

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, 19 - 20 JANUARY 2022

(AS AGREED AT ITS MEETING ON 13 JANUARY 2022)

Wednesday 19 January 2022 (2:00 p.m. - 9:48 p.m.)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Labour Party, People Before Profit-Solidarity, Regional Group) 2.00 p.m. - 2.34 p.m. (34 mins)

Order of Business* 2.34 p.m. - 3.04 p.m. (30 mins)

Motion(s) without debate

- Motion *re* Referral to Committee of Technological Universities Act 2018 (Section 36) (Appointed Day) Order 2022 (*Dept of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation, and Science*)

Taoiseach's Questions 3.04 p.m. - 3.49 p.m. (45 mins)

Government Business 3.49 p.m. - 7.00 p.m. (3 hrs 11 mins)

- Birth Information and Tracing Bill 2022 (Second Stage) (*Dept of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth*)
- Regulation of Providers of Building Works Bill 2022 (Second Stage) (*Dept of Housing, Local Government and Heritage*)
- Higher Education Authority Bill 2022 (Second Stage) (*Dept of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science*)

Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin) 7.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. (120 mins)

- Motion *re* gender-based violence (*to be taken on conclusion of first speaking round on Second Stage of Birth Information and Tracing Bill 2022, or at 7 p.m., whichever is the later*)

Topical Issues 9.00 p.m. - 9.48 p.m. (48 mins)

Adjournment 9.48 p.m.

* Any divisions claimed on Order of Business to be taken immediately and on reduced numbers

Thursday 20 January 2022 (9:00 a.m. - 9:25 p.m.)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform 9.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. (90 mins)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, Rural Independent Group, Independent Group) 12.00 p.m. - 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)

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

SOS 1.04 p.m. - 1.44 p.m. (40 mins)

Government Business 1.44 p.m. - 6.37 p.m. (4 hrs 53 mins)

- Birth Information and Tracing Bill 2022 (Second Stage, resumed, if not previously concluded)
- Regulation of Providers of Building Works Bill 2022 (Second Stage)
- Higher Education Authority Bill 2022 (Second Stage)

Topical Issues	6.37 p.m. - 7.25 p.m. (48 mins)
Private Members' Business (Independent Group)	7.25 p.m. - 9.25 p.m. (120 mins)
- Motion re National Maternity Hospital	
<i>Adjournment</i>	9.25 p.m.

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

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

Wednesday proposal no. 1 - Adjournment of the Dáil; discontinuation of printed order paper done pursuant to Standing Order 35

- The Dáil shall adjourn on the conclusion of topical issues pursuant to Standing Order 37
- Notwithstanding anything in Standing Orders, with effect from 19th January, 2022, and until further notice in the 33rd Dáil—
 - (i) the ordinary routine of business shall be as notified in any report of the Business Committee made pursuant to Standing Order 31, and
 - (ii) all business before Dáil Éireann shall be published by the Clerk and notified to members in such manner as may be directed by the Ceann Comhairle

Wednesday proposal no. 2 - Motion re Referral to Committee of Technological Universities Act 2018 (Section 36) (Appointed Day) Order 2022

- Shall be taken without debate

Wednesday proposal no. 3 - Private Members' Business: Motion re gender-based violence

- Private Members' Business shall be taken on the conclusion of the first round of speakers on Second Stage of the Birth Information and Tracing Bill 2022, or at 7 p.m., whichever is the later, and shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion within two hours

Wednesday proposal no. 4 - No oral Parliamentary Questions pursuant to Standing Order 46(1)(b)

- Notwithstanding anything in Standing Orders or in the Order of the Dáil of 11th May, 2021, no Parliamentary Questions pursuant to Standing Order 46(1)(b) shall be taken

Wednesday proposal no. 5 – No weekly division time

- No weekly division time pursuant to Standing Order 80(2), or pursuant to the Order of the Dáil of 11th May, 2021, shall be taken

Thursday proposal no. 1 - Adjournment

- The Dáil shall adjourn on the conclusion of private members' business

Thursday proposal no. 2 - Topical Issues

- Topical issues shall be taken on the conclusion of Second Stage of the Higher Education Authority Bill 2022, or at 6.37 p.m., whichever is the earlier

Thursday proposal no. 3 - Private Members' Business

- No private member's Bill or motion for a Committee report pursuant to Standing Order 102 and Standing Order 160 shall be taken, and private members' business pursuant to Standing Order 169 shall be taken on the conclusion of topical issues and shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion within 2 hours

MEMBERS DISSENTING

Deputies Cian O' Callaghan and Denise Mitchell expressed dissent in relation to the lack of a debate on the National Broadband Plan

THURSDAY EVENING BUSINESS

27 January 2022: Motion *re* Report entitled 'Examination of Bogus Self-Employment' (*Joint Committee on Social Protection, Community and Rural Development and the Islands*)

3 February 2022: Freedom of Information (Amendment) Bill 2021 (Second Stage) (*Deputy Sorca Clarke*)

10 February 2022: Thirty-ninth Amendment of the Constitution (Remote Parliamentary Voting) Bill 2020 (*Deputy Jennifer Carroll MacNeill*)

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