

Oifig and Stiúrthóir Náisiúnta Caipiteal agus Eastáit Ospidéal Sir Patrick Dun, Sráid Na Canálach Móire Íocht. Baile Átha Cliath 2 D02 P667

Mr Pa Daly, TD, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street Dublin 2

13<sup>th</sup> June 2025

PQ 28547/25\* To ask the Minister for Health to provide a breakdown of properties owned by the HSE that are currently vacant, by county; the number of months they have been vacant for; the square foot of each property; if there are plans to find new occupiers; the stage these plans are at, for example, if new occupiers have been identified and contracts signed; the reason they are vacant, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. - Pa Daly

PQ 28548/25\* To ask the Minister for Health to provide a breakdown of the number of vacant properties owned by the HSE; the number of months they have been vacant for; the number that have identified new occupiers, by county; the mean, median and mode of time it took to identify a new occupier; the number still vacant in each of the years 2015 to 2025, by county, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. - Pa Daly

Dear Deputy Daly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I propose to address your two Parliamentary Questions in this response.

The HSE has a significant property portfolio extending to c.4,400 buildings across c.2,600 locations throughout the country. These buildings range in age from pre-18th century to modern purpose-built facilities. The health estate is varied and complex, ranging from small health centres in rural locations to very large acute hospitals.

Please find enclosed with this response a list of vacant HSE properties as at 31<sup>st</sup> May 2025. All assets are of freehold or long leasehold status.

Vacant Assets	31 <sup>st</sup> May 2025
In Disposal (Surplus to Requirement)	142
Vacant Under Review	30
Total	172*

\*There are an additional 93 Properties that are considered as <u>Retained Assets</u> across 62 unique sites locations. The vast majority of these retained assets represent buildings that are located on a currently fully functioning hospital campus, for example a mortuary building on the Cherry Orchard Hospital campus. These buildings are currently vacant and some may form part of future plans for healthcare delivery.

The HSE do not retain a record of how long a property is vacant.

**In Disposal**: The HSE has 142 properties across 102 unique site locations, which are surplus to requirement and are in various stages of the disposal process. The HSE adheres to its statutory obligations and is required to offer surplus assets in the first case to the Land Development Agency and then to other State stakeholders (including Local Authorities) under Department of Public Expenditure and Reform Circulars 11/15 Protocols for the Transfer and Sharing of State Property Assets & 17/16 Policy for the Property Acquisition and for Disposal of Surplus Property.

**Vacant under Review**; The HSE has 30 properties that are Vacant under Review across 24 unique site locations. These properties are currently under review and are being considered for retention/reuse or disposal.

The HSE continues to actively engage with the Department of Health, the Land Development Agency, Department of Housing, the Local Government Management Agency (Housing Delivery Co-Ordination Office), the Department of Integration and the Department of An Taoiseach in relation to its surplus assets as part of an 'All of Government' approach to increasing housing stock.

The HSE continue to engage with all stakeholders with a view to achieving the optimal use of State Lands and properties to meet overall government priorities across all sectors, including the provision of healthcare and community services.

Yours sincerely

Micheál Conneely Interim National Director Capital & Estates

## PQ 28547-25 & PQ 28548-25 HSE Properties - In Disposal

In Disposal	
County	No. of Properties
Carlow	3
Cavan	3
Clare	4
Cork	26
Donegal	5
Dublin	26
Galway	10
Kerry	8
Kildare	1
Kilkenny	1
Laois	3
Leitrim	5
Limerick	5
Longford	1
Мауо	3
Roscommon	3
Sligo	3
Tipperary	2
Waterford	6
Westmeath	8
Wexford	5
Wicklow	11
Total	142

Total No of HSE property assets in disposal as per May 2025 = 142 Buildings across 109 Properties/Sites

## PQ 28547-25 & PQ 28548-25 HSE Properties - Vacant Under Review

Vacant Under Review		
County	No. of Properties	
Carlow	1	
Cork	1	
Donegal	2	
Dublin	5	
Kerry	2	
Longford	2	
Louth	1	
Мауо	5	
Meath	1	
Offaly	3	
Roscommon	2	
Sligo	1	
Waterford	1	
Westmeath	1	
Wicklow	2	
Total	30	

Total No of HSE property assets Vacant Under Review as per May 2025 = 30 Buildings across 24 Properties/Sites