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PQ 11243/23 - To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the provision of a new ambulance base in Carlow; the status of a temporary modular base; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Jennifer Murnane O'Connor

Dear Deputy Murnane O'Connor,

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.

I can confirm that a building assessment report was undertaken in respect of the existing ambulance base, located on the grounds of St. Dympna's Hospital, Carlow. Following a review of this report, design team services were procured and tender documents prepared for the identified improvement works. Following a tender process, these planned improvement works are anticipated to commence in Q2 2023, and are expected to complete in Q3 2023.

In conjunction with the National Ambulance Service (NAS), Capital and Estates are also seeking to initiate a new ambulance base in Carlow for the longer term. A site within the Kelvin Grove campus in Carlow has been identified and provisionally assigned to the NAS for a new base, subject to the relevant capital approvals and availability of funding.

Yours sincerely,

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