

# REVISED (2) REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY, 25 - 27 APRIL 2023

### Tuesday 25 April 2023 (2:00 p.m. - 10.58 p.m.)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Labour Party, Regional Group, Rural Independent Group) 2.00 p.m. - 2.34 p.m. (34 mins)

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

**Bill(s) for Introduction** 3.04 p.m. - 3.14 p.m. (10 mins)

Ministers and Secretaries (Attorney General) Bill 2023 - First Stage

Legal Aid (Amendment) Bill 2023 - First Stage

**Motion(s) without debate** 3.14 p.m. - 3.15 p.m. (1 min)

- Motion *re* Referral to Joint Committee of proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Sectoral Employment Order (Construction Sector) 2023
- Motion *re* Appointment of Anthony Harbinson to be a Member of the Policing Authority (Dept of Justice)
- Motion for a Financial Resolution - Policing, Security and Community Safety Bill 2023 (Dept of Justice)

Taoiseach's Questions 3.15 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. (45 mins)

**Government Business** 4.00 p.m. - 6.40 p.m. (2 hrs 40 mins)

- Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the deployment of Naval vessel to participate in Operation Irini (to conclude within 55 minutes) (Dept of Defence)
- Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the collection and transfer of advance passenger information, and amending Regulation (EU) 2019/818 (to conclude within 55 mins) (Dept of Justice)
- Historic and Archaeological Heritage Bill 2023 [*Seanad*] (Second Stage) (if not previously concluded, to stand adjourned after 50 minutes or at 6.30 p.m., whichever is the later) (Dept of Housing, Local Government and Heritage)

**Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin)** 6.40 p.m. - 8.40 p.m. (120 mins)

- Motion *re* Proposal for Re-introduction of Mortgage Relief Interest

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Rural and Community Development 8.40 p.m. - 10.10 p.m. (90 mins)

Topical Issues 10.10 p.m. - 10.58 p.m. (48 mins)

Adjournment 10.58 p.m.

### Wednesday 26 April 2023 (9:12 a.m. - ~~10.45~~ 9:45 p.m.)

Topical Issues 9.12 a.m. - 10.00 a.m. (48 mins)

**Private Members' Business (People Before Profit-Solidarity)** 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (120 mins)

- Rent Reduction Bill 2023 (Second Stage) (Deputies Paul Murphy, Richard Boyd Barrett, Brid Smith, Gino Kenny, Mick Barry)

Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Labour Party, Regional Group, Independent Group)	12.00 p.m. - 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Questions on Policy or Legislation	12.34 p.m. - 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)
<b>Motion(s) without debate</b>	1.04 p.m. - 1.05 p.m. (1 min)
- Motion <i>re</i> Twenty-Third Report of the Committee of Selection	
Taoiseach's Questions	1.05 p.m. - 1.50 p.m. (45 mins)
<b>Government Business</b>	1.50 p.m. - 4.15 p.m. (145 mins)
- Statements on the Anniversary of the Good Friday Agreement ( <i>not to exceed 145 mins</i> )	
SOS	4.15 p.m. - 5.15 p.m. (60 mins)
<b>Government Business</b>	5.15 p.m. - <del>10.15</del> <del>9.15</del> p.m. (5 hrs <del>4 hrs</del> )
- Patient Safety (Notifiable Incidents and Open Disclosure) Bill 2019 (Amendments from the Seanad) ( <i>to be taken no earlier than 5.15 p.m. and to conclude within 30 minutes</i> ) (Dept of Health)	
- Courts Bill 2023 (Committee and remaining Stages) ( <i>to conclude within 60 minutes</i> ) (Dept of Justice)	
- Criminal Justice (Incitement to Violence or Hatred and Hate Offences) Bill 2022 (Report and Final Stages) ( <i>to conclude within 90 minutes</i> ) (Dept of Justice)	
- Agricultural and Food Supply Chain Bill 2022 (Report and Final Stages) ( <i>to conclude within 120 mins</i> ) (Dept of Agriculture, Food and the Marine)	
<b>Deferred Divisions</b>	<del>10.15</del> <del>9.15</del> p.m. - <del>10.45</del> <del>9.45</del> p.m. (30 mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage Underspend and Reduced Delivery of Affordable Housing ( <i>deferred division on Ministerial amendment</i> )	
- Motion <i>re</i> Vacant Homes Tax ( <i>deferred division on Ministerial amendment</i> )	
- Motion <i>re</i> Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the deployment of Naval vessel to participate in Operation Irini ( <i>deferred division on Social Democrats' amendment</i> )	
Adjournment	<del>10.45</del> <del>9.45</del> p.m.

### Thursday 27 April 2023 (9:00 a.m. - 7:03 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 Environment, Climate and Communications	10.30 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)
Leaders' Questions (Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, People Before Profit-Solidarity, Regional Group)	12.00 p.m. - 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Questions on Policy or Legislation	12.34 p.m. - 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)
<b>Motion(s) without debate</b>	1.04 p.m. - 1.05 p.m. (1 min)
- Motion <i>re</i> Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Sectoral Employment Order (Construction Sector) 2023 ( <i>back from Committee</i> )	
SOS	1.05 p.m. - 1.45 p.m. (40 mins)
<b>Government Business</b>	1.45 p.m. - 5.00 p.m. (3 hrs 15 mins)
- Historic and Archaeological Heritage Bill 2023 [ <i>Seanad</i> ] (Second stage, resumed, if not previously concluded)	
Topical Issues	5.00 p.m. - 5.48 p.m. (48 mins)

**Thursday evening business: Committee report**

5.48 p.m. - 7.03 p.m. (75 mins)

- Motion *re* Report entitled "Final Report of the Joint Committee on International Surrogacy" (*Joint Committee on International Surrogacy*)

*Adjournment*

7.03 p.m.

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

**ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS**

**Tuesday proposal no. 1 - Late sitting**

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
  - (i) the Dáil shall sit later than 10.30 p.m.; and
  - (ii) the time at which Government business shall be interrupted to take private members' business shall be in accordance with the arrangements for the Historic and Archaeological Heritage Bill 2023 [*Seanad*], which shall have consequential effect on the commencement time for private members' business, oral Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Rural and Community Development and topical issues

**Tuesday proposal no. 2 - Motion *re* Referral to Joint Committee of Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Sectoral Employment Order (Construction Sector) 2023**

- To be taken without debate

**Tuesday proposal no. 3 - Motion *re* Appointment of Anthony Harbison to be a Member of the Policing Authority**

- To be taken without debate

**Tuesday proposal no. 4 - Motion for a Financial Resolution - Policing, Security and Community Safety Bill 2023**

- To be taken without debate

**Tuesday proposal no. 5 - Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the deployment of Naval vessel to participate in Operation Irini**

- The proceedings on the Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the deployment of Naval vessel to participate in Operation Irini shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 55 minutes, and the following arrangements shall apply:
  - (i) the order of speaking and allocation of time shall be as follows:
    - opening speech by a Minister or Minister of State - 10 minutes;
    - speech by representative of Sinn Féin - 10 minutes;
    - speeches by representatives of the Labour Party, Social Democrats, People-Before-Profit-Solidarity, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group - 5 minutes per party or group; and
    - a speech in response by the Minister – 5 minutes; and
  - (ii) members may share time

**Tuesday proposal no. 6 - Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of a proposal for a Regulation on the Collection and Transfer of advance passenger information**

- The proceedings on the Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of a proposal for a Regulation on the Collection and Transfer of advance passenger information shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 55 minutes, and the following arrangements shall apply:
  - (i) the order of speaking and allocation of time shall be as follows:
    - opening speech by a Minister or Minister of State - 10 minutes;
    - speech by representative of Sinn Féin - 10 minutes;
    - speeches by representatives of the Labour Party, Social Democrats, People-Before-Profit-Solidarity, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group - 5 minutes per party or group; and
    - a speech in response by the Minister – 5 minutes; and
  - (ii) members may share time

### **Tuesday proposal no. 7 - Historic and Archaeological Heritage Bill 2023**

- The proceedings on the second reading motion on the Historic and Archaeological Heritage Bill 2023 [*Seanad*] shall, if not previously concluded, be interrupted and stand adjourned either at 6.30 p.m. or after 50 minutes, whichever is the later

### **Wednesday proposal no. 1 - Time for Government business and weekly divisions**

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
  - (i) the Dáil shall sit later than 9.30 p.m.;
  - (ii) the Statements on the Anniversary of the Good Friday Agreement shall be taken immediately following oral Parliamentary Questions to the Taoiseach pursuant to Standing Order 46(1) and the sitting shall be suspended pursuant to Standing Order 25(1) on the conclusion of the statements;
  - (iii) Government business shall resume on the conclusion of the SOS; and
  - (iv) the weekly division time shall be taken on the conclusion of Report and Final Stages of the Agricultural and Food Supply Chain Bill 2022

### **Wednesday proposal no. 2 – Rent Reduction Bill 2023**

- Notwithstanding anything in Standing Order 170(2), the proceedings on the second reading motion on the Rent Reduction Bill shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after two hours

### **Wednesday proposal no. 3 - Motion *re* Twenty-Third Report of the Committee of Selection**

- To be taken without debate

### **Wednesday proposal no. 4 - Statements on the Anniversary of the Good Friday Agreement**

- The Statements on the Anniversary of the Good Friday Agreement shall not exceed 145 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2020, for 135 minutes, following which a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a statement in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes, and members may share time

### **Wednesday proposal no. 5 - Patient Safety (Notifiable Incidents and Open Disclosure) Bill 2019**

- The proceedings on the amendments from the Seanad to the Patient Safety (Notifiable Incidents and Open Disclosure) Bill 2019 shall be taken no earlier than 5.15 p.m. and shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 30 minutes and any amendments from the Seanad not disposed of shall be decided by one question which shall be put from the Chair, and which shall, in relation to amendments to the Seanad amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Health

### **Wednesday proposal no. 6 - Courts Bill 2023**

- The Order of referral of the Courts Bill 2023 to the Select Committee on Justice is hereby discharged, the Bill shall be taken in Committee of the whole Dáil and the proceedings on Committee and remaining Stages shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 60 minutes by one question which shall be put from the Chair and which shall, in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Justice

### **Wednesday proposal no. 7 - Criminal Justice (Incitement to Violence or Hatred and Hate Offences) Bill 2022**

- The proceedings on Report and Final Stages of the Criminal Justice (Incitement to Violence or Hatred and Hate Offences) Bill 2022 shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 90 minutes by one question which shall be put from the Chair and which shall, in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Justice

### **Wednesday proposal no. 8 - Agricultural and Food Supply Chain Bill 2022**

- The proceedings on Report and Final Stages of the Agricultural and Food Supply Chain Bill 2022 shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 120 minutes by one question which shall be put from the Chair and which shall, in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine

### **Thursday proposal no. 1 - Time for topical issues, Thursday evening business and adjournment of the Dáil**

- The following arrangements shall apply in relation to Thursday:
  - (i) the ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the extent that, if not previously concluded, the proceedings

on Government business shall be interrupted and stand adjourned and topical issues shall be taken at 5 p.m., with consequential effect on the commencement time for the Motion *re* Committee Report entitled "*Final Report of the Joint Committee on International Surrogacy*" and on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil; Provided that in the event Government business concludes before 5 p.m., topical issues shall be taken on the conclusion of Government business; and

- (ii) the Dail on its rising shall adjourn until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2023

**Thursday proposal no. 2 - Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Sectoral Employment Order (Construction Sector) 2023**

- To be taken without debate

**Thursday proposal no. 3 - Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Defence on 4<sup>th</sup> May**

- The Ministerial rota for parliamentary questions pursuant to the Order of the Dáil of 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2023, shall be modified to the extent that the Questions to the Minister for Defence that would have been taken on 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2023, shall be taken on 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2023, and the rota shall be otherwise unaffected: Provided that the entitlement to Questions nominated for priority pursuant to Standing Order 49 to the Minister for Defence on 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2023, shall be as if the questions were taken on 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2023, and the rota of entitlement to questions nominated for priority pursuant to the Order of the Dáil of 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2021, shall be otherwise unaffected

**INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR WEEK COMMENCING 2nd MAY**

- Construction Safety Licensing Bill 2023 (Second Stage)

**UPCOMING THURSDAY EVENING BUSINESS**

**11 May 2023:** Tairiscint maidir le Tuarascáil dar teideal "*An Comhaontas Cuimsitheach Eacnamaíoch agus Trádála agus an tionchar a bheadh aige ar an nGaeilge, ar an nGaeltacht agus ar Phobal Labhartha na Gaeilge*" – *Comhchoiste na Gaeilge, na Gaeltachta agus Phobal Labhartha na Gaeilge*

**18 May 2023:** Motion *re* Committee Report entitled "*Issues impacting Dog Welfare in Ireland*" – *Joint Committee on Agriculture and Food*

**25 May 2023:** Health (Regulation of Termination of Pregnancy) (Amendment) Bill 2023 – *Deputy Bríd Smith*

**1 June 2023:** Motion *re* Committee Report entitled “*Lessons from the Architects of the Good Friday Agreement*” – *Joint Committee on the Implementation of the Good Friday Agreement*

**BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

**25 April 2023**