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Mr Barry Heneghan, TD,
Dáil Éireann,
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PQ 31985/25 *"To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 673 of 27 May 2025, if she will confirm whether the HSE intends to continue the expansion of social prescribing services, including into areas of Dublin that do not currently have access to such services, particularly in the Killester, Clontarf-Raheny area, given the importance and impact of the initiative; and if she will make a statement on the matter."* –
Barry Heneghan TD

Dear Deputy Heneghan,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you further to Parliamentary Question number 673. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The current services have experienced high levels of demand and waiting lists and are at full capacity. Unfortunately, this service is currently not available in the Dublin Bay North Constituency, but we will continue to advocate to extend the service to all Community Healthcare Networks within the IHA, including Killester, Clontarf and Raheny, as intended in the HSE Social Prescribing Framework. The HSE are awaiting the outcome of the annual estimates process as to whether social prescribing will be expanded to other Community Healthcare Networks including Killester, Clontarf and Raheny.

For individuals who are 60 and over living within the area Alone, the National Charity that supports older persons, deliver a Support Coordination Service in collaboration with the HSE in 11 locations across North Dublin. To make a referral call the National Support and Referral Line 0818 222 024, [complete the online referral form](#) or to find out more visit the [Alone Website](#).

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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