

6<sup>th</sup> July, 2023.

Ms. Holly Cairns TD  
Dáil Éireann  
Kildare St.,  
Dublin 2

**PQ ref 30766/23**

**"To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth if he will continue to fund a bus service for young people to attend disability day services and training in Bantry, County Cork, until an alternative suitable public route is in place."**

Dear Deputy Cairns,


The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted to the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth for response.

A scoping exercise is being carried out by HSE Disability Day Services Team, along with Co-Action & Local Link, with the expectation that a suitable solution can be put in place to resolve this issue.

The HSE will continue funding the existing arrangement for a maximum of three months while this review is conducted and alternative solutions found.

If I can be of further assistance please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Yours sincerely,



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**Patricia O'Neill,**  
**A/ Head of Disability Services**  
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