



Mr James O'Connor, TD,
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Leinster House,
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7th July 2025

PQ 33772/25*To ask the Minister for Health if she will provide an update on a building project (details supplied: Youghal 60-Bed Community Nursing Unit); and if she will make a statement on the matter. -James O'Connor

Dear Deputy O'Connor,

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 60 bed Community Nursing Unit located at St. Raphael's, Youghal will replace the existing Youghal Community Hospital and Cois Abhann Welfare Home, Youghal.

The proposed facility comprises of a one-storey courtyard building with two 25 ensuite bedroom residential households, and a dementia unit with 10 ensuite bedrooms. A reception area, activity rooms, dining areas, offices and administration areas, a production kitchen, and plant areas are also included in the plan. A full planning permission has been granted for the facility.

An application for a Fire Certificate was lodged with Cork County Fire Dept, the Fire Certificate for the facility has been granted on 23th June 2025. The detail design will now continue to progress, following which a stage review will be undertaken prior to issuing the tender. It is anticipated that the tender will issue in 2025.

Yours sincerely

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