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**Re: PQ ref 13763/25: To ask the Minister for Health the status of the proposed new purpose-built acute psychiatric admission unit on the grounds of Cavan General Hospital; when work will commence on this project; when it is expected to be completed; and if she will make a statement on the matter.**

*Dear Deputy Carthy,*

*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 proposed new 30 bed Acute Psychiatric Admission Unit to be located on the grounds of Cavan General Hospital is currently at Appraisal Stage on the Capital Plan (reference 11918). The HSE Capital & Estates Dublin North East Office are currently working on the Design Team appointment through the Multi-Party Framework Agreement for HSE Design Team Services Framework 2024 – FW04: Acute Healthcare Capital Works. This tender competition is ongoing and is expected to conclude in Q4 2025. Subject to approval of the Design Team appointment, it is the HSE Capital & Estates office intention to commence preliminary design works on the above project in Q1 2026. The above project will be subject to further approvals in accordance with the National Infrastructure Guidelines and will require statutory approvals such as planning permission etc. Subject to further approval it is envisaged that the timeline for delivery will be 2030 which is inclusive of design and construction works.*

I trust this information is of assistance to you, however you should require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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