

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY, 25 - 27 JANUARY 2022

(AS AGREED AT ITS MEETING ON 20 JANUARY 2022)

Tuesday 25 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	3.04 p.m. - 3.05 p.m. (1 mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> Referral to Committee of Draft Fisheries (Commercial Fishing Licences) (Alteration of Duties and Fees) Order 2022	
- Motion <i>re</i> Ministerial Rota for Parliamentary Questions	
Taoiseach's Questions	3.05 p.m. - 3.50 p.m. (45 mins)
Government Business	3.50 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. (100 mins)
- Statements on Violence against Women (continued) (<i>to conclude within 100 minutes</i>) (Dept of Justice)	
Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin)	5.30 p.m. - 7.30 p.m. (120 mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> the Leaving Certificate	
P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage	7.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. (90 mins)
Topical Issues	9.00 p.m. - 9.48 p.m. (48 mins)
<i>Adjournment</i>	9.48 p.m.

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

Wednesday 26 January 2022 (9:12 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.)

Topical Issues	9.12 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. (48 mins)
Private Members' Business (Labour Party)	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (120 mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> Cost of Living	
Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, People Before Profit-Solidarity, Rural 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)
Taoiseach's Questions	1.04 p.m. - 1.49 p.m. (45 mins)
Government Business	1.49 p.m. - 3.54 p.m. (125 mins)
- Statements post European Council Meeting of 16th December 2021 pursuant to Standing Order 124 (<i>to conclude within 125 minutes, including 20 minutes Q&A</i>)	
SOS	3.54 p.m. - 4.54 p.m. (60 mins)
Government Business	4.54 p.m. - 10.30 p.m. (5 hrs 36 mins)
- Statements on Youth Mental Health (<i>to conclude within 210 minutes</i>) (Dept of Health)	

- Regulation of Providers of Building Works Bill 2022 (Second Stage, resumed) (*Dept of Housing, Local Government and Heritage*)
- Higher Education Authority Bill 2022 (Second Stage) (*Dept of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science*)
- Redundancy Payments (Amendment) Bill 2022 (Second Stage) (*Dept of Enterprise, Trade and Employment*)

Adjournment

10.30 p.m.

Thursday 27 January 2022 (9:00 a.m. - 9:15 p.m.)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Foreign Affairs

9.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. (90 mins)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Defence

10.30 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Labour Party, Regional 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. - 7.12 p.m. (5 hrs 28 mins)

- Statements and Q&A on the National Broadband Plan (*to commence with Q&A for 100 minutes, followed by statements for 110 minutes*) (*Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications*)

- Regulation of Providers of Building Works Bill 2022 (Second Stage, resumed, if not previously concluded)

- Higher Education Authority Bill 2022 (Second Stage)

- Redundancy Payments (Amendment) Bill 2022 (Second Stage)

Topical Issues

7.12 p.m. - 8.00 p.m. (48 mins)

Committee Report

8.00 p.m. - 9.15 p.m. (75 mins)

- Motion *re* Report entitled "Examination of Bogus Self Employment" (*Committee on Social Protection, Community and Rural Development and the Islands*)

Adjournment

9.15 p.m.

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

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

Tuesday proposal no. 1 - Adjournment of the Dáil

- The Dáil shall adjourn on the conclusion on topical issues pursuant to Standing Order 37, which shall be taken on the conclusion of oral Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage pursuant to Standing Order 46(1)(b)

Tuesday proposal no. 2 - Motion re Referral to Committee of Draft Fisheries (Commercial Fishing Licences) (Alteration of Duties and Fees) Order 2022

- Shall be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 3 – Motion re Ministerial Rota for Parliamentary Questions

- Shall be taken without debate

Tuesday proposal no. 4 - Statements on Violence against Women (continued)

- Shall not exceed 100 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for that time, and members may share time

Tuesday proposal no. 5 - Private Members' Business: Motion re the Leaving Certificate

- Private Members' Business shall be taken on the conclusion of Statements on Violence against Women and shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after two hours

Tuesday proposal no. 6 - Oral PQs to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage

- Oral Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage pursuant to Standing Order 46(1)(b) shall be taken on the conclusion of private members' business for 90 minutes

Wednesday proposal no. 1 - Late sitting

- The Dáil shall sit later than 9.30 p.m. and shall adjourn on the conclusion of Second Stage of the Redundancy Payments (Amendment) Bill 2022 or at 10.30 p.m., whichever is the earlier

Wednesday proposal no. 2 - Statements post European Council Meeting of 16th December 2021 pursuant to Standing Order 124

- Shall be taken on the conclusion of Questions to the Taoiseach pursuant to Standing Order 46(1) and the following arrangements shall apply:
 - the statements shall consist of a single round, which shall not exceed 100 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for that time, followed by questions and answers which shall not exceed 20 minutes;

- following the questions and answers, a Minister or Minister of State may make a statement in reply which shall not exceed five minutes; and
- members may share time

Wednesday proposal no. 3 - SOS

- The sitting shall be suspended for an hour on the conclusion of Statements post European Council Meeting of 16th December 2021 and shall not be otherwise suspended pursuant to the weekly schedule agreed by the Dáil on 11th May, 2021

Wednesday proposal no. 4 - Statements on Youth Mental Health

- Shall not exceed 210 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July 2020, for 200 minutes, following which a Minister or Minister of State may make a statement in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes and members may share time

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 of the Dáil

- The Dáil shall adjourn on the conclusion of the Motion re Report entitled "Examination of Bogus Self Employment", which shall be taken on the conclusion of topical issues

Thursday proposal no. 2 - Statements and Q&A on the National Broadband Plan

- Shall not exceed 210 minutes in total
- To commence with 100 minutes of questions and answers
- Q&A to be followed by 100 minutes of statements, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for that time, following which a Minister or Minister of State may make a statement in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes and members may share time

Thursday proposal no. 3 - Topical issues

- Topical issues shall be taken on the conclusion of Second Stage of the Redundancy Payments (Amendment) Bill 2022, or at 7.12 p.m., whichever is the earlier

Thursday proposal no. 4 - Motion re Report entitled "Examination of Bogus Self Employment"

- Shall take place on the conclusion of topical issues, with arrangements as provided for in Standing Order 102, save that the proceedings thereon shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 75 minutes

THURSDAY EVENING BUSINESS

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 (Second Stage) (*Deputy Jennifer Carroll MacNeill*)

17 February 2022: Hospital Parking Bill 2021 (Second Stage) (*Deputy Cathal Berry*)

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