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5.17 Deputy J.A. Hilton of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding participation in a public meeting on 11th February 2016 to discuss People's Park as a possible new location for the hospital:

Given that the Minister has not responded to emails dated 21st and 24th January, which were copied to the Chief Minister and the Minister for Treasury and Resources, inviting them to participate in a public meeting on 11th February at 7.30 p.m. in the Town Hall to discuss People's Park as a possible new location for the hospital, can the Minister advise whether he intends to attend the meeting?

Senator A.K.F. Green (The Minister for Health and Social Services):

The quick answer, I am sure the Deputy will be pleased to hear, is yes. I, and other Ministers, intend to join the public meeting to discuss the People's Park at the Town Hall on 11th February. I apologise for not having been able to respond to the email invitation before but until late last week, as I told Members before, I was not in possession of all the facts or in a position to discuss this matter. But this matter is now urgent and important and I welcome the opportunity to engage with the public.

Deputy J.A. Hilton:

I thank the Minister for Health and Social Services for his answer and I look forward to seeing him next Thursday.