

28th March, 2024

Deputy Matt Carthy,
Houses of the Oireachtas,
Leinster House,
Kildare St.,
Dublin 2.
D02 XR20

Re: PQ ref 12437/24 - Users of Day Services Building Cloughvalley

“To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 559 of 7 February 2024, if he will detail the HSE services that operated within the day care centre prior to the opening of the primary care facility (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.” - Matt Carthy

Details:

In respect of the sale of the day care centre, Cloughvalley, Carrickmacross, wherein the HSE stated that 'The HSE Capital Estates Department facilitated the delivery of a new Primary Care Facility on the outskirts of Carrickmacross town in 2022. Shortly after this new facility became operational, the Cloughvalley Day Centre building was deemed surplus to requirements',

Dear Deputy Carthy,

I refer to your recent correspondence received in my office regarding the HSE services that operated within the Day Care Centre prior to the opening of the Primary Care facility at Cloughvalley, Carrickmacross. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Primary Care Services Management for Monaghan have advised that there were no Primary Care Services being delivered from this facility prior to the opening of the Primary Care Centre in the town in April 2022. Any services being delivered from the facility were services provided by the Community and Voluntary Sector. Carrickmacross Social Services have a Grant Aid Agreement with the HSE and operate from the facility. A shed adjacent to the facility was used as a HSE Store previously.

As advised previously, the current owner of the premises at Cloughvalley, Carrickmacross, which is the Alzheimer's Society of Ireland, have given a commitment to ensure that Carrickmacross Social Services can continue to use the above named building and facilities for the duration/lifespan of the provision of social care services delivered to Older Persons in the community in conjunction with HSE Cavan and Monaghan Older Persons Services. The Alzheimer's Society are in the process of drawing up a lease agreement which will issue shortly to Carrickmacross Social Services. HSE Cavan and Monaghan Older Persons Services will work closely with



both service providers to ensure that this arrangement continues to meet the needs of all involved.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Martin Collum'.

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