

## REVISED (2) REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

### ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

WEDNESDAY TO THURSDAY, 28 - 29 APRIL 2021

#### Wednesday 28 April 2021 (10:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.) [Convention Centre Dublin]

**Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin)** 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (120 mins)

- Residential Tenancies (Student Rents and Other Protections) (Covid-19) Bill 2021 – Second Stage

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Labour, Reg Grp, Rural Ind Grp) 12.00 p.m. - 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)

Order of Business\* 12.34 p.m. - 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)

#### **Motion(s) without debate**

- **Motion re sessional Order for Orders for Second Stage on Government Bills\***
- Motion re Planning and Development (Street Furniture Fees) Regulations 2021 (back from Committee) (Dept of Housing, Local Government and Heritage)
- Motion re Planning and Development Act 2000 (Exempted Development) (No. 3) Regulations 2021 (back from Committee) (Dept of Housing, Local Government and Heritage)
- Motion re extension of report-back date of Committee on Key Issues Affecting the Traveller Community
- Motion re Restoration of Island Fisheries (Heritage Licence) Bill 2017 to Order Paper
- Motion re Restoration of Autism Spectrum Disorder Bill 2017 to Order Paper

Taoiseach's Questions 1.04 p.m. - 1.49 p.m. (45 mins)

**Government Business** 1.49 p.m. - 3.44 p.m. (115 mins)

- Planning and Development, Heritage and Broadcasting (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Order for Second Stage and Second Stage) (Dept of Housing, Local Government and Heritage) (to conclude within 115 minutes)

SOS 3.44 p.m. - 4.04 p.m. (20 mins)

**Government Business** 4.04 p.m. - 8.00 p.m. (3 hrs 56 mins)

- Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Order for Second Stage and Second Stage) (Dept of Justice)
- Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage (resumed)) (Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications)

Oral PQs: Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media 8.00 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. (90 mins)

*Adjournment* 9.30 p.m.

*\* Any division claimed to be taken immediately and on reduced numbers*

#### Thursday 29 April 2021 (10:00 a.m. - 8:48 p.m.) [Convention Centre Dublin]

**Government Business** 10.00 a.m. - 11.50 a.m. (110 mins)

- Statements and Q&A on COVID-19 – Mental Health and Older People (Dept of Health) (110 mins)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Soc Dems, Sol-PBP, Ind Grp) 12.00 p.m. - 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)

Questions on Promised Legislation 12.34 p.m. - 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)

**Government Business** 1.04 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. (3 hrs 26 mins)

- Motion re Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2016/794 (Dept of Justice) (to conclude within 55 mins)
- Motion re National Marine Planning Framework (Dept of Housing, Local Government and Heritage) (to conclude within 55 minutes)
- Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage (resumed))
- Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage (resumed))
- Private Security Services (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Order for Second Stage and Second Stage) (Dept of Justice)

SOS 4.30 p.m. - 4.50 p.m. (20 mins)

**Government Business** 4.50 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. (70 mins)

- Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage (resumed))
- Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage (resumed))
- Private Security Services (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Order for Second Stage and Second Stage)

**Private Members' Business (Labour Party)** 6.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m. (120 mins)

- Motion re A National Autism Empowerment Strategy

Topical Issues 8.00 p.m. - 8.48 p.m. (48 mins)

Adjournment 8.48 p.m.

The proposed arrangements for the taking of business are as follows:	
<b>ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS</b>	
<b>Wednesday proposal no. 1 - Adjournment of the House</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Dáil shall adjourn on the conclusion of Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media until 10.00 a.m. tomorrow, when it shall meet in the Convention Centre Dublin and take as its first item of business Statements and Q&amp;A on COVID-19 – Mental Health and Older People</li> </ul>	
<b>Wednesday proposal no. 2 - Motions re <i>sessional Order re Orders for Second Stage on Government Bills, Street Furniture Fees, Exempted Development, report-back date of Committee on Key Issues Affecting the Traveller Community, and restoration of Bills</i></b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To be taken without debate</li> <li>- <b>Any division claimed on sessional Order re Orders for Second Stage on Government Bills to be taken immediately</b></li> </ul>	
<b>Wednesday proposal no. 3 - Planning and Development, Heritage and Broadcasting (Amendment) Bill 2021 - Second Stage</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shall be brought to a conclusion within <del>105</del> <b>115</b> minutes, with arrangements for speaking in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, save</li> </ul>	

that the times shall be halved in each instance, and a Minister or Minister of State may make a 10-minute speech in response

**Wednesday proposal no. 4 – SOS**

- The sitting shall be suspended for 20 minutes on the conclusion of Second Stage of the Planning and Development, Heritage and Broadcasting (Amendment) Bill 2021, but shall not be otherwise suspended pursuant to the weekly Dáil schedule agreed by Order of the Dáil on 16th December 2020

**Wednesday proposal no. 5 - Topical issues**

- Topical issues pursuant to Standing Order 37 shall not be taken

**Wednesday proposal no. 6 - Weekly division time**

- Any divisions that would have been taken in the weekly division time this evening shall be deferred to the next weekly division time

**Wednesday proposal no. 7 - Oral PQs**

- Oral Parliamentary Questions pursuant to Standing Order 46(1)(b) shall be taken at 8 p.m. for 90 minutes

**Thursday proposal no. 1 - Late sitting and adjournment**

- The Dáil shall sit later than 7.35 p.m. and shall adjourn on the conclusion of topical issues until 12 noon on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021 when it shall take Private Members' Business as the first item of business for two hours

*[Please note that the Dáil sitting will commence at 12 noon on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021 in order to facilitate the annual Arbour Hill Commemorations]*

**Thursday proposal no. 2 - Statements and Q&A on COVID-19 – Mental Health and Older People**

- Shall not exceed 110 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 100 minutes, followed by a 10-minute statement in reply by a Minister or Minister of State, provided that members may use their time for a combination of statements and questions and answers, or questions and answers only, and all members may share time
- If concluded before 12 noon, the sitting shall stand suspended until 12 noon

**Thursday proposal no. 3 - Motion re Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2016/794**

- Shall be brought to a conclusion within 55 minutes, and shall be confined to a single round, with an opening speech not exceeding 10 minutes for a Minister or Minister of State, and 5 minutes each for representatives of Sinn Féin, the Labour Party, Social Democrats, Solidarity-People-Before Profit, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group, who shall be called upon in that order, followed by a speech in response by a Minister or Minister of State not exceeding 10 minutes, and all members may share time

***Thursday proposal no. 4 - Motion re National Marine Planning Framework***

- Shall be brought to a conclusion within 55 minutes, and shall be confined to a single round, with an opening speech not exceeding 10 minutes for a Minister or Minister of State, and 5 minutes each for representatives of Sinn Féin, the Labour Party, Social Democrats, Solidarity-People-Before Profit, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group, who shall be called upon in that order, followed by a speech in response by a Minister or Minister of State not exceeding 10 minutes, and all members may share time

***Thursday proposal no. 5 – SOS***

- The sitting shall be suspended for 20 minutes at 4.30 p.m., but shall not be otherwise suspended pursuant to the weekly Dáil schedule agreed by Order of the Dáil on 16th December 2020

***Thursday proposal no. 6 - Oral Parliamentary Questions***

- No oral Parliamentary Questions pursuant to Standing Order 46 shall be taken

***Thursday proposal no. 7 - Private Members' Time***

- Shall be taken for 2 hours at 6 p.m.

***Thursday proposal no. 8 - Topical Issues***

- Topical issues pursuant to Standing Order 37 shall be taken on the conclusion of private members' business

### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Sinn Féin - Residential Tenancies (Student Rents and Other Protections) (Covid-19) Bill 2021 – Second Stage
Thursday from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Labour Party - Motion re A National Autism Empowerment Strategy

### NOTE RE TWO-DAY SITTING WEEK

For the information of members, the decision of the Business Committee that the Dáil sit for two days only this week, was made on the basis of health and safety advice.

### MEMBERS DISSENTING

Deputies Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Duncan Smith, Cian O' Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Denis Naughten, Mattie McGrath and Thomas Pringle expressed dissent to the scheduling of the Motion re National Marine Planning Framework on Wednesday 28 April 2021 on the basis that the matter requires further discussion at the Committee on Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

Deputies Pádraig Mac Lochlainn, Duncan Smith, Cian O' Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Mattie McGrath and Thomas Pringle expressed dissent in relation to the amount of time given to the Covid-19 statements.

Deputies Duncan Smith, Cian O' Callaghan, Richard Boyd Barrett, Mattie McGrath and Thomas Pringle expressed dissent in relation to the speaking arrangements adopted by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020.

### DEFERRED DIVISIONS ON HAND RELATING TO A MOTION

Motion re Project Ireland 2040 -Amendment No.1 (*deferred division*) (Rural Ind Group)

Motion re Proposed Approval by Dáil Éireann of Ireland's participation in the European Defence Agency Project

### INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR NEXT WEEK

Gender Pay Gap Information Bill 2019

Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Bill 2021

Private Security Services (Amendment) Bill 2021 *(all TBC)*

**INDICATIVE PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS FOR NEXT WEEK**

Sinn Féin	<i>Tbc</i>
Social Democrats	<i>Tbc</i>

**BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

**28 APRIL 2021**