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Re: PQ - 2237/21 - To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the future of Sruthan House, Dundalk, County Louth; and if he will make a statement on the matter – Fergus O'Dowd

Dear Deputy O'Dowd,

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 have examined the matter and outline the position as follows.

Sruthan House provides respite care for adults with a physical and sensory disability. In accordance with all HSE services, a risk assessment was conducted in light of the Covid-19 pandemic and the service could not continue to operate in the same way.

The HSE will put in place plans to re-open as a respite service when all restrictions are lifted, the pandemic is over and in line with adherence to all relevant IPC guidelines

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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