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**Re: PQ 8344/24 - To ask the Minister for Health if he will ensure that a service is restored to its former level at an early date (the need to readvertise for a permanent GP appointment in Swanlinbar, Co Cavan); and if he will make a statement on the matter – Brendan Smith**

Dear Deputy Smith,

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. I have examined the matter and outlined the position as follows.

In respect of your query regarding the restoration of the GP Service in Swanlinbar to its former level, I write to advise that a recent recruitment campaign was carried out to secure a permanent GP to serve the GMS panel of patients over five days per week. The post has been offered to the successful candidate and we await formal confirmation on whether they are accepting this post.

Yours sincerely,

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