while the operation of Enniscrone Social Day Centre was reduced to Monday and Tuesday.

A HSE recruitment campaign, for Easkey and Enniscrone Social Day Centres, is in the final stages of completion. I can confirm that the successful candidates have accepted the respective posts and discussions are ongoing in relation to start dates.

The filling of these posts will allow for the services at Easkey Social Day Centre to re-open four days per week and those at Enniscrone Social Day Centre to re-open three days per week.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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