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PQ 45851/25* To ask the Minister for Health the up-to-date position regarding a development at a location (details supplied: The current position regarding a major extension to the existing Primary Care Centre in Mountrath, Co. Laois, will this take account of the fact that when the original application was looked at there was one doctor practice in there but now there are two separate doctor's practices in the centre which will require additional space together with the much-needed expansion of the facility in Mountrath.); and if she will make a statement on the matter. -Seán Fleming

PQ 45848/25* To ask the Minister for Health the up-to-date position regarding a development at a location (details supplied: New Primary Care Centre in Rathdowney, Co. Laois); and if she will make a statement on the matter. -Seán Fleming

PQ 45885/25* To ask the Minister for Health the up-to-date position regarding a development at a health centre (details supplied: Improvements on the extension works in the Health Centre in Borris-In-Ossory, Co. Laois); and if she will make a statement on the matter. -Seán Fleming

Dear Deputy Fleming,

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.

Mountrath Health Centre

The HSE recently upgraded the interior of the Mountrath HC to accommodate the two GP practices in the HSE owned building. Any GP's future requirements will be considered by the design team prior to any refurbishment and expansion works. Future works are subject to prioritization, availability of funding and progression through Infrastructural Guideline approval stages along with statutory approvals.

Rathdowney Primary Care Centre

The delivery of a Primary Care Centre under an operational lease is a “partnership” between a developer, a GP (with a GMS list) and the HSE.

In 2024, the HSE sought Expressions of Interest from the open market for the provision of a Primary Care Centre in Rathdowney, Co. Laois with a closing date in Q3 2024. The HSE subsequently progressed to Stage 2 of the process, tenders have been received, evaluated and a preferred bidder has been provisionally identified. The HSE are currently working through the internal approvals process.

Borris-in-Ossory

There are currently no plans for an extension or improvement works for the existing health centre in Borris-in-Ossory.

Yours sincerely

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