Announcement of business for the Week:

Wednesday’s business shall be:

- **Item 9**, Motion re Seventh Report of the Standing Committee of Selection (*without debate*) (*any division claimed to be deferred*)
- **Item 10**, Motion re Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Finance Act 2004 (Section 91) (Deferred Surrender to the Central Fund) Order 2021 (105 mins) (*any division claimed to be deferred*)
- **Item 11**, Motion re Re-appointment of Ombudsman for Children (45 mins) (*any division claimed to be deferred*)
- **Item 12**, Motion re Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Emergency Measures in the Public Interest (Covid-19) Act 2020 (Covid-19: employment wage subsidy scheme) (Date Adjustment) Order 2021 (105 mins) (*any division claimed to be deferred*)
- **Item 25**, Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) (Amendment) Bill 2020 [Seanad] – Second Stage (*resumed*) (*to adjourn at 6.00 p.m., if not previously concluded, and any division claimed to be deferred*)

- Private Members’ Business on Wednesday shall be **Item 129**, Motion re Household utility bill supports, selected by the Sinn Féin.

Thursday’s business shall be:

- **Item 26**, Statements and Questions and Answers on Mental Health and Covid-19 (100 mins)
- **Item 27**, Statements and Questions and Answers by the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth on Covid-19 and Childcare (100 mins)
- **Item 25**, Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) (Amendment) Bill 2020 [Seanad] – Second Stage (*resumed, if not previously concluded*) (*any division claimed to be deferred*)
- **Item 3**, Air Navigation and Transport Bill 2020 – Second Stage (*to adjourn at 5.34 p.m., if not previously concluded*) (*any division claimed to be deferred*)
Proposed Arrangements for this week’s business:

In relation to Wednesday’s business, there are 9 proposals. It is proposed that:

1. **Item 9**, Motion re Seventh Report of the Standing Committee of Selection, shall be taken without debate;

2. no oral Parliamentary Questions pursuant to Standing Order 46 shall be taken;

3. there shall be no suspension of sitting pursuant to the weekly Dáil schedule agreed by Order of the Dáil on 16th December 2020;

4. the proceedings on **Item 10**, Motion re Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Finance Act 2004 (Section 91) (Deferred Surrender to the Central Fund) Order 2021, shall be brought to a conclusion within 105 minutes and the arrangements shall be in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 100 minutes, to conclude with a 5-minute speech in reply by a Minister or Minister of State, and all members may share time;

5. the proceedings on **Item 11**, Motion re Re-appointment of Ombudsman for Children, shall be brought to a conclusion within 45 minutes, and the following arrangements shall apply:
   (i) a Minister or Minister of State and 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, may each make a speech not exceeding 5 minutes;
   (ii) a Minister or Minister of State may make a speech in reply, which shall not exceed 5 minutes; and
   (iii) all members may share time;

6. the proceedings on **Item 12**, Motion re Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the Emergency Measures in the Public Interest (Covid-19) Act 2020 (Covid-19: employment wage subsidy scheme) (Date Adjustment) Order 2021, shall be brought to a conclusion within 105 minutes and the arrangements shall be in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 100 minutes, to conclude with
a 5-minute speech in reply by a Minister or Minister of State, and all members may share time;

7. topical issues pursuant to Standing Order 37 shall not be taken;

8. any division that would have been taken in the weekly division time this evening shall be deferred until the next weekly division time; and

9. in relation to the adjournment of the Dáil—
   
   (i) business under consideration shall be interrupted and the Dáil shall adjourn not later than 6 p.m., unless item 12 is not concluded by 6 p.m., in which case, the Dáil shall sit later than 6 p.m. and adjourn on the conclusion of item 12, and
   
   (ii) on its rising, the Dáil shall adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow, when it shall meet in the Convention Centre Dublin on North Wall Quay, Dublin 1, to take Item 26.

In relation to Thursday’s business, there are 7 proposals. It is proposed that:

1. no oral Parliamentary Questions pursuant to Standing Order 46 shall be taken;

2. in relation to Item 26, Statements and Questions and Answers on Mental Health and Covid-19, the following arrangements shall apply:
   
   (i) the statements and Questions and Answers shall not exceed 100 minutes and the arrangements shall be in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 100 minutes, provided that members may use their time for a combination of statements and questions and answers, or questions and answers only;
   
   (ii) all members may share time; and
   
   (iii) if the statements and questions and answers conclude prior to 12 noon, the sitting shall stand suspended until 12 noon;

3. there shall be no suspension of sitting pursuant to the weekly Dáil schedule agreed by Order of the Dáil on 16th December 2020;

4. Item 27, Statements and Questions and Answers by the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth on Covid-19 and Childcare, shall not exceed 100 minutes and the arrangements shall be in accordance with those agreed by Order of
the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 100 minutes, 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;

5. topical issues pursuant to Standing Order 37 shall be taken not later than 5.34 p.m.;

6. no Thursday evening business pursuant to Standing Order 159(2) shall be taken; and

7. the Dáil shall adjourn on the conclusion of topical issues until 10 a.m. on Wednesday 10th February 2021 when it shall meet in the Convention Centre Dublin on North Wall Quay, Dublin 1, to take private members’ business.