

Ms Claire Kerrane, TD Dail Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street Dublin 2

4th April 2023

PQ 13871/23* To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the disposal of HSE buildings (details supplied: St. Brigid's Hospital Complex, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway); the stage at which this process is at and the intended timeframe for this to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Claire Kerrane

Dear Deputy Kerrane,

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 Health Service Executive are continuing to progress the disposal of surplus lands and buildings at St. Brigid's Hospital Campus.

The decanting of buildings surplus to HSE's requirements is nearing completion with the remaining in use store buildings due be vacated by Q3 2023. In this regard, work is underway in relation to matters such as rectification of titles and decommissioning of utility services. A recent request has been made to consider the potential use of a portion of this campus for another HSE service.

The HSE will appoint an external Property Advisor in Q2 2023 to assist the organisation in developing the strategy for disposal of lands and buildings finally deemed surplus to requirements at St Brigid's Hospital, Ballinasloe.

In accordance with Department of Public Expenditure and Reform (DPER) Circular 11/2015 *Protocol for the Transfer and Sharing of state Property Assets*, this property is also listed on the OPW state property mapping register for all state agencies through the Intra-State Property Register.

Yours sincerely,

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