

Mr Noel McCarthy, TD, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street Dublin 2

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PQ 6371/25\* To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the development of a building (details supplied: Midleton Community Hospital, Midleton, Co. Cork); and if she will make a statement on the matter. -Noel McCarthy

Dear Deputy McCarthy,

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 new Community Nursing Unit at Midleton Community Hospital is included in the bundle of Community Nursing Units to be delivered on behalf of the HSE through a public private partnership (PPP) mechanism.

Midleton Community Nursing Unit (50 beds) is currently in construction and it is expected the contractor will complete the building in Q2 2025, followed by handover of the building to the HSE which is dependent on the satisfactory completion of quality controlled checks on the unit.

Each CNU is made up of a number of 25-bed households including single and twin bedrooms en-suite. This model creates a person-centred approach focusing on quality of life; providing an environment that reflects the comforts of home, with assistance provided as necessary around the performance of everyday tasks. Each household includes a dayroom and sunroom, dining area, break out spaces, activity spaces, quiet rooms, external spaces and staff and nursing areas.

In addition, shared areas and therapy spaces are included with facilities including a family overnight stay room, clinical treatment rooms, physiotherapy and occupational therapy rooms and hairdressers' rooms.

Yours sincerely

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