



# DÁIL ÉIREANN

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**CEISTEANNA I gCOMHAIR FREAGRA Ó BHÉAL**  
**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER**

**CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH**  
**QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY**

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

1. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount of funding allocated to his Department for current and capital expenditure, respectively for 2018; the amount spent under each category respectively to date in 2018; his plans to ensure full spend of the available funds by the end of 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [46146/18]

2. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his views on whether adequate provisions have been made to protect rural Ireland from further decline in view of Budget 2019; if Budget 2019 was rural proofed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [46356/18]

3. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans to reintroduce the group water and group sewerage top-up leverage schemes under the CLÁR programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [46147/18]

4. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if the rural regeneration and development fund could be used on transport projects in which the main difficulty in towns such as Tipperary town is the traffic flow and in which transport projects are deemed to be the most urgent need for the regeneration of the town; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [46357/18]

**CEISTEANNA EILE**  
**OTHER QUESTIONS**

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

5. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of dog breeding establishments by county; the number of inspections by county in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018; the outcome in cases of breaches of the guidelines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [45949/18]

6. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the details of the RAPID or community enhancement programme he has put in place since becoming Minister; if he has reviewed the operation of this programme to ensure that the target groups are benefitting from the programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [45957/18]

7. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the areas of County Wexford that can apply for funding under the RAPID Programme; the amount to be allocated in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [46114/18]

8. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if, since the establishment of the community enhancement programme, there has been specific supports or programmes to provide targeted assistance to the 51 most disadvantaged areas formerly known as RAPID areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [46001/18]

9. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the level of expenditure committed to date under the 2014 to 2020 Leader programme for each individual programme; the drawdown of such grant aid to date by individual programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [46123/18]

10. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when the review of local community development committees due in Quarter 2, 2018 will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46021/18]

11. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when applications to the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund will be assessed and approvals notified to the successful applicants. — Robert Troy. [46129/18]

12. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans to streamline the administration of the Leader Programme nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [46122/18]

13. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the supports he will make available to other disadvantaged communities in the Dublin area in view of the €5.5 million investment in Dublin's north inner city as announced by him in October 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [46000/18]

14. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if he is satisfied that the application process for community groups applying to Leader is efficient and that the process is not turning groups off making an application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [46130/18]

15. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the work of the Action Plan for Rural Development specifically relating to the revitalisation of towns and villages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [45963/18]

16. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if the scheme announced in October 2018 to encourage families to return to living in rural town centres will be extended to offshore islands. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [45964/18]

17. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the steps he will take with regard to oversight and monitoring of the inspections of dog breeding establishments to ensure that the new guidelines, due to come into force in January 2019, will be adhered to. — Clare Daly. [45954/18]

18. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which he continues to address the stigmatisation of rural or urban communities in view of the fact that such

communities are in decline (details supplied); his plans to address the emerging image of rural communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [45951/18]

19. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when the independent review of Pobal's charitable status will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46022/18]

20. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount spent to date under the present Leader programme on projects; the amount spent to date in 2018 on projects by LAG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [45956/18]

21. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the net amount of funding that has come into to the dormant account funds in 2018 after repayments to the banks of reclaimed funds; the amount it is proposed to spend on projects out of the fund in 2018; the spend to date; the amount of uncommitted funds on hand at present not including the statutory reserve; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [45958/18]

22. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the locations he is expanding the CLÁR funding for 2019 by categories; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [45962/18]

23. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the progress made towards reopening the rural walks scheme; when he plans to reopen the walks scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [46139/18]

24. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when decisions will be made on applications made under the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund; the number of applications received to date; the funding approved in Budget 2019 for this scheme in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [45955/18]

25. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans for the development of services within his portfolio in the coming years with particular reference to the need to develop and modernise services affecting rural Ireland and the Border regions; the extent to which he expects to be in a position to interact with and provide funding for voluntary community groups while at the same time enhancing the quality of services available through both the public and the private sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [45950/18]

26. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans to ensure the viability and sustainability of towns and villages in rural Ireland that have lost or are losing their local post office. — Bobby Aylward. [46040/18]

27. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the progress made between his Department and the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment in removing the barriers which would impact the roll out of fibre broadband in rural Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [46138/18]

28. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the way in which the updated guidelines for dog breeding establishments will be enforced when they come into effect on 1 January 2019; if additional resources are being allocated for the inspection and enforcement of these guidelines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [45948/18]

29. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of meetings held of Comhairle na Tuaithe in 2017 and to date in 2018; the progress made in the development of rural and outdoor recreation in the past two years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [45959/18]

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**CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA**  
**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER**

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

\*30. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number serving in each rank in the Army in tabular form. — Jack Chambers. [46235/18]

\*31. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number serving in each rank in the Air Corps in tabular form. — Jack Chambers. [46236/18]

\*32. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number serving in each rank in the Naval Service in tabular form. — Jack Chambers. [46237/18]

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

\*33. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the steps he will take in view of reports that the LGBT community are being targeted in Tanzania; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [46309/18]

\*34. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will report on the current political situation in Brazil; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [46310/18]

\*35. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the situation in Yemen; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [46311/18]

\*36. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will report on the recent British-Irish Intergovernmental Conference; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [46312/18]

\*37. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on a deal agreed between Myanmar and Bangladesh to start repatriating Rohingya refugees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [46313/18]

\*38. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the political situation in Sri Lanka; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [46314/18]

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

\*39. To ask the Minister for Finance the progress that has been made in establishing a banking culture board; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46246/18]

\*40. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to introduce legislation to make senior bankers accountable for their banking decisions; if this legislation will contain sanctions comparable to UK financial accountability rules introduced in 2013 and 2016; if not, if the legislation will contain criminal sanctions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46247/18]

\*41. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will report on the proposed introduction of an EU wide digital tax; the estimated annual impact of such a tax on State finances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46256/18]

\*42. To ask the Minister for Finance his strategy and views on the impact on Ireland of the cessation of asset purchases by the European Central Bank and winding down of the quantitative easing programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46257/18]

\*43. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the impact of block chain technology on the financial services industry here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46258/18]

\*44. To ask the Minister for Finance the gross and net fiscal space for each year up to 2023 if the expenditure benchmark and the medium term objective is met accounting for contributions to the rainy day fund, pre-committed expenditure and the non-indexation of tax system irrespective of the economy's position on the business cycle; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [46343/18]

\*45. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to veto the EU digital tax proposal as it is currently proposed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [46345/18]

\*46. To ask the Minister for Finance when he expects the State Claims Agency to make an application to the High Court to seek authorisation to pay compensation to claimants involved in the liquidation of a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [46346/18]

\*47. To ask the Minister for Finance the time it takes on average for the State Claims Agency to make payments from the insurance compensation fund following a High Court approval; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [46347/18]

\*48. To ask the Minister for Finance if support for Ireland's position in Brexit negotiations will not be conditional on Ireland's position on corporation tax, CCCTB, the digital tax or otherwise; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [46348/18]

\*49. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to amend the Credit Union Act 1997 to enable credit unions to lend to approved housing bodies rather than invest subject to protections for members' deposits; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [46349/18]

\*50. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Central Bank holds data on the number of mortgage drawdowns each year before an organisation (details supplied) began collecting such data; the number of mortgage drawdowns for first-time buyers in each year since 1993; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [46350/18]

\*51. To ask the Minister for Finance when the details of the appropriate tax free credit and or allowances will be furnished in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46423/18]

\*52. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the issues raised by a farming organisation (details supplied) regarding the cumulative lifetime cap of €70,000 on the amount of tax relief that can be availed by young farmers as proposed in the Finance Bill 2018. — Charlie McConalogue. [46453/18]

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

\*53. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the completed design and build projects commissioned by his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [46160/18]

\*54. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the cost to date of remedial works to buildings commissioned by the OPW as design and build projects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [46169/18]

\*55. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the estimated cost of the introduction of equality budgeting; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [46227/18]

\*56. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the Office of Government Procurement was involved in the renewal of the metropolitan area networks contracts in 2017; if so, the role the office played; the OGP guidelines in relation to renewing concessionary agreements across the public service; if it is standard practice under OGP guidelines not to engage in a tender process upon renewal of a concessionary agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [46299/18]

\*57. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the Office of Government Procurement or its predecessor was involved in the tendering process for the metropolitan area networks concessionary agreements in 2004 and 2009; if so, the role the office played; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [46300/18]

\*58. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of procurement officers in the Office of Government Procurement; the responsibilities and functions of each; and the annual costs in this regard. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46303/18]

\*59. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the relationship between the Office of Government Procurement and Departments and local authorities preparing, tendering and awarding procurement contracts. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46304/18]

\*60. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if social value targets, provisions or clauses exist within the national procurement strategy. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46305/18]

\*61. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the estimated cost of employing one specialist procurement officer annually with the relevant and necessary qualifications and experience. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46306/18]



\*62. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the value of contracts for which local authorities can tender; and the value of contracts for which local authorities can tender without central scrutiny. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46307/18]

\*63. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if a central database system for suppliers throughout the State for the purpose of procurement contracts exists. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46308/18]

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

\*64. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of special needs assistants that were employed in Cork city and county in each of the years 2011 to 2017. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46321/18]

\*65. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the completed design and build projects commissioned by his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [46159/18]

\*66. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if funding will be made available to a school (details supplied) in County Kerry to construct a car park; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46175/18]

\*67. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46179/18]

\*68. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the cost of the minor works grant in 2017; the number of schools supported by this grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [46239/18]

\*69. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost to re-establish the modern languages in primary school initiative; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [46240/18]

\*70. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost of the restoration of 100 guidance counselling posts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [46241/18]

\*71. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost to restore the visiting teacher service for Travellers. — Thomas Byrne. [46242/18]

\*72. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the cost of increasing the third-level maintenance grant by 10%, 20% and 30%, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [46243/18]

\*73. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of contracts tendered to businesses in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46276/18]

\*74. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of contracts tendered to businesses of 50 employees and less in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46277/18]

\*75. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of contracts tendered to businesses in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018 disaggregated by the value of the contracts awarded. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46278/18]

\*76. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of procurement officers in his Department charged with the responsibility of preparing, tendering and awarding procurement contracts. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46279/18]

\*77. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the annual cost of procurement officers in his Department charged with the responsibility of preparing, tendering and awarding procurement contracts. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46280/18]

\*78. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason a protected disclosure is not being enacted (details supplied). — Bríd Smith. [46293/18]

\*79. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to ensure that a route planner (details supplied) is used when assessing distances for the adjacent non adjacent SUSI grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [46295/18]

\*80. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46297/18]

\*81. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount granted on street and online betting companies via the skillnets scheme since skillnets was founded; the betting companies that were successful in their grant application; the details of the headings for which the funds were granted to the companies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [46301/18]

\*82. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount outstanding that skillnets is trying to recover for non-compliance with the way in which grants are to be used by successful applicants; if skillnets is engaged in a legal action to try to recover unauthorised use of grants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [46302/18]

\*83. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to effect a new circular to ban the presence and use of mobile phones by students in all national schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [46327/18]

\*84. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the criteria for entry requirements to access springboard+ courses; if there are courses specifically aimed at persons that are underemployed; the courses available for lifelong learning programmes; and the specific courses targeting skills shortages in sectors. — Billy Kelleher. [46380/18]

\*85. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the participation rate here in lifelong learning in each of the years 2014 to 2017 and to date in 2018; the EU average rate for same based on latest data in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [46381/18]

\*86. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the percentage of persons in the labour force that have basic or above basic digital skills based on the latest available data; the corresponding EU average rate in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [46382/18]

\*87. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the percentage of persons in employment that have basic or above basic digital skills based on the latest available data; the corresponding EU average rate in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [46383/18]

\*88. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of new consortia led apprenticeship programmes forecasted under the Action Plan to Expand Apprenticeship and Traineeship in Ireland in each of the years 2016 to 2020; and the numbers realised (details supplied) for these targets in 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018 for these new consortia led apprenticeship programmes in tabular form. — Billy Kelleher. [46388/18]

\*89. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 64 of 11 October 2018, the basis on which a person (details supplied) has been assessed in respect of their higher education grant within income derived from their parents; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46419/18]

\*90. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application for a higher education grant in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46424/18]

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

\*91. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will review the early closure time of Malahide Garda station with a view to extending the hours of operation to 24 hours to provide for the safety and protection of the local community; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [46203/18]

\*92. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason for the delays in finalising an application by a person (details supplied) for a naturalisation certificate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [46232/18]

\*93. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will report on the recent Law Reform Commission report Regulatory Powers and Corporate Offenders; his plans in relation to same; the timeframe to introduce necessary legislation and to implement the key recommendations of this report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46252/18]

\*94. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to introduce a corporate crime agency; his further plans to resource the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions in order to pursue corporate crime and fraud and to work closely with the proposed new agency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46253/18]

\*95. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on a deferred prosecution agreement legal regime in relation to corporate crime and business fraud; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46254/18]

\*96. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the review of the incentivised prison regimes policy has been completed; and when it is expected to be published. — Clare Daly. [46289/18]

\*97. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of a stamp 4 application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46317/18]

\*98. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will address matters (details supplied) regarding asylum seekers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46337/18]

\*99. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if disciplinary proceedings have been initiated within the Irish Prison Service within the past three years specifically with respect to incidences of sexual harassment and or assault; if so, the number of incidences involved; the rank or ranks and or grade of staff that were involved; the way in which the matters were resolved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [46339/18]

\*100. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if compensation or without prejudice payments have been made to staff of the Irish Prison Service within the past three years; if so, the amounts involved; the grade or rank of staff that were involved; if this also related to pensions and pension top-ups and buying of years service; the rank or ranks or grades that were involved; the reason for such payments and top-ups and or years of service bought; if such payments required his approval or that of his predecessor; if staff exiting the IPS in such a manner are required to enter into non-disclosure agreements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [46340/18]

\*101. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a protected disclosure made to him has been concluded with respect to the Irish Prison Service (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [46341/18]

\*102. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current or potential residency status in the case of persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46408/18]

\*103. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to change the legislation in recognition of foreign divorce here having particular regard to the difficulties created in subsequent marriages in circumstances in which the remaining partner cannot qualify for widow and or widower's pension; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46410/18]

\*104. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a decision to deport in the case of persons (details supplied) will be reviewed; if their case will be re-examined with a view to awarding leave to remain; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46411/18]

\*105. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when stamp 4 will issue in the case of persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46414/18]

\*106. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which consideration can be given to the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46415/18]

\*107. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current and or expected residency status in the case of persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46416/18]

\*108. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if all required information has been submitted to the relevant section of his Department by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46422/18]

\*109. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if an order to deport in the case of a person (details supplied) will be set aside; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46426/18]

*Chun an Aire Gnó, Fiontar agus Nuálaíochta: To the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation.*

\*110. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when a decision will issue on an application by a person (details supplied) for a work permit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [46168/18]

\*111. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on the recommendation (details supplied) on the state of regulation of personal contract plans (PCPs) that the consumer protection code should apply to PCPs and that PCP providers should have to check the financial capacity of consumers before offering such contracts; if not, the reason therefor; and if she or her officials have had discussions with the Department of Finance and the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission regarding this recommendation. — Billy Kelleher. [46367/18]

\*112. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of IDA site visits in each county in quarter 1, 2 and 3 of 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [46368/18]

\*113. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of meetings that have taken place to date since the formation of the working group comprising representatives from the Directorate General for Competition, her Department, Enterprise Ireland and the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine to scope and design schemes to support enterprises impacted by Brexit in line with state aid rules; the dates of all such meetings; the remaining meetings planned for 2018 and Q1 2019; the progression on new potential schemes that fall within state aid rules and their operational date; if she or Enterprise Ireland have submitted or discussed proposals in the forum requesting that the state aid ceiling under EU Regulation No. 1407/2013 be temporally adapted as a policy response to protect Irish companies and exporting businesses exposed to a no-deal hard Brexit and the UK becoming a third country; and when such proposals were formally submitted. — Billy Kelleher. [46369/18]

\*114. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on the report on Regulatory Powers and Corporate Offences by an organisation (details supplied); her plans to implement the recommendations of this report including the proposal to setup a corporate crime agency; the estimated impact this will have on the work of the ODCE; and if her Departmental officials met with the ODCE to discuss the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [46371/18]

\*115. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if a sectoral analysis has been carried out of skills shortages in the economy for the next 5, 10, 15 and 20 year period; the impact skills shortages are having on competitiveness levels here; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [46372/18]

\*116. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of civil servants in her Department by grade that are specifically allocated to work in the economic migration policy unit (details supplied). — Billy Kelleher. [46373/18]

\*117. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the regional job targets and unemployment rate projections under the Programme for Partnership Government for 2020 and

Enterprise 2025, by year and region; the latest figures relating to these targets; the monitoring and reporting mechanisms in place; her job targets up to 2020, by region in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [46374/18]

\*118. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she is satisfied with the latest female participation rate in the labour force here compared with the EU rate; if she has carried out an analysis of this area; and the actions being taken to increase the rate. — Billy Kelleher. [46376/18]

\*119. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she is satisfied with Ireland's rankings in the 2018 Global Competitiveness Report published by the World Economic Forum on 17 October 2018. — Billy Kelleher. [46384/18]

\*120. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on the most recent Personal Injuries Commission report and the recommendation to establish a judicial council and for the Minister for Justice and Equality to formally request that the council review the award guidelines; and the estimated impact this will have on the Book of Quantum. — Billy Kelleher. [46385/18]

\*121. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when applications to the disruptive technologies fund will open and close; and the 2019 budget allocation for same. — Billy Kelleher. [46386/18]

\*122. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the allocation to the Workplace Relations Commission and Labour Court in each of the years 2015 to 2018 broken down between current and capital funds; the amount expended in each year and to date in 2018; the 2019 allocation; and the number of civil servants in the Workplace Relations Commission and Labour Court by grade in tabular form. — Billy Kelleher. [46387/18]

\*123. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of farm safety inspectors employed by the HSA; and the number of new inspectors that have been hired in 2017 and to date in 2018 for farm safety. — Charlie McConalogue. [46454/18]

\*124. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount spent by the Health and Safety Authority on farm safety initiatives; the number of inspections in each of the years 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018; the number of fatalities on farms in this period annually; the percentage of farm fatalities out of total workplace fatalities recorded by the HSA as a percentage in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [46455/18]

\*125. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount of funds allocated by the Health and Safety Authority for farm safety initiatives in 2016, 2017 and 2018; the amount expended in each such year; the amount allocated in Budget 2019 for farm safety initiatives; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [46456/18]

*Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.*

\*126. To ask the Minister for Health the funding spent on tobacco control in each of the past ten years in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [46153/18]



\*127. To ask the Minister for Health the funding spent on tobacco cessation measures in each of the past ten years in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [46154/18]

\*128. To ask the Minister for Health if the provision of a hearing aid requested by a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [46156/18]

\*129. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding speech and language therapy at a school (details supplied) in County Sligo; if maternity cover has been sanctioned; if not, when it is expected to be sanctioned; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [46157/18]

\*130. To ask the Minister for Health the completed design and build projects commissioned by his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [46161/18]

\*131. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) will be reassessed for home help; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [46162/18]

\*132. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 464 of 16 October 2018, when a reply will issue from the HSE. — Peadar Tóibín. [46176/18]

\*133. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on hospital trolleys in all hospitals in the north west region, including Roscommon University Hospital in each month since September 2017, in tabular form; the number recorded in October 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [46177/18]

\*134. To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacant positions for psychiatric nurses within the Louth Meath mental health services; and the measures being put in place to ensure that these vacancies are filled. — Peadar Tóibín. [46181/18]

\*135. To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacancies unfilled or filled on a temporary basis in each hospital in the Louth Meath hospital group and to each position in which there is a vacancy. — Peadar Tóibín. [46182/18]

\*136. To ask the Minister for Health the status of progress regarding the assisted human reproduction Bill; when this Bill will be ready to come before Dáil Éireann; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46190/18]

\*137. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the baby friendly initiative oversight group which was to be set up earlier in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [46193/18]

\*138. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 145 of 13 June 2018, the status of the meeting with a group (details supplied); the results of this meeting; the steps that will be taken to action the recommendations from the meeting; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [46195/18]

\*139. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of in access to treatment for Hepatitis C in community settings by the National Hepatitis C Treatment Programme; the results

of these pilot programmes; the number of new clients that each pilot programme has reached; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [46196/18]

\*140. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which additional funding announced in Budget 2019 is being dispensed in Sligo University Hospital in view of the fact that it is among the worst hospitals affected by overcrowding; the specific funding to be provided in County Sligo for winter pressures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [46197/18]

\*141. To ask the Minister for Health the position in relation to improving diagnostics and treatment for persons with Lyme disease; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46198/18]

\*142. To ask the Minister for Health if modern glucose monitoring systems involving readings of sensors attached to patients will be made available to senior citizens suffering from diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [46202/18]

\*143. To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacancies unfilled or filled on a temporary basis respectively in hospitals (details supplied) in counties Cavan and Monaghan; and the details of each by category. — Niamh Smyth. [46207/18]

\*144. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding issued to an organisation for services in respect of a person (details supplied); the period involved; the attendance record of the person; the amount of funding paid to an organisation in County Kilkenny in respect of another person; the period involved; the attendance record of the person; the reason a sustainable long-term care plan was not put in place; the reason the family has had no support services for the past 11 years; and if a long-term plan with funding will be put in place by the HSE in agreement with the children's parent. — John McGuinness. [46208/18]

\*145. To ask the Minister for Health if an immediate appointment will be arranged for a person (details supplied) with the paediatric services at Kilcreene Hospital, Kilkenny; and if correspondence from the person's parents, school and general practitioner will be considered. — John McGuinness. [46209/18]

\*146. To ask the Minister for Health when the last National Traveller Health Advisory Committee met; when the next meeting is to take place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [46211/18]

\*147. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be increased for Traveller health; the action being taken to improve Traveller health; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [46212/18]

\*148. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) will be referred to child psychology services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [46217/18]

\*149. To ask the Minister for Health the reason children up to the age of 16 years that are in receipt of the long term illness scheme for mental illness are no longer entitled to the benefits of this scheme between after 17 years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [46233/18]



\*150. To ask the Minister for Health if the FreeStyle Libre device will be added to the long term illness scheme for all type 1 diabetics; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46238/18]

\*151. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on investigations or checks into the construction of three health facilities at Beaumont Hospital by a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46248/18]

\*152. To ask the Minister for Health the number of treatments carried out in 2017 and to date in 2018 under the EU Healthcare Directive up to Quarter 3 of 2018 for persons here; the budgetary allocation for recoupment of the cost of these treatments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46249/18]

\*153. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a homecare application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46259/18]

\*154. To ask the Minister for Health the number of contracts tendered to businesses in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46271/18]

\*155. To ask the Minister for Health the number of contracts tendered to businesses of 50 employees and less in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46272/18]

\*156. To ask the Minister for Health the number of contracts tendered to businesses in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018, disaggregated by the value of the contracts awarded. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46273/18]

\*157. To ask the Minister for Health the number of procurement officers in his Department charged with the responsibility of preparing, tendering and awarding procurement contracts. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46274/18]

\*158. To ask the Minister for Health the annual cost of procurement officers in his Department charged with the responsibility of preparing, tendering and awarding procurement contracts. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46275/18]

\*159. To ask the Minister for Health the reason children up to 16 years of age that are in receipt of the long term illness scheme for mental illness are no longer entitled to the benefits of this scheme after 17 years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [46290/18]

\*160. To ask the Minister for Health the process used to make a decision to increase or decrease an amount (details supplied); if this figure will increase for 2019; and his role in determining same. — Alan Kelly. [46291/18]

\*161. To ask the Minister for Health the process used to make a decision to increase or decrease an amount (details supplied); the provision for drug and alcohol task forces within this figure; if the figure for task forces within this heading will increase for 2019; and his role in determining same. — Alan Kelly. [46292/18]

\*162. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a hospital appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46296/18]

\*163. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal will receive a copy of their medical records from St. James's Hospital, Dublin; the reason previous attempts by the person to access their medical files through freedom of information requests were refused; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46315/18]

\*164. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a hospital appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46316/18]

\*165. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the National Traveller Advisory Committee has not been convened since 2012; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46319/18]

\*166. To ask the Minister for Health the reason there has been no increase in the Traveller health budget since 2008; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46320/18]

\*167. To ask the Minister for Health the action plan in place within his Department relating specifically to assisting children and adolescents with autism and co-occurring mental health difficulties. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46322/18]

\*168. To ask the Minister for Health the number of psychiatrists employed by CAMHS in Cork city and county. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46323/18]

\*169. To ask the Minister for Health the number of psychologists employed by CAMHS in Cork city and county. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46324/18]

\*170. To ask the Minister for Health the average waiting time between the date of a CAMHS referral and the date of assessment by a member of CAMHS. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46325/18]

\*171. To ask the Minister for Health the number of requests (details supplied) that were received for children and adults between 2016 and May 2018; and the number of these requests that were met with an assessment within the three month timeframe as set out under section 9 of the Disabilities Act 2005. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46326/18]

\*172. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding reconstituting the HSE board; the grounds of eligibility to become a member of the board; the timeline for the creation of the board; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [46328/18]

\*173. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to bring proposals to Cabinet regarding the replacement scheme for the mobility allowance and the motorised transport scheme; the reason for the delay in finalising a replacement scheme to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [46329/18]

\*174. To ask the Minister for Health the provisions in place to recruit and retain graduate psychiatric nurses within the local mental health services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [46333/18]

\*175. To ask the Minister for Health the number of 2018 graduate psychiatric nurses that have been provided employment contracts; the number recruited; the type of contract provided in each area in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [46334/18]

\*176. To ask the Minister for Health if orthopaedic procedures will be funded under the National Treatment Purchase Fund in 2019 in view of the delays for patients in areas such as counties Cavan and Monaghan (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [46335/18]

\*177. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in County Wexford awaiting an ENT consultation for more than 3, 6, 9, 12, 18 and 24 months, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [46353/18]

\*178. To ask the Minister for Health the details of the agreement made between the HSE and a section 39 organisation (details supplied); the core deficit that was initially identified by both parties; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [46354/18]

\*179. To ask the Minister for Health if an application for CAMHS will be processed for a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46359/18]

\*180. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children, young persons and adults in counties Cavan and Monaghan waiting for appointments in primary care (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [46361/18]

\*181. To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which support services can be provided in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46427/18]

\*182. To ask the Minister for Health if the almost €50 million which was earmarked for the provision of additional hospital beds and for developments for medical card patients is to be used to deal with overspending in the health service; and the way in which the €50 million was to have been assigned in tabular form. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [46457/18]

\*183. To ask the Minister for Health if just over €200 million in health service funding for specific new initiatives for 2019 is being held back; and if so, the specific initiatives and the funding for each in tabular form. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [46458/18]

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

\*184. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he expects afforestation to affect climate change in the future with particular reference to the extent to which a hectare of various species of tree, deciduous or non-deciduous can be used in carbon sequestration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46439/18]

\*185. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will meet with a group (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46149/18]

\*186. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an inspection on a farm (details supplied) that is preventing the SFM being paid to the owners. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [46163/18]

\*187. 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. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [46165/18]

\*188. 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. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [46166/18]

\*189. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of prosecutions since January 2013 with regard to the failure of owners to chip their horses. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [46167/18]

\*190. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when a refund will issue to a person (details supplied) which has been withheld due to a departmental error; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [46214/18]

\*191. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason Fisheries Management Notice No. 72 of 2018 was only published on 31 October 2018 in view of the fact that it came into force on 2 November 2018 thus only giving a few days to fishermen pull their pots in inclement weather; the scientific basis on which the order is based; the estimated number of boats that will be effected by this order; the estimated number of crew that will be laid off as a result; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [46222/18]

\*192. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on a matter (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46287/18]

\*193. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason for a cut in payments for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46331/18]

\*194. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of meetings that have taken place to date since the formation of the working group comprising representatives from the Directorate General for Competition, his Department, Enterprise Ireland and the Department of Business, Enterprise and Innovation to scope and design schemes to support enterprises impacted by Brexit in line with state aid rules; the dates of all such meetings; the remaining meetings planned for 2018 and Q1 2019; the progression on new potential schemes that fall within state aid rules and their operational date; if he or Enterprise Ireland submitted or discussed proposals in the forum requesting that the state aid ceiling under EU Regulation No. 1407/2013 be temporally adapted as a policy response to protect Irish companies and exporting businesses exposed to a no-deal hard Brexit and the UK becoming a third country; and when such proposals were formally submitted. — Billy Kelleher. [46370/18]

\*195. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the funding provided to a fund (details supplied) in each of the years 2016 to 2018 in tabular form; and the amount announced in Budget 2019. — Jackie Cahill. [46389/18]

\*196. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of broadleaf forestry planting as a percentage of total planting in each of the years 2010 to 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Jackie Cahill. [46390/18]

\*197. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount allocated and expended on the woodland improvement scheme in each of the years since it was established to date in 2018, in tabular form; and the number of active participants in the scheme per annum. — Jackie Cahill. [46391/18]

\*198. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason the environmental enhancement scheme has not been operationalised to date as set out in the Forestry Programme 2014 to 2020. — Jackie Cahill. [46392/18]

\*199. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount allocated and expended on the neighbourwood scheme funded under the Forestry Programme 2014 to 2020 in each of the years since it was established to date to 2018, in tabular form; and the number of active participants in the scheme per annum. — Jackie Cahill. [46393/18]

\*200. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the COFORD Land Availability for Afforestation Report (details supplied) which highlights nearly 200,000 hectares of land that is technically suitable for afforestation; and if further work including preliminary work on the potential forestry use of this land has been carried out. — Jackie Cahill. [46394/18]

\*201. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the cost of proposals (details supplied) in tabular form. — Jackie Cahill. [46395/18]

\*202. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated additional cost of implementing a proposal (details supplied) over a full year based on 2010 participation and planting rates. — Jackie Cahill. [46396/18]

\*203. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the cost of proposals (details supplied) in tabular form. — Jackie Cahill. [46397/18]

\*204. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the cost of proposals (details supplied) in tabular form. — Jackie Cahill. [46398/18]

\*205. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount allocated and expended on forestry schemes in each of the years 2010 to 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form. — Jackie Cahill. [46399/18]

\*206. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of data in his Department regarding the reduction in greenhouse gases by switching from calcium ammonium nitrate fertiliser to protective urea which reduces the nitrous oxide release. — Charlie McConalogue. [46441/18]

\*207. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of data in his Department regarding the reduction in greenhouse gases from reduced low emissions slurry spreading. — Charlie McConalogue. [46442/18]

\*208. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the process and cost of procuring a new research vessel to undertake fisheries research, oceanographic and environmental research and seabed mapping and surveys; when the new vessel will be operational; and the steps which will be taken with regard to the Celtic Warrior vessel. — Charlie McConalogue. [46443/18]

\*209. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress to date in percentage terms and number of jobs created for each FoodWise 2025 target (details supplied). — Charlie McConalogue. [46444/18]

\*210. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if funds from the €300 million working capital loan scheme can be made available to farmers in view of the fact that take up has been so low since it opened in March 2018; and if he has had discussions with his colleague in

the Department of Business, Enterprise and Innovation in this regard. — Charlie McConalogue. [46445/18]

\*211. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of farming families per county based on Census 2016 figures. — Charlie McConalogue. [46446/18]

\*212. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of each European Innovation Partnerships Initiative project opened to date under the Rural Development Programme 2014-2020; the financial allocations on an annual basis for each such project opened to date; the annual amount expended on the listed schemes in each year since it was established; the number of active participants in the scheme; and the number of approved applicants that subsequently withdrew from each project in tabular form. — Charlie McConalogue. [46447/18]

\*213. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of discussions between his Department and the Department of Health on the implementation of an agreed statutory instrument on the extension of country of origin labelling to loose meats of swine, sheep, goats and poultry. — Charlie McConalogue. [46448/18]

\*214. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason participants in the knowledge transfer programme scheme for forestry are not eligible for an equivalent payment of up to €750 similar to participants in the beef, dairy, sheep, tillage, poultry and equine schemes. — Charlie McConalogue. [46449/18]

\*215. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the proposals raised in correspondence (details supplied) regarding the BEEP scheme. — Charlie McConalogue. [46450/18]

\*216. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of civil servants by grade that are specifically allocated to work exclusively on market access; the number that work on market access exclusively for each of the beef, dairy, lamb, pig meat and poultry sectors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [46451/18]

\*217. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to raise with the Minister for Finance issues raised by a farming organisation (details supplied) regarding the cumulative lifetime cap of €70,000 on the amount of tax relief that can be availed of by young farmers as proposed in the Finance Bill 2018. — Charlie McConalogue. [46452/18]

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

\*218. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the extent to which restocking of rivers and lakes continues to be undertaken with particular reference to areas in which a reduction in catches has indicated a need for restocking; the fish species provided for under this heading; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46366/18]

\*219. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of the Celtic interconnector project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [46230/18]



\*220. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the progress of the implementation of all recommendations contained within the report of the Mobile Phone and Broadband Taskforce. — Timmy Dooley. [46231/18]

\*221. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the actions taken to apply for state aid with regard to the renewable electricity support scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [46234/18]

\*222. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of contracts tendered to businesses in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46261/18]

\*223. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of contracts tendered to businesses of 50 employees and less in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46262/18]

\*224. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of contracts tendered to businesses in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018, disaggregated by the value of the contracts awarded. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46263/18]

\*225. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of procurement officers in his Department charged with the responsibility of preparing, tendering and awarding procurement contracts. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46264/18]

\*226. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the annual cost of procurement officers in his Department charged with the responsibility of preparing, tendering and awarding procurement contracts. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46265/18]

\*227. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment further to Parliamentary Question No. 586 of 14 December 2017, if the use of smoky coals will still be allowed for certain types of engine, for example, vintage tractor engines and vintage locomotive engines; his plans to make provisions for the use of smoky coal allowable in very specific circumstances in view of his predecessor's announcement on the matter; the timeline for the introduction of the exemptions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [46400/18]

\*228. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the degree to which a simple means can be found to explain the benefits of climate change protection measures available to the community at large; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46438/18]

\*229. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the degree to which a 25% reduction in the use of fossil fuels can address the growing burden of carbon and relevant fines arising from failure to address the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46440/18]

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

\*230. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the Castletownbere transportation plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [46155/18]

\*231. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will request TII to deal with traffic hazards on the N4 route at the Cootehall and Croghan junction between Carrick-on-Shannon and Boyle; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [46189/18]

\*232. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has conducted an analysis on improving the train schedule by increasing the number of trains and the possibility of more direct trains from County Laois at train stations in Portlaoise and Ballybrophy in view of the fact that the commuting numbers have increased in recent years with no added services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [46200/18]

\*233. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason the NDLS will not allow a person (details supplied) to transfer a driver licence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [46226/18]

\*234. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of NCT tests provided for electric vehicle users from 2014 to 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [46228/18]

\*235. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the estimated cost of a waiver for motor tax on electric cars; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [46229/18]

\*236. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of driver licences issued to 16 to 24 year olds in each of the years 2011 to 2017. — Thomas Byrne. [46244/18]

\*237. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to establish a dedicated public transport police to invigilate all public transport services including DART and commuter rail services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46251/18]

\*238. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of contracts tendered to businesses in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46266/18]

\*239. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of contracts tendered to businesses of 50 employees and less in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46267/18]

\*240. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of contracts tendered to businesses in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018, disaggregated by the value of the contracts awarded. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46268/18]

\*241. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of procurement officers in his Department charged with the responsibility of preparing, tendering and awarding procurement contracts. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46269/18]

\*242. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the annual cost of procurement officers in his Department charged with the responsibility of preparing, tendering and awarding procurement contracts. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46270/18]

\*243. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the way in which DOE and or NCT testing in particular light transmission testing of tinted windscreens and front side windows is at variance with legislation relied on by An Garda Síochána in prosecuting drivers of motor vehicles



with tinted windscreens and front side windows more particularly under ACT 34(2)(B) of the Road Traffic (Construction, Equipment and use of vehicles) Regulations 1963 as amended without requirements to carry out roadside light transmission testing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [46351/18]

\*244. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the discussions held to date with the British authorities and at EU level in relation to the adverse impact Brexit may have on cross-Border bus services; the outcome of such discussions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [46362/18]

\*245. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will ensure that there will be no disruption to cross-Border bus services following Brexit; if he and Bus Éireann have had discussions with their counterparts in Northern Ireland and Britain; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [46363/18]

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

\*246. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if funding will be provided in her Department's estimates for 2019 towards the improvement and the provision of facilities in counties Cavan and Monaghan for victims of domestic abuse; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [46355/18]

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

\*247. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the way in which the rural regeneration and development fund which will provide new funding streams for rural towns, villages and outlying rural areas is being delivered in Tipperary town and west County Tipperary; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [46358/18]

\*248. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when a decision will issue on a project (details supplied) under the scheme for outdoor infrastructure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [46223/18]

\*249. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the reason a project (details supplied) that was initially granted funding under the SICAP programme was then informed that it was not eligible for the funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [46224/18]

\*250. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail an raibh aon chomhráite aige lena a chomh-Aire, an tAire Tithíochta, Pleanála agus Rialtais Áitiúil, maidir le síneadh a chur le scéimeanna séarchais tuaithe d'fhonn tuilleadh tithe a cheangal leis na scéimeanna atá ann i láthair na huaire; an raibh aon phlé aige freisin maidir le scéimeanna nua séarachais a chur ar fáil i sráidbhailte tuaithe nach bhfuil a leithéid acu cheana; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [46225/18]

\*251. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the actions he continues to take to address the issue of rural isolation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46428/18]

\*252. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which he plans to develop the town and village renewal scheme in order to improve and enhance the standard of living for persons in rural Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46429/18]

\*253. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans for support to be provided for voluntary, community groups and projects nationally and in County Kildare in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46430/18]

\*254. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which he continues to have discussions with voluntary or statutory bodies nationally with particular reference to the need to identify the best way in which to tackle the issues relevant to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46431/18]

\*255. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which he has been in a position to offer financial support to the various eligible bodies and organisations throughout County Kildare which fall under the remit of his Department with particular reference to addressing isolation issues in both urban and rural areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46432/18]

\*256. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of applications received from groups and bodies throughout north County Kildare for funding or support; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46433/18]

\*257. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the degree to which he expects to address the issues of concern in both urban and rural Ireland which fall under the remit of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46434/18]

\*258. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if, in the context of the allocation of funding throughout 2019, he expects to further improve conditions in both urban and rural settings throughout the country with particular reference to concerns expressed in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46435/18]

\*259. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which he expects to be able to draw on the Dormant Accounts Fund to assist various bodies, groups or agencies in urban and rural areas engaged in the provision of community support services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46436/18]

\*260. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which he expects to be in a position to support community development throughout the country in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46437/18]

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

\*261. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the actions being taken to reduce the number of jobless houses; and the latest data in relation to same. — Billy Kelleher. [46375/18]

\*262. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for an occupational injury benefit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [46150/18]

\*263. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for the renewal of a working family payment claim; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [46158/18]

\*264. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when correspondence will issue to pensioners that have the State pension (contributory) to inform them of proposed changes; and if this will be expedited within the original timeframe. — Bríd Smith. [46170/18]

\*265. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of delays in relation to processing new and existing illness benefit claims; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [46173/18]

\*266. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will be made on an application by a person (details supplied) for an illness benefit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [46194/18]

\*267. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when changes will be made to introduce a home caring credit; when eligible recipients will be contacted; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [46201/18]

\*268. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when an application by a person (details supplied) for an invalidity pension will be processed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46204/18]

\*269. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when an illness benefit application will be processed in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46210/18]

\*270. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for illness benefit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46218/18]

\*271. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for illness benefit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46219/18]

\*272. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an application for carer's benefit by a person (details supplied) in County Sligo will be expedited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [46220/18]

\*273. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to the lengthy problems faced by teachers that receive temporary contracts and are considered to have benefitted from permanent contracts and require a lot of paperwork to receive the jobseeker's allowance during the mid-term break; if the process for same will be reviewed for these teachers in view of the circumstances; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [46245/18]

\*274. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a disability allowance for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46318/18]

\*275. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a domiciliary care appeal by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46330/18]

\*276. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a person transfers from invalidity pension to partial capacity in order to take-up casual employment, the flexibilities there are in terms of payment of weeks in which little or no working hours have been secured. — Eoin Ó Broin. [46360/18]

\*277. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of participants in nationally accredited internships; the number in the public and private sectors; and the regulatory framework concerning persons in internship schemes and the national minimum wage. — Billy Kelleher. [46377/18]

\*278. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason persons in receipt of illness benefit must pay a €10 charge to their general practitioner to have a medical certificate completed in order to claim their illness benefit; if the matter will be reviewed in circumstances in which they are medical card holders; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [46406/18]

\*279. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the case of a person (details supplied) can be clarified at an early date in order to avoid hardship; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46409/18]

\*280. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an application for a household benefits package by a person (details supplied) will be re-examined; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46412/18]

\*281. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 205 of 11 October 2018, the extent to which the entitlement may be affected in 2019 when further changes to the pension system come into force in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46413/18]

\*282. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the extent to which a current review of entitlements is likely to affect a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46418/18]

\*283. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the position in regard to the restoration of payment and arrears due in respect of a jobseeker's allowance in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46420/18]

\*284. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the action which can be taken to ensure an appropriate payment in accordance with their entitlement is made in the case of a person (details supplied); the last occasion they were in receipt of a weekly; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46425/18]

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

\*285. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if a reduction in the commercial rates levied on a vacant business premises (details supplied) in County Kerry will be considered in order to incentivise a new business to lease the premises; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46215/18]

\*286. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the steps he is taking in order to cease sewage discharges into the Dublin Bay biosphere from the Howth peninsula with reference to a recent Environmental Protection Agency report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46250/18]

\*287. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if the allocation of emergency funding has been set up in case of a bad winter similar to that in 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [46164/18]

\*288. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason for the delay in the introduction of a rental deposit protection scheme; when the scheme will be put in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [46178/18]

\*289. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of an application by Westmeath County Council (details supplied) for supplementary funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [46180/18]

\*290. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if it is now a legal requirement to have a clerk of works on all building developments; if not, the reason therefor; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [46192/18]

\*291. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of a foreshore licence for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [46213/18]

\*292. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the changes to statutory regulations or legislation he is considering in relation to the planning, procurement and construction of social housing by local authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [46255/18]

\*293. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the overall level of funding to local authorities in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46281/18]

\*294. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the level of funding to each of the local authorities in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46282/18]

\*295. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of contracts tendered by each local authority in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46283/18]

\*296. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of procurement officers in each local authority charged with the responsibility of preparing, tendering and awarding procurement contracts in each of the years 2011 to 2017 and to date in 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46284/18]

\*297. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the annual cost of procurement officers in each local authority charged with the responsibility of preparing, tendering and awarding procurement contracts. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46285/18]

\*298. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the estimated cost of employing one specialist procurement officer within a local authority annually with the relevant and necessary qualifications and experience. — Jonathan O'Brien. [46286/18]

\*299. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if the necessary legal provisions are in place to enable local authorities approaching the development of large land banks such as Poolbeg and Ballymastone to provide cost rental housing on those lands in view of the support of Dáil Éireann for cost rental housing expressed in the approval of the Motion of 6 March 2018 and his statement that cost rental is a key part of housing strategy. — Eamon Ryan. [46294/18]

\*300. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of loan approvals for house purchases in each year since 1996; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [46344/18]

\*301. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the way in which he has progressed the accessibility of voting and voter information for persons with disabilities. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [46364/18]

\*302. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the Eurostat classification of approved housing bodies as on balance sheet; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [46401/18]

\*303. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the position regarding the working group comprising officials from planning authorities and his Department which was established to review and revise the 2005 planning guidelines on sustainable rural housing; if the review has concluded; if he has engaged with the European Commission on proposed changes to the guidelines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [46402/18]

\*304. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the proposed location of the headquarters of the regeneration and development agency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [46403/18]

\*305. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of staff in An Bord Pleanála in each of the years 2008 to 2017 and to date in 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [46404/18]

\*306. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the budget of An Bord Pleanála in each of the years 2008 to 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [46405/18]

\*307. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when eligibility thresholds for Rebuilding Ireland home loans are likely to be raised in view of the fact that at the

present level it is not possible for applicants to purchase a home; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46417/18]

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

\*308. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if she has given consideration to the introduction of a humanely directed deer cull in view of circumstances (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [46260/18]

\*309. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the species of birds including game birds and animals including hares extinct or deemed to be under threat of extinction; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46365/18]

\*310. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the extent to which the hare population has been reduced; the cause of same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46407/18]

\*311. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the measures she is taking to warn the public of the risks of Lyme disease in national parks; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46199/18]

\*312. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht her views on a matter (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46298/18]