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Deputy Joe Cooney,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
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RE: PQ 6539/25 To ask the Minister for Health the number of beds closed at HSE community hospitals in Raheen and Ennistymon, County Clare; to outline the reason for their ongoing closure; and if she will make a statement on the matter. -Joe Cooney

Dear Deputy Cooney,

I refer to your correspondence dated 19th February, 2025

Raheen Community Nursing Home

Works are ongoing at Raheen Community Nursing Unit in order to bring the unit into compliance with HIQA standards. These works are impacting on four short stay beds. It is expected that, subject to successful recruitment, all beds at Raheen CNU will be operational by the end of Q2 2025.

Ennistymon Community Nursing Home

The new extension of six additional beds in Ennistymon Community Nursing Unit has been completed. HIQA registration for these additional beds is progressing. A recruitment campaign is underway to staff these additional beds.

I trust this clarifies the position. Please contact me if you have any further queries.

Kind Regards,

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