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5th February 2025

Deputy Michael Cahill
Dáil Eireann, Leinster House,
Kildare St, Dublin 2

Dear Deputy Cahill,

Ref PQ 2938 :

To ask the Minister for Health the plans that are in place to provide additional office accommodation at University Hospital Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Michael Cahill

The above referred Parliamentary Question on various matters at University Hospital Kerry, has been submitted to this office, for response :

Response provided by University Hospital Kerry:

A significant off-site, office accommodation block, was secured by the HSE, for the relocation of teams of support staff to UHK. This off-site accommodation is fully operational since early 2023 with a wide cohort of administrative staff, supporting the hospital, from this site.

Additionally in Q4 of 2024, and to facilitate reconfiguration of an administrative block within UHK into Inpatient beds, a further significant cohort of staff were relocated from UHK itself to Rathass building on the wider campus.

Throughout 2024, within the hospital itself, offices on the Medical Block have been completely refurbished with view to increasing capacity. Plans are now progressing to refurbish offices on Rathass and ED Level 1 in 2025.

I trust this response is to your satisfaction; should you have any further queries however, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

**Mary Fitzgerald
General Manager
University Hospital Kerry**