

ORDER OF BUSINESS

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, 17-18 February 2021

Announcement of business for the Week:

Wednesday's business shall be:

- **Item 24**, Statements and Questions and Answers by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine on Covid-19 and the Agriculture, Fisheries and Food sector (135 mins)
- **Item 4**, Land Development Agency Bill 2021 – Order for Second Stage and Second Stage (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 34**, Insurance (Restriction on Differential Pricing and Profiling) Bill 2021 – Second Stage (any division claimed to be deferred), selected by Sinn Féin.

Thursday's business shall be:

- **Item 25**, Statements and Questions and Answers on Drug and Alcohol Services, Homelessness and Covid-19 (100 mins)
- **Item 26**, Statements and Questions and Answers by the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment on Business and Covid-19 (135 mins)
- **Item 4**, Land Development Agency Bill 2021 – Second Stage (resumed, to adjourn at 5.34 p.m., if not previously concluded, and any division claimed to be deferred)

Proposed Arrangements for this week's business:

In relation to Wednesday's business, there are 6 proposals. It is proposed that:

1. no oral Parliamentary Questions pursuant to Standing Order 46 shall be taken;
2. there shall be no suspension of sitting pursuant to the weekly Dáil schedule agreed by Order of the Dáil on 16th December 2020;
3. **Item 24**, Statements and Questions and Answers by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine on Covid-19 and the Agriculture, Fisheries and Food sector, shall not exceed 135 minutes and the arrangements shall be in accordance with those agreed

by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 135 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;

4. topical issues pursuant to Standing Order 37 shall not be taken;
5. any division that would have been taken in the weekly division time this evening shall be deferred until the next weekly division time; and
6. in relation to the adjournment of the Dáil—
 - (i) where the business is not concluded by 6 p.m., the proceedings on any business under consideration shall be interrupted and the Dáil shall adjourn at 6 p.m.,
 - (ii) where the business concludes before 6 p.m., the Dáil shall adjourn forthwith, and
 - (iii) on its rising, the Dáil shall adjourn until 10.00 a.m. tomorrow, when it shall meet in the Convention Centre Dublin and shall take Item 25, Statements and Questions and Answers on Drug and Alcohol Services, Homelessness and Covid-19.

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 25**, Statements and Questions and Answers on Drug and Alcohol Services, Homelessness 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 26**, Statements and Questions and Answers by the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment on Business and Covid-19, shall not exceed 135 minutes and the arrangements shall be in accordance with those agreed by Order of the Dáil of 30th July, 2020, for 135 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 24th February 2021 when it shall meet in the Convention Centre Dublin on North Wall Quay, Dublin 1, to take private members' business.
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