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1. Content and Format of Report

This report has been prepared pursuant to Standing Order 89 (3), (4), (5) and (6) (Dáil Éireann) and Standing Order 76 (3), (4), (5) and (6) (Seanad Éireann) which provide for the Joint Committee to-

- undertake a review of its procedure and its role generally;
- prepare an annual work programme;
- lay minutes of its proceedings before both Houses;
- make an annual report to both Houses.

At its meeting on the 6th March 2019, the Joint Committee agreed that all these items should be included in this report covering the period from 1 January to 31 December 2017.

2. Establishment and Functions

2.1. Establishment of the Select Committee

The Dáil Select Committee was established by Order of Dáil Éireann of the 16 June 2016, to consider Bills, Estimates for Public Services, Motions, and the terms of any international agreement involving a charge on public funds, which come within the aegis of the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government.

The Select Committee may also consider Annual Output Statements, Value for Money Reviews and Policy Reviews prepared by the relevant Government Department.

2.2 Establishment of the Joint Committee

The Dáil Select Committee, under the same Order, was enjoined with a Select Committee of Seanad Éireann, established by Order of Seanad Éireann of the 22 July 2016 to form the Joint Committee on Housing, Planning and Local Government.

2.3 Functions of the Joint Committee

Among the principal functions of the Joint Committee are to consider—

 public affairs administered by the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government;

- matters of policy for which the Minister Eoghan Murphy is responsible;
- legislative and expenditure proposals of the Departments;
- EU legislative proposals;
- certain matters relating to bodies under the aegis of the Department of Housing,
 Planning and Local Government.

The Orders of Reference of the Dáil Select Committee and the Joint Committee are set out at *Appendix 1*.

3. Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Membership

Dáil SO 93(2) provides for a proportion of Chairs to be allocated to each group by means of the D'Hondt System. Deputy Maria Bailey was appointed as Chairman of the Select Committee on 16 June 2016 by an Order of Dáil Éireann. The Chairman of the Select Committee is also the Chairman of the Joint Committee. Deputy Pat Casey was elected as Vice-Chairman of the Joint Committee on the 24 May 2017.

Membership of the Committee, including all internal changes within the reported period, is listed at *Appendix 2*.

4. Meetings, Attendance and Recording

Meetings of the Joint Committee and Select Committee took place in the Committee rooms in Leinster House 2000. Meetings were in public unless otherwise ordered by the Committee.

Committee proceedings were broadcast live within Leinster House and also made available to RTE, TV3 and TG4. Proceedings were also webcast making them available worldwide on the internet. Since September 2014 the proceedings of Committees in public session, typically recorded but occasionally live, are broadcast on the dedicated parliamentary channel Oireachtas TV which is available on these channels:

- Saorview 22, Sky 574, Virgin Media 207, eir Vision 504
- Vodaphone Channels 201, 207 and 208

An Official Report (Parliamentary Debates) of the public meetings of the Committee may be viewed on the Houses of the Oireachtas website at www.oireachtas.ie.

Copies of other reports published by the Joint Committee are also available on the Oireachtas Committee website pages at www.oireachtas.ie. A list of these reports is set out at paragraph 7.

5. Number and Duration of Meetings

5.1 Joint Committee

The Joint Committee met on **34** occasions during the period under report. The number of hours of discussion involved in these meetings was in excess of **68** hours.

The subject matter of each meeting of the Joint Committee, including the groups, organisations or individuals who attended the meetings, is detailed in *Appendix 3*. The Minutes of Proceedings of the Joint Committee in public session are attached at *Appendix 4*.

5.2 Select Committee

The Dáil Select Committee met **5** times during the period under report and the number of hours of discussion involved in these meetings was in excess of **9** hours.

The subject matter of each meeting, including the groups, organisations or individuals who attended the meetings of the Select Committee, is detailed in *Appendix 5.* The proceedings (Imeachtaí) of the Select Committee are attached at *Appendix 6.*

6. Witnesses attending before the Committee(s)

During the period, the number of speaking witnesses for the Joint Committee was 130, the number of speaking witnesses for each of the Committees was as follows:

COMMITTEE NAME	NUMBER OF WITNESSES
Joint Committee	129
Select Committee	1

7. Committee Reports Published

During the period under report, the Joint Committee published the following reports:

- Committee Work Programme 2017.
- EU Scrutiny Work Programme 2017.
- The Impact of Short Term Lettings on Ireland's Housing and Rental Market.
- Report on Scrutiny of the 34th Amendment of the Constitution Presidential Voting Bill 2014.
- Contribution of the Joint Committee on Housing, Planning & Local Government on the Draft National Planning Framework - Ireland 2040: Our Plan.
- Report of the Joint Committee on the General Scheme of the Building Control (Construction Industry Register Ireland) Bill 2017.

8. Travel

The Joint Committee undertook the following travel in accordance with its Orders of Reference in connection with its Work Programme.

1. <u>Purpose of travel</u>: Representation at the Peter McVerry Supported

Temporary Accommodation

Date and Destination: Wednesday, 7 February 2017

Peter McVerry Trust, Ellis Quay, Dublin 1

Members travelling: Deputy Maria Bailey (Chairman) and Senator Victor

Boyhan

Accompanying Officials: Fiona Cashin (Clerk) and Pádraig Grant (Committee

Secretariat)

2. Purpose of travel: Representation at the Mater Dei Family Hub

Date and Destination: Tuesday, 18 September 2017

Mater Dei Family Hub, Clonliffe Rd, Dublin 1

Members travelling: Deputies Maria Bailey (Chairman)

Accompanying Officials: Fiona Cashin (Clerk)

9. EU Mainstreaming

9.1 Legislative Proposals

From January to December 2017, the Joint Committee considered EU matters at **3** meetings involving consideration of some **4** legislative proposals, of which further action or scrutiny was taken on the following **1** proposal:

PROPOSAL NO.	PROPOSAL TITLE	OUTCOME
COM(2016)765	Proposal for a Directive of the	Agreed to request
	European Parliament and of the	additional information
	Council amending Directive	from the Department
	2010/31/EU on the energy	of Housing, Planning
	performance of buildings (Text	and Local
	with EEA relevance)	Government.
	{SWD(2016) 408 final}	
	{SWD(2016) 409 final}	
	{SWD(2016) 414 final}	
	{SWD(2016) 415 final}	

10. Report on Functions and Powers

The Joint Committee is currently satisfied with its present procedures and role.

Maria Bailey T.D. Chairman 6th March 2019

APPENDIX 1: Orders of Reference

a) Scope and Context of Activities of Committees (derived from Standing Orders – DSO 84, SSO 70)

- The Joint Committee may only consider such matters, engage in such activities, exercise such powers and discharge such functions as are specifically authorised under its orders of reference and under Standing Orders;
- 2) Such matters, activities, powers and functions shall be relevant to, and shall arise only in the context of, the preparation of a report to the Dáil/and or Seanad:
- 3) The Joint Committee shall not consider any matter which is being considered, or of which notice has been given of a proposal to consider, by the Committee of Public Accounts pursuant to Standing Order 186 and/or the Comptroller and Auditor General (Amendment) Act 1993;
- 4) The Joint Committee shall not consider any matter which is being considered, or of which notice has been given of a proposal to consider, by the Joint Committee on Public Petitions in the exercise of its functions under Standing Order 111A; and

The Joint Committee shall refrain from inquiring into in public session or publishing confidential information regarding any matter if so requested, for stated reasons given in writing, by—

- (i) a member of the Government or a Minister of State, or
- (ii) the principal office-holder of a body under the aegis of a Department or which is partly or wholly funded by the State or established or appointed by a member of the Government or by the Oireachtas:

Provided that the Chairman may appeal any such request made to the Ceann Comhairle, whose decision shall be final.

5) It shall be an instruction to all Select Committees to which Bills are referred that they shall ensure that not more than two Select Committees shall meet to consider a Bill on any given day, unless the Dáil, after due notice given by the Chairman of the Select Committee, waives this instruction on motion made by the Taoiseach pursuant to Standing Order 28. The Chairmen of Select Committees shall have responsibility for compliance with this instruction.

b) Functions of Departmental Committees (derived from Standing Orders – DSO 84A and SSO 70A)

- (1) The Select Committee shall consider and report to the Dáil on-
 - (a) such aspects of the expenditure, administration and policy of a Government Department or Departments and associated public bodies as the Committee may select, and
 - (b) European Union matters within the remit of the relevant Department or Departments.
- (2) The Select Committee may be joined with a Select Committee appointed by Seanad Éireann for the purposes of the functions set out in this Standing Order, other than at paragraph (3), and to report thereon to both Houses of the Oireachtas.
- (3) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Select Committee shall consider, in respect of the relevant Department or Departments, such—
 - (a) Bills,
 - (b) proposals contained in any motion, including any motion within the meaning of Standing Order 187,
 - (c) Estimates for Public Services, and
 - (d) other matters
 - as shall be referred to the Select Committee by the Dáil, and
 - (e) Annual Output Statements including performance, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of public moneys, and
 - (f) such Value for Money and Policy Reviews as the Select Committee may select.
- (4) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Joint Committee may consider the following matters in respect of the relevant Department or Departments and associated public bodies:
 - (a) matters of policy and governance for which the Minister is officially responsible,
 - (b) public affairs administered by the Department,
 - (c) policy issues arising from Value for Money and Policy Reviews conducted or commissioned by the Department,
 - (d) Government policy and governance in respect of bodies under the aegis of the Department,
 - (e) policy and governance issues concerning bodies which are partly or wholly funded by the State or which are established or appointed by a member of the Government or the Oireachtas,
 - (f) the general scheme or draft heads of any Bill
 - any post-enactment report laid before either House or both Houses by a member of the Government or Minister of State on any Bill enacted by the Houses of the Oireachtas,
 - (h) statutory instruments, including those laid or laid in draft before either House or both Houses and those made under the European Communities Acts 1972 to 2009,
 - (i) strategy statements laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas pursuant to the Public Service Management Act 1997,
 - (j) annual reports or annual reports and accounts, required by law, and laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas, of the Department

- or bodies referred to in subparagraphs (*d*) and (*e*) and the overall performance and operational results, statements of strategy and corporate plans of such bodies, and
- (k) such other matters as may be referred to it by the Dáil from time to time.
- (5) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Joint Committee shall consider, in respect of the relevant Department or Departments—
 - (a) EU draft legislative acts standing referred to the Select Committee under Standing Order 114, including the compliance of such acts with the principle of subsidiarity,
 - (b) other proposals for EU legislation and related policy issues, including programmes and guidelines prepared by the European Commission as a basis of possible legislative action,
 - (c) non-legislative documents published by any EU institution in relation to EU policy matters, and
 - (d) matters listed for consideration on the agenda for meetings of the relevant EU Council of Ministers and the outcome of such meetings.
- (6) Where the Select Committee has been joined with a Select Committee appointed by Seanad Éireann, the Chairman of the Dáil Select Committee shall also be the Chairman of the Joint Committee.
- (7) The following may attend meetings of the Select or Joint Committee, for the purposes of the functions set out in paragraph (5) and may take part in proceedings without having a right to vote or to move motions and amendments:
 - (a) members of the European Parliament elected from constituencies in Ireland, including Northern Ireland,
 - (b) members of the Irish delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, and
 - (c) at the invitation of the Committee, other members of the European Parliament.
- (8) The Joint Committee may, in respect of any Ombudsman charged with oversight of public services within the policy remit of the relevant Department or Departments, consider—
 - (a) such motions relating to the appointment of an Ombudsman as may be referred to the Committee, and
 - (b) such Ombudsman reports laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas as the Committee may select.

c) Powers of Committees (derived from Standing Orders – DSO 85, 114 and 116 and SSO 71, 107 and 109)

The Joint Committee has:-

- (1) power to take oral and written evidence and to print and publish from time to time minutes of such evidence taken in public before the Select Committee together with such related documents as the Select Committee thinks fit:
- (2) power to invite and accept oral presentations and written submissions from interested persons or bodies;
- (3) power to appoint sub-Committees and to refer to such sub-Committees any matter comprehended by its orders of reference and to delegate any of its powers to such sub-Committees, including power to report directly to the Dáil;
- (4) power to draft recommendations for legislative change and for new legislation;
- (4A) power to examine any statutory instrument, including those laid or laid in draft before either House or both Houses and those made under the European Communities Acts 1972 to 2009, and to recommend, where it considers that such action is warranted, whether the instrument should be annulled or amended;
- (4B) for the purposes of paragraph (4A), power to require any Government Department or instrument-making authority concerned to submit a Memorandum to the Select Committee explaining any statutory instrument under consideration or to attend a meeting of the Select Committee for the purpose of explaining any such statutory instrument: Provided that such Department or authority may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Select Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil:
- (5) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State shall attend before the Select Committee to discuss policy for which he or she is officially responsible: Provided that a member of the Government or Minister of State may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Select Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil: and provided further that a member of the Government or Minister of State may request to attend a meeting of the Select Committee to enable him or her to discuss such policy;
- (6) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State shall attend before the Select Committee to discuss proposed primary or secondary legislation (prior to such legislation being published) for which he or she is officially responsible: Provided that a member of the Government or Minister of State may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Select Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil: and provided further that a member of the Government or Minister of State may request to attend a meeting of the Select Committee to enable him or her to discuss such proposed legislation;
- (6A) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State shall attend before the Select Committee and provide, in private session if so requested by

the member of the Government or Minister of State, oral briefings in advance of meetings of the relevant EU Council of Ministers to enable the Select Committee to make known its views: Provided that the Committee may also require such attendance following such meetings;

- (6B) power to require that the Chairperson designate of a body or agency under the aegis of a Department shall, prior to his or her appointment, attend before the Select Committee to discuss his or her strategic priorities for the role;
- (6C) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State who is officially responsible for the implementation of an Act shall attend before a Select Committee in relation to the consideration of a report under Standing Order 164A;
- (7) subject to any constraints otherwise prescribed by law, power to require that principal office-holders in bodies in the State which are partly or wholly funded by the State or which are established or appointed by members of the Government or by the Oireachtas shall attend meetings of the Select Committee, as appropriate, to discuss issues for which they are officially responsible: Provided that such an office-holder may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Select Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil;
- (8) power to engage, subject to the consent of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission, the services of persons with specialist or technical knowledge, to assist it or any of its sub-Committees in considering particular matters; and
- (9) power to undertake travel, subject to—
 - (a) such recommendations as may be made by the Working Group of Committee Chairmen under DSO 108(2)(a) and SSO 104(2); and
 - (b) the consent of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission, and normal accounting procedures.

In accordance with Articles 6 and 8 of Protocol No. 2 to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (*Protocol on the Application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality*) as applied by sections 7(3) and 7(4) of the European Union Act 2009, the Joint Committee has the power to

consider whether any act of an institution of the European Union infringes the principle of subsidiarity;

form a reasoned opinion that a draft legislative act (within the meaning of Article 3 of the said Protocol) does not comply with the principle of subsidiarity.

APPENDIX 2: Members List of Members of the Joint Committee

(The Select Committee membership comprises of Deputies only)

Chairperson:

Maria Bailey (FG)

Deputies:

Pat Casey Vice-chair (FF)

Ruth Coppinger (Solidarity-PBP) was AAA-PBP until 10 March 2017

Barry Cowen (FF)

Mattie McGrath (RIG)

Eoin O'Broin (SF)

Fergus O'Dowd (FG)

Senators:

Victor Boyhan (IND)

Paudie Coffey (FG)

Jennifer Murnane O'Connor (FF)

Grace O'Sullivan (GP)

Notes:

- 1. Deputies appointed to the Committee by order of the Dáil on 16 June 2016.
- 2. Deputy Maria Bailey was appointed as Chair on 16 June 2016.
- 3. Senators appointed to the Committee by order of the Seanad on 21 July 2016.
- 4. Deputy Pat Casey was appointed Vice-chair on 24 May 2017.

APPENDIX 3: Meetings of the Joint Committee

The following are the details, in date order, of the scheduled meetings of the Joint Committee which took place during the period under report.

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J12 18/01/2017	Action Plan on Housing and Homelessness – First Quarterly Progress Report Strategy for the Rented Sector	Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government officials

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J13	Addressing the Issue	Session A:
01/02/2017	of Vacant Housing, Derelict Sites and Underused Spaces	 Mr. Mel Reynolds, Architect Ms. Orla Hegarty, Architect/UCD Lecturer
		 Peter Mc Verry Trust Mr. Pat Doyle, CEO Mr. Brian Friel, National Director of Services Mr. Francis Doherty, Communications Manager
		Dublin Institute of Technology • Dr Lorcan Sirr
		Session B:
		 Housing Agency Mr. John O'Connor, CEO Mr. David Silke, Director of Research and Policy Ms. Isolde Dillon, Senior Regeneration Executive
		County and City Management Association (CCMA) Mr. Michael Walsh, Chief Executive, Waterford Council Ms. Catherine Keenan, Director of Services Dún Laoghaire- Rathdown County Council Mr. Joe McGuinness, Director of Services Louth County Council
J14	Water Supply Project for the Eastern &	Irish Water
15/02/2017	Midlands Region	 Mr. Jerry Grant, Managing Director Mr. Michael G. O'Sullivan, Director of Strategic Infrastructure & Group Strategy Ms. Claire Coleman, Consultation & Environmental Lead

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J15 21/02/2017	Strategy for the Rental Sector	Department Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government officials Ms. Bairbre Nic Aongusa, Assistant Secretary Mr. Earnán O'Cleirigh, Principal Officer Mr. Niall Cussen, Principal Planning Adviser Ms. Paula O'Reilly, Assistant Principal Officer Ms. Catherine Higgins, Assistant Principal Officer Residential Tenancies Board Ms. Rosalind Carroll, Director Mr. Padraig McGoldrick, Assistant Director
J16 09/03/2017	Action Plan for Housing & Homelessness - Second Quarterly Progress Report	 Mr. David Silke, Director of Research and Corporate Affairs Department Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government officials Mr. John McCarthy, Secretary General Ms. Mary Hurley, Assistant Secretary General Ms. Bairbre Nic Aongusa, Assistant Secretary General Mr. Niall Cussen, Principal Planning Advisor Mr. Barry Quinlan, Principal Officer Ms. Nina Murray, Principal Officer
J17 23/03/2017	EU action on Ireland's breach of the Urban Waste Water Directive	This meeting was postponed until 18 May 2017

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J18 30/03/2017	Action Plan for Housing & Homelessness - 2nd Quarterly Progress Report [resumed]	Department Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government officials Mr. John McCarthy, Secretary General Ms. Mary Hurley, Assistant Secretary General Ms. Bairbre Nic Aongusa, Assistant Secretary General Mr. Barry Quinlan, Principal Officer Ms. Nina Murray, Principal Officer Mr. David Walsh, Assistant Secretary
J19 05/04/2017	A Review of Building Regulations, Building Controls and Consumer Protection	Trinity College Dublin Ms. Deirdre Ní Fhloinn, PhD Candidate and Irish Research Council Scholar 2016-2018, Legal remedies for defective housing, Law School, Trinity College Dublin Eamon O'Boyle & Associates, Health and Safety Consultancy Services Mr. Eamon O'Boyle, Managing Director Construction Federation Industry Mr. Hubert Fitzpatrick, Director Housing, Planning and Development Mr. Mel O'Reilly, Managing Director Mr. Brian McKeon, Vice Chair

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J20 13/04/2017	A Review of Building Regulations, Building Controls and Consumer Protection [resumed]	Session A:
J21 04/05/2017	Scrutiny of the Thirty-fifth Amendment of the Constitution (Water in Public Ownership) (No.2) Bill 2016 [PMB]	 Ms. Joan Collins TD, Mr. Séamas Ó Tuathail S.C. Ms. Treasa Brannick O'Cillín Session B: Department Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government officials Mr. Simon Coveney, TD, Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government Ms. Maria Graham, Assistant Secretary Mr. Barry Ryan, Principal Officer

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J22 10/05/2017	Housing in Ireland – Census 2016 Results	Officials from the Central Statistics Office Mr. Pádraig Dalton, Director General Ms. Deirdre Cullen, Senior Statistician Census Mr. Richard McMahon, Assistant Director General, Social Statistics and Demography Mr. Paul Morrin, Assistant Director General, Statistical System Coordination Mr. Cormac Halpin, Senior Statistician Census
J23 18/05/2017	EU action on Ireland's breach of the Urban Waste Water Directive	 Environmental Protection Agency Mr. David Flynn, Programme Manager, Office of Environmental Enforcement Mr. Noel Byrne, Senior Manager, Waste Water Enforcement Mr. Dara Lynott, Deputy Director General Commission for Energy Regulation (CER) Mr. Paul McGowan Ms. Sheenagh Rooney Irish Water Mr. Jerry Grant, General Director Ms. Trudy Higgins, Environmental Strategy Lead
J24	Private Meeting	9 ,
24/05/2017		

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J25 01/06/2017	Detailed Scrutiny of the Thirty-fourth Amendment of the Constitution (Presidential Voting) Bill 2014 [PMB]	Session A: • Mr. Seán Crowe TD • Mr. Gerry Adams TD Session B: Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government officials • Ms. Fiona Quinn • Ms. Ríona Ní Fhlanghaile • Mr. Paris Beausang • Mr. Michael O'Connor
		Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade officials • Ms. Caitríona Ingoldsby
J26 15/06/2017	Action Plan for Housing & Homelessness – Third Quarterly Progress Report	Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government officials

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J27 21/06/2017 J28 22/06/17	The Impact of Short Term Lettings on Ireland's Housing & Rental Market Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness – Third Quarterly Progress Report and Emergency Accommodation	Session A: Dublin City Council Mr.Richard Shakespeare, Assistant Chief Executive, Planning & Property Development Mr. Daithi Downey, Senior Executive Officer, Housing & Community Services Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government Mr. Earnán O'Cleirigh, Principal Officer Mr. Andrew Harkin, Higher Executive Officer Mr. Eamonn Kelly, Senior Advisor in the Forward Planning Unit Ms. Niamh Drew, Assistant Principal Officer Session B: Focus Ireland Mr. Mike Allen Ms. Alison Connolly Simon Community Mr. Eamonn Tansey Peter Mc Verry Mr. Francis Doherty The Committee stood adjourned – a quorum not being present

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J29 22/06/2017	Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness – Third Quarterly Progress	Mr. Eoghan Murhpy T.D., Minister for Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government
	Report and Emergency Accommodation	Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government officials
J30 27/6/2017	Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness – Third Quarterly Progress Report and Emergency	Mr. Eoghan Murhpy T.D., Minister for Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government Department of Housing, Planning,
104	Accommodation (Resumed)	Community & Local Government officials Mr. John McCarthy, Assistant Secretary Mr. David Walsh, Assistant Secretary Ms. Mary Hurley, Assistant Secretary Ms. Nina Murray, Principal Officer Mr. Barry Quinlan, Principal Officer
J31 28/06/2017	The Impact of Short Term Lettings on Ireland's Housing and Rental Market (Resumed)	 Dr. Ronan Lyons, Assistant Professor of Economics, Trinity College Dublin Threshold Mr. John-Mark McCafferty, CEO Mr. Gavin Elliot, Legal Officer
		Session B: Airbnb Mr. Patrick Robinson, Director of Public Policy Ms. Natasha Mytton-Mills

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended	
J32	Credit Union Finance for Social Housing	Session A:	
4/7/2017		Irish League of Credit Unions Mr. Ed Farrell, CEO Mr. David Malone, Financial Controller	
		Session B:	
		Approved Housing Bodies	
		Cooperative Housing Ireland • Mr. Kieron Brennan, CEO	
		Clúid Housing • Mr. Cathal Callan, Director of Finance and Corporate Services Oaklee Housing	
		Mr. Patrick Coyle, Development Officer	
		Respond! Housing Association • Mr. Declan Dunne, CEO	
J33	Credit Union Finance	Session A: Private Meeting	
5/7/2017	for Social Housing (Resumed)	Session B:	
		 Department of Finance officials Mr. Des Carville Mr. Brian Corr Ms. Deirdre Aherne 	
		Session C:	
		 Central Bank Mr. Ed Sibley Ms. Elaine Byrne Ms. Anna Marie Finnegan 	

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J34 13/7/2017	Engagement with Mr Jack Keyes, Chairman Designate, Pyrite Resolution Board.	Session A: • Mr Jack Keyes, Chairman Designate, Pyrite Resolution Board.
	Review of Housing & Homelessness Policies & Initiatives	Session B: Dublin City Council Mr. Anthony Flynn Ms. Eileen Gleeson Fingal County Council Ms. Margaret Geraghty Ms. Mary Egan
		Cork City Council Mr. Pat Ledwidge Ms. Valerie O'Riordan
		Waterford City & County CouncilMr. Michael WaslhMr. Ivan Grimes
J35 20/9/2017	Investing in the Right to a Home: - Housing, HAPS and Hubs Report	 Dr. Mary P Murphy Dr. Rory Hearne Session B: Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government officials Ma. Mary Hyrlay: Assistant
		 Ms. Mary Hurley, Assistant Secretary Mr. Thomas Gallagher Mr. Brian Kenny
		Dublin Regional Homeless Executive
		 Ms Eileen Gleeson, Director Dr. Bernie O'Donoghue Hynes Head of Research Mr. Anthony Flynn
J36	Private Meeting	None
26/9/2017		

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J37	Engagement with	Mr. Eoghan Murhpy T.D., Minister for
28/9/2017	Minister Eoghan Murphy, Minister for the Department of	Housing, Planning & Local Government
	Housing, Planning and Local Government	Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government officials • Mr. John McCarthy, Secretary General
		Ms. Mary Hurley, Assistant Secretary
		 Mr. David Walsh, Assistant Secretary
J38	Pre-Legislative	Engineers Ireland
4/10/17	Scrutiny of the Construction Industry	 Ms. Caroline Spillane, Director General
	Register Ireland Bill 2017 (CIRI)	Mr. Cormac Bradley, Chartered Engineer
		Royal Institute of The Architects of Ireland
		Ms. Kathryn Meghen, CEOMs. Carole Pollard, President
		Society of Chartered Surveyors Ireland • Mr. Alan Baldwin, MD
		 Mr. Alan Isdell, Chartered Building Surveyor
J39	Detailed Scrutiny of	Mr. Eamon O Cuiv T.D
12/10/2017	the Electoral	
	(Amendment) (No.3)	
	Bill 2014 [PMB]	Mr. Seán Sherlock T.D
	Detailed Scrutiny of	
	the Prohibition of	
	Micro-Plastics Bill 2016 [PMB]	
J40	Ireland 2040 Our Plan	Mr. Eoghan Murphy T.D. Minister for
18/10/2017	- National Planning Framework	Housing, Planning & Local Government

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended		
J41 26/10/17	Pre-Legislative Scrutiny of the Construction Industry Register Ireland Bill 2017 (CIRI) [resumed]	 Session A: Ms. Deirdre NÍ Fhloinn, TCD Ms. Orla Hegarty, UCD Session B: Construction Industry Federation Mr. Tom Parlon, Director General Mel O' Reilly, Chairman Mr. Hubert Fitzpatrick, Director CIRI Admissions & Registration Board Mr. Hank Fogarty, Chairman Mr. Liam Egan 		

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J42 9/11/17	Local Government Finance – An Examination of the Funding Model	Session A Representatives from the Association of Irish Local Government • Mr. Tom Moylan, Director • Cllr. Danny Owens • Cllr. Damien Geoghegan
		County and City Management Association Mr. Garry Martin, Director of Finance, Information Systems and Emergency Services, Donegal County Council Mr. Eamonn O'Sullivan, Chair CCMA Finance Committee & Chief Executive of Monaghan County Council
		National Oversight and Audit Commission Mr. Pat McLoughlin Ms. Sheila McMahon
		Session B
		Officials from the Local Government Audit Service & Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government Mr. Paul Lemass, Assistant Secretary Ms. Lorraine O'Donoghue, Principal Officer Ms. Sinead Kehoe, Professional Accountant Mr. David Kelly, Assistant Principal Mr.Rory O'Leary, Assistant Principal The Local Government Audit Service Ms. Niamh Larkin, Director of Audit Mr. Richard Murphy, Principal Local Government Auditor

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended				
J43 14/11/17	Detailed Scrutiny of the Electoral (Amendment)(No.3) Bill 2014[PMB] [resumed]	Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government officials • Ms. Ríona NíFhlanghaile • Ms. Mairéad Ryan, • Ms. Mary Lane				
J44 15/11/17	Mid-Year Review of the 2017 Estimates for Public Services - Vote 34 (Housing, Planning & Local Government)	Mr Eoghan Murphy, TD, Minister for Housing, Planning & Local Government				
J45 23/11/17	Detailed Scrutiny of the Vacant Housing (Refurbishment) Bill 2017	Session A: Mr. Barry Cowen T.D. Session B: Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government officials Mr. Terry Sheridan Ms. Sarah Neary Mr. Niall Cussen, Principal Adviser, Forward Planning Section Mr. Brendan Buggy, AP, Empty Homes				
J46 29/11/17 J47 13/12/2017	Private Meeting Detailed Scrutiny of Local Government (Establishment of Town Councils Commission) Bill 2017 [PMB][Deputy Shane Casells]	Officials from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government Session A Mr. Shane Cassells T.D. Session Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government officials Mr. Paul Lemass, Assistant Secretary Mr. Denis Conlan, Principal Officer Ms. Lorraine O'Donoghue, Principal Officer Ms. Ainle Ni Bhriain, Assistant Principal Officer				

APPENDIX 4: Minutes of Proceedings of the Joint Committee

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING, COMMUNITY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes of meeting of 18 January 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.30am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies - Bailey (Chair), Casey, Ó Broin, O'Dowd, Coppinger, Cowen, McGrath

Senators - Coffey, O'Sullivan, Boyhan, Murnane O'Connor

2. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 9.31am.

- 2. Item discussed in Private Session
- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee went into public session at 9.56am.

7. Action Plan on Housing and Homelessness – First Quarterly Progress Report

The Chair welcomed Mr John McCarthy Secretary General, Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government and officials to the meeting to discuss the first quarterly progress report on the Action Plan on Housing and Homelessness.

A presentation was made by Mr McCarthy. This was followed by a question and answer session with Members. On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for engaging with the Committee on the topic.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at **12.03pm** until **Wednesday 1st February** at **9.30am**.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Chair

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING, COMMUNITY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes of meeting of 1 February 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.30am. in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies - Bailey [In Chair], Casey, Ó Broin, O'Dowd, Coppinger, McGrath

Senators - O'Sullivan, Boyhan, Murnane O'Connor

Apologies received from Senator Coffey & Deputy Cowen.

Deputy Ellis also attended

2. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 9.30am.

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee went into public session at 9.45am.

7. Addressing the Issue of Vacant Housing Derelict Sites and Underused Spaces-

The Chair welcomed Dr Lorcan Sirr, Ms Orla Hegarty & Mr Mel Reynolds and representing the Peter Mc Verry Trust Mr Pat Doyle, Mr Brian Friel and Mr Francis Doherty to the meeting on Addressing the Issue of Vacant Housing Derelict Sites and Underused Spaces.

The First presentation was made by Lorcan Sirr. This was followed by a question and answer session with Members. Once Dr Lorcan Sirr concluded a second presentation was made by Pat Doyle. This was followed by a question and answer session with Members.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for engaging with the Committee on the topic.

The meeting was suspended at 11.11am and resumed at 11.17am

Deputy Casey took the Chair at 11.11am until 11.4am when the Deputy Bailey resumed the Chair

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The Chair welcomed to the second session Mr John O'Connor, Mr David Silke and Ms Isoilde Dillon from the Housing Agency and Mr Michael Walsh, Ms Catherine Keenan and Mr Joe McGuinness from the County and City Management Association (CCMA) to the meeting.

The First presentation was made by Mr John O'Connor. Once Mr John O'Connor concluded a second presentation was made by Mr Michael Walsh. This was followed by a question and answer session with Members.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for engaging with the Committee on the topic. The Committee agreed that a copy of the meeting transcript and the opening statements be sent to the Minister for Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government and request the Minister to take the views and observations into account in the drafting of the 'National Vacant Housing Re-Use Strategy'.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at **12.41pm** until **Wednesday 15th February** at **9.30am**.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Chair

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING, COMMUNITY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes of meeting of 15 February 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.41am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey, Barry Cowen, Eoin Ó Broin, Fergus O'Dowd

Senators – Grace O'Sullivan, Victor Boyhan, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor

Deputy Jackie Cahill was also in attendance.

2. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 9.42am

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session
- 7. Item discussed in Private Session
- 8. Item discussed in Private Session

The meeting was suspended and resumed in public session at 9.58am.

9. Public Session

10. Water Supply Project for the Eastern and Midlands Region –

The Chair welcomed Mr Jerry Grant, Mr. Michael G. O'Sullivan and Ms. Claire Coleman representing Irish Water to the meeting for Water Supply Project for the Eastern and Midlands Region.

The presentation was made by Mr Jerry Grant. This was followed by a question and answer session with Members.

Deputy Casey took the Chair from 10.44am. to 10.48am. when Deputy Bailey resumed the Chair.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked Mr Grant, Mr O'Sullivan and Ms Coleman for attending and engaging with the Committee.

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The Joint Committee adjourned at 11.29am until 21st February at 11.00am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD Chair

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING, COMMUNITY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes of meeting of 21st February 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 11.05am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey, Barry Cowen, Eoin Ó Broin, Fergus O'Dowd, Ruth Coppinger **Senators** – Paudie Coffey

Apologies received from Senator Grace O'Sullivan

2. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 11.06am

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session

7. Public Session

8. Strategy for the Rental Sector –

The Chair welcomed to the meeting officials from the Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government and representatives from the Residential Tenancies.

A question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending and engaging with the Committee.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 1.24pm until Thursday 9th March at 2pm.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Chair

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING, COMMUNITY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes of meeting of 9th March 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 14.02pm in Committee Room 1 a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey, Eoin Ó Broin, Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Paudie Coffey, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan.

Also in attendance were Deputies Dessie Ellis and Kate O'Connell.

2. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 14.03pm

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session

7. Public Session

The Committee suspended at 2.14pm for a Dáil Vote until 3.18pm when it resumed in Public Session.

8. Action Plan for Housing & Homelessness – Second Quarterly Progress Report

The Chair welcomed Mr John Mc Carthy, Secretary General, Ms Mary Hurley, Ms Bairbre Nic Aongusa, Mr Niall Cussen, Ms Nina Murray and Mr Barry Quinlan from the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government.

Following the Chair's introductions a question and answer session ensued.

On conclusion, it was agreed that the Department officials would return to the Joint Committee at a later date to conclude consideration of the Second Quarterly Progress Report (Pillars 1-3).

Adjournment -

The meeting adjourned at 4.22pm until Thursday 23rd March at 2pm.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD Chair

Minutes of meeting of 30th March 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 14.10pm in Committee Room 4, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey, Ruth Coppinger, Mattie McGrath, Eoin Ó Broin.

Senators – Victor Boyhan and Jennifer Murnane O'Connor.

Also in attendance was Deputy Dessie Ellis.

Apologies were received from Deputies Fergus O'Dowd and Barry Cowen and from Senators Paudie Coffey and Grace O'Sullivan.

2. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 14.11p.m.

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 14.27pm

7. Action Plan for Housing & Homelessness - Second Quarterly Progress Report (Resumed)

The Chair welcomed to the meeting officials from the Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government,.

A question and answer session commenced with the Members.

Deputy Casey took the Chair at 3.53pm until 3.56pm when Deputy Bailey resumed the Chair.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending and engaging with

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 4.38pm until Wednesday 5th April at 5pm.

Minutes of meeting of 5 April 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 5.00pm in Committee Room 3, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey, Ruth Coppinger, Mattie McGrath, Eoin Ó Broin and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators - Victor Boyhan and Jennifer Murnane O'Connor.

Apologies were received from Senator Grace O'Sullivan.

Also in attendance was Deputy Dessie Ellis.

2. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 5.01pm.

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session

Deputy Casey took the Chair at 5.03pm

The Committee resumed in Pubic Session at 5.06pm

6. A Review of Building Regulations, Building Control & Consumer Protection

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Ms Deirdre Ní Fhloinn, Trinity College Dublin, Mr Eamon O'Boyle, Fire Safety Consultant and Mr Mel O'Reilly, MrBrian McKeon and Mr Hubert Fitzpatrick from the Construction Industry Federation.

Following opening statements, a question and answer session commenced with all the Members.

On conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending and engaging with the Committee

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 7.04pm until 9.30am on 13th April

Minutes of meeting of 13th April 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.34am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies - Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey and Eoin Ó Broin.

Senator - Grace O'Sullivan.

Apologies were received from Deputy Fergus O'Dowd and from Senators Victor Boyhan and Jennifer Murnane O'Connor.

2. Private Session

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee suspended at 9.41am

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 9.44am

Public Session A

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 9.44am

7. A Review of Building Regulations, Building Control & Consumer Protection (resumed)

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Ms Orla Hegarty, University College, Dublin, Mr. Alan Baldwin and Mr. Kevin Hollingsworth from the Society of Chartered Surveyors and from the Irish Planning Institute, Ms Deirdre Fallon and Mr Paul O'Neill.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending and engaging with the Committee.

The Committee suspended at 11.16am

Public Session B

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 11.24am

8. A Review of Building Regulations, Building Control & Consumer Protection (resumed)

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Ms Mary Hurley, Ms Sarah Neary, Mr John Barry, Mr John Wickham and Mr David Hannigan from the Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government.

Following an opening statement from the witnesses a further question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending and engaging with the Committee.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 12.32pm until Wednesday 4th May at 9.00am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD Chair

Minutes of meeting of 4th May 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.07 am in Committee Room 4, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Barry Cowan, Eoin Ó Broin, Mattie Mc Grath, Ruth Coppinger and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Paudie Coffey and Grace O'Sullivan.

Apologies were received from Deputy Pat Casey and Senator Jennifer Murnane O'Connor.

Also in attendance were Deputies Colm Brophy, Joan Collins and Thomas Pringle.

2. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 9.08am

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 9.20am

6. Scrutiny of the Thirty-fifth Amendment of the Constitution (Water in Public Ownership) Bill 2016 [PMB]

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Deputy Joan Collins, Mr Séamas Ó Tuathail SC and Ms Treasa Brannick O'Cillín.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending and engaging with the Committee.

The Committee suspended at 10.07am and then resumed in Public Session at 10.43 am

[Public Session B]

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 10.43am

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Minister Simon Coveney, Ms Maria Graham and Mr Barry Ryan from the Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government.

Following an opening statement from the Minister a further question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the Minister for attending and engaging with the Committee.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at **12.07pm** until **Wednesday 10th May** at **9.30am**.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Minutes of meeting of 10th May 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.30am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey, Eoin Ó Broin, Ruth Coppinger, and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Paudie Coffey, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan.

2. Private Session

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee suspended at 9.40am

7. Public Session

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 9.42am

8. Housing in Ireland – Census 2016 Results

The Chair welcomed Mr Padraig Dalton, Director General, Mr Richard McMahon, Mr Paul Morrin, Ms Deirdre Cullen and Mr Cormac Halpin from the Central Statistics Office.

Following an opening statement from Mr Padraig Dalton, a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending and engaging with the Committee.

Adiournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 10.57am until Thursday 18th May at 9.30am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Minutes of meeting of 18th May 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.30am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies - Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey, Barry Cowen and Eoin Ó Broin.

Senators – Victor Boyhan and Grace O'Sullivan.

2. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 9.31 a.m.

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session

Deputy Casey took the Chair at 9.33am The Committee suspended at 9.35 am

7. Public Session

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 9.38 am

8. EU Action on Ireland's Breach of Urban Waste Water Directive.

The Chair welcomed from Irish Water, Mr Jerry Grant and Ms. Trudy Higgins, from the Commission for Energy Regulation Mr. Paul McGowan, and Ms Sheenagh Rooney and from the Environmental Protection Agency Mr Dara Lynott, Mr David Flynn and Mr Noel Byrne.

Following an opening statement from Mr Jerry Grant, Mr Paul McGowan and Mr David Flynn a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending and engaging with the Committee.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 11.01am until Wednesday 24th May at 9.30am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Minutes of meeting of 24th May 2017

The Joint Committee met in private session at 9.30am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey, Ruth Coppinger, Barry Cowen and Eoin Ó Broin.

Senators - Victor Boyhan, Paudie Coffey, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan.

- 2. Item discussed in Private Session
- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session
- 7. Item discussed in Private Session
- 8. Item discussed in Private Session

9. Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 10.07am until Thursday 1st June at 9.30am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Minutes of meeting of 1 June 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.32am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Ruth Coppinger, Barry Cowen, Danny Healy-Rae and Eoin O'Broin.

Senators – Frances Black, Victor Boyhan, Billy Lawless, Trevor Ó Clochartaigh and Grace O'Sullivan.

The Committee went into private session at 9.33am.

- 2. Private Session
- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee suspended at 9.50.m.

[Public Session A]

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 10.07am.

7. Detailed scrutiny of the Thirty-fourth Amendment of the Constitution (Presidential Voting) Bill 2014 [PMB].

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Mr. Gerry Adams T.D. and Mr. Seán Crowe T.D. Following an opening statement from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

The Committee suspended at 10.50am.

Public Session B

8. Detailed scrutiny of the Thirty-fourth Amendment of the Constitution (Presidential Voting) Bill 2014 [PMB].

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 11.05am.

Deputy Pat Casey took the Chair

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Ms. Fiona Quinn, Ms. Ríona Ní Fhlanghaile, Mr. Paris Beausang and Mr. Michael O'Connor from the Dept. of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government and also Ms. Caitríona Ingoldsby from the Dept. of Foreign Affairs & Trade.

Following an opening statement from Ms. Fiona Quinn a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 11.42am until Thursday 15th June at 9.30am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Minutes of meeting of 21 June 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.30am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Ruth Coppinger, Barry Cowen, Mattie McGrath and Eoin O'Broin.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan.

Also in attendance was Deputy Dessie Ellis and Danny Healy Rae.

The Committee went into private session at 9.31am.

- 2. Private Session
- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session

7. Public Session

Public Session A

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 9.44am.

8. The Impact of Short Term Lettings on Ireland's Housing and Rental Market.

The Chair welcomed Mr Richard Shakespeare & Dr Daithi Downey from Dublin City Council, and Mr Earnan O'Cleirigh, Mr Neil Maher, Mr Andrew Harkin, Ms Niamh Drew and Mr Eamonn Kelly from the Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government to the meeting first session.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

The Committee suspended at 11.10am.

Public Session B

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 11.16am.

9. The Impact of Short Term Lettings on Ireland's Housing and Rental Market.

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Mr Eamonn Tansey and Ms Helen McCormack from the Simon Community, Mr Francis Doherty from the Peter McVerry Trust and from Focus Ireland Mr Mike Allen and Alison Connolly.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 12.06pm until Thursday 22nd June at 2.00pm.

Minutes of meeting of 22 June 2017

The Joint Committee met in **public session** at 3.03pm in Committee Room 1

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies - Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair) Ruth Coppinger, Barry Cowen, Eoin Ó Broin and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Collette Kelleher (Substituting for Senator Grace O'Sullivan).

Also in attendance were Deputies Dessie Ellis and Richard Boyd-Barrett

2. Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness - Third Quarterly Progress Report & Emergency Accommodation

The Chair welcomed Mr Eoin Murphy, Minister for Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government and congratulated him on his new appointment. She also welcomed Mr John McCarthy, Secretary General, Mr David Walsh, Ms Mary Hurley, Ms Nina Murray and Eamonn Waters from the Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government.

Following an opening statement from the Minister a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the Minister and his officials for attending and engaging with the Committee.

Adjournment -

The committee adjourned at 4.58pm until Wednesday 28th June at 1.30pm.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Minutes of meeting of 27 June 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 11.42am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies - Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Barry Cowen, Eoin Ó Broin and Richard Boyd-Barrett (Substituting for Deputy Ruth Coppinger).

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Grace O'Sullivan and Jennifer Murnane O'Connor

Also in attendance was Deputies Dessie Ellis

2. Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness - Third Quarterly Progress Report & Emergency Accommodation (Resumed)

The Chair welcomed Mr John McCarthy, Secretary General, Mr David Walsh, Ms Mary Hurley, Ms Nina Murray and Barry Quinlan from the Department of Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government.

There was no opening statement and a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

Mr Eoghan Murphy TD, Minister for Housing Planning Community & Local Government joined the meeting following Cabinet business and the Chair welcomed him to the meeting. A question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the Minister and his officials for attending and engaging with the Committee.

Adjournment -

The Committee adjourned at 2.07pm until Wednesday 28th June at 1.30pm.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Minutes of meeting of 28 June 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 1.32pm in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Fergus O'Dowd and Eoin O'Broin

Senators – Victor Boyhan.

Also in attendance was Deputy Dessie Ellis.

2. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 1.33pm.

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee suspended at 1.44pm

[Public Session A]

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 1.45p.m.

6. The Impact of Short Term Lettings on Ireland's Housing and Rental Market (resumed)

The Chair welcomed Dr Ronan Lyons, Assistant Professor of Economics, Trinity College Dublin and from Threshold, Mr John McCafferty and Mr Gavin Elliot to the meeting first session.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

The Committee suspended at 2 40pm.

[Public Session B]

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 2.43pm.

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Mr Patrick Robinson and Ms Natasha Mytton-Mills from AirBnB.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at **3.51pm** until **Tuesday 4th July** at **11.00am**.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Minutes of meeting of 4 July 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 11.03am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Ruth Coppinger, Barry Cowen. Mattie McGrath Fergus O'Dowd and Eoin O'Broin.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor.

Apologies were received from Senator Paudie Coffey.

The Committee went into private session at 11.04am.

- 2. Item discussed in Private Session
- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee suspended at 11.07am

6. Public Session A

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 11.09am

7. Credit Union Finance for Social Housing

The Chair welcomed Mr Ed Farrell, CEO and Mr David Malone, Financial Controller from the Irish League of Credit Unions to the meeting's first session.

Following an opening statement from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

The Committee suspended at 12.05pm.

[Public Session B]

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 12.24pm.

The Chair welcomed to the meeting from the Housing Supply Alliance, Mr Cathal Callan, Director of Finance and Corporate Services, Clúid Housing, Mr Kieron Brennan, CEO, Co-operative Housing Ireland, Mr Patrick Coyle, Development Officer, Oaklee Housing and Mr Declan Dunne, CEO, Respond Housing Association.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 1.37pm until Wednesday 5th July at 9.30am.

Minutes of meeting of 5 July 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.32am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Mattie McGrath, Eoin O'Broin and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators - Victor Boyhan, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan

Apologies were received from Senator Paudie Coffey.

Also in attendance was Deputy Dessie Ellis

The Committee went into private session at 9.33 am.

- 2. Item discussed in Private Session
- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee suspended at 10.36 am.

Public Session A

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 10.44 am.

6. Credit Union Finance for Social Housing (Resumed)

The Chair welcomed to the meeting from the Department of Finance, Mr Des Carville, Mr Brian Corr and Ms Deirdre Aherne.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

The Committee suspended at 11.16am.

Public Session B

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 11.21am.

7. Credit Union Finance for Social Housing (Resumed)

The Chair welcomed to the meeting from the Central Bank, Mr Ed Sibley, Director of Credit Institutions Supervision & Acting Registrar of Credit Unions, Ms Elaine Byrne, Deputy Registrar of Credit Unions and Ms Anna Marie Finnegan, Registry of Credit Unions.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending and the Committee agreed to forward a copy of the meeting transcripts to the Central Bank and asked that the views and observations of the members be taken into account.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 11.50 am until Thursday 13th July at 9.30 a.m.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Minutes of meeting of 13 July 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.35am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Ruth Coppinger, Barry Cowen, Mattie McGrath, Eoin O'Broin and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan

Apologies were received from Deputy Maria Bailey (Chair) and Senator Victor Boyhan.

Also in attendance were Deputies Dessie Ellis, Louise O'Reilly and Mick Barry.

2. Private Session -

The Committee went into private session at **9.36am**.

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session
- 7. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee suspended at 9.48am.

Public Session A

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 09.50am

8. Chairman Designate of Pyrite Resolution Board - Mr Jack Keyes

The Chair welcomed Mr Jack Keyes, Chairman designate of the Pyrite Resolution Board and after hearing his opening statement, a question and answer session ensued with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked Mr Keyes for attending.

The Committee suspended at 10.29am.

Public Session B

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 10.38am.

9. Review of Housing & Homelessness Policies & Initiatives - [Officials from Dublin City Council, Cork City Council, Waterford City & County Council and Fingal County Council]

The Chair welcomed to the meeting from Cork City Council Mr Pat Ledwidge & Ms. Valerie O'Sullivan, from Dublin City Council Mr. Anthony Flynn & Ms. Eileen Gleeson, from Fingal County Council Ms. Margaret Geraghty & Ms. Mary Egan and from Waterford City/County Council Mr Michael Walsh and Mr Ivan Grimes.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 12.37am until Wednesday 20th September at 9.30am.

Minutes of meeting of 20 September 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.34am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Eoin O'Broin and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan

Apologies were received from Deputy Barry Cowen.

Also in attendance was Deputy Dessie Ellis and Deputy Mick Barry substituting for Deputy Ruth Coppinger.

2. Private Session -

The Committee went into private session at **9.34am**.

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session
- 7. Item discussed in Private Session
- 8. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee suspended at 9.54am.

Public Session A

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 9.59am.

9. Investing in the Right to a Home: - Housing, HAPS and Hubs Report

The Chair welcomed to the meeting from NUI, Maynooth, Dr Mary Murphy and Dr Rory Hearne.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

The Committee suspended at 11.1 am.

Public Session B

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 11.15am.

10. Investing in the Right to a Home: - Housing, HAPS and Hubs Report

The Chair welcomed to the meeting from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government, Ms Mary Hurley, Mr Brian Kenny and Mr Thomas Gallagher and from the Dublin Regional Homeless Executive Ms Eileen Gleeson and Dr Bernie O'Donoghue Hynes and Mr Anthony Flynn.

Following opening statements from the witnesses a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending and engaging with the Committee.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 12.01pm until Thursday 28th September at 9.30am.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT Minutes of meeting of 26 September 2017

The Joint Committee met in **private session** at 11.04am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Eoin O'Broin, Barry Cowen

Senators – Victor Boyhan and Grace O'Sullivan

Apologies were received from Deputy Paudie Coffey.

Also in attendance was Deputy Mick Barry substituting for Deputy Ruth Coppinger...

- 2. Item discussed in Private Session.
- 3. Item discussed in Private Session.
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session.
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session.
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session.
- 7. Item discussed in Private Session.
- 8. Item discussed in Private Session.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 12.21pm. until Thursday 28th September at 9.00 am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT Minutes of meeting of 28 September 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at **9.07am** in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Ruth Coppinger, Barry Cowen, Mattie McGrath, Eoin O'Broin, and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Paudie Coffey, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan.

Also in attendance were Deputy Richard Boyd Barrett and Deputy Dessie Ellis

The Committee went into private session at 9.08am.

- 2. Item discussed in Private Session
- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee suspended at 9.28am.

Public Session

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 9.35am

6. Update on Housing Issues

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Mr. Eoghan Murphy, Minister for Housing, Planning & Local Government and his officials.

Following an opening statement from the Minister a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the Minister and his officials for attending and engaging with the Committee.

Adjournment
The Joint Committee adjourned at 11:27am until Thursday 4th October at 9.30am.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT Minutes of meeting of 4 October 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at **9.35am** in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Ruth Coppinger, Barry Cowen, Mattie McGrath, Eoin O'Broin.

Senators – Paudie Coffey, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor, Fergus O'Dowd and Grace O'Sullivan.

Apologies were received from Senator Victor Boyhan.

The Committee went into private session at 09.35 am.

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee suspended at 9.45am.

The Committee resumed in Public Session at 9.47am

7. Pre-legislative scrutiny of the Draft General Scheme of the Construction Industry Register Ireland Bill (CIRI)

The Chair welcomed Ms. Caroline Spillane and Mr. Cormac Bradley, of Engineers Ireland, Ms. Carole Pollard and Ms. Kathryn Meghen, of The Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland and Mr. Alan Baldwin and Mr Alan Isdell of the Society of Chartered Surveyors Ireland and after hearing their opening statements, a question and answer session ensued with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 11:43am until Thursday 12th October at 9.30am

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT Minutes of meeting of 12 October 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.34am in Committee Room 4, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Ruth Coppinger, Barry Cowan, Eoin O'Broin and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators - Grace O'Sullivan

Public Session A

2. Detailed Scrutiny of the Electoral (Amendment) (No 3) Bill [PMB] -

The Chair welcomed Deputy Ó Cuív to the meeting.

Following Deputy Ó Cuív's opening statement the Committee engaged in a questions and answers session with the Witness.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked Deputy Ó Cuív for attending the meeting.

The Committee Suspended at 9.51am

The Committee went into private session at 9.52am.

- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session
- 7. Item discussed in Private Session
- 8. Item discussed in Private Session

Public Session B

Deputy Casey took the Chair at 10.04am.

The Committee Resumed at 10.05am.

9. Detailed Scrutiny of the Prohibition of Micro Plastics Bill 2016 [PMB] -

The Chair welcomed Deputy Sherlock to the meeting.

Following Deputy Sherlock's opening statement in relation to the Prohibition of Micro Plastics Bill 2016 the Committee engaged in a questions and answers session with the Witness.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked Deputy Sherlock for attending the meeting

Adjournment -

The Joint Committee adjourned at 10.19am until Wednesday 18th October at 9.00am.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT Minutes of meeting of 18th October 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at **9.09am** in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Mattie McGrath and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan

Also in attendance was Deputy Barry substituting for Deputy Coppinger, Deputy Hildegarde Naughton and Deputy Ryan.

2. Ireland 2040 - Our Plan: National Planning Framework

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Mr. Eoghan Murphy, Minister for Housing, Planning & Local Government and his officials.

Following an opening statement from the Minister a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

Minister Murphy excused himself at 9.55am and Minister of State Damien English joined the meeting for the remainder of the session.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the Minister of State and his officials for attending and engaging with the Committee.

The Committee suspended at 11.10am.

3. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 11.17am.

- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session
- 7. Item discussed in Private Session
- 8. Item discussed in Private Session

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at **11.42am** until **Thursday 26th October** at **9am**.

Minutes of meeting of 26th October 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at **9.04am** in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Mick Barry, Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Barry Cowen, Mattie McGrath, Eoin O'Broin, and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan.

2. Private Session

The Committee went into private session at 9.04am.

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session
- 7. Item discussed in Private Session
- 8. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee Suspended at 9.36am

Public Session A

The Committee Resumed at 9.38am

8. EU Scrutiny -

COM (2017) 481 (statute and funding of European political parties and European political foundations).

It was agreed that COM (2017) 481 warrants no further scrutiny.

COM (2017) 482 (European citizens' initiative).

It was agreed that COM (2017) 482 warrants no further scrutiny.

9. Pre-legislative Scrutiny of the Construction Industry Register Ireland Bill 2017 (CIRI) [Resumed]

The Chair welcomed Ms Orla Hegarty and Ms Deirdre Ni Fhloinn to the meeting.

Following the opening statement in relation to Scrutiny of the Construction Industry Register Ireland Bill 2017 (CIRI) [Resumed] the Committee engaged in a questions and answers session with the Witnesses.

The Committee agreed to suspend the meeting to attend debate in the Dáil on the National Planning Framework at 9.58am.

The Committee resumed in public session at 10.37am

Upon resumption of the Committee meeting, the members proceeded with the questions and answers session with the Witnesses.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending the meeting.

The Committee Suspended at 11.07am

Public Session B

The Committee Resumed at 11.08am and Deputy Casey took the Chair.

10.Pre-legislative Scrutiny of the Construction Industry Register Ireland Bill 2017 (CIRI) [Resumed]

The Chair welcomed from the Construction Industry Federation Mr Tom Parlon, Mr Mel O'Reilly and Mr Hubert Fitzpatrick and from the CIRI Admissions and Registration Board Mr Hank Fogarty and Mr Liam Egan to the meeting. Following opening statements in relation to scrutiny of the Construction Industry Register Ireland Bill 2017 (CIRI) [Resumed] the Committee engaged in a questions and answers session with the witnesses.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending the meeting.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at **12.02pm** until **Thursday 9th November** at **9.00am**.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Chair

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT Minutes of meeting of 9 November 2017

The Joint Committee met in private session at **9.04am** in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Mick Barry, Shane Cassells, Barry Cowen, Mattie McGrath and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan.

Apologies were received by Deputy Eoin O'Broin.

Deputy Mick Barry was in attendance as substitute for Deputy Ruth Coppinger.

- 2. Private Session
- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session
- 7. Item discussed in Private Session
- 8. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee Suspended at 9.39am

Public Session A

The Committee Resumed at 9.41am

9. Local Government Finance - An Examination of the Funding Model

The Chair Welcomed from the County and City Management Association Mr Eamon O'Sullivan and Mr Gary Martin, from the Association of Irish Local Government Cllr. Damien Geoghegan, Cllr. Danny Owens and Mr. Tom Moylan and from the National Oversight and Audit Commission Mr Pat McLoughlin and Ms Sheila McMahon.

Following opening statements in relation to Local Government Finance – An Examination of the Funding Model the Committee engaged in a questions and answers session with the witnesses.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending the meeting.

The Committee Suspended at 11.35am

Public Session B

The Committee Resumed at 11.37am

10. Local Government Finance – An Examination of the Funding Model

The Chair Welcomed from the Local Government Audit Service Ms Niamh Larkin Director of Audit and Mr Richard Murphy and from the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government Mr. Paul Lemass, Ms. Lorraine O'Donoghue, Ms. Sinead Kehoe, Mr. David Kelly and Mr Rory O'Leary.

Following opening statements in relation to Local Government Finance – An Examination of the Funding Model the Committee engaged in a questions and answers session with the witnesses.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending the meeting

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 12.34pm until Tuesday 14th November at 11.00am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD Chair

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT Minutes of meeting of 14 November 2017

The Joint Committee met in private session at **11.10am** in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Mick Barry, Eoin O'Broin and Éamon Ó Cuív.

Senator – Victor Boyhan Apologies were received by Deputy Eoin O'Broin

2. Private Session

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session
- 7. Item discussed in Private Session

Deputy Pat Casey took the Chair from 11.39am until 11.42am

The Committee Suspended at 12.26pm

Public Session

The Committee Resumed at 12.28pm

8. Detailed Scrutiny of the Electoral Amendment No 3 Bill [PMB] [Resumed]

The Chair Welcomed from the from the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government Ms Ríona Ní Fhlanghaile, Ms Mairead Ryan & Ms Mary Lane.

Following opening statements in relation to the Electoral Amendment No 3 Bill [PMB] [Resumed] the Committee engaged in a questions and answers session with the witnesses.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending the meeting.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 12.59pm until Wednesday 15th November at 9.30am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Chair

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes of meeting of 15 November 2017

The Joint Committee met in private session at **10.33am** in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Barry Cowen, Mattie McGrath, Eoin O'Broin and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Jennifer Murnane O'Connor.

Apologies were received from Senator Victor Boyhan.

Deputy Mick Barry was substituting for Deputy Ruth Coppinger & Senator Frances Black was substituting for Senator Grace O'Sullivan.

2. Public Session

3. Discussion on Mid-Year Review of the 2017 Estimates for Public Services - Vote 34 (Housing, Planning & Local Government)

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Minister Murphy, Minister of State English & Minister of State Phelan and the officials from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government.

Following the Minister Murphy's opening statement a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the Ministers and Officials for attending and engaging with the Committee.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at **12.29pm** until **Thursday 23rd November** at **9.30am**.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD Chair

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT Minutes of meeting of 23 November 2017

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.33am in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Mick Barry (Substituting for Deputy Coppinger), Barry Cowen, Eoin O'Broin and Fergus O'Dowd.

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Paudie Coffey, Jennifer Murnane O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan.

Also in attendance was Deputy Dessie Ellis

2. Private Session

The Committee went into Private session at 9.34am.

- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session
- 7. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee Suspended at 9.53am

The Committee Resumed at 9.54am

Public Session A

Deputy Casey took the Chair at 10am

8. EU Scrutiny –

COM(603)2017 - Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, at the twentieth ordinary meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the protection of the marine environment and the coastal region of the Mediterranean, with regard to a proposal for amending Annex II to the Protocol concerning specially protected areas and biological diversity in the Mediterranean

It was agreed that this proposal does not require further scrutiny.

9. Detailed Scrutiny of the Vacant Housing (Refurbishment) Bill 2017 [PMB] The Chair welcomed Deputy Cowen to the meeting.

Following Deputy Cowen's opening statement in relation to the Vacant Housing (Refurbishment) Bill 2017 [PMB] the Committee engaged in a questions and answers session with the Witness.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked Deputy Cowen for attending the meeting

The Committee Suspended at 10.57am

The Committee Resumed at 11.02am

Public Session B

Deputy Bailey took the Chair at 11.21am

10. Detailed Scrutiny of the Vacant Housing (Refurbishment) Bill 2017 [PMB] The Chair welcomed to the meeting from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government, Mr Terry Sheridan, Ms Sarah Neary, Mr Niall Cussen and Mr Brendan Buggy.

Following the opening statement from Mr Sheridan, a question and answer session commenced with the Members.

On conclusion the Chair thanked the officials for attending and engaging with the Committee.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 12.02pm until Wednesday 29th November at 9.00am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Chair

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT Minutes of meeting of 29 November 2017

The Joint Committee met in private session at **9.06am** in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Eoin O'Broin

Senators – Victor Boyhan & Paudie Coffey

Apologies were received by Senator Grace O'Sullivan & Deputy Ruth Coppinger

- 2. Item discussed in Private Session
- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 9.12am until Wednesday 13th December at 9am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD Chair

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JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT Minutes of meeting of 13 December 2017

The Joint Committee met in private session at **9.03am** in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair) and Eoin O'Broin

Senators – Victor Boyhan, Jennifer Murnane-O'Connor and Grace O'Sullivan

Apologies were received from Deputy Fergus O'Dowd.

Deputy Mick Barry was in attendance in substitution for Deputy Ruth Coppinger.

Also in attendance were Deputy Shane Cassells and Deputy Jan O'Sullivan.

- 2. Item discussed in Private Session
- 3. Item discussed in Private Session
- 4. Item discussed in Private Session
- 5. Item discussed in Private Session
- 6. Item discussed in Private Session

The Committee Suspended at 9.22am

7. Public Session A

The Committee Resumed at 9.33am

8. Detailed Scrutiny of the Local Government [Establishment of Town Council's] Commission Bill 2016 [PMB]

The Chair Welcomed Deputy Shane Cassells to the meeting.

Following an opening statement in relation the Local Government [Establishment of Town Council's] Commission Bill 2016 [PMB] the Committee engaged in a questions and answers session with the witnesses.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked Deputy Cassells for attending the meeting.

The Committee Suspended at 10.15am

Public Session B

The Committee Resumed at 10.17am

9. Detailed Scrutiny of the Local Government [Establishment of Town Council's] Commission Bill 2016 [PMB]

The Chair Welcomed from the Department of Housing, Planning & Local Government Mr. Paul Lemass, Ms. Lorraine O'Donoghue, Ms. Ainle Ni Bhriain and Mr. Denis Conlon.

Following an opening statement in relation the Local Government [Establishment of Town Council's] Commission Bill 2016 [PMB] the Committee engaged in a questions and answers session with the witnesses.

On Conclusion, the Chair thanked the witnesses for attending the meeting.

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 11.25am until Wednesday 17th January at 9.30am.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Chair

JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Minutes of meeting of 14 December 2017

The Joint Committee met in private session at **2.04pm** in Committee Room 1, a quorum being present.

1. Attendance -

The following Members were present:

Deputies – Maria Bailey (Chair), Pat Casey (Vice-Chair), Eoin O'Broin and Fergus O'Dowd

Senators - Victor Boyhan and Grace O'Sullivan

Deputy Mick Barry was in attendance in substitution for Deputy Ruth Coppinger.

2. Item discussed in Private Session

Deputy Casey took the Chair from 2.24pm until 2.28pm

3. Item discussed in Private Session

Adjournment

The Joint Committee adjourned at 3.39pm until Wednesday 17th January at 9.30am

Ms Maria Bailey, TD

Chair

APPENDIX 5: Meetings of the Dáil Select Committee

The following are the details, in date order, of the scheduled meetings of the Select Committee which took place during the period under report.

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
S06 01/03/2017	Consideration of 2017 Revised Estimates for Public Services - Vote 34 (Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government)	Mr. Simon Coveney T.D., Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government Minister of State Damien English Minister of State Catherine Byrne
S07 12/04/2017	Consideration of the Planning and Development (Amendment) Bill 2016	Mr. Simon Coveney, T.D., Minister for Housing, Planning, Community & Local Government
S08 14/06/2017	Consideration of the Water Services Bill 2017	Mr. Eoghan Murphy, T.D., Minister for Housing, Planning & Local Government
S09 15/11/17	2017 Further Revised Estimates for Public Services - Vote 34 (Housing, Planning and Local Government)	Mr. Eoghan Murphy T.D., Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government Mr. Damien English T.D., Minister of State Minister for the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government Mr. John Paul Phelan English T.D., Minister of State Minister for the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government
\$10 5/12/17	2017 Supplementary Estimates for Public Services - Vote 34 (Housing, Planning and Local Government)	 Mr Eoghan Murphy TD, Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government Officials from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government Ms. Mary Hurley, Assistant Secretary Ms. Janet Jacobs, Assistant Principal, Finance Mr. Maurice Coughlan, Finance Officer Ms. Theresa Donohue, Assistant Principal, Housing Ms. Nina Murray, Principal Officer

APPENDIX 6: Proceedings of the Select Committee (Imeachtaí)

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM THITHÍOCHT, PLEANÁIL, POBAL AGUS RIALTAS ÁITIÚIL

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING, COMMUNITY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Déardaoin, 1 Marta 2017 Thursday, 1 March 2017

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 9.30am.
- 2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR. 1

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:-

An Teachta Máire C Ní Bhaille (I gCeannas), An Teachta Síomón Ó Cómhanaigh, (An t-Aire um Tithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil).

An Teachta Caitríona Uí Bhroin, (An t-Aire Stáit ag an Roinn Tithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil),

An Teachta Damien Inglis, (An t-Aire Stáit ag an Roinn Tithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil), Na Teachtaí, Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Rút Choipingéir, Deasún Mac Eilis, Dónall Ó hÉallaigh agus Maitiú Mac Craith.

3. Breithniú ar Meastacháin i gcomhair Seirbhísí poiblí.

Bhreithnigh an Coiste an Meastachán Athbhreithnithe seo a leanas i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí—

- 1. The Committee met at 9.30am.
- 2. Members Present.²

The following members were present:-

Deputy Maria Bailey in the Chair),
Deputy Simon Coveney, (Minister for
Housing, Planning, Community and
Local Government), Deputy
Catherine Byrne (Minister of State
at the Department of Housing,
Planning, Community and Local
Government),

Deputy Damien English (*Minister of State at the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*), Deputies Pat Casey, Ruth Coppinger, Dessie Ellis, Danny Healy-Rae and Mattie McGrath.

3. ESTIMATES FOR PUBLIC SERVICES.

The Committee considered the Revised Estimates for Public Services –

¹ Ghlac an Teachta Deasún Mac Eilis ionaid an Teachta Rút Choipingéir (ar feadh cuid den chruinniú) [B.O. 95(2)].

² Deputy Dessie Ellis substituted for Deputy Ruth Coppinger (for part of the meeting) [S.O. 95(2)].

Vóta 34 – (Tithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe)

Vote 34 – (Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government) (Revised Estimate)

Críochnaíodh an breithniú ar an Meastachán.

Consideration of the Estimate was concluded.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála de réir Bhuan-Ordú 87 á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an Meastachán. Message sent to the Dáil in accordance with Standing Order 90 acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Estimate.

4. ATHLÁ.

4. ADJOURNMENT.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 12.20pm. sine die.

The Committee adjourned at 12.20pm. sine die.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD Chair

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM THITHÍOCHT, PLEANÁIL, POBAL AGUS RIALTAS ÁITIÚIL

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING, COMMUNITY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Dé Céadaoin, 12 Aibreán, 2017

Wednesday, 12 April, 2017

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 9.05am.
- 1. The Committee met at 9.05am.

2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR¹.

2. Members Present².

An Teachta Máire Ní Bháille (*i* gCeannas), An Teachta Síomón Ó Cómhanaigh (an tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil), na Teachtaí, Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Rút Choipingéir, Dónall Ó hÉallaigh, Eoin Ó Broin, Fearghas Ó Dubhda agus Éamon Ó Riain,

Deputy Maria Bailey (in the Chair), Deputy Simon Coveney (Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government), Deputies Pat Casey, Ruth Coppinger, Danny Healy-Rae, Eoin O'Broin, Fergus O'Dowd and Eamon Ryan

3. An BIILLE UM PLEANAIL AGUS FORBAIRT (LEASÚ) 2016

3. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL 2016.

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

¹Bhí na Teachtaí Éamon Ó Riain agus Dónall Ó hÉallaigh i láthair [B.O. 95(3)].

²Deputies Eamon Ryan and Danny Healy-Rae attended [S.O. 95(3)].

(i) Alt 1.

Tairgeadh leasú 1 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 2 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

ii) Alt 2.

Tairgeadh leasú 3 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 4 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(iii) Aontaíodh alt 3.

(iv) Alt 4.

Tairgeadh leasú 6 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 7 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 8 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 9 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 10 (An Teachta Eoin

(i) Section 1.

Amendment 1 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and *agreed to.*

Amendment 2 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and *agreed to.*

Section, as amended, agreed to

(ii) Section 2.

Amendment 3 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and *agreed to.*

Amendment 4 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and *agreed to.*

Section, as amended, agreed to

(iii) Section 3 agreed to.

(iv) Section 4.

Amendment 6 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 7 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 8 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 9 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 10 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin)

Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.	proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.
Tairgeadh leasú 11 <i>(An Teachta Eoin</i> Ó <i>Broin)</i> agus <i>tarraingíodh siar an</i> <i>leasú,</i> faoi chead.	Amendment 11 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.
Tairgeadh leasú 12 <i>(An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain)</i> agus <i>tarraingíodh siar an leasú,</i> faoi chead.	Amendment 12 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.
Tairgeadh leasú 13 <i>(An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain)</i> agus <i>tarraingíodh siar an leasú,</i> faoi chead.	Amendment 13 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.
Tairgeadh leasú 14 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus aontaíodh an leasú.	Amendment 14 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and agreed to.
Tairgeadh leasú 15 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.	Amendment 15 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.
Tairgeadh leasú 16 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.	Amendment 16 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.
Tairgeadh leasú 17 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.	Amendment 17 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.
Tairgeadh leasú 18 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.	Amendment 18 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.
Tairgeadh leasú 19 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.	Amendment 19 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.
Tairgeadh leasú 20 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.	Amendment 20 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.
Tairgeadh leasú 21 <i>(An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain)</i> agus <i>tarraingíodh siar an leasú,</i> faoi chead.	Amendment 21 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.
Tairgeadh leasú 22 <i>(An tAire</i> Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an	Amendment 22 (<i>Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government</i>) proposed and <i>agreed</i>

leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 23 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 24 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 25 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 26 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 27 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 28 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 29 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 30 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 31 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 32 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 33 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 34 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an to.

Amendment 23 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 24 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 25 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 26 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 27 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 28 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 29 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 30 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 31 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 32 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and *agreed to.*

Amendment 33 (Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 34 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 35 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 36 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 37 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 38 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 39 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 40 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 41 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 42 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 43 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 44 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 45 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 46 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an Amendment 35 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 36 (Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 37 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and *agreed to.*

Amendment 38 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 39 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 40 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 41 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 42 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 43 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 44 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 45 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 46 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and *agreed*

leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 47 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 48 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 49 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 50 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 51 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 52 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 53 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 54 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 55 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

- (v) Aontaíodh alt 5.
- (vi) Aontaíodh alt 6.
- (vii) Alt 7.

to.

Amendment 47 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and *agreed to.*

Amendment 48 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and *agreed to.*

Amendment 49 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 50 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 51 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 52 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 53 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 54 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and *agreed to.*

Amendment 55 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and *agreed to.*

Section, as amended, agreed to

- (v) Section 5 agreed to.
- (vi) Section 6 agreed to.
- (vii) Section 7.

Tairgeadh leasú 56 (An tAire Amendment 56 (Minister for Housing, Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Planning, Community and Local Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an Government) proposed and agreed to. leasú. Tairgeadh leasú 57 (An Teachta Amendment 57 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) Éamon Ó Riain) agus aontaíodh an proposed and agreed to. leasú. Tairgeadh leasú 61 (An Teachta Amendment 61 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. an leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 62 (An Teachta Amendment 62 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. an leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 63 (An Teachta Amendment 63 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. an leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 64 (An Teachta Amendment 64 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. an leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 65 (An Teachta Amendment 65 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. an leasú, faoi chead. Section, as amended, agreed to Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh. (viii) Aontaíodh alt 8. (viii) Section 8 agreed to. (ix) Alt 9. (ix) Section 9. Tairgeadh leasú 66 (An Teachta Amendment 66 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. an leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 67 (An tAire Amendment 67 (Minister for Housing, Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Planning, Community and Local Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an Government) proposed and agreed to.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh. Section as amended, agreed to

(x) Alt 10. (x) Section 10.

leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 68 (An Teachta Amendment 68 (Deputy Eamon Ryan)

Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 69 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xi) Alt 11.

Tairgeadh leasú 70 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

4. An Cruinniú ar Fionraí.

Ordaíodh: An Cruinniú a chur ar fionraí anois go dtí 12.45p.m. An Teachta Máire Ní Bháille (*i gCeannas*)

Cuireadh an Cruinniú ar fionraí dá réir sin ar 12.35pm.

Ar 12.45pm. athchromadh ar an gCruinniú.

5. An BIILLE UM PLEANAIL AGUS FORBAIRT (LEASÚ) 2016.

D'athchrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

Tairgeadh leasú 71 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(i) Alt 12.

Tairgeadh leasú 72 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an

proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 69 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Section as amended, agreed to

(xi) Section 11.

Amendment 70 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

4. MEETING SUSPENDED.

Ordered: That the Meeting be now suspended until 12.45p.m. Deputy Maria Bailey (in the Chair).

The Meeting was accordingly suspended at 12.35pm.

The Meeting was resumed at 12.45pm.

5. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL 2016.

The Committee resumed consideration of the Bill.

Amendment 71 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Section as amended, agreed to

(i) Section 12.

Amendment 72 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

leasú.

(ii) Aontaíodh alt 12.

(iii) Alt 13.

Tairgeadh leasú 73 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 74 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 75 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 76 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 77 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 78 (An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 79 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 80 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 81 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

(iv) Aontaíodh ailt 13 agus 14.

(ii) Section 12 agreed to.

(iii) Section 13.

Amendment 73 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and by leave, withdrawn

Amendment 74 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 75 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 76 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 77 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 78 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 79 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 80 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and agreed to..

Amendment 81 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

(iv) Sections 13 and 14 agreed to.

(v) Alt 15.

Tairgeadh leasú 82 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 83 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 84 (*An tAire* Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 85 (*An tAire* Thithíocht, *Pleanáil, Pobal agus* Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 86 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 87 (*An tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil*) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

(vi) Aontaíodh alt 15.

(vii) Ailt nua.

Tairgeadh leasú 90 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 91 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 92 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 93 (An Teachta Eoin

(v) Section 15.

Amendment 82 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 83 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 84 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 85 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 86 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 87 (*Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*) proposed and agreed to.

(vi) Section 15 agreed to.

(vii) New sections.

Amendment 90 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, negatived

Amendment 91 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, negatived

Amendment 92 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 93 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin)

Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 94 (An Teachta Eoin Amendment 94 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 95 (An Teachta Eoin Amendment 95 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) Ó Broin) agus diúltaíodh dó. proposed and, by leave, negatived Tairgeadh leasú 96 (An Teachta Eoin Amendment 96 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. leasú, faoi chead. Tairgeadh leasú 97 (An Teachta Eoin Amendment 97 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) Ó Broin) agus diúltaíodh dó. proposed and, by leave, negatived Tairgeadh leasú 98 (An Teachta Eoin Amendment 98 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an proposed and, by leave, withdrawn. leasú, faoi chead. (viii) Sceideal 1. (viii) Schedule 1. Tairgeadh leasú 99 (An tAire Amendment 99 (Minister for Housing, Thithíocht. Pleanáil. Planning, Community and Local Pobal agus Government) proposed and agreed to. Rialtas Aitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú. Tairgeadh 100 Amendment 100 (Minister for Housing, leasú (An tAire Thithíocht, Planning, Community and Local Pleanáil, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an Government) proposed and agreed to. leasú. Aontaíodh an Sceideal 1, mar a Schedule 1, as amended, agreed to leasaíodh. (ix) Aontaíodh Sceidil 2 agus 3. (ix) Schedules 2 and 3 agreed to. (x) Sceideal 4. (x) Schedule 4. Tairgeadh leasú 101 (An Teachta Amendment 101 (Deputy Eamon

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Amendment 102 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and agreed to.

Ryan) proposed and agreed to.

Eamon Ó Riain) agus aontaíodh an

Tairgeadh leasú 102 (An Teachta

Éamon Ó Riain) agus aontaíodh an

leasú.

leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 103 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Amendment 103 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and agreed to.

Tairgeadh leasú 104 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Amendment 104 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and agreed to.

Tairgeadh leasú 105 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Amendment 105 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and agreed to.

Tairgeadh leasú 106 (An Teachta Éamon Ó Riain) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Amendment 106 (Deputy Eamon Ryan) proposed and agreed to.

Aontaíodh an Sceideal 4, mar a leasaíodh.

Schedule 4, as amended, agreed to

(xi) An Teideal.

(xi) Title.

Tairgeadh leasú 107 (An Teachta Eoin Ó Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 107 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

(xii) Aontaíodh an Teideal.

(xii) Title agreed to.

6. TEACHTAIREACHT CHUIG DÁIL ÉIREANN.

6. Message to Dáil Éireann.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille agus go raibh leasuithe déanta aige air. Message sent to the Dáil acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Bill and had made amendments thereto.

7. ATHLÁ.

7. ADJOURNMENT.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 1.35pm. sine die.

The Committee adjourned at 1.35pm. sine die.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD Chair

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM THITHÍOCHT, PLEANÁIL AGUS RIALTAS ÁITIÚIL

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Dé Céadaoin, 25 Deireadh Fómhair 2017 Wednesday, 25 October 2017

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 4.25pm.
- 1. The Committee met at 4.25pm.

2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR¹.

2. Members Present².

An Teachta Máire Ní Bháille (*i gCeannas*), An Teachta Eoghan Ó Murchú (an tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas Áitiúil), na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra,

Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Siobhán Ní Choileáin, Barra Ó Comhain, Séamas Ó hÉallaithe, Maitiú Mac Craith, Eoin Ó Broin, Fergus Ó Dubhda, Jan Uí Shúilleabháin agus Bríd Nic Gabhann.

3. AN BILLE UM SHEIRBHÍSÍ UISCE 2017.

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

Deputy Maria Bailey (in the Chair), Deputy Eoghan Murphy (Minister for Housina. Plannina and Local Government), Deputies Mick Barry, Pat Casey, Joan Collins, Barry Cowen. Seamus Healy, Mattie McGrath, Eoin O'Broin, Fergus O'Dowd, Jan O'Sullivan and Bríd Smith.

3. WATER SERVICES BILL 2017.

The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

Ghlac an Teachta Micheál de Barra ionad an Teachta Rút Choipingéir [S.O.95 (2)]

¹Bhí na Teachtaí Siobhán Ní Choileáin, Séamas Ó hÉallaithe, Jan Uí Shúilleabháin agus Bríd Nic Gabhann i láthair [B.O. 95(3)].

²Deputies, Joan Collins, Seamus Healy, Jan O'Sullivan and Bríd Smith attended [S.O. 95(3)]. Deputy Mick Barry substituted for Deputy Ruth Coppinger [S.O. 95 (2)]

(i) Alt 1.

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 5; Níl, 2.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Eoghan Ó Murchú (an tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas Áitiúil), Máire Ní Bháille, Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Barra Ó Comhain agus Fergus Ó Dubhda

Níl:- Na Teachtaí . Micheál de Barra agus Eoin Ó Broin

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis glacadh leis an gCeist – aontaíodh an t-alt.

- (ii) Aontaíodh alt 2.
- (iii) Alt 3.

Cuireadh an Cheist agus cinneadh gur freagra aontach a tugadh uirthiaontaíodh an t-alt.

(iv) Alt 4.

Cuireadh an Cheist agus cinneadh gur freagra aontach a tugadh uirthiaontaíodh an t-alt.

(v) Alt 5.

Cuireadh an Cheist agus cinneadh gur freagra aontach a tugadh uirthiaontaíodh an t-alt.

(vi) Alt 6.

Cuireadh an Cheist. Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 5; Níl, 2. (i) Section 1.

Question put.

The Committee divided: For, 5; Against, 2.

For:- Deputies Eoghan Murphy (Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government), Maria Bailey, Pat Casey, Barry Cowen and Fergus O'Dowd

Against:- Deputies Mick Barry and Eoin Ó Broin

The Question was declared carried accordingly – section agreed to.

- (ii) Section 2 agreed to.
- (iii) Section 3.

Question put and decided in the affirmative – section agreed to.

(iv) Section 4.

Question put and decided in the affirmative – section agreed to.

(v) Section 5.

Question put and decided in the affirmative – section agreed to.

(vi) Section 6.

Question put.

The Committee divided: For 5;

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Eoghan Ó Murchú (an tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas Áitiúil), Máire Ní Bháille, Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Barra Ó Comhain agus Fergus Ó Dubhda.

Níl:- Na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra agus Eoin Ó Broin.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis glacadh leis an gCeist – aontaíodh an t-alt

(vii) Alt 7.

Cuireadh an Cheist agus cinneadh gur freagra aontach a tugadh uirthi - aontaíodh an t-alt.

(viii) Alt 8.

Tairgeadh leasú 13 (*An Teachta Eoin* Ó *Broin*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 14 (*An Teachta Bríd Nic Gabhann*) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 15 (An Teachta Eoin O'Broin).

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 2; Níl, 6.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra agus Eoin Ó Broin

Níl:- An Teachta Eoghan Ó Murchú (an tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas Áitiúil), na Teachtaí Máire Ní Bháille, Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Barra Ó Comhain, Maitiú Mac Craith agus Fergus Ó Dubhda

Against, 2.

For:- Deputy Eoghan Murphy (Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government), Deputies Maria Bailey, Pat Casey, Barry Cowen and Fergus O'Dowd

Against:- Deputies Mick Barry and Eoin O Broin.

The Question was declared carried accordingly – section *agreed to*.

(vii) Section 7.

Question put and decided in the affirmative – section *agreed to*.

(viii) Section 8.

Amendment 13 (*Deputy Eoin O'Broin*) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 14 (*Deputy Bríd Smith*) proposed and *negatived*.

Amendment 15 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin)

Question put.

The Committee divided: For, 2; Against; 6.

For:- Deputies Mick Barry and Eoin O'Broin

Against:- Deputy Eoghan Murphy (Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government), Deputies Maria Bailey, Pat Casey, Barry Cowen, Mattie McGrath and Fergus O'Dowd

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis diúltú don Cheist

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – amendment negatived.

Tairgeadh leasú 16 (An Teachta Eoin O'Broin) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Amendment 16 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and negatived.

Tairgeadh leasú 17 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Amendment 17 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and negatived.

Tairgeadh leasú 18 (*An Teachta Bríd Nic Gabhann*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Amendment 18 (*Deputy Brid Smith*) proposed and *negatived*.

Tairgeadh leasú 19 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 19 (*Deputy Eoin O'Broin*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 20 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 20 (*Deputy Eoin O'Broin*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 21 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*)

Amendment 21 (*Deputy Eoin O'Broin*) proposed.

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Question put.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 2; Níl, 5.

The Committee divided: For, 2; Against, 5

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra agus Eoin O'Broin.

For:- Deputies Mick Barry and Eoin O'Broin

Níl:- Na Teachtaí Eoghan Murphy (an tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas Áitiúil), na Teachtaí Máire Ní Bháille, Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Barra Ó Comhain agus Fergus Ó Dubhda.

Against:- Deputies Eoghan Murphy (*Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government*), Maria Bailey, Pat Casey, Barry Cowen and Fergus O'Dowd.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis *diúltú* don Cheist.

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – amendment negatived.

Amendment 22 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and negatived.

Tairgeadh leasú 22 (An Teachta Eoin O'Broin) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Amendment 23 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and negatived.

Tairgeadh leasú 23 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Amendment 24 (*Deputy Mick Barry*) proposed.

Tairgeadh leasú 24 (*An Teachta Micheál de Barra*).

Question put.

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 2; Níl, 5. The Committee divided: For, 2; Against, 5. Tá:- Na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra agus For: Deputies Mick Barry and Eoin Eoin Ó Broin. Ó Broin. Níl:- Na Teachtaí Eoghan Murphy (an Against: Deputies Eoghan Murphy tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas (Minister for Housing, Planning and Áitiúil), Máire Ní Bháille, Páid Ó Local Government), Maria Bailey, Cathasaigh, Barra Ó Comhain agus Pat Casey, Barry Cowen and Fergus Ó Dubhda Fergus O'Dowd The Question was declared negatived Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar accordingly éis diúltú don Cheist amendment *negatived*. (ix) Alt 9. (ix) Section 9. Alt 9. Section 9. Cuireadh an Cheist. Question put. The Committee divided: For, 5; Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 5; Níl, 2. Against, 2. Tá:- Na Teachtaí Eoghan Murphy (an For:- Deputies Eoghan Murphy tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas (Minister for Housing, Planning and Áitiúil), Máire Ní Bháille, Local Government), Maria Bailey, Páid O Cathasaigh, Barra Ó Comhain agus Pat Casey, Barry Cowen and Fergus Ó Dubhda Fergus O'Dowd Against:- Deputies Mick Barry and Teachtaí Micheál de Barra Eoin Ó Broin. Níl:- Na agus Eoin O Broin). The Question was declared carried Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar accordingly – section agreed to. éis glacadh leis an gCeist - aontaíodh

(x) Alt 10.

an t-alt

(x) Section 10.

Tairgeadh leasú 28 (An Teachta Eoin O'Broin).

Amendment 28 (*Deputy Eoin O'Broin*) proposed.

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 2; Níl, 5.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra agus Eoin Ó Broin.

Níl:- Na Teachtaí Eoghan Murphy (an tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas Áitiúil), Máire Ní Bháille, Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Barra Ó Comhain agus Fergus Ó Dubhda.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis *diúltú* don Cheist – *diúltaíodh* don leasú

Tairgeadh leasú 30 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Cuireadh an Cheist agus cinneadh gur freagra aontach a tugadh uirthi - aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xi) Alt 11.

Tairgeadh leasú 31 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 32 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 33 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Cuireadh an Cheist agus cinneadh gur freagra aontach a tugadh uirthi - aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xii) Alt 12.

Tairgeadh leasú 36 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 37 (An Teachta Eoin O'Broin) agus diúltaíodh dó.

Question put.

The Committee divided: For, 2; Against, 5.

For:- Mick Barry and Eoin O'Broin

Against:- Deputies Eoghan Murphy (Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government), Maria Bailey, Pat Casey, Barry Cowen and Fergus O'Dowd

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – amendment negatived

Amendment 30 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and negatived.

Question put and decided in the affirmative – section *agreed to*.

(xi) Section 11.

Amendment 31 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 32 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 33 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and negatived.

Question put and decided in the affirmative – section agreed to.

(xii) Section 12.

Amendment 36 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and negatived.
Amendment 37 (Deputy Eoin O'Broin) proposed and negatived.

Cuireadh an Cheist agus cinneadh gur freagra aontach a tugadh uirthi - aontaíodh an t-alt.

Question put and decided in the affirmative – section *agreed to*.

(xiii) Alt 13.

Tairgeadh leasú 39 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 42 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó. Tairgeadh leasú 43 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 44 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus *tarraingíodh* siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 45 (*An Teachta Eoin O'Broin*) agus *tarraingíodh* siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 46 (An Teachta Eoin O'Broin) agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh alt 13.

(xiv) Aontaíodh ailt 14 go 18, go huile.

(xv) Alt 19.

Tairgeadh leasú 49 An Teachta Eoghan Murphy (an tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas Áitiúil) agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 50 (An Teachta Eoin O'Broin)

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 2; Níl, 6.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra agus Eoin Ó Broin. (xiii) Section 13.

Amendment 39 (*Deputy Eoin O'Broin*) proposed and *negatived*.

Amendment 42 (*Deputy Eoin O'Broin*) proposed and *negatived*. Amendment 43 (*Deputy Eoin O'Broin*) proposed and *negatived*.

Amendment 44 (*Deputy Eoin O'Broin*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 45 (*Deputy Eoin O'Broin*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 46 (*Deputy Eoin O'Broin*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section 13 agreed to.

(xiv) Sections 14 to 18, inclusive, agreed to.

(xv) Section 19.

Amendment 49 Deputy Eoghan Murphy (Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government) proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 50 (*Deputy Eoin Ó Broin*) proposed.

Question put.

The Committee divided: For, 2, Against, 6.

For: - Deputies Mick Barry and Eoin O'Broin

Níl:- Na Teachtaí Eoghan Murphy (an tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas Áitiúil), Máire Ní Bháille, Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Barra Ó Comhain, Maitiú Mac Craith agus Fergus Ó Dubhda.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis *diúltú* don Cheist – *diúltaíodh* don leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 51 (*An Teachta Micheál de Barra*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó. *Aontaíodh* an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xvi) Alt 20.

Tairgeadh leasú 52 (*An Teachta Micheál de Barra*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Aontaíodh alt 20.

(xvii) Aontaíodh ailt 21 go 26, go huile.

(xviii) Alt 27.

Tairgeadh leasú 53 (*An Teachta Micheál de Barra*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Aontaíodh alt 27.

(xviv) Aontaíodh ailt 28 go 44, go huile.

(xx) Alt 45.

Tairgeadh leasú 54 (*An Teachta Micheál de Barra*) agus *diúltaíodh* dó.

Aontaíodh alt 45.

(xxi) Aontaíodh ailt 46 go 62, go huile.

Against:- Deputies Eoghan Murphy (Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government), Maria Bailey, Pat Casey, Barry Cowen, Mattie McGrath and Fergus O'Dowd

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – amendment negatived.

Amendment 51 (*Deputy Mick Barry*) proposed and *negatived* Section, as amended, *agreed to*.

(xvi) Section 20.

Amendment 52 (*Deputy Mick Barry*) proposed and *negatived*.

Section 20 agreed to.

(xvii) Sections 21 to 26, inclusive, agreed to.

(xviii) Section 27.

Amendment 53 (*Deputy Mick Barry*) proposed and *negatived*.

Section 27 agreed to.

(xviv) Sections 28 to 44, inclusive, agreed to.

(xx) Section 45.

Amendment 54 (*Deputy Mick Barry*) proposed and *negatived*.

Section 45 agreed to.

(xxi) Sections 46 to 62, inclusive, agreed to.

4. An Cruinniú ar Fionraí

Ordaíodh: An Cruinniú a chur ar fionraí anois go dtí 7.25p.m. (An Teachta Máire Ní Bháille (i gCeannas), An Teachta Eoghan Ó Murchú (an tAire Thithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas Áitiúil), na Teachtaí Micheál de Barra, Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Siobhán Ní Choileáin, Barra Ó Comhain, Séamas Ó hÉallaithe, Maitiú Mac Craith, Eoin Ó Broin, Fergus Ó Dubhda, Jan Uí Shúilleabháin agus Bríd Nic Gabhann.

Cuireadh an Cruinniú ar fionraí dá réir sin ar 7.15p.m.

Ar 7.25p.m. athchromadh ar an gCruinniú.

5. AN BILLE UM SHEIRBHÍSÍ UISCE 2017.

D'athchrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

(xxii) An Teideal.

Aontaíodh an Teideal.

6. TEACHTAIREACHT CHUIG DÁIL ÉIREANN.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille agus go raibh leasuithe déanta aige air.

7. ATHLÁ.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 7.25pm. sine die.

4. MEETING SUSPENDED.

Ordered: That the Meeting be now suspended until 7.25p.m. Deputy Maria Bailey (in the Chair), Deputy Eoghan Murphy (Minister Housing, Planning and Local Government), Deputies Mick Barry, Pat Casey, Joan Collins, Barry Cowen. Seamus Healy, Mattie McGrath, Eoin O'Broin, Fergus O'Dowd, Jan O'Sullivan and Bríd Smith.

The Meeting was accordingly suspended at 7.15p.m.

The Meeting was resumed at 7.25p.m.

5. WATER SERVICES BILL 2017.

The Committee resumed consideration of the Bill.

(xxii) Title.

Title agreed to.

6. Message to Dáil Éireann.

Message sent to the Dáil acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Bill and had made amendments thereto.

7. ADJOURNMENT.

The Committee adjourned at 7.25pm. sine die.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD Chair

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM THITHÍOCHT, PLEANÁIL AGUS RIALTAS ÁITIÚIL

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Dé Céadaoin, 15, Samhain 2017

Wednesday, 15, November, 2017

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 9.05am.
- 2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR.

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An Teachta Máire C Ní Bhaille (*i* gCeannas), An Teachta Eoghan Ó Murchú, (*An t-Aire ag an Roinn Tithíocht, Pleanála agus Rialtas Áitiúil*),

Teachta Damien Inglis, (An t-Aire Stáit ag an Roinn Tithíocht, Pleanála agus Rialtais Áitiúl),

Teachta Seán Pól Ó Faoláin, (*An t-Aire Stáit* Tithíocht, *Pleanála agus Rialtais Áitiúil*) na Teachtaí ¹Micheál de Barra, Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Eoin Ó Broin agus Fergus Ó Dubhda.

3. Breithniú ar Mheastacháin i gComhair Seirbhísí Poiblí.

Bhreithnigh an Coiste an Meastachán (na Meastacháin)/D'athchrom an Coiste ar bhreithniú an Mheastacháin (na Meastachán) seo a leanas i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí don bhliain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig, 2017 –

Vóta 34 (Vóta 34 – Tithíocht, Pleanáil agus Rialtas Áitiúil) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe Breise).

Críochnaíodh an breithniú ar an Meastachán

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála de réir Bhuan-Ordú 90 á chur in iúl di

- 1. The Committee met at 9.05am.
- 2. Members Present.

The following Members were present:

Deputy Maria Bailey (in the Chair), Deputy Eoghan Murphy (Minister for the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government), Deputy Damien English (Minister of State at the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government), Deputy John Paul Phelan (Minister of

State at the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government), Deputies ²Mick Barry, Pat Casey, Eoin Ó Broin and Fergus O'Dowd.

3. Consideration of Estimates for Public Services.

The Committee considered consideration of the following Estimate(s) for Public Services for the year ending 31st December, 2017—

Vote 34 (Housing, Planning and Local Government) (Further Revised Estimate).

Consideration of the Estimate was concluded.

Message sent to the Dáil in

gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an Meastachán.

accordance with Standing Order 90 acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Estimate.

4. ATHLÁ.

4. ADJOURNMENT.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 9.25am. sine die.

The Committee adjourned at 9.25am. sine die.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD Chair

¹Ghlac an Teachta Micheál de Barra ionad an Teachta Rút Choipingéir, (ar feadh cuid den chruinniú) [B.O. 95(2)].

²Deputy Mick Barry substituted for Deputy Ruth Coppinger [S.O. 95(2)].

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM THITHÍOCHT, PLEANÁIL AGUS RIALTAS ÁITIÚIL

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Dé Máirt, 5th Nollaig 2017

Tuesday, 5th December 2017

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 14.35pm.
- 2. Comhaltaí i Láthair.

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An Teachta Máire C Ní Bhaille, (i gCeannas), An Teachta Eoghan Ó Murchú, (*An t-Aire ag an Roinn Tithíocht, Pleanála agus Rialtas Áitiúil*), na Teachtaí ¹Micheál de Barra, Páid Ó Cathasaigh, Barra Ó Comhain, Eoin Ó Broin agus Fergus Ó Dubhda

3. SEISIÚN PRÍOBHÁIDEACH.

Ordaíodh: Go suifidh an Coiste i seisiún príobháideach anois.

Shuigh an Coiste i seisiún príobháideach dá réir sin

Chuaigh an Coiste as seisiún príobháideach

4. Breithniú ar Mheastacháin i gComhair Seirbhísí Poiblí.

Tá an Roghchoiste um Tithíocht, Pleanála agus Rialtas Áitiúil tar éis a bhreithniú ar na Meastachán Forlíontach seo a leanas i gcomhair

- 1. The Committee met at 14.35pm.
- 2. Members Present.

The following Members were present:

Deputy Maria Bailey (in the Chair), Eoghan Murphy T.D (Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government), Deputies, ²Mick Barry, Pat Casey, Barry Cowen, Eoin Ó Broin and Fergus O'Dowd

3. Private Session

Ordered: That the Committee now sit in private

The Committee sat in private session accordingly.

The Committee went out of private session

4. Consideration of Estimates for Public Services.

The Select Committee on Housing, Planning and Local Government considered the following Estimate for Public Services for the year ending Seirbhísí Poiblí le haghaidh sheirbhís na bliana dar críoch an 31 Nollaig 2017 a chríochnú – 31st December, 2017 -

Vóta 34 (Tithíocht, Pleanála agus Rialtas Áitiúil) (Meastachán Forlíontach). Vote 34 (Housing, Planning and Local Government) (Supplementary Estimate).

Críochnaíodh an breithniú ar an Meastachán.

Consideration of the Estimate was concluded.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála de réir Bhuan-Ordú 90 á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an Meastachán. Message sent to the Dáil in accordance with Standing Order 90 acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Estimate.

4. ATHLÁ.

4. ADJOURNMENT.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 3.05pm. sine die.

The Committee adjourned at 3.05pm. sine die.

Ms Maria Bailey, TD Chair

¹Ghlac an Teachta Micheál de Barra ionad an Teachta Rút Choipingéir, (ar feadh cuid den chruinniú) [B.O. 95(2)].

²Deputy Mick Barry substituted for Deputy Ruth Coppinger [S.O. 95(2)].