

REVISED (1) REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR TUESDAY TO THURSDAY, 6-8 OCTOBER 2020

Tuesday 6 October 2020 (2.00 p.m. – 12.27 a.m.) [Leinster House]

Leaders' Questions (SF, Reg Grp, RIG, Ind Grp)	2.00 p.m. – 2.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Order of Business*	2.34 p.m. – 3.04 p.m. (30 mins)
Motions without debate	
- Motion re Dáil start time on Tuesday	
— Sittings and Business motion for Budget week	
Taoiseach's Questions	3.04 p.m. – 3.49 p.m. (45 mins)
SOS (20 minutes)	
Government Business:	4.09 p.m. – 5.59 p.m. (110 mins)
- Statements on the Arts (Covid-19) ((Dept of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht) (to conclude within 110 mins)	
PQs (Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government)	5.59 p.m. – 7.29 p.m. (90 mins)
SOS (20 minutes)	
Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin):	7.49 p.m. – 9.49 p.m. (120 mins)
- Motion re Disability Services	
SOS (20 minutes)	
Topical Issues	10.09 p.m. – 10.57 p.m. (48 mins)
PQs (Minister for Foreign Affairs)	10.57 p.m. – 12.27 a.m. (90 mins)
Adjournment	12.27 a.m.

***Any divisions on reduced numbers**

Wednesday 7 October 2020 (10.00 a.m. – 10.15 p.m.) [Convention Centre Dublin]

Private Members' Business (Solidarity-People Before Profit):	10.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. (120 mins)
- Motion re Pandemic Unemployment Payment	
Leaders' Questions (SF, Lab, SocDems, Sol-PBP)	12.00 p.m. – 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Questions on Promised Legislation	12.34 p.m. – 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)
Motion without debate	
- Revised Estimates for Public Services 2020 [Votes 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 23, 34 and 40] (back from Committee)	
Taoiseach's Questions	1.04 p.m. – 1.49 p.m. (45 mins)
Government Business	1.49 p.m. – 3.39 p.m. (110 mins)
- Statements pre European Council meeting of 15 th -16 th October 2020, pursuant to Standing Order 124 (to conclude within 110 minutes)	
SOS	3.39 p.m. – 4.39 p.m. (60 mins)
Topical Issues	4.39 p.m. – 5.27 p.m. (48 mins)
Government Business:	5.27 p.m. – 9.30 p.m. (3 hrs 53 mins)
- Statements on Business and Brexit (Dept of Business, Enterprise and Innovation) (to conclude within 210 minutes)	
- Regulated Professions (Health and Social Care) (Amendment) Bill 2019 (Dept of Health) (Amdts from Seanad)	
Voting block	9.30 p.m. – 10.15 p.m. (45 mins)
Adjournment	10.15 p.m.

Thursday 8 October 2020 (10.30 a.m. – 7.35 p.m.) [Leinster House]

PQs (Minister for Defence)	10.30 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)
Leaders' Questions (SF, SocDems, Reg Grp, RIG)	12.00 p.m. – 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Questions on Promised Legislation	12.34 p.m. – 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)
Motion without debate	
- Sittings and Business motion for Budget week	
SOS (20 minutes)	

Government Business:

1.24 p.m. – 5.12 p.m.

- Official Languages (Amendment) Bill 2019 – Order for Second Stage and Second Stage (*Dept of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht*)

SOS (20 minutes)

Topical Issues

5.32 p.m. approx.– 6.20 p.m. (48 mins)

Private Members' Bill:

6.20 p.m. approx.– 7.35 p.m. (75 mins)

Trade Union Representation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2018 – Second Stage (*Deputy Imelda Munster*)

Adjournment

7.35 p.m.

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

ARRANGEMENTS FOR DÁIL BUSINESS

Tuesday proposal No. 1 – Late sitting

- The Dáil shall sit later than 11.17 p.m. and shall adjourn on the conclusion of Questions to the Minister for Foreign Affairs

Tuesday proposal No. 2 – Motion re Dáil start time on Tuesday, and ~~Sittings and Business motion for Budget week~~

- Shall be taken without debate
- ~~— Any division demanded shall be taken immediately~~

Tuesday proposal No. 3 – Sanitisation SOS's

- The sitting shall be suspended for a 20-minute sanitisation SOS immediately following—
 - o oral PQs to An Taoiseach
 - o oral PQs to the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government, and
 - o Private Members' Business

Tuesday proposal No. 4 – Statements on the Arts (Covid-19)

- Shall not exceed 110 minutes and the arrangements shall be in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, followed by a 10-minute statement in reply by a Minister or Minister of State, and all members may share time
- Shall not be adjourned today, with consequential effect on start times of items of business following

Wednesday proposal No. 1 – deadline falling on 7th Oct for oral Parliamentary Questions on 13th Oct

- Notwithstanding anything in Standing Orders 43 or 46, oral Parliamentary Questions to either the Taoiseach or to any other member of the Government shall not be taken on Tuesday 13th October 2020

Wednesday proposal No. 2 – Revised Estimates for Public Services 2020 [Votes 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 23, 34, 40]

- Shall be moved together and decided without debate by one question

Wednesday proposal No. 3 – Statements pre European Council meeting of 15th-16th October 2020, pursuant to Standing Order 124

- Shall be taken immediately following oral PQs to An Taoiseach, and shall be followed by the SOS under Standing Order 25(1)
- Shall not exceed 110 minutes and the arrangements shall be in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, followed by a 10-minute statement in reply by a Minister or Minister of State, and all members may share time

Wednesday proposal No. 4 – Statements on Business and Brexit

- Shall not exceed 210 minutes and the arrangements shall be in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, followed by a 10-minute statement in reply by a Minister or Minister of State, and all members may share time

Thursday proposal No. 1 – deadline falling on 8th Oct for oral PQs to the Taoiseach on 14th Oct

- Notwithstanding anything in Standing Orders 43 or 46, oral Parliamentary Questions to the Taoiseach shall not be taken on Wednesday 14th October 2020

Thursday proposal No. 2 - Sittings and Business motion for Budget

- Shall be taken without debate

- Any division demanded shall be taken immediately

Thursday proposal No. 3 – Sanitisation SOS's

- The sitting shall be suspended for a 20-minute sanitisation SOS immediately following the proceedings on the Sittings and Business motion for the Budget-Questions on Promised Legislation, and again immediately before Topical Issues

MEMBERS DISSENTING

Deputy Richard Boyd Barrett dissented to the amount of time allocated to the Statements on the Arts (Covid-19) and to the late sitting on Tuesday 6 October 2020

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Tuesday from 7.49 p.m. – 9.49 p.m.	Sinn Féin – Motion re Disability Services
Wednesday from 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon	Sol-PBP – Pandemic Unemployment Payment

THURSDAY BUSINESS FOR PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trade Union Representation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2018 – Second Stage (Deputy Imelda Munster)

INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR WEEK COMMENCING 12 OCTOBER 2020

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Budget statements by the Minister for Finance and the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform

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