

# REVISED (2) REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, 20 and 21 OCTOBER 2020

### Tuesday 20 October 2020 (2.00 p.m. – 12.42 a.m.) [Leinster House]

Leaders' Questions (SF, Lab, Soc Dems, Sol-PBP)	2.00 p.m. – 2.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Order of Business*	2.34 p.m. – 3.04 p.m. (30 mins)
<b>Motion without debate</b>	
- Motion re Parliamentary Precincts and Privilege	
- Motion re restoration of a Private Member's Bill	
Taoiseach's Questions	3.04 p.m. – 3.49 p.m. (45 mins)
<b>SOS (20 minutes)</b>	
<b>Government Business:</b>	4.09 p.m. – 6.14 p.m. (125 mins)
- Statements post European Council meeting of 15 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> October, pursuant to Standing Order 124 (to conclude within 125 minutes)	
<b>SOS (20 minutes)</b>	
PQs: Minister for Children, Disability, Equality and Integration	6.34 p.m. – 8.04 p.m. (90 mins)
<b>Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin)</b>	8.04 p.m. – 10.04 p.m. (120 mins)
- Ministerial Power (Repeal) (Ban Co-Living and Build to Rent) Bill 2020 – Second Stage	
<b>Motion without debate</b>	
- Motion re <b>Sittings and Business</b>	
<b>SOS (20 minutes)</b>	
Topical Issues	10.24 p.m. – 11.12 p.m. (48 mins)
PQs: Minister for Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science	11.12 p.m. – 12.42 p.m. (90 mins)
<i>Adjournment</i>	12.42 a.m.

\*Any divisions on reduced numbers

### Wednesday 21 October 2020 (10.00 a.m. – 11.17 p.m.) [Leinster House]

<b>Private Members' Business (Reg Grp)</b>	10.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. (120 mins)
- Motion re Post Office Network	
Leaders' Questions (SF, Lab, Soc Dems, Reg Grp)	12.00 p.m. – 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)
<b>SOS (20 minutes)</b>	
Questions on Promised Legislation	12.54 p.m. – 1.24 p.m. (30 mins)
Taoiseach's Questions	1.24 p.m. – 2.09 p.m. (45 mins)
<b>SOS</b>	2.09 p.m. – 3.09 p.m. (60 mins)
<b>Government Business:</b>	3.09 p.m. – 4.54 p.m. (105 mins)
- Railway Safety (Reporting and Investigation of Serious Accidents, Accidents and Incidents involving Certain Railways) Bill 2020 – Order for Second Stage and Second Stage ( <i>Department of Transport</i> ) (to conclude within 1 hour 45 mins)	
<b>SOS (20 minutes)</b>	
<b>Government Business:</b>	5.14 p.m. – 10.29 p.m. (5 hrs 15 mins)
- Commission of Investigation (Mother and Baby Homes and certain related Matters) Records, and another Matter, Bill 2020 [ <i>Seanad</i> ] – Second Stage ( <i>Department of Children, Disability, Equality and Integration</i> ) (to conclude within 5 hours 15 mins)	
Topical Issues	10.29 p.m. – 11.17 p.m. (48 mins)
<i>Adjournment</i>	11.17 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 PQs to the Minister for Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science

#### **Tuesday proposal No. 2 – Motion re Parliamentary Precincts and Privilege and Motion re Restoration of Private Member's Bill**

- shall be taken without debate

#### **Tuesday proposal No. 3 – Motion re Sittings and Business**

- shall be taken without debate
- any division claimed thereon to be taken immediately

#### **Tuesday proposal No. 4 – Suspension of sitting for sanitisation, and timing of Oral PQs and topical issues**

- the sitting shall be suspended for a 20-minute sanitisation SOS immediately following oral Parliamentary Questions to the Taoiseach, Statements post European Council meeting, and private members' business
- oral Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs shall be taken immediately following the second SOS
- topical issues shall be taken immediately following the third SOS

#### **Tuesday proposal No. 5 – Statements post European Council**

- shall be taken on the conclusion of the SOS following oral Parliamentary Questions to the Taoiseach
- to conclude within 125 minutes and to be confined to a round of speeches not exceeding 100 minutes, in accordance with the arrangements agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, followed by 20 minutes of questions and answers, and a 5-minute wrap-up by a Minister or Minister of State
- all members may share time

#### **Tuesday proposal No. 6 – Second Stage of Ministerial Power (Repeal) (Ban Co-Living and Build to Rent) Bill 2020**

- shall be brought to a conclusion within 2 hours

#### **Wednesday proposal No. 1 – Meeting in Leinster House and late sitting**

- The Dáil shall meet in Leinster House and shall sit later than 10.15 p.m. and shall adjourn on the conclusion of topical issues

#### **Wednesday proposal No. 2 – Suspension of sitting for sanitisation**

- the sitting shall be suspended for a 20-minute sanitisation SOS immediately following Leaders' Questions, and the conclusion of Second Stage of the Railway Safety (Reporting and Investigation of Serious Accidents, Accidents and Incidents involving Certain Railways) Bill 2020

#### **Wednesday proposal No. 3 – timing of topical issues**

- shall be taken on the conclusion of Second Stage of the Commission of Investigation (Mother and Baby Homes and certain related Matters) Records, and another Matter, Bill 2020 [*Seanad*]

#### **Wednesday proposal No. 4 – Second Stage of the Railway Safety (Reporting and Investigation of Serious Accidents, Accidents and Incidents involving Certain Railways) Bill 2020**

- to be brought to a conclusion within 105 minutes, with arrangements for speaking in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, save that the times shall be halved in each instance, and any division demanded on the proceedings thereon shall be deferred until immediately before Committee Stage on Thursday

#### **Wednesday proposal No. 5 – Second Stage of the Commission of Investigation (Mother and Baby Homes and certain related Matters) Records, and another Matter, Bill 2020 [*Seanad*]**

- to be brought to a conclusion within 5 hours 15 minutes, and any division demanded on the proceedings thereon shall be deferred until immediately before Committee Stage on Thursday

#### **Wednesday proposal No. 6 – weekly division time**

- shall be deferred until Thursday

### MEMBERS DISSENTING

Dissent was expressed by Deputies Pádraig MacLochlainn, Duncan Smith, Cian O'Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Denis Naughten, and Thomas Pringle on the scheduling and guillotining of the Railway Safety (Reporting and Investigation of Serious Accidents, Accidents and Incidents involving Certain Railways) Bill 2020

Dissent was expressed by Deputies Pádraig MacLochlainn, Duncan Smith, Cian O'Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Denis Naughten, Mattie McGrath and Thomas Pringle on the scheduling and guillotining of the Commission of Investigation (Mother and Baby Homes and certain related Matters) Records, and another Matter, Bill 2020

Deputies Duncan Smith and Denis Naughten dissented on the frequency of late sittings and the voting block being moved from Wednesday to Thursday

### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Tuesday from 8.04 p.m. – 10.04 p.m.	Sinn Féin – Ministerial Power (Repeal) (Ban Co-Living and Build to Rent) Bill 2020
Wednesday from 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon	Regional Group – Motion re Post Office Network

### INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR SITTING WEEK COMMENCING 3 NOV 2020

#### GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

TBC

#### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Tuesday 3 November 2020	Sinn Féin – TBC
Wednesday 4 November 2020	Rural Independent Group – TBC

### DEFERRED DIVISIONS ON HAND RELATING TO 2<sup>ND</sup> STAGES OF BILLS

#### THURSDAY 22 OCTOBER 2020

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**BUSINESS COMMITTEE**  
**20 October 2020**