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Deputy Alan Kelly,  
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**PQ/38906/23**

To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE ambulances, rapid response vehicles and HSE ambulances available for emergency calls on a 24/7 basis in each HSE ambulance base within Tipperary in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. -Alan Kelly

Dear Deputy Kelly,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Ambulance Service (NAS) 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.

In line with International Best Practice, the NAS operates a dynamic deployment model which results in the closest ambulance being tasked to respond to high acuity Echo calls (Life Threatening cardiac or respiratory) or Delta calls (life threatening illness or injury other than cardiac or respiratory arrest). This call taking and dispatch function is operated by the NAS National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOC) which operates across two sites, Dublin and Ballyshannon. All NAS resources are dispatched to calls across the country from the NEOC on a nearest available (to the incident) basis and not on a county boundary basis.

The table below details the number of Emergency Ambulances (EA's) and Rapid Response Vehicles (RRV) allocated to each HSE ambulance base in Co. Tipperary.

Name of station	EA's - 2022	EA's- 2023	RRV's 2022	RRV's 2023
Cashel	2	2		
Clonmel	4	4	1	1
Nenagh	3	3	1	1
Roscrea	3	3		
Thurles	3	3		
Tipperary	2	2		

Table 1: No of EA's & WTE in Co Tipperary in 2022 and to date in 2023

Yours sincerely

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