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PQ 12716/23*To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide details on a project (details supplied: A vertical two-story modular build to provide new outpatients facility at UHW has been in discussion for some time. Will the minister outline the status of this project in terms of it's standing within the public procurement process, will the minister confirm that this project has been given the 'go ahead' by his department, is the project on the approved capital development plan for UHW, what is the funding drawdown date proposed, has such funding been clearly ringfenced for this hospital, what is the timeline to delivery and commissioning); and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Matt Shanahan

Dear Deputy Shanahan,

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.

A capital submission for a two storey vertical extension at University Hospital Waterford to provide additional out patients facilities was reviewed at the September 2022 meeting of the HSE's National Capital & Property Steering Committee. The National Capital & Property Steering Committee's decision was that a further review of the service side demand analysis was required, given that additional out patients facilities were already under construction at that time. The project was again reviewed at the February 2023 meeting of the HSE's National Capital & Property Steering Committee and was recommended for approval, subject to the availability of funding.

The proposed project will now be added to the HSE's pipeline of capital projects and progressed, subject to service need, prioritisation by the service and available funding. Given the early stage reached in the design and planning of this project it is not possible to provide a project specific timeframe for delivery and commissioning at this point.





A separate, new, two storey out patients unit at University Hospital Waterford, consisting of 16 consulting rooms, 4 virtual consulting rooms, 2 minor procedure treatment rooms and ancillary accommodation was completed in Q1 2023, it is anticipated this unit will be operational in Q2 2023.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul de Freine', written over a horizontal line.

Paul de Freine
National Director
Capital & Estates