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Mr. Michael Cahill, T.D., Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

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"To ask the Minister for Health for a detailed progress report in regard to the provision of the overdue primary care centre in Cahersiveen, County Kerry to serve the Cahersiveen and greater Iveragh/south Kerry region; and if she will make a statement on the matter."

PQ ref 46122/25

"To ask the Minister for Health to expedite the primary care centre in Cahersiveen, County Kerry for the residents of Cahersiveen, Iveragh and south Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Cahill,

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.

The HSE Capital and Estates Office have reviewed a number of sites in the environs of Cahersiveen and are currently in the process of undertaking some initial site survey works. The HSE Capital and Estates Office have also, via their Engineering Consultant, liaised with Kerry County Council with respect to infrastructural and zoning issues for the sites and future facilities.

A Strategic Health Investment Framework (SHIF) analysis will be carried out for the project. The SHIF analysis is a high-level review, that is based on need, principle / strategy alignment and also costing. It was developed by the Department of Health, so as to provide a rational basis for assessing capital investment proposals in the public health sector.

A capital submission will be developed and submitted for approval. Following on from same the project will progress through the different design and construction stages. It is currently anticipated that the facility will be delivered within a 3-4 year time period.

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

Yours sincerely,

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