

Mr. Vincent Kinsella
Bushy Park Nursing Home
Borrisokane
Co. Tipperary

Date:22/01/07

Inspection Report

Re: Inspection of Bushy Park .Nursing Home Borrisokane Co. Tipperary under the Health (Nursing Homes) Act, 1990 and the Nursing Homes (Care and Welfare) Regulations, 1993

Dear Mr. Kinsella

The Health Service Executive Nursing Homes Inspection Team inspected Bushy Park Nursing Home Borrisokane Co. Tipperary at 10.45am on 10/01/07. This inspection was unannounced.

There were twenty two residents on this date. The Nursing Home is currently registered with conditions for forty residents.

Issues identified in previous inspection report of 26/09/06 which have been satisfactorily addressed include: Article 19.1. Issues not addressed include: Article 14 (a).

The following issues require your attention and action.

Article 14 (a) *“The registered proprietor and the person in charge of the nursing home shall: ensure that the nursing home and its curtilage is maintained in a proper state of repair and in a clean and hygienic condition”.*

Breach:

(a) Apart from the small number of en-suite bathrooms which have had new floor covering and the walls painted, the rest of the bathrooms in the Nursing Home require to be refurbished. The ladies and gents toilets opposite the sitting room also need total refurbishment as the toilet bowls are broken.

(b) It was noted during the inspection that a number of over bed lights were very dusty. It was also noted that the hanging lights were again dusty and contained a lot of cobwebs.

Required Action It is suggested that cupboards be built in all en-suites to accommodate residents' sanitary requirements. All repair works as outlined above shall be completed as soon as possible to comply with legislation and in the interest of health and safety. A cleaning schedule shall be drafted and implemented immediately.

Timescale: The proprietor has informed the Team that plans are in place to upgrade and refurbish the Nursing Home. Work is due to commence in February 2007. The Chairperson of the Inspection Team is to be notified in writing on or before 09/03/07 clarifying that work has begun. A further report is to be sent on or before 25/05/07 outlining the progress of the refurbishments to date.

Recommendations:

- As the sluice room is inappropriately placed at the entrance to the laundry facility and as such may be a source of infection, it is recommended that it be moved to a more suitable location.
- In the interests of health and safety, it is recommended that steps are removed in relevant bathrooms, to leave the floor area flush.
- Some of the beds are old and in some cases damaged. It is recommended that these be replaced with new up/down beds.
- Storage space shall be reassessed in order to free up bathrooms which are at present being used for storing equipment.
- In the interest of best practice, it is recommended that a dedicated cleaning room large enough to store cleaning equipment and containing a suitable mop sink be incorporated into the proposed upgrading.

Signed: _____
Chairperson Inspection Team Member Inspection Team Member

Cc Ms. Mary Heffernan Person-in-Charge