

Mr Dessie Ellis, TD, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street Dublin 2

5th March 2025

PQ 5522/25*To ask the Minister for Health regarding a building project (details supplied: the Ballygall Primary Care Centre, Seamus Ennis road, Finglas, D11. A new pedestrian entrance/exit, with disability access is being constructed at the front of the health centre. This construction work was given planning permission for construction in January 2024 and construction began in April 2024. It has yet to be completed and in fact construction on the new entrance has been at a standstill for a number of months) the initial projected cost of this centres new entrance; the reason some construction work that was completed, relating to a wall that was built at the centre, was subsequently demolished; if there has been any further request for additional funding for this project; if so, the amount of additional money requested; when he expects this project to be completed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. - Dessie Ellis

Dear Deputy Ellis,

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 are carrying out minor capital works to improve the external infrastructure at Ballygall Health Centre. The scope of works include for site clearance, service diversions, construction of stepped access provision, an accessible ramp, guarding rails, retaining walls, drainage works, external lighting provision and a new boundary gate. The project was tendered and the contract awarded for €129,087.27 (Excl VAT).

The reason subsequent demolition works were carried out is due to works that were identified as being of substandard quality and not acceptable to the HSE. The Contractor was instructed to replace and make good these substandard works at no additional cost to the HSE. These replacement works are now underway. There has been one amendment to the railings detailed in the original scope of works which will result in an additional cost of \in 5,049.00 (Excl VAT), however these are for additional works and not related to the defective works identified.

The project is currently programmed to complete in March 2025.

Yours sincerely

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