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To ask the Minister for Health for an update on all Primary Care Centre projects in Carlow and Kilkenny and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cleere,

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

I have reviewed the matter and the following Primary Care accommodation works outlines the current position in the Carlow/Kilkenny area.

- Urlingford and Johnstown – in 2019, a selection process was completed and a preferred provider encountered difficulties regarding the economic viability of the proposed project, and as a result, the HSE recently had to discontinue the process. To facilitate a re-advertisement of this Primary Care Centre a full review of the current and future service needs for the area is being undertaken with relevant stakeholders. The scope of the project is being updated to reflect these requirements and the HSE expect this process to be concluded in Q1 2026. In the meantime refurbishment has been completed in both Health Centres.
- Castlecomer - Refurbishment completed.
- Clogh – Refurbishment Completed
- Graiguenamanagh- An application for planning permission was lodged by the developer in July 2025 and further information was requested on 01/09/2025 by Kilkenny County Council. The developer is currently preparing a response for Kilkenny County Council.
- Rathvilly - Underway
- Tullow Primary Care Centre – The planning application for the proposed Primary Care was submitted on 15/07/2025 and a decision is expected by Carlow County Council early Q4 2025.

- Shamrock Plaza, Carlow – Hot Desk developed internally and further renovations planned to deliver Occupational Therapy/Speech and Language Therapy/Physiotherapy Paediatric Services.
- Hebron Primary Care Centre, Kilkenny – Currently at scoping stage and subject to financial allocation.
- Chronic Disease Hub, James Green, Kilkenny - Gym to proceed, currently at tender stage.
- South East Community Nursing Palliative Care Team, James Green, Kilkenny – fully accommodated in James Green, August 2025.
- Diabetes Retinal Screening is being developed in the following locations:

Kilkenny:	Carlow:
James Green	Shamrock Plaza
Newpark Primary Care Centre	Tullow
Thomastown Primary Care Centre	

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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