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Deputy Mark Ward,
Dáil Éireann,
Dublin 2.

Ref. PQ 26103/23 – “To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the recruitment of staff for the new Boot Road, primary care centre in Clondalkin; the breakdown of the staff to be recruited, by WTE; if they will be in place for the opening of the centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Deputy Mark Ward

Dear Deputy Ward,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your above referenced Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for a response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Health Service Executive can confirm that the Primary Care Centre on Boot Road will be delivered in Quarter 3 of 2023. The new Boot Road Primary Care Centre is part of the Clondalkin Community Health Network and recruitment of staff for the Clondalkin Network and is ongoing. There are existing staff already working within the network who will now relocate to the new Boot Road Primary Care Centre. These include staff working across all divisions of the health service including; Primary Care, Social Care, Older Persons, Mental Health and Health and Well-being. The Primary Care Centre will host a range of Adult and Children’s services including: Public Health Nursing, Dietetics, Speech & Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy and Social Work.

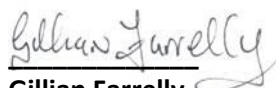
The following is a breakdown and update of progress in filling the staff vacancies:

Service	Update
Speech & Language Therapy	
2 Senior Speech & Language Therapists	The position has been offered out to the Senior Speech & Language Therapist Recruitment Panel and have not been accepted, recruitment efforts are on-going.
1 Senior SLT Children’s services	This post is currently going through the recruitment process and will be offered out to the Senior Speech & Language Therapist Recruitment Panel.
Dietitian Staffing	
1 Senior Dietitian	The position has been offered out to the Senior Dietitian Recruitment Panel and has been accepted, work on progressing this post through the contracting process is on-going.

Physiotherapy Staff	
Physiotherapy 1 staff grade	The position has been offered out to the national Staff Grade Physiotherapy Panel and has not been accepted, recruitment efforts are on-going.
0.5 WTE Senior Physiotherapist	The position has been offered out to the Senior Physiotherapist Recruitment Panel and has not been accepted, recruitment efforts are on-going.
1 WTE Physiotherapy Assistant	Unable to fill permanently, to be filled in a temporary. New staff member scheduled to start 6.6.23.
Occupational Therapy Staff	
3.5 Senior Occupational Therapy Posts	These position has been offered out to the Senior Occupational Therapist Recruitment Panel and have not been accepted, recruitment efforts are on-going.
1 Occupational Therapy staff grade Post	The position has been offered out to the national Staff Grade Occupational Therapy Panel and has not been accepted, recruitment efforts are on-going.
Social Work	
1 WTE Professionally Qualified Social Worker	The position has been offered out to the national Panel and has not been accepted, recruitment efforts are on-going.
1 WTE Senior Practitioner Social Worker	Unable to fill permanently, recruitment efforts are on-going

I trust this information is of assistance to you but if you have any queries or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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