

REVISED (2) REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY, 14 - 16 JULY 2020

(AS AGREED ON 9 JULY 2020)

and

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 RESPONSE

TUESDAY & FRIDAY, 14 & 17 JULY 2020

(AS AGREED ON 9 JULY 2020)

Tuesday 14 July 2020 (9.00 a.m. – 1.30 p.m.)

Special Committee on COVID-19 Response – see page 4 for agreed arrangements.

Tuesday 14 July 2020 (2.00 p.m. – 12.08 a.m. ~~11.48 p.m.~~)

Leaders' Questions (SF, Reg Grp, RIG, Ind Grp) 2.00 p.m. – 2.32 p.m. (32 mins)

Order of Business and Questions on Promised Legislation 2.32 p.m. – 3.02 p.m. (30 mins)

Motions without debate:

- Motion re Appointment of Chief Commissioner and Commission members to the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission
- Financial Resolution re. National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provisions of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020
- Motion re PQ Rota Swop (Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection and Department of Education and Skills)

SOS (20 minutes)

Taoiseach's Questions 3.22 p.m. – 4.07 p.m. (45 mins)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation 4.07 p.m. – 5.37 p.m. (90 mins)

Private Notice Question (if any)

SOS (20 minutes)

Government Business: 5.57 p.m. – 9.00 p.m. (3 hrs 03 mins)

- Financial Provisions (Covid-19) Bill 2020 - Order for Second Stage and Second Stage (Department of Finance)

SOS (20 minutes)

Private Members Business (Sinn Féin): 9.20 p.m. – 11.20 p.m. (120 mins)

- Motion re Temporary Extension of Maternity Benefit in 2020

Topical Issues 11.20 p.m. – 12.08 a.m. (48 mins)

Adjournment 12.08 a.m. ~~11.48 p.m.~~

Wednesday 15 July 2020 (9.30 a.m. – 10.48 p.m.) [Convention Centre Dublin]

Government Business: 9.30 a.m. – 10.30 a.m. (60 mins)

- Financial Provisions (Covid-19) Bill 2020 - Second Stage (resumed) (to conclude at 10.30 a.m. if not previously concluded)

P.Q.s: Oral – Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment 10.30 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)

Leaders' Questions (SF, LAB, SocDem, Sol-PBP) 12.00 p.m. – 12.32 p.m. (32 mins)

Questions on Promised Legislation 12.32 p.m. – 1.02 p.m. (30 mins)

Taoiseach's Questions	1.02 p.m. – 1.47 p.m. (45 mins)
<i>Private Notice Question (if any)</i>	
Government Business:	1.47 p.m. – 3.12 p.m. (85 mins)
- Statements pre-European Council meeting of 17-18 July 2020, pursuant to Standing Order 124	
SOS	3.12 p.m. – 4.12 p.m. (60 mins)
Government Business:	4.12 p.m. – 8.00 p.m. (3 hrs 48 mins)
- Financial Provisions (Covid-19) Bill 2020 – Committee and Remaining Stages (to conclude after 2 hours if not previously concluded)	
- National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provisions of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 - Order for Second Stage and Second Stage (Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment)	
Private Members' Business (Social Democrats):	8.00 p.m. – 10.00 p.m. (120 mins)
- Motion re. Employment Rights [working title]	
Topical Issues	10.00 p.m. – 10.48 p.m. (48 mins)
<i>Adjournment</i>	10.48 p.m.

Thursday 16 July 2020 (9.30 a.m. – 6.43 p.m.) [Convention Centre Dublin]

Government Business:	9.30 a.m. – 6.43 p.m. (60 mins)
- National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provisions of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 Second Stage (resumed) (to conclude at 10.30 a.m. if not previously concluded)	
P.Q.s: Oral – Minister for Finance	10.30 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)
Leaders' Questions (SF, Reg Grp, RIG, Ind Grp)	12.00 p.m. – 12.32 p.m. (32 mins)
Questions on Promised Legislation	12.32 p.m. – 1.02 p.m. (30 mins)
SOS	1.02 p.m. – 1.42 p.m. (40 mins)
Government Business:	1.42 p.m. – 5.12 p.m. (210 mins)
- National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provisions of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 Committee and remaining stages (to conclude within 90 minutes if not previously concluded)	
- Motion re Revised Estimate for Public Services 2020 – [Vote 26] (to conclude within 2 hours if not previously concluded)	
Weekly divisions	5.12 p.m. – 5.55 p.m. (43 mins)
Topical Issues	5.55 p.m. – 6.43 p.m. (48 mins)
<i>Private Notice Question (if any)</i>	<i>immediately following Topical Issues</i>
<i>Adjournment</i>	6.43 p.m.

Friday 17 July 2020 (9.30 a.m. – 4.30 p.m.)

Special Committee on COVID-19 Response – see page 4 for agreed arrangements.

The proposed arrangements for the taking of business are as follows:

ARRANGEMENTS FOR DÁIL BUSINESS
<i>Tuesday proposal no. 1 – Late Sitting</i>
• The Dáil shall sit later than 10pm and shall adjourn on the conclusion of Topical Issues
<i>Tuesday proposal no. 2 – Motion re Appointment of Chief Commissioner and Commission members to the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission, Financial Resolution re National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provisions of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 and Motion re PQ Rota Swap</i>
• Shall be taken without debate
• Any division demanded shall be taken immediately
<i>Tuesday proposal no. 3 – Suspension of sitting</i>
• On the conclusion of the Financial Resolution re National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provisions of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 and Questions to the Minister for Business,

Enterprise and Innovation, and immediately prior to Private Members' Business , the House shall suspend for a period not exceeding 20 minutes
<i>Tuesday proposal no. 4 – Financial Provisions (Covid-19) Bill 2020 – Second Stage</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any division demanded on the conclusion of Second Stage shall be taken at the commencement of Committee Stage on Wednesday
<i>Tuesday proposal no. 5 – Private Members' Business</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private Members' Business shall be taken for not more than 2 hours at 9.00 p.m. or on the conclusion of the debate on Second Stage of the Financial Provisions (Covid-19) Bill 2020, whichever is the earlier
<i>Tuesday proposal no. 6 – Topical Issues</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topical Issues shall be taken on the conclusion of the debate on Private Members' Business
<i>Wednesday proposal no. 1 – Early sitting and Financial Provisions (Covid-19) Bill 2020 – Second Stage</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the event that Second Stage of the Financial Provisions (Covid-19) Bill 2020 does not conclude on Tuesday, the Dáil shall sit at 9.30 a.m. to consider the resumed Second Stage of the Bill; otherwise the Dáil shall meet at 10.30 a.m. If the debate on Second Stage concludes before 10.30 a.m. the sitting shall stand suspended until 10.30 a.m., and in any case, the proceedings on the Second Stage, if not previously concluded, shall be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 a.m.
<i>Wednesday proposal no. 2 – Statements pre-European Council meeting of 17-18 July 2020, pursuant to Standing Order 124</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shall be taken on the conclusion of Questions to the Taoiseach under Standing Order 47 and shall be followed the SOS under Standing Order 25 To conclude within 85 minutes and to be confined to a single round and a 5-minute wrap-up by a Minister or Minister of State The statements of the Taoiseach and the main spokespersons for parties and groups, or a member nominated in their stead - 10 minutes each 5-minute response by a Minister or Minister of State All members may share time
<i>Wednesday proposal no. 3 – Financial Provisions (Covid-19) Bill 2020 – Committee and remaining Stages</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proceedings on Committee and Remaining Stages shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 2 hours by one Question, which shall in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Finance
<i>Wednesday proposal no. 4 – National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provision of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 – Second Stage</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any division demanded on the conclusion of Second Stage shall be taken at the commencement of Committee Stage on Thursday
<i>Wednesday proposal no. 5 – Private Members' Business</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private Members' Business shall be taken for not more than 2 hours at 8.00 p.m. or on the conclusion of the debate on Second Stage of the National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provision of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020, whichever is the earlier
<i>Wednesday proposal no. 6 – Topical Issues</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topical Issues shall be taken on the conclusion of the debate on Private Members' Business
<i>Thursday proposal no. 1 – Early sitting and National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provision of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 – Second Stage</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the event that Second Stage of the National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provision of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 does not conclude on Wednesday, the Dáil shall sit at 9.30 a.m. to consider the resumed Second Stage of the Bill; otherwise the Dáil shall meet at 10.30 a.m. If the debate on Second Stage concludes before 10.30 a.m. the sitting shall stand suspended until 10.30 a.m., and in any case, the proceedings on the Second Stage, if not previously concluded, shall be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 a.m.
<i>Thursday proposal no. 2 – Weekly Divisions</i>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Weekly Division time under Standing Order 80 shall be taken following the putting of the question on the Revised Estimate for Public Services 2020 for the Department of Education [Vote 26] 	
Thursday proposal no. 3 – Suspension of sitting The Suspension of Sitting under Standing Order 25 shall be taken on the conclusion of Questions on Promised Legislation under Standing Order 35	
Thursday proposal no. 4 – National Oil Reserves Agency (Amendment) and Provision of Central Treasury Services Bill 2020 – Committee and remaining stages <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proceedings on Committee and Remaining Stages shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 90 minutes by one Question, which shall in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Finance 	
Thursday proposal no. 5 – Revised Estimate for Public Services 2020 – [Vote 26] (Department of Education) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Education Estimate shall conclude within two hours Speeches and Questions and Answers shall be confined to a single round, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister – 20-minute opening speech Sinn Féin – 15 minutes Labour Party, Social Democrats, Solidarity-People Before Profit, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group – 8 minutes each Fianna Fáil and Fine Gael – 15 minutes each; and the Green Party – 8 minutes All members may share time 	
Thursday proposal no. 6 – Topical Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topical Issues shall be taken on the conclusion of the Voting Block 	
Thursday proposal no. 7 – Private Members’ Bill/Committee Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No private members’ Bill or motion for a Committee Report shall be taken under Standing Order 159 	
PRIVATE MEMBERS’ BUSINESS	
Tuesday from 9.00 p.m. – 11.00 p.m.	Sinn Féin – Motion <i>re</i> Temporary Extension of Maternity Benefit in 2020
Wednesday from 8.00 p.m. – 10.00 p.m.	Social Democrats – Motion <i>re</i> Employment Rights [working title]

BUSINESS COMMITTEE
14 JULY 2020

BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 RESPONSE

TUESDAY & FRIDAY 14 & 17 JULY 2020

(AS AGREED ON 9 JULY 2020)

Tuesday, 14 July 2020 (9.00 a.m.)

Proposed Business:

9.00 a.m. – 9.05 a.m.

Business of the Committee [*Private Session*]

9.05 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.

Session 1 – *Non-covid healthcare disruption: - Impact on demand for and delivery of mental health services*

SOS (30 minutes)

11.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m.

Session 2 – *Non-covid healthcare disruption: - Impact on demand for and delivery of mental health services*
[resumed]

Friday, 17 July 2020 (9.30 a.m.)

Proposed Business:

9.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.

Session 3 – *Impact of Covid-19 on people with disabilities*

SOS (30 minutes)

12.00 noon – 2.00 p.m.

Session 4 – *Non-covid healthcare disruption: - Impact on waiting lists and screening*

SOS (30 minutes)

2.30 p.m. – 4.30pm

Session 5 – *Non-covid healthcare disruption: - Impact on waiting lists and screening* [resumed]

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

Business of Special Committee on Covid-19 Response on Tuesday, 14 July 2020

- It is proposed, notwithstanding anything in Standing Orders-
 - o the Committee shall meet at 9.00 a.m.;
 - o public session shall consist of two sessions on matters as advised to the Business Committee, each of which shall not exceed two hours;
 - o between each public session, the Committee shall suspend for a period of not less than 30 minutes; and
- The witnesses shall be as proposed to the Business Committee.

Business of Special Committee on Covid-19 Response on Friday, 17 July 2020

- It is proposed, notwithstanding anything in Standing Orders-
 - o the Committee shall meet on 9.30a.m. in public session;
 - o public session shall consist of three sessions on matters as advised to the Business Committee, which shall not exceed two hours; and

- between each public session, the Committee shall suspend for a period of not less than 30 minutes;
- The witnesses shall be as proposed to the Business Committee.