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## CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH OUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

#### Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

- 1. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of the preparedness of the Revenue Commissioners for Brexit; the number of customs officials that will be required on 29 March 2019 in the event of a no-deal Brexit; the number of customs officials he anticipates will be operational on 29 March 2019; the extra work that will be required in the event of a transitional period being agreed to; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44279/18]
- 2. To ask the Minister for Finance the steps he will take to ensure high wealth persons pay an appropriate level of tax in view of the information contained in the recent Comptroller and Auditor General Report. Pearse Doherty. [44237/18]
- 3. To ask the Minister for Finance the steps he plans to take to follow through on the Central Bank's recommendation that an enhanced individual accountability framework be introduced for banks and other regulated financial services providers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44280/18]
- 4. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to reduce the take on VAT and excise duties in view of the fact that fuel and motoring costs have risen dramatically since the commencement of 2018. Danny Healy-Rae. [44241/18]
- 5. To ask the Minister for Finance the commencement date for the establishment of the rainy day fund announced in Budget 2019; the initial amount to be transferred to the fund on that commencement date; the five year expected projection for the fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Murphy. [44393/18]

## CEISTEANNA EILE OTHER QUESTIONS

#### Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

- 6. To ask the Minister for Finance the work his Department has carried out in conjunction with the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government regarding the establishment of a special purpose vehicle for credit unions to invest funds in social housing projects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Willie Penrose. [43969/18]
- 7. To ask the Minister for Finance if he has carried out an analysis of Budget 2019's impact on inequality; his views on a study by an organisation (details supplied) that indicated that the

recent Budget will primarily benefit higher earners; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

— Paul Murphy. [44225/18]

- 8. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the macro economic impact of the escalating housing crisis and the potential drain on the public finances of Rebuilding Ireland's heavy reliance on the private property sector to deliver social housing in view of the rapidly inflating cost of rents; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Richard Boyd Barrett. [44230/18]
- 9. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on whether it is acceptable in view of the dramatic inflation of the property market particularly in relation to rapidly rising rents and property values that corporate landlords and property investors should continue to avail of tax reliefs such as section 110 and that he is unable to ascertain the amount of tax revenue that is foregone through such reliefs; his further views on whether the imposition of a higher effective tax rate on the large profits being generated in this sector should be reconsidered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Richard Boyd Barrett. [44226/18]
- 10. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to ensure Ireland protects its competitiveness and to mitigate the risk of overheating pressures in the economy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Alan Kelly. [43972/18]
- 11. To ask the Minister for Finance the progress being made in the establishment of the promised stakeholder forum on foot of the conclusions of the public banking investigation; the organisations which are stakeholders; when a tender for the independent evaluation of the local public banking concept will issue; if the stakeholder forum will be involved in the selection of the external evaluator; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Joan Burton. [43976/18]
- 12. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of the implementation of the report on the cost of insurance working group for motor insurance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [43967/18]
- 13. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason no progress was reported on Budget day on the merging of PRSI and USC. Jonathan O'Brien. [44210/18]
- 14. To ask the Minister for Finance if he anticipates legislative changes as a result of the report from the Central Bank on the Behaviour and Culture of Irish Retail Banks; if he has had further consultations with the main banks in relation to the tracker mortgage scandal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44119/18]
- 15. To ask the Minister for Finance his assessment of the likely impact on the economy of a hard Brexit in March 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Joan Burton. [43974/18]
- 16. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost of the tax breaks to private landlords announced in Budget 2019; if the cost benefit analysis of direct investment in public housing has been analysed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul Murphy. [44224/18]
- 17. To ask the Minister for Finance the degree to which he remains satisfied regarding the competitiveness of the economy; the potential challenges in this regard; if he has identified specific areas of threatened inflation which might impact on the stability of the economy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44176/18]

- 18. To ask the Minister for Finance when the report he commissioned on bankers' pay will be completed and published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [44221/18]
- 19. To ask the Minister for Finance if the granting of section 481 status for film productions and his Department's role in sanctioning such production will be examined in view of concerns that budgets have been overestimated to avail of the scheme; the safeguards in place to ensure this does not happen; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bríd Smith. [39808/18]
- 20. To ask the Minister for Finance the timescale for the conclusion of the Credit Union Advisory Committee's work; when it is next to report to him; the outstanding projects to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Alan Kelly. [43973/18]
- 21. To ask the Minister for Finance the progress being made in respect of the establishment of the banking culture board; if his attention has been drawn to the concerns expressed by a union (details supplied) in respect of the manner of the configuration of the board; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Joan Burton. [43975/18]
- 22. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to introduce a tax incentive to owners of vacant properties to refurbish same provided they are ceded to the local authority for social housing tenants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Eamon Scanlon. [38911/18]
- 23. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will introduce a simplified process by which small and medium enterprises can avail of the research and development tax credit. Pearse Doherty. [44219/18]
- 24. To ask the Minister for Finance the measures he has taken to meet and engage with insurance companies here regarding excessive premiums being charged to consumers, particularly in counties Cavan and Monaghan. Niamh Smyth. [43997/18]
- 25. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to the uncertainty the increased betting duty has caused for small betting shops; and if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that further taxation of online betting as opposed to retailers could have been more justified. Maureen O'Sullivan. [44236/18]
- 26. To ask the Minister for Finance the steps he is taking to reduce mortgage interest rates; his views on whether interest rates being charged here are reasonable; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44118/18]
- 27. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on whether consideration should be given to diverting €1.5 billion of excess funds in the Ireland Strategic Investment Fund to develop the State's infrastructure further to a report by his Department in advance of Budget 2019. Joan Burton. [43978/18]
- 28. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on spiralling costs in the motor vehicle insurance industry and the negative impacts this is having on commercial and personal users of motor vehicles; and the steps he will take to address this. Robert Troy. [38003/18]
- 29. To ask the Minister for Finance the discussions he has had in relation to the retention of the 9% VAT rate for the tourism industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Ryan. [37887/18]

- 30. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will report on the proposed structure and aims of the rainy day fund; when the promised national surplus (reserve fund for exceptional contingencies) Bill will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [44143/18]
- 31. To ask the Minister for Finance the process and details of his most recent appointments to the Credit Union Advisory Committee; the persons nominated to fill the vacancies on the committee; when the committee is scheduled to next report to him; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sean Sherlock. [43970/18]
- 32. To ask the Minister for Finance the progress that has been made in putting in place a strategy for the development of growth for credit unions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [44217/18]
- 33. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of loan sales by State backed banks he and his predecessor have been notified of and not raised an objection to since February 2016; the value of these sales; and the number of principal dwelling houses included. Pearse Doherty. [44220/18]
- 34. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated loss on an annual basis due to illicit trade in fuel, alcohol and tobacco products from Northern Ireland and elsewhere; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [44173/18]
- 35. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to raise the VAT rate on hotel rooms; and his views on changing VAT rates in the tourism sector. Imelda Munster. [37796/18]
- 36. To ask the Minister for Finance the progress he is making with the NTMA to establish a funding vehicle capable of facilitating off-balance sheet investment in delivering social and private housing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Curran. [43965/18]
- 37. To ask the Minister for Finance the key recommendations of the Cost of Insurance Working Group including the report on employer and public liability he plans to implement in the next six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44117/18]
- 38. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will report on his recent meetings with the principals of companies (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Joan Burton. [43977/18]
- 39. To ask the Minister for Finance the position regarding life assurance providers rejecting applications based on a mental health condition from which a person has since recovered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James Browne. [40656/18]
- 40. To ask the Minister for Finance the measures taken to meet and engage with insurance companies here regarding excessive premiums being charged to consumers particularly in counties Carlow and Kilkenny. Bobby Aylward. [40780/18]
- 41. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on whether the PAYE modernisation scheme will place an unfair burden on small firms and businesses that cannot afford to have a dedicated member of staff to deal with wages on a weekly basis to satisfy the terms of the new scheme and avoid the penalties that will follow from non-compliance with the new system. Shane Cassells. [42554/18]

- 42. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans in relation to NAMA and the contribution it could make to delivering public and affordable housing in view of the housing emergency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Richard Boyd Barrett. [44227/18]
- 43. To ask the Minister for Finance the position regarding implementing recommendations of the cost of insurance working group for motor insurance; the number of recommendations which are delayed; his plans to deal with delayed items; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [43968/18]
- 44. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to rework the diesel rebate scheme for hauliers in view of the industry's exposure to Brexit. Pearse Doherty. [44218/18]
- 45. To ask the Minister for Finance if it is possible in an emergency situation to avail of a low interest EU loan to facilitate an immediate onsite start of sufficient houses to alleviate the most serious aspects and locations of the housing shortage (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44175/18]
- 46. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of the tracker mortgage scandal; the measures being put in place for those in arrears after being wrongly removed from tracker mortgages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [43996/18]
- 47. To ask the Minister for Finance if the review of the local property tax announced in 2018 is complete; the main recommendations of the review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Curran. [43966/18]
- 48. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason commercial drivers such as taxi drivers are unable to buy motor insurance from insurance companies based in other EU states in view of the free movement of goods and services across the EU; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

   Richard Boyd Barrett. [44229/18]
- 49. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will report on the study being carried out by a company (details supplied) into pay across the financial sector; his views on performance related salaries in banks and other financial institutions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [44141/18]
- 50. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to use the surplus generated from winding down NAMA to build housing. Jonathan O'Brien. [44209/18]
- 51. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will report on his engagement with his European counterparts regarding the proposed digital tax; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sean Sherlock. [43971/18]
- 52. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to make adjustments to section 481 film tax relief particularly in view of recent allegations of possible abuses of this relief and concerns that the relief is not generating the quality employment in the film industry that is required under the legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Richard Boyd Barrett. [44228/18]
- 53. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of the liquidation of a company (details supplied); when the Insurance (Amendment) Act 2018 will be fully enacted; when he expects the next payment to take place; when he expects all claimants involved in the company will receive compensation in full; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44120/18]

- 54. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans for household property tax; when the review group's report will be available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [44142/18]
- 55. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of companies and employees that availed of the key employee engagement programme to date in 2018; the impact he expects to result from his proposed changes to the scheme in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [44144/18]
- 56. To ask the Minister for Finance if the application of accounting rules known as the International Financial Reporting Standard 15 provided a one-off boost to profits and therefore a windfall effect to corporation taxes payable by information technology and pharmaceutical companies in 2018 which will not reoccur after 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [43979/18]
- 57. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to implement additional measures to counteract cross-Border smuggling and illicit trade in fuel, alcohol and tobacco products; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [44172/18]
- 58. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to develop a new strategy for the growth and development of the credit union sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44116/18]
- 59. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to the concerns of small and local retailers regarding the threat of illegal selling of cigarette prices by continual increases in Budget 2019; if the Revenue Commissioners have adequate resources to tackle smuggling and illegal sales; and if his attention has been further drawn to retailers' concerns for their business. Maureen O'Sullivan. [44235/18]
- 60. To ask the Minister for Finance if the rebuttal published by an organisation (details supplied) has been examined in respect of the conclusions of the public banking investigation; the detailed refutation of the conclusions drawn by his Department in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Willie Penrose. [40658/18]

## CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Taoiseach agus Aire Cosanta: To the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence.

- \*61. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the reason pay is being held up for members of the Reserve Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Charlie McConalogue. [44243/18]
- \*62. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of Air Corps pilot applicants recruited in each of the past four years despite failing a colour blindness test, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jack Chambers. [44333/18]
- \*63. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44352/18]

- \*64. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the strength in whole-time equivalent terms of the Permanent Defence Forces with regard to all three services and all ranks in tabular form. Jack Chambers. [44405/18]
- \*65. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the strength in whole-time equivalent terms of the Reserve Defence Forces with regard to all three services and all ranks. Jack Chambers. [44406/18]
- \*66. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of additional recruits the Permanent Defence Forces have taken to date in 2018 with regard to all three services; the gender breakdown of same in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jack Chambers. [44407/18]
- \*67. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of additional recruits the Reserve Defence Forces have taken to date 2018 with regard to all services; the gender breakdown of same in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jack Chambers. [44408/18]
- \*68. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of suspect devices that the Army disposal unit dealt has dealt with to date in 2018, by county in tabular form. Jack Chambers. [44409/18]
- \*69. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of days spent at sea by members of the Naval Service Reserve in 2017 and to date in 2018. Jack Chambers. [44410/18]
- \*70. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of sick days taken by members in each service of the Defence Forces to date in 2018. Jack Chambers. [44411/18]
- \*71. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the breakdown of the €106 million capital allocation, that is, Vote 36 of Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019 in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44551/18]

Chun an Tánaiste agus Aire Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála: To the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade.

- \*72. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he maintains the position asserted in September 2018, that he supports Irish neutrality in view of the 2003 judgment in a case (details supplied). Clare Daly. [44363/18]
- \*73. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if Ireland has taken action at intergovernmental or bilateral levels in regard to the human rights violations perpetrated by the Nicaraguan Government against its people which are documented in reports (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Maureen O'Sullivan. [44246/18]
- \*74. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44356/18]
- \*75. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the reason conditions are not imposed on all civilian aircraft on contract to the US military that are approved by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport in view of the position of his Department (details supplied) and in further view of the presence of an aircraft. Clare Daly. [44364/18]

- \*76. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of passport applications made from outside Ireland in the past three years to date; the number of those passport applications that were refused; the number of foreign applications that were granted passports by an Irish embassy or consulate (details supplied); the number of passports issued by way of online application since the scheme commenced to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Murphy. [44413/18]
- \*77. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the details of the €5.5 million capital allocation in A Our People Vote 28 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44539/18]
- \*78. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the details of the €4 million capital allocation in D Our Prosperity Vote 28 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44540/18]
- \*79. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the details of the €9 million capital allocation in E Our Influence Vote 28 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44541/18]
- \*80. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the details of the €2.5 million capital allocation in the International Co-Operation Vote 27 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will commence in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44542/18]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

- \*81. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason motor insurance costs are still rising; and if his attention has been drawn to the fact that this is making it almost impossible for young drivers to get cover when starting out on their own. Danny Healy-Rae. [44242/18]
- \*82. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the Report on Tax Expenditure October 2018; the key components and estimated total cost of tax expenditures as a percentage of total voted expenditure and of GNI in 2017; the likely costs in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas P. Broughan. [43863/18]
- \*83. To ask the Minister for Finance the relationship between the withdrawal of funds from the rainy day fund and the EU fiscal rules under the Stability and Growth Pact; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jonathan O'Brien. [43898/18]
- \*84. To ask the Minister for Finance if the diminution of banking services in rural Ireland will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [40596/18]
- \*85. To ask the Minister for Finance if he has examined the rebuttal published by an organisation (details supplied) in respect of the conclusions of the public banking investigation; the detailed

refutation of the conclusions drawn by his Department's officials; if he will be raising the points raised by the organisation in its submission; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [38418/18]

- \*86. To ask the Minister for Finance the dates on which funds from Budget 2018 were drawn down by Irish Aid through Vote 27; the amount of each drawdown; if the total of over €500 million has been drawn down to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Maureen O'Sullivan. [44256/18]
- \*87. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 105 of 18 October 2018, if he will provide copies of all briefing notes and minutes provided by all parties at the meeting between the former Minister and a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Murphy. [44309/18]
- \*88. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the Revenue Commissioner's decision to make P60s available on an online basis only; the position regarding taxpayers that do not have access to a computer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James Browne. [44322/18]
- \*89. To ask the Minister for Finance if the €50,000 cap on the original market value of a vehicle in the context of the 0% benefit-in-kind rate for electric vehicles will apply to directors that were provided with an electric car during 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44331/18]
- \*90. To ask the Minister for Finance the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44355/18]
- \*91. To ask the Minister for Finance the number and value of instances of capital gains tax on the sale of company shares in each of the years 2015 to 2017 and to date in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44370/18]
- \*92. To ask the Minister for Finance if unregulated loan owners are allowed to have direct contact with borrowers including face-to-face meetings or to send correspondence direct to the borrower without going through a credit servicing agent; if an unregulated loan owner can write directly to a borrower that has an active loan account with that unregulated loan owner regarding a guarantee provided by the borrower associated with that loan account; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44412/18]
- \*93. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason there is a cap on the original market value of the vehicles as part of the 0% benefit-in-kind tax on electric vehicles; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that this cap could discourage persons from buying electric vehicles; if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that this cap was never mentioned in documentation relating to this initiative when it was announced; the reason this change has been made; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jack Chambers. [44417/18]
- \*94. To ask the Minister for Finance the way in which the figure of €295 million cited as impact of new measures on Budget 2019 forecast, = tax buoyancy, was computed in respect of table 9 on page 19 of the Economic and Fiscal Outlook of Budget 2019; the basis on which it is included in the table; and if it has been used in the calculation of the amount of fiscal space that has been used up in Budget 2019. Róisín Shortall. [44421/18]

- \*95. To ask the Minister for Finance the projected fiscal space for each of the years 2019 to 2024 net of known carryover costs, public pay deal commitments, National Development Plan commitments, demographics, rainy day fund transfers and other pre-commitments. Róisín Shortall. [44423/18]
- \*96. To ask the Minister for Finance when legislation updating the laws on limited partnerships will be introduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44450/18]
- \*97. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on enabling credit unions to avail of debit cards for their members; if legislative changes are required; if it is solely a decision for the Central Bank; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44451/18]
- \*98. To ask the Minister for Finance the breakdown of the €945,000 capital allocation in the economic and policy division, that is, Vote 7 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report of his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44463/18]
- \*99. To ask the Minister for Finance the breakdown of the €945,000 capital allocation in the banking and financial service policy division, that is, Vote 7 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report of his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44464/18]
- \*100. To ask the Minister for Finance the breakdown of the €24 million capital allocation in the Revenue Commissioners, that is, Vote 9 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44465/18]
- \*101. To ask the Minister for Finance the changes he plans to make to increase the take-up by SMEs in the employment investment incentive scheme and the Key Employee Engagement Programme. Billy Kelleher. [44495/18]
- \*102. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of the establishment of the stakeholder forum on foot of the conclusions of the public banking investigation report; when a tender for the independent evaluation of the local public banking concept will issue; if the stakeholder forum will be involved in the selection of the external evaluator; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Eamon Ryan. [44524/18]
- \*103. To ask the Minister for Finance if inflationary tendencies in the economy have been detected which may arise from enhanced house prices leading to higher mortgage repayments which might lead to higher wage demands; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44578/18]
- \*104. To ask the Minister for Finance the degree to which adequate provisions have been put in place to safeguard the economy in advance of Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

   Bernard J. Durkan. [44579/18]
- \*105. To ask the Minister for Finance when the Central Bank will formulate a new code of conduct to regulate the repossession of properties in circumstances in which the borrowers have consistently made payments in line with their ability even though not to the satisfaction of the

lender in view of the fact that the lending institutions in the first instance were culpable in the financial collapse (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [44581/18]

- \*106. To ask the Minister for Finance the extent to which inward investment is likely to be affected by Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44582/18]
- \*107. To ask the Minister for Finance if he remains satisfied regarding the attainment of budgetary objectives in 2019 notwithstanding international developments, Brexit and international trade disputes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44583/18]
- \*108. To ask the Minister for Finance if issues have emerged which suggest overheating in the economy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44584/18]
- \*109. To ask the Minister for Finance if the provision of affordable and local authority housing is deemed by the Central Bank to be an overheating issue in the economy (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44585/18]
- \*110. To ask the Minister for Finance the degree to which investment in property is competing with savings in financial institutions; if low interest rates appear to favour property investment instead of savings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44587/18]
- \*111. To ask the Minister for Finance the extent to which savings in the various financial institutions have fluctuated over the past ten years; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

   Bernard J. Durkan. [44588/18]
- \*112. To ask the Minister for Finance the measures he plans to take to combat house price inflation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44589/18]
- \*113. To ask the Minister for Finance if in the effort to combat the cost of the housing crisis, consideration will be given to allowing first-time or subsequent purchasers to buy a rundown property at its current value and the loan to cover the cost of renovation in circumstances in which it is possible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44591/18]

Chun an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe: To the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.

- \*114. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the extent to which he expects all Departments to observe the budgetary situation as set out in Budget 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44580/18]
- \*115. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the extent to which he expects the various targets in Project Ireland 2040 to be achieved on time and within budget; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44586/18]
- \*116. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if compensation was paid for structural damage which occurred to private properties during the construction of flood relief measures and consequent to these works carried out by the Office of Public Works at O'Neill Crowley Quay and Ashe Quay, Fermoy, County Cork. Kevin O'Keeffe. [44268/18]

- \*117. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans to establish a national support mechanism for the maintenance of rivers and watercourses in order to ensure that flood relief works can be carried out in affected areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Charlie McConalogue. [44275/18]
- \*118. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the specific circumstances or criteria under which the Office of Government Procurement is used to advise on or implement a tendering process in Departments or State organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44295/18]
- \*119. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if it is standard procedure as part of a tendering process for the State to pay the costs of tendering for a Government contract to a third party that is tendering for that contract; if there are Office of Government Procurement rules regarding such a practice; the rules in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44296/18]
- \*120. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if his Department has been involved either through the Office of Government Procurement or otherwise to date with the tendering process for the National Broadband Plan; if so, the details of such involvement; if his Department will be involved with the tendering process for the National Broadband Plan; if so, the details of that involvement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44297/18]
- \*121. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44360/18]
- \*122. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the rules that apply to recruitment campaigns that are limited to existing civil or public servants in terms of when such campaigns may be used; the grades they apply to; the percentage of posts they may apply to; and the legislation upon which such a policy is based. Róisín Shortall. [44373/18]
- \*123. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe cén dul chun cinn atá déanta ag Oifig na nOibreacha Poiblí chun áit páirceála shábháilte a chur ar fáil do rothair, carráistí capall agus busanna gar do láthair Dhún Aonghusa in Árainn; cad iad sonraí na gcomhráití a bhí ag an Oifig le Comhairle Contae na Gaillimhe leis na leas-sealbhóirí eile le trí mhí anuas; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. Éamon Ó Cuív. [44387/18]
- \*124. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the expenditure ceilings for each Department in each of the years 2019 to 2024. Róisín Shortall. [44424/18]
- \*125. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the Departmental capital allocations applying to each Department in each of the years 2019 to 2024. Róisín Shortall. [44425/18]
- \*126. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the breakdown of the €84,000 capital allocation in the public expenditure and sectoral policy division, that is, Vote 11 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report of his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44466/18]
- \*127. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the breakdown of the €4,331,000 capital allocation in the public service management and reform division, that is, Vote 11 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report of his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that

- will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44467/18]
- \*128. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the breakdown of the €687,000 capital allocation in the Office of Government Procurement for 2019, that is, Vote 39 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44468/18]
- \*129. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the breakdown of the €76,262,000 capital allocation in the flood risk management division of the Office of Public Works, that is, Vote 13 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44469/18]
- \*130. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the breakdown of the €105,787,000 capital allocation in the estate management division of the Office of Public Works, that is, Vote 13 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44470/18]
- \*131. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the breakdown of the €2,500,000 capital allocation in the Public Appointments Service, that is, Vote 17 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44471/18]
- \*132. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the breakdown of the €10,900,000 capital allocation in the NSSO function of his Department, that is, Vote 18 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44472/18]
- \*133. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the breakdown of the €100,000 capital allocation in the human resource shared services division of the National Shared Service Office for 2019, that is, Vote 18 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44473/18]
- \*134. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the exact amount of Exchequer funding that his Department, including the Office of Public Works, has allocated in each of the years and expended since June 2016 on upgrading infrastructure at Dublin and Rosslare ports in order to prepare for the possibility of the UK becoming a third country with the EU and the increased export certification, sanitary and phytosanitary controls required; and if not the reason therefor. Charlie McConalogue. [44515/18]

Chun an Aire Oideachais agus Scileanna: To the Minister for Education and Skills.

\*135. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated full year cost of continuing the restoration of postgraduate grants with the restoration of the partial band rate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [44240/18]

- \*136. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jack Chambers. [44255/18]
- \*137. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the additional supports being put in place for a person (details supplied). Kathleen Funchion. [44269/18]
- \*138. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application by a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [44288/18]
- \*139. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the steering group set up earlier in 2018 to address the problems with teacher recruitment; and the progress of its work to date. Kathleen Funchion. [44320/18]
- \*140. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason psychological services are no longer available at a school (details supplied); when the services ceased; when they will resume; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Eugene Murphy. [44332/18]
- \*141. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the certification process undertaken at a school (details supplied) with regard to the standard of construction works completed in 2009; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas Byrne. [44335/18]
- \*142. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the contingency plans in place at a school (details supplied) as a result of the closure of a school building; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas Byrne. [44336/18]
- \*143. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to review the sale of a stadium (details supplied) to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas Byrne. [44337/18]
- \*144. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of unfilled teaching posts by school; the number which have been vacant for over six months in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas Byrne. [44338/18]
- \*145. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the completion of schools and colleges contained within the schools bundle 5 public private partnership; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas Byrne. [44339/18]
- \*146. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if there is a provision for awarding the remote area grant to a person that has been refused same on the basis that there is a school closer to their residence under the patronage of their preferred ethos in cases in which they were unable to secure a place in the closer school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jan O'Sullivan. [44341/18]
- \*147. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44353/18]
- \*148. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 133 of 9 October 2018, his views in relation to further correspondence (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Griffin. [44366/18]

- \*149. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of primary and secondary schools in counties Roscommon and Galway in which psychological services are no longer available; the reason the services were removed; when the services ceased; when they are expected to resume; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Eugene Murphy. [44378/18]
- \*150. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the primary and secondary schools in County Donegal that have successfully obtained DEIS status and maintain DEIS status in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat The Cope Gallagher. [44380/18]
- \*151. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the schools in County Donegal that do not have DEIS status in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat The Cope Gallagher. [44381/18]
- \*152. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason a school (details supplied) in County Donegal does not have DEIS status; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the surrounding schools to this school have DEIS status and that the same socio-economic criteria apply to all the schools in that hinterland but the school in question has not received DEIS status; if his further attention has been drawn to the fact that perceived gross and unfair anomalies exist at present in the criteria and mechanisms used in awarding DEIS status; if his further attention has been drawn to the fact that this is leading to many eligible schools failing to obtain DEIS status; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pat The Cope Gallagher. [44382/18]
- \*153. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the action he has taken with regard to six children with special needs that were due to commence school in County Kildare in September 2018 but are still awaiting accommodation (details supplied); the supports or assistance which can be provided in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Martin Heydon. [44434/18]
- \*154. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to roll out new curriculum area apprenticeship programmes in 2018 and 2019; the level of academic attainment they will sit at; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Murphy. [44460/18]
- \*155. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of male and female apprentices in training by each employment sector and sub-sector at 30 September 2018 for craft based and consortia-led apprenticeships in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Billy Kelleher. [44486/18]
- \*156. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of new apprenticeship registrations in each employment sector and sub-sector at 30 September 2018 for all craft based and consortialed apprenticeships in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Billy Kelleher. [44487/18]
- \*157. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the actual apprentice population in each employment sector and sub-sector as at 30 September 2018. Billy Kelleher. [44488/18]
- \*158. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the assessment by the Apprenticeships Council regarding the 77 proposals received in the second call for new apprenticeship categories which closed on 1 September 2017; the apprenticeships that have been approved for roll out to date; and the timeline for operationalising each new approved apprenticeship in tabular form. Billy Kelleher. [44489/18]

- \*159. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the breakdown of the €57,652,000 capital allocation in first, second and early years education (details supplied) within his Department for 2019, by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44535/18]
- \*160. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the breakdown of the €13,176,000 capital allocation in skills development (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44536/18]
- \*161. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the breakdown of the €47,770,000 capital allocation in higher education (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44537/18]
- \*162. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the breakdown of the €822,402,000 capital allocation in capital services (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44538/18]

Chun an Aire Dlí agus Cirt agus Comhionannais: To the Minister for Justice and Equality.

- \*163. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the deportation order will be revoked in regard to a person (details supplied). Clare Daly. [44323/18]
- \*164. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the contracts between direct provision providers and RIA include requirements for the provision of menstrual hygiene products; and if not, the reason therefor. Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [44326/18]
- \*165. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of bisexual asylum seekers granted asylum in each of the years 2014 to 2017. Clare Daly. [44334/18]
- \*166. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if there are penalties in cases (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul Kehoe. [44342/18]
- \*167. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44359/18]
- \*168. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 273 of 29 November 2017, if he will direct the Chief State Solicitors Office to make an appropriate payment in view of the conclusion of a court case (details supplied). Mick Barry. [44368/18]
- \*169. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the difference between the capital allocation for his Department under the National Development Plan for 2019 given as  $\leq$ 241 million in Annex 1 of the plan and the lower figure of  $\leq$ 220 million that is set out on pages 7 and 121 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report. Róisín Shortall. [44422/18]
- \*170. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on the cultural and administrative dysfunction in An Garda Síochána that was identified in the Charleton Report; the way in which he plans to respond to these issues; and the timescale for same. Róisín Shortall. [44435/18]

- \*171. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views in relation to the establishment of a Garda fraud squad to tackle insurance fraud specifically; his plans in relation to the establishment of such a unit; his views on whether the unit should be publicly funded or funded by the industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44453/18]
- \*172. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when he will request that the judicial council compile guidelines for appropriate general damages for various types of personal injury as recommended by the Personal Injuries Commission; when the judicial council will be established; the interim measures being commenced in the area of personal injury damages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44455/18]
- \*173. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when he expects the Judicial Council Bill 2017 will go to committee stage in Seanad Éireann; when he expects it will be introduced in Dáil Éireann; when he expects the Bill to be passed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44456/18]
- \*174. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his interaction with the Law Reform Commission in relation to the third recommendation of the Personal Injuries Commission in its second and final report; when the report from the Law Reform Commission will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44457/18]
- \*175. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the breakdown of the €43,920,000 capital allocation in the justice division within his Department for 2019, that is, Vote 24 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44474/18]
- \*176. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the breakdown of the €51,517,000 capital allocation in the courts service within his Department for 2019, that is, Vote 22 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44475/18]
- \*177. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the details of the €92,340,000 capital allocation in An Garda Síochána within his Department for 2019, that is, Vote 20 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44525/18]
- \*178. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the details of the €100,000 capital allocation in the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission within his Department for 2019, that is, Vote 25 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44526/18]
- \*179. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the details of the €32,330 capital allocation in the Prisons Division within his Department for 2019, that is, Vote 21 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44527/18]

- \*180. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current or expected residency status including update of stamp 4 in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44564/18]
- \*181. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the previous coming to the attention of An Garda Síochána in the case a person (details supplied) prevents them from a successful application for naturalisation in view of the nature of their offences and notwithstanding their good behaviour in the interim; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44565/18]
- \*182. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current and or expected residency status in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44566/18]
- \*183. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when spousal join permission will be facilitated in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44567/18]
- \*184. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current and expected position in regard to permission to remain or an alternative in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44568/18]
- \*185. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current and or expected position in regard to eligibility for permission to remain and or naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44569/18]
- \*186. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when permission to remain or naturalisation is likely in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44570/18]
- \*187. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when stamp 4 will issue in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44574/18]
- \*188. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the position regarding long-term residency and or naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44575/18]
- \*189. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when a person (details supplied) will have their residency status upgraded; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44577/18]
- \*190. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when a new application to join a spouse will be considered in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44592/18]
- \*191. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the changes pending in relation to undocumented or long-time residents here that have been in this jurisdiction for a considerable time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44593/18]
- \*192. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which immigration officers are visiting employers throughout the country with a view to identifying undocumented employees for deportation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44594/18]

- Chun an Aire Gnó, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta: To the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation.
- \*193. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps she has taken to ensure the implementation of the second and final report of the Personal Injuries Commission in relation to the insurance industry; the number of recommendations that have been implemented to date; the number that are in the process of implementation; the number that have not yet had progress made on them; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Éamon Ó Cuív. [44308/18]
- \*194. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which various sponsored funding remains available to small and medium enterprises; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44590/18]
- \*195. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if military and dual-use items that transit through Ireland from other EU states en route to their final destination are subject to the same export controls as exports of military and dual-use items from Ireland; and if not, the controls that apply. Clare Daly. [44317/18]
- \*196. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if military and dual-use items that transit through Ireland from non-EU states such as the United States of America en route to their final destination are subject to the same export controls as exports of military and dual-use items from Ireland; and if not, the controls that apply. Clare Daly. [44318/18]
- \*197. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the breakdown of staff in her Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44348/18]
- \*198. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation further to Parliamentary Question No. 15 of 18 October 2018, if she will clarify that obstacles to the implementation of a presumption of denial policy in regard to the export of arms to Saudi Arabia in the absence of EU sanctions are diplomatic rather than legal and that it is a measure that Ireland has the power to implement independently in the Saudi Arabian case, in view of the provisions of the EU common position in regard to exports to countries in which there is a risk that arms will be used in the commission of serious violations of international law. Clare Daly. [44415/18]
- \*199. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation further to Parliamentary Question No. 15 of 18 October 2018, if her attention has been drawn to the first joint report of session 2017–19 issued by the UK parliament's committees on arms export controls which recommended that the UK Government consider implementing a presumption of denial policy in regard to arms exports to countries which have not signed the arms trade treaty or that are on the UK's human rights priority list notwithstanding the fact that EU arms embargoes are not in place in regard to all such countries; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Clare Daly. [44416/18]
- \*200. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if an implementation report with timelines for the recommendations of the Personal Injuries Commission in its second and final report will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44454/18]
- \*201. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of IDA site visits by county in quarter 1, 2 and 3 of 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Billy Kelleher. [44484/18]

- \*202. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the actions she has taken to protect jobs at a company (details supplied); the supports that have been put in place for employees that will be made redundant; if she has spoken with the management of the company regarding these job losses; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Billy Kelleher. [44485/18]
- \*203. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the date of the national jobs summit in November 2018. Billy Kelleher. [44490/18]
- \*204. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount announced by her Department in Budget 2019 towards doubling Ireland's global footprint. Billy Kelleher. [44491/18]
- \*205. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount allocated to the seed and venture capital fund in each year since established; and the number of approved applicants.

   Billy Kelleher. [44492/18]
- \*206. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount allocated to regional innovation and technology clusters programme for SMEs by and in each year since established; and the number of approved applicants in tabular form. Billy Kelleher. [44493/18]
- \*207. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount allocated to the strategic partnership programme for SFI in each year since it was established; and the number of approved applicants in tabular form. Billy Kelleher. [44494/18]
- \*208. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount allocated to the retail online scheme in 2019. Billy Kelleher. [44497/18]
- \*209. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the actions being taken to ensure Ireland is an attractive place for foreign direct investment to locate in following a report (details supplied) showing that total foreign direct investment here fell sharply in the first six months of 2018. Billy Kelleher. [44498/18]
- \*210. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on a case regarding the refusal to issue an employment permit to a person (details supplied); and the ruling issued. Billy Kelleher. [44499/18]
- \*211. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the breakdown of the €251,945,000 capital allocation in jobs and enterprise development (details supplied) within her Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44511/18]
- \*212. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the breakdown of the €368,055,000 capital allocation in innovation (details supplied) within her Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular from; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44512/18]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

\*213. To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent on the hiring of private psychologists for the assessment of needs in south and north County Tipperary since 2008; and the average waiting

- time for assessment in early intervention therapies for ASD for the same time period. Kathleen Funchion. [44263/18]
- \*214. To ask the Minister for Health the adult respite available in County Kilkenny; and the number of persons accessing this respite service. Kathleen Funchion. [44264/18]
- \*215. To ask the Minister for Health if a service (details supplied) in County Kilkenny provides adult respite both day and overnight. Kathleen Funchion. [44265/18]
- \*216. To ask the Minister for Health when he plans to introduce personal or individualised budgets for children with severe disabilities in order that they can choose the services they require from various service providers rather than been tied to one service provider; when the report from the taskforce on individualised budgets will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Éamon Ó Cuív. [44483/18]
- \*217. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full year cost of providing 2,000 extra homecare packages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peter Burke. [44238/18]
- \*218. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full year cost of providing one million additional home help hours; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peter Burke. [44239/18]
- \*219. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in receipt of home support services at 30 September 2018; the number that were approved and waiting for home support services for each CHO area at 30 September 2018; the number of persons waiting for more than one, three and six months, respectively for home support services; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

   John Curran. [44250/18]
- \*220. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the delivery of a primary health care centre in Rowlagh, Clondalkin, Dublin 22; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Curran. [44251/18]
- \*221. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the delivery of a primary health care centre in Lucan village and Clondalkin village; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Curran. [44252/18]
- \*222. To ask the Minister for Health his plans for pharmaceutical assistants (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [44257/18]
- \*223. To ask the Minister for Health the schedule of types of medical treatments covered by the NTPF for 2017 and to date in 2018; the number of procedures and average fee paid for each treatment type; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Stephen S. Donnelly. [44258/18]
- \*224. To ask the Minister for Health the supports available to the deaf community in accessing mental health supports including the provision of mental health professionals fluent in sign language; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Stephen S. Donnelly. [44259/18]
- \*225. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the implementation of the three year cap for the fair deal scheme for farm families and small business owners; when it will be put in place; if the cap will apply to fair deal recipients that are already on the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Charlie McConalogue. [44271/18]

- \*226. To ask the Minister for Health the Budget 2019 allocation to drug and alcohol task forces in view of the fact that head B3 of the Health estimate shows a figure of  $\leqslant$ 6,987,000 which is the same as the 2018 allocation; if further funding will be allocated to the task forces; if so, the location in which this is identified in the estimates; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Róisín Shortall. [44276/18]
- \*227. To ask the Minister for Health when additional placements will be available in a service (details supplied); if the request will be given urgent consideration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [44277/18]
- \*228. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive braces from the HSE. Pat Deering. [44278/18]
- \*229. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [44282/18]
- \*230. To ask the Minister for Health when an approved home support package will be in place for a person (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [44283/18]
- \*231. To ask the Minister for Health when a national biosimilar medicines policy will be produced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Louise O'Reilly. [44284/18]
- \*232. To ask the Minister for Health the number of respite care hours provided for the first half of 2017 compared to the first half of 2018 by CHO and LHO in tabular form. Louise O'Reilly. [44285/18]
- \*233. To ask the Minister for Health the number of older persons waiting for home support packages; and the waiting lists for homecare packages by CHO and LHO in tabular form. Louise O'Reilly. [44286/18]
- \*234. To ask the Minister for Health the number of home support packages provided for the first half of 2017 compared to the number provided in the first half of 2018 by CHO and LHO in tabular form. Louise O'Reilly. [44287/18]
- \*235. To ask the Minister for Health if he has received the report from an organisation (details supplied) with respect to the public consultation on pharmaceutical assistants; if so, the way in which he plans to proceed; if not, when he is likely to receive the document; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Murphy. [44289/18]
- \*236. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 916 of 17 April 2018, if his Departmental representatives have reported on whether chiropractors will be added to the register for those that may refer patients for radiological tests under the proposed transposition of medical provisions of the Basic Safety Standards Directive 96/29/Euratom (BSSD96). Kevin O'Keeffe. [44290/18]
- \*237. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) is not being provided with the necessary social needs supports by CAHMS or a service despite the significant change in their behaviour and level of need. Eoin Ó Broin. [44293/18]

- \*238. To ask the Minister for Health the number of acute service centres available here for persons that suffer from migraine; the number of persons that visited each dedicated centre each year; his plans to establish new acute service centres in this regard; if so, when they will be established; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Noel Rock. [44307/18]
- \*239. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to ensure that the HSE can continue to attract general practitioners to work in rural Ireland; his plans to increase the support for out of hours cover, the return of distance coding and increasing and improving the eligibility conditions for the rural practice allowance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Éamon Ó Cuív. [44310/18]
- \*240. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to provide extra support for Westdoc in order that it can provide a more comprehensive out of hours service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Éamon Ó Cuív. [44311/18]
- \*241. To ask the Minister for Health if he will expand the long term illness scheme to include mental illness beyond 16 years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James Lawless. [44325/18]
- \*242. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 459 of 18 September 2018, when he expects to receive the Chief Medical Officer's report on mesh implants carried out here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James Browne. [44327/18]
- \*243. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons awaiting oral maxillo facial services in Letterkenny University Hospital in tabular form; the number of persons on the waiting list over 6, 12 and 24 months and in excess of these times for both outpatient appointments and for actual procedures respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [44329/18]
- \*244. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive a bed at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital. Martin Ferris. [44330/18]
- \*245. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each LHO area waiting for a CAMHS appointment; and the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively. James Browne. [44344/18]
- \*246. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE has signed up to use a laboratory (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [44346/18]
- \*247. To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44357/18]
- \*248. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the case of a person (details supplied) who has not been prioritised in view of the severity of their condition; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Marcella Corcoran Kennedy. [44367/18]
- \*249. To ask the Minister for Health the reason legal fees can or cannot be returned to persons (details supplied). Stephen S. Donnelly. [44371/18]
- \*250. To ask the Minister for Health when it is planned to introduce personal or individualised budgets for children with severe disabilities in order that they can chose the services they require

- from various service providers rather than been tied to one service provider; when the report from the task force on individualised budgets will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Éamon Ó Cuív. [44385/18]
- \*251. To ask the Minister for Health the outcome of inquiries made in relation to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brassil. [44394/18]
- \*252. To ask the Minister for Health the details of the chair and composition of the technical review committee on rare diseases; and his views on whether a conflict of interest exists between the independent NCPE and the technical review committee. Lisa Chambers. [44418/18]
- \*253. To ask the Minister for Health the terms of reference for the technical review committee on rare diseases; and the timeline for review. Lisa Chambers. [44419/18]
- \*254. To ask the Minister for Health the mechanism in place to facilitate patient engagement in order that the views of SMA sufferers and their families can be factored into a decision arrived at in view of the fact that the technical review committee on rare diseases comprises patient representatives also. Lisa Chambers. [44420/18]
- \*255. To ask the Minister for Health the LHO areas that have a suicide bereavement liaison worker in tabular form. James Browne. [44427/18]
- \*256. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the development of adult and child mental health intellectual disability teams in 2018; and the number of additional new staff appointed to date in 2018. James Browne. [44428/18]
- \*257. To ask the Minister for Health the number of additional staff appointed to the CAMHS service in each CHO to date in 2018; and the net increase in staff numbers resulting from such recruitment in each CHO to date in 2018, in tabular form. James Browne. [44429/18]
- \*258. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each CHO waiting for a psychology appointment in primary care; and the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively. James Browne. [44430/18]
- \*259. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in receipt of homecare support packages in County Donegal; the number of home support hours delivered in each month in 2018 to date; the number of hours to be delivered in 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [44443/18]
- \*260. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the waiting list for homecare support packages in County Donegal; the number waiting to receive a package for 1 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 9, 9 to 12, 12 to 15, 15 to 18 and longer than 18 months, respectively, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [44444/18]
- \*261. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he has taken to introduce legislation and policy on mandatory open disclosure, independent of the patient safety Bill and in respect of the cervical smear scandal; if he will provide a start and end date including full disclosure on the 1,800 smears yet to be audited; the breakdown of the new assessment packages being negotiated with laboratories carrying out smear slide analysis including mandatory site audits; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Murphy. [44459/18]

- \*262. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that medical treatment was delayed and a patient transfer to another hospital was required due to the lack of supply of a basic medical aid (details supplied); the supply provisions in place to restock this hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Murphy. [44461/18]
- \*263. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) will be discharged to the care of their family on completion of treatment which they have requested; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Éamon Ó Cuív. [44476/18]
- \*264. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the Royal Hospital Donnybrook has a different admissions policy for patients that are based in Dublin hospitals than that for persons located in provincial hospitals; his views on whether this is fair; if he will ensure that patients from all hospitals can equally access healthcare despite location; and if a person (details supplied) will receive treatment needed. Peadar Tóibín. [44480/18]
- \*265. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the case of a person (details supplied); and if timely medical treatment will be provided for them. Peadar Tóibín. [44523/18]
- \*266. To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of the €473,000 capital allocation in administration, that is, Vote 38 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019 in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44553/18]
- \*267. To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of the €14,527,000 capital allocation in grants in respect of building and equipping including information and communication technology, that is, Vote 38 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44554/18]
- \*268. To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of the €564,461,000 capital allocation in building, equipping and furnishing of health facilities, that is, Vote 38 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019 in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44555/18]
- \*269. To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of the €2,539,000 capital allocation in building, equipping and furnishing of health facilities part funded by the National Lottery, that is, Vote 38 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44556/18]
- \*270. To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of the €85 million capital allocation in information services and related services for health agencies, that is, Vote 38 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44557/18]
- \*271. To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of the €250,000 capital allocation in other HSE services, that is, Vote 38 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be

- completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44558/18]
- \*272. To ask the Minister for Health if homecare hours will be provided for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Eugene Murphy. [44563/18]

Chun an Aire Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara: To the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

- \*273. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the AEOS scheme will be extended; if not, if the GLAS scheme will be reopened for those farmers exiting AEOS in the next twelve months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Martin Kenny. [44245/18]
- \*274. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of farmers that are not on target to meet their 20% star rating under the BDGP by the end of October 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Martin Kenny. [44273/18]
- \*275. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the acreage of land planted for forestry for the public and private sector by county; the species of trees in each of the years 2015 to 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Martin Kenny. [44291/18]
- \*276. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of water samples taken under the acid sensitivity protocol in each of the years 2008 to 2017 in acid sensitive areas such as County Leitrim and north County Roscommon which account for 700,000 acres of acid sensitive land or 10% of acid sensitive land here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Martin Kenny. [44292/18]
- \*277. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the percentage level of exports to the UK by county of beef, dairy, poultry and pig, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Lisa Chambers. [44312/18]
- \*278. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the €25 million announced in Budget 2018 for farmers, fishermen and agri-food producers will be made available; and the conditions that will be attached to same. Lisa Chambers. [44313/18]
- \*279. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to prepare and protect the agri-food industry from the impact of Brexit. Lisa Chambers. [44314/18]
- \*280. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if specific regional supports in the context of Brexit will be made available to the worst affected sectors in particular the agri-food sector in the west of Ireland; and his plans in this regard. Lisa Chambers. [44315/18]
- \*281. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the contingency planning for Brexit his Department has undertaken; and if he will release the details of same. Lisa Chambers. [44316/18]
- \*282. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason meal bins are only funded under the TAMS grant for dairy farmers and not for suckler cow and sheep farmers; if meal bins will be covered by TAMS for all farmers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Martin Kenny. [44319/18]

- \*283. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the water testing that has been done under the existing acid sensitivity protocol developed by his Department, the EPA and COFORD to protect watercourses from acidification arising from sitka spruce forests; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Martin Kenny. [44328/18]
- \*284. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44347/18]
- \*285. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to ensure that existing forests are appropriately restructured post clear fell to reflect water and other environmental sensitivities on the ground; and the number of sites in the policy as set out in the publication woodland and water and the felling and reforestation policy which have been implemented in each of the years 2008 to 2017. Martin Kenny. [44390/18]
- \*286. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to initiate an investigation into whether myxomatosis has already been found in hares by coursing club personnel, veterinary personnel that attend some coursing meetings, wildlife rangers attached to the National Parks and Wildlife Service or by other persons involved with wildlife conservation or hunting activities; and the veterinary or other measures that will be implemented to protect hares here from myxomatosis.

   Maureen O'Sullivan. [44414/18]
- \*287. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the cost of proposals (details supplied) in tabular from. Jackie Cahill. [44446/18]
- \*288. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the cost of proposals (details supplied) in tabular form. Jackie Cahill. [44447/18]
- \*289. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of active participants in each of the forestry schemes in tabular form (details supplied). Jackie Cahill. [44448/18]
- \*290. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the 2018 allocation towards the woodland fund. Jackie Cahill. [44449/18]
- \*291. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the breakdown of the €3,485,000 capital allocation in food safety, animal and plant health and animal welfare (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44502/18]
- \*292. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the breakdown of the €160,746,000 capital allocation in farm sector supports and controls (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44503/18]
- \*293. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the breakdown of the €34,055,000 capital allocation in policy and strategy (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44504/18]
- \*294. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the breakdown of the €56,714,000 capital allocation in the seafood sector (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific

- project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44505/18]
- \*295. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the exact amount of Exchequer funding his Department has allocated in each of the years and expended since June 2016 on upgrading infrastructure at Dublin and Rosslare ports in order to prepare for the possibility of the UK becoming a third country with the EU and the increased export certification sanitary and phytosanitary controls required. Charlie McConalogue. [44513/18]
- \*296. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the number of SPS and fisheries control officials that will be operational on 29 March 2019 (details supplied) will be provided; and if not, the reason therefor in view of the fact that the Minister for Finance has provided the number of additional customs officials that will be operational on 29 March 2019. Charlie McConalogue. [44514/18]
- \*297. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the controls in place in view of the confirmation of a case (details supplied); the amount of live trade with this jurisdiction; and the actions being taken to protect farmers and livestock here. Charlie McConalogue. [44516/18]
- \*298. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the recommendations of the report on the tillage sector by the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Agriculture, Food and the Marine; the timeframe for the implementation of these recommendations; the progress on each recommendation to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Charlie McConalogue. [44517/18]
- \*299. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress on acquiring sheep and beef meat access to China. Charlie McConalogue. [44518/18]
- \*300. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of producer organisations in the beef sector that have registered with his Department; and the name of each such organisation. Charlie McConalogue. [44519/18]
- \*301. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the implementation of the recommendations set out in the report of the independent Aquaculture Licensing Review Group; and the recommendations that have been completed and not completed, respectively to date in tabular form. Charlie McConalogue. [44520/18]
- \*302. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the overview of Ireland's involvement in the new European joint action on reducing greenhouse gas emissions from animal production systems; and the resources and funding being allocated towards this project. Charlie McConalogue. [44521/18]
- \*303. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding allocated in 2016, 2017 and 2018 to Bord Bia's marketing intensification programme; and the provision made in Budget 2018 in relation to same. Charlie McConalogue. [44522/18]

Chun an Aire Cumarsáide, Gníomhaithe ar son na hAeráide agus Comhshaoil: To the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment.

\*304. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the capital allocations for the National Broadband Plan between 2013 and 2027 inclusive by the allocation

- under the Infrastructure and Capital Investment Plan 2012-2016, the National Broadband Plan, the Building on Recovery, Infrastructure and Capital Investment Plan 2016-2021 and the National Development Plan 2018-2027, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44298/18]
- \*305. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if funding allocated to the National Broadband Plan but not spent remains in his Department until it is spent; if not, if it is returned to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44299/18]
- \*306. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the timeframe for the roll out of at least 30mb broadband speeds to a location (details supplied) in County Donegal as part of the National Broadband Plan; if such areas with poor or no broadband coverage will be prioritised during the roll out phase of the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

   Pearse Doherty. [44261/18]
- \*307. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of cyber attacks recorded here in 2017 and to date in 2018; the number of these attacks that were successfully prevented; the number of these attacks believed or known to have been committed by cyber criminals; and the number of these attacks committed by State actors. Brian Stanley. [44266/18]
- \*308. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the funding allocated to the National Cyber Security Centre as part of his Department's budget per annum since the publication of the cybersecurity strategy in 2015. Brian Stanley. [44267/18]
- \*309. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44350/18]
- \*310. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to introduce a compensation scheme (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.

   Paul Kehoe. [44426/18]
- \*311. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of homes in counties Sligo and Leitrim included inside the intervention area for the provision of a broadband service under the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Tony McLoughlin. [44442/18]
- \*312. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of homes included inside the intervention area for the provision of a broadband service under the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Tony McLoughlin. [44479/18]
- \*313. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 434 and 435 of 9 October 2018, the status of the issues arising from subsidence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [44481/18]
- \*314. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the breakdown of the €3,127,000 capital allocation in inland fisheries (details supplied) within his Department for 2019, by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44500/18]

- \*315. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the breakdown of the €31,525,000 capital allocation in environment and waste management (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44501/18]
- \*316. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the details of the €74,414,000 capital allocation in communication Vote 29 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44543/18]
- \*317. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the details of the €2,023,000 capital allocation in Broadcasting Vote 29 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects which will be commenced in 2019; the projects which will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44544/18]
- \*318. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the details of the €131,636,000 capital allocation in energy Vote 29 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44545/18]
- \*319. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the details of the €13,275,000 capital allocation in natural resources Vote 29 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44546/18]

Chun an Aire Iompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt: To the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport.

- \*320. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on An Bord Pleanála's decision to refuse planning permission for the proposed Dublin civic plaza at College Green that would have seen the area pedestrianised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Curran. [44249/18]
- \*321. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of public swimming pools including swimming pools which are in contract with local authorities' PPP or similar arrangements in each local authority; and the percentage this represents in terms of swimming pools per head of population by local authority. Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [44294/18]
- \*322. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44362/18]
- \*323. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason he approved the transit through Shannon Airport of an aircraft (details supplied) in view of the fact that its presence at Shannon was in clear breach of international laws of neutrality and in breach of the High Court ruling by Judge Kearns in Horgan V An Taoiseach et al, 2003. Clare Daly. [44365/18]

- \*324. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the difference between the capital allocation for his Department under the National Development Plan for 2019 given as €1,643 million in Annex 1 of the plan and the lower figure of €1,613 million that is now earmarked for 2019 as set out on page 7 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Murphy, [44431/18]
- \*325. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if there is a penalty in place in circumstances (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul Kehoe. [44433/18]
- \*326. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the protocols in place to deal with breakdowns on the M7 during the current roadworks; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

   Martin Heydon. [44477/18]
- \*327. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the breakdown of the €10,590,000 capital allocation in civil aviation (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44506/18]
- \*328. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the breakdown of the €1,493,080,000 capital allocation in land transport (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44507/18]
- \*329. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the breakdown of the €8,302,000 capital allocation in maritime transport and safety (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44508/18]
- \*330. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the breakdown of the €61,522,000 capital allocation in sports and recreation services (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44509/18]
- \*331. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the breakdown of the €39,531,000 capital allocation in tourism services (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44510/18]

Chun an Aire Leanaí agus Gnóthaí Óige: To the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs.

- \*332. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the breakdown of staff in her Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44349/18]
- \*333. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her views on the cultural and administrative dysfunction in Tusla that was identified in the Charleton Report; the way in which she plans to respond to these issues; and the timescale for same. Róisín Shortall. [44436/18]
- \*334. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the breakdown of the €20,140,000 capital allocation in the children and family support programme, that is, Vote 40 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within her Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be

commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [44559/18]

\*335. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the breakdown of the €11,860,000 capital allocation in the sectoral programmes for children and young people, that is, Vote 40 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within her Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [44560/18]

Chun an Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail: To the Minister for Rural and Community Development.

- \*336. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44361/18]
- \*337. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the breakdown of the €125,882,000 capital allocation in rural development and regional affairs, that is, Vote 42 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019 in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44561/18]
- \*338. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the breakdown of the €15,118,000 capital allocation in community development, that is, Vote 42 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44562/18]

Chun an Aire Gnóthaí Fostaíochta agus Coimirce Sóisialaí: To the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection.

- \*339. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason there is no contractual undertaker provided by her Department in County Leitrim; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Martin Kenny. [44244/18]
- \*340. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a payment will issue in relation to an application by a person (details supplied) for illness benefit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Willie O'Dea. [44262/18]
- \*341. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will address a matter (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Griffin. [44274/18]
- \*342. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of job activation officers assigned to each county in each of the years 2012 to 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. Mick Wallace. [44300/18]
- \*343. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her Department's spend on job activation measures by county in each of the years 2012 to 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. Mick Wallace. [44301/18]

- \*344. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the amount paid to Seetec and Turas Nua to deliver the JobPath service in each of the years 2012 to 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. Mick Wallace. [44302/18]
- \*345. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons by county that have taken up the JobPath service in each of the years 2012 to 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. Mick Wallace. [44303/18]
- \*346. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons by county that have returned to claim social welfare payments having previously taken up the JobPath service in each of the years 2012 to 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. Mick Wallace. [44304/18]
- \*347. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a system (details supplied) will be implemented; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Kehoe. [44340/18]
- \*348. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when an illness benefit payment will issue to a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Griffin. [44345/18]
- \*349. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the breakdown of staff in her Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44354/18]
- \*350. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the contact telephone numbers for her Department that are premium rate numbers; the reason freephone numbers are not used exclusively for her Department in view of the fact that many that are in contact are on limited incomes; her views on whether the use of premium rate and or lo-call numbers will result in higher charges for those that do not have access to a landline; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Róisín Shortall. [44437/18]
- \*351. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when an application by a person (details supplied) for illness benefit will be processed; the reason for the delay; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [44445/18]
- \*352. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the steps she will take in order to ensure that an application for a carer's allowance by a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Willie Penrose. [44478/18]
- \*353. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the breakdown of the €14,000,000 capital allocation, that is, Vote 37 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within her Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44552/18]
- \*354. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an exceptional needs payment can be made in the case of a person (details supplied) in view of the exceptional circumstances; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44571/18]

- \*355. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 721 of 18 September 2018, if she will address a matter in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44572/18]
- \*356. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an exceptional needs payment can be arranged in the case of persons (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44573/18]
- \*357. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the extent to which a basic social welfare payment or disability payment will be made available in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [44576/18]

Chun an Aire Tithíochta, Pleanála agus Rialtais Áitiúil: To the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government.

- \*358. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount windfarms contributed in rates for the period 2014 to 2017 and to date in 2018, by county and nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Curran. [44253/18]
- \*359. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he has had discussions with the Health and Safety Authority regarding progress on the review underway in relation to the aspects of legislation relating to the regulation of fairground equipment and funfairs and specific legislative provisions relating to fairground equipment. Niall Collins. [44439/18]
- \*360. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of staff engaged in the housing delivery office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Curran. [44247/18]
- \*361. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the progress made to date on a wider fire safety review of buildings at risk here as part of the response to the Grenfell Tower disaster; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Curran. [44248/18]
- \*362. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the review of income eligibility limits for social housing will be published; when the limits will be increased; if his attention has been drawn to the particular difficulties in areas such as in counties Cavan and Monaghan in which income limits are very low; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [44272/18]
- \*363. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the breakdown of staff in his Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44358/18]
- \*364. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government further to Parliamentary Question No. 913 of 10 July 2018, the legislation upon which he is basing the policy of a capped percentage of places via open recruitment. Róisín Shortall. [44375/18]
- \*365. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the specific actions taken and progress made since he indicated that his Department is reviewing its role in relation to the aspects of legislation relating to the regulation of fairground equipment and funfairs and specific legislative provisions relating to fairground equipment. Niall Collins. [44438/18]

- \*366. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the safety certificates his Department has received in respect of funfairs in each of the years 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018, by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niall Collins. [44441/18]
- \*367. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if his Department is monitoring the quantity of land identified by local authorities as vacant for the purposes of the vacant site tax; the quantity, number and acreage of land identified by each local authority as vacant; the number of vacant sites in which the owner has been informed; the number of vacant sites in which the owner has yet to be informed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael McGrath. [44452/18]
- \*368. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government further to Parliamentary Question No. 180 of 11 October 2018, the minimum energy rating a boiler must hold in order for it to be allowed to be installed in new homes here or as a replacement in existing homes. Róisín Shortall. [44458/18]
- \*369. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of the €1,335,887,000 capital allocation in the Housing Division Vote 34 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department's vote for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44528/18]
- \*370. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of the €661,911,000 capital allocation in the Water Services Division Vote 34 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department's vote for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44529/18]
- \*371. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of the €12,486,000 capital allocation in the Local Government Division Vote 34 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department's vote for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44530/18]
- \*372. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of the €94,806,000 capital allocation in the Planning Division Vote 34 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department's vote for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44531/18]
- \*373. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of the €7,500,000 capital allocation in the Met Éireann Division Vote 34 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within his Department's vote for 2019 by specific project in tabular form; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44532/18]
- \*374. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the breakdown of the €560,000 capital allocation in the Property Registrations Authority (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44533/18]

\*375. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the breakdown of the €250,000 capital allocation in the Valuation Office (details supplied) within his Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced and completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [44534/18]

Chun an Aire Cultúir, Oidhreachta agus Gaeltachta: To the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht.

- \*376. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Cultúir, Oidhreachta agus Gaeltachta an bhfuil sé i gceist go mbeidh an tacaíocht chéanna ar fáil do na Naíonraí Gaelacha agus atá ar fáil do Chomhar Naíonraí na Gaeltachta chun gur féidir leis na Naíonraí Gaelacha an réimse tacaíochta céanna a chur ar fáil do naíonraí taobh amuigh den Ghaeltacht agus a chuireann Comhar Naíonraí na Gaeltachta ar fáil taobh istigh den Ghaeltacht; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. Éamon Ó Cuív. [44281/18]
- \*377. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the breakdown of staff in her Department by grade. Róisín Shortall. [44351/18]
- \*378. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the breakdown of the €41,730,000 capital allocation in culture, that is, Vote 33 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within her Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019, the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44547/18]
- \*379. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the breakdown of the €15,604,000 capital allocation in heritage, that is, Vote 33 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within her Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44548/18]
- \*380. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the breakdown of the €13,467,000 capital allocation in the Irish language, Gaeltacht and islands, that is, Vote 33 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within her Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019 in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44549/18]
- \*381. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the breakdown of the €4,499,000 capital allocation in north-south cooperations, that is, Vote 33 of the Budget 2019 Expenditure Report within her Department for 2019 by specific project; the projects that will be commenced in 2019; the projects that will be completed in 2019, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [44550/18]