

13<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Mr. David Cullinane, T.D.,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2

**PQ ref 23226/25**

**“To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth if an application for funding for intellectual disability residential services by an organisation (details supplied); if this project will be funded; and if she will make a statement on the matter.”**

**Details Supplied: St. John of God in Kerry for those who attend Ashfield Lodge.**

Dear Deputy Cahill,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration.

Funding to carry out the required work and staffing costs to transition Ashfield Lodge from a day service to a full-time residential service has been approved by HSE South West. St John of God (SJOG) Kerry Services are working to carry out the necessary refurbishment works to ensure the house can be registered, as required under legislation, with the Health Information and Quality Authority (HIQA) as soon as possible.

SJOG Kerry Services are keeping families updated on the progress of this and have scheduled another meeting with families for 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

If I can be of further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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**Ms. Lorraine Egan**  
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**HSE South West**