

26<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Mr Matt Carthy, T.D.,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2.  
D02 XR20

**Re: PQ ref 17497/24 -DSPQ24070 - Financial allocation to provide community centre/facility Castleblayney Care Group**

“To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth if he will consider making a financial allocation to Castleblayney Care Group in order to provide a community centre/facility in conjunction with the housing development for people with special needs; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

– M Carthy

Dear Deputy Carthy,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which seeks consideration of a financial allocation to Castleblayney Care Group to provide a Community Centre/Facility, in conjunction with the housing development for people with special needs. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Cavan Monaghan Disability Services Manager has advised that, as per the Grant Aid Agreement between HSE Cavan Monaghan Disability Services and Castleblayney Care, a performance review meeting took place between the parties on the 10th October 2023. During this meeting, the Castleblayney Care Group representatives informed the HSE Cavan Monaghan Disability Services Manager about their proposed developments. The Castleblayney Care Group representatives were advised of new proposal processes and were requested to submit same in the form of a Business Case to the Cavan Monaghan Disability Services Manager for consideration. It was advised that this is a requirement if the Group is seeking HSE funding. I can confirm that Cavan Monaghan Disability Services have not yet received a proposal or Business Case submission from Castleblayney Care Group. When the proposal or Business Case is submitted, the Cavan Monaghan Disability Services Manager will review in the context of service development needs and available funding.

By way of information, as per the terms outlined in the Grant Aid Agreement, I can confirm that the HSE Crannog Centre in Castleblayney remains available to Castleblayney Care for both their Saturday Club and their annual Summer Camp.



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

Yours sincerely,

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**Edel Quinn**  
**Head of Service Disability CH CDLMS**  
**Ceann na Seirbhíse Míchumas**  
**Eagraíocht Chúram Sláinte Limistéar CDLMS**