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Deputy Colm Burke  
Dail Eireann  
Leinster House  
Kildare Street  
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**To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be provided make the first and ground floor of the new extension to the Mallow General Hospital operational; the designated purposes will be provided to both floors; and if she will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Burke

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

- A Planning Application to fit out 24 Acute Inpatient Beds in Mallow General Hospital( MGH) will be lodged with Cork County Council ( CCC) - end March 2025 ( This is a planning regularisation as the building was constructed during the COVID exemption )
- A set of Tender Documents will issue for the Fit Out works on eTenders
- The Fit Out works will proceed to construction with practical completion end Dec 2025 WRT the OPD
- OPD Design will be completed in Q2 2025 and will be lodged for planning end Q2 2025 with CCC
- Following the grant of Planning Permission a set of Tender Documents will issue for the OPD works on eTenders
- The OPD works will proceed to construction in Q1 2026 with practical completion end Dec 2026

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,

Ms. Deirdre O'Keeffe  
Interim Chief Executive Officer