

Ms Marie Sherlock, TD, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street Dublin 2

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PQ 40298/25 To ask the Minister for Health the current ownership status of each site and the building of each primary care centre, respectively, nationwide, delivered via her Department and HSE public private partnership; and if she will make a statement on the matter. - Marie Sherlock

Dear Deputy Sherlock,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

A total number of 14 Primary Care Centres have been delivered by Public Private Partnership (PPP) for the Health Service Executive (HSE).

All Primary Care Centres are fully operational, the PPP Company (Healthcare Centres PPP Ltd) completed the design and construction for all 14 Primary Care Centres in 2017 and 2018. In terms of costs for the completed projects, the payments made by the State over the life of the PPP contract (typically 25 years after construction) include not just the cost of design and construction but also the cost of financing, operating and maintaining the facility (including services such as planned and reactive maintenance, grounds maintenance, cleaning, caretaking, security and waste management).

The PPP Company must provide a fully maintained facility for the duration of the contract and carries the risk in relation to rectification of any construction defects that occur during the term. If a facility is not available or services are not provided in accordance with the standards set out in the contract, the State is entitled to reduce its monthly payment until the required standard is restored. The Primary Care Centres will pass into ownership of the HSE in 2042.

These Primary Care Centres are located in Ballymote, Ballinrobe, Boyle, Carrick on Suir, Claremorris, Coolock, Dungarvan, Kilcock, Limerick, Summerhill (Dublin), Tuam, Waterford, Westport and Wexford.

Yours sincerely

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