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PQ 5382/25* To ask the Minister for Health if a preferred location, site or building has been identified for a primary care centre in Gorey, County Wexford; and if she will make a statement on the matter. -Fionntán Ó Súilleabháin

Dear Deputy Ó Súilleabháin,

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.

The HSE currently operates two Primary Care Centres in Gorey, located at The Avenue Primary Care Centre, The Palms, Gorey, Co Wexford and Conal House Primary Care Centre, St. Michael's Road, Gorey, Co Wexford.

The need for a new Primary Care Centre in Gorey had been identified previously. A selection process had been undertaken, and a Preferred Provider had been selected. Unfortunately, the selected Preferred Provider encountered difficulties regarding the economic viability of the proposed project. The HSE recently withdrawn from that process.

To facilitate a re-advertisement of this Primary Care Centre, a full review of the current and future service needs for Gorey area was undertaken with relevant stakeholders and a scope has being identified based on the updated service requirements. Once the Schedule of Accommodation for Gorey Primary Care Centre has been finalised with the service, Capital & Estates will be in a position to progress with the advertisement on E-Tenders Procurement Platform.

The HSE recently (21st November 2024) re-advertised Gorey Primary Care Centre on the E-tenders Procurement Platform with a Prior Information Notice (PIN). The PIN is seeking expressions of interest from interested parties, to enter into the twostep procurement process, in delivering a Primary Care Centre via the HSE's Operational Lease. This publication on the E-Tenders Procurement Platform is the first step in the procurement process. Following the mandatory waiting period between the PIN and the two-step procurement process, the next stage of the advertisement is expected to be published on the E-Tenders Procurement Platform in Q2 2025.

Upon completion of the tender process, the location of the Primary Care Centre at Gorey can be confirmed.

Yours sincerely

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