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**PQ 9642/24\*To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the development of the Finglas primary care centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Paul McAuliffe**

Dear Deputy McAuliffe,

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 response.

The development of the Finglas Primary Care Centre is dependent on a number of land transactions. The legal process to transfer the land is in progress and the HSE are engaging with all parties to complete the necessary property transactions. It is anticipated that all land transactions will be complete in Q2 2024. Please see an update on these transactions below:

1. Dublin City Council (DCC) has acquired the church site and the adjoining Fergal's Field site from Dublin Archdiocese.
2. As the church site is now in the ownership of DCC we can confirm DCC and the HSE have commenced the legal paperwork for the disposal of the Fergal's Field site to the HSE. It is expected this will be complete in Q1 2024. This will facilitate the development of the Primary Care Centre.
3. The HSE are also entering into an agreement with City of Dublin Education & Training Board (CDET) to swap part of their site between Old Church and



Leisure Point to provide the best site for the Primary Care Centre. The HSE will in turn provide CDETБ with part of the Fergal's Field site and will carry out an agreed schedule of works to replace and improve recreational facilities for the two adjoining CDETБ Facilities namely Colaiste Eoin and Colaiste Ide College of Further Education. This transaction has been approved by both parties Boards' and it is anticipated this transaction will be closed out in parallel with the above transaction between the HSE and DCC in Q2 2024.

The design of the Primary Care Centre is being progressed in parallel with the legal transactions. The HSE and their appointed design team are progressing the project through the normal project stage requirements of the Capital Works Management Framework and the Infrastructure Guidelines.

Unfortunately the timelines for submission of the planning permission have been delayed due to the complexities of the project which required an updated approval from the National Capital & Property Steering Committee in September 2023 and increased costs requiring compliance with the Infrastructure Guidelines.

The Stage 1 Preliminary Design is now approved and the developed design is progressing to allow the lodgement of the planning application. It is anticipated an application for planning permission for the Primary Care Centre will be submitted in Q2 2024.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brian O'Connell".

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**Brian O'Connell**  
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