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PQ 31621/23 – "To ask the Minister for Health the status of the reopening of Keltoi" – Thomas Gould TD

Dear Deputy Gould,

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.

Recently a strategic decision was taken by HSE Community Healthcare Organisation Dublin North City and County (CHO DNCC) and HSE National Social Inclusion to establish a National Dual Diagnosis Residential Treatment Unit at the Keltoi facility. Dual Diagnosis is the term used when a person suffers from both a substance abuse problem and another mental health issue such as depression or anxiety. Discussions are currently taking place within the HSE to develop the model of care.

Prior to the facility becoming operational, works to upgrade the building are required. This will include the provision of ensuite facilities in each of the bedrooms. These works commenced in May 2023. It is anticipated that this facility will commence operation Q2 2024.

At present, the Keltoi facility continues to be used as an isolation facility for vulnerable people.

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,

Brian Kirwan General Manager

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