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Leinster House,
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PQ 13505/23*To ask the Minister for Health the biodiversity action plans that are in place for HSE estates or properties under its management in line with Government policy of protecting green spaces and high biodiversity areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Mairéad Farrell

Dear Deputy Farrell,

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.

The HSE has recently established a Working Group as part of the HSE's Climate Action Strategy to develop a Green Space Framework and Implementation Plan.

This Working Group will be tasked with developing guidance and toolkits for healthcare sites to improve biodiversity and to optimise the use of green space for the promotion of the health & wellbeing of patients, staff and the local community.

Yours sincerely,

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