

Mr John Connolly, TD, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street Dublin 2

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PQ 21948/25*To ask the Minister for Health the updated position on the workings of the design team progressing the development control plan for University Hospital Galway; the detailed timeline for the delivery of identified projects in the infrastructural masterplan for University Hospital Galway; and if she will make a statement on the matter. -John Connolly

Dear Deputy Connolly,

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 Development Control Plan (DCP) for University Hospital Galway has recently been completed and will be used to support capital submissions for a series of priority capital projects on the campus.

In line with the Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform Infrastructural Guidelines a Strategic Assessment Report (SAR) has also been completed. Subject to HSE Board approval the SAR will be issued to the Department of Health for input.

In addition preparation of the Preliminary Business Case (PBC) has commenced, on completion the PBC will, subject to HSE Board approval, be issued to the Department of Health for formal approval by the government.

There are significant enabling works to be carried out on the campus on a phased basis, in order to clear zones for the new proposed developments. The design works associated with these enabling works are currently being progressed. The HSE will next undertake a tender process to appoint a dedicated Design Team for the proposed major development blocks as outlined in the DCP, it is the intention to have this Design Team appointed in Q4 this year

Given the early stages of development of the proposed works it is premature to consider any overall delivery programme.

Yours sincerely

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