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Mr. Padraig O'Sullivan, T.D., Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the delivery of a primary care centre for Blarney, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy O'Sullivan,

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.

HSE were engaged with a Developer for this proposed Primary Care Centre and Cork County Council had granted planning permission for the proposed centre. The planning decision was appealed to An Bord Pleanála, who upheld the planning decision, however this decision was then appealed to the High Court. An Bord Pleanála have decided not to issue a defence at the High Court with the result that the Planning Permission will be void, resulting in a significant setback for the proposed project. As per update in December 2023, HSE is considering its options. An option may be re-advertising Expressions of Interest for the development of a PCC in Blarney.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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