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CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH
QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

1. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to amend the Succession Act 1965 to ensure that perpetrators or their families cannot benefit in cases of familicide; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [12314/19]

2. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if legislation will be introduced to provide for domestic homicide reviews as have been introduced in the UK (details supplied). — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [12167/19]

3. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the position with regard to the need to update regulations which govern the jurisdiction of courts in civil and commercial matters following the departure of the United Kingdom from the European Union; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [12315/19]

4. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to reportage of a so-called scam to obtain taxi licences by persons that are alleged to have no legal status here. — Sean Sherlock. [12011/19]

5. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the specific measures he is taking to tackle crimes against persons with disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O’Mahony. [12316/19]

CEISTEANNA EILE
OTHER QUESTIONS

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

6. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to ensure that the threats posed by Brexit to the rights and equality of persons resident in Northern Ireland with Irish citizenship, particularly such as they relate to nationality are addressed; and his plans to bring forward legislation to address this matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [11875/19]

7. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he is satisfied with the level of security provided at current and future direct provision centres; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [11964/19]

8. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 261 and 262 of 22 January 2019, if consideration will be given to the provision of additional staffing

and financial resources to the Border region in 2019 in view of concerns in relation to Brexit and ongoing cross-Border criminality; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [11996/19]

9. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the development of the new regional Garda headquarters in County Sligo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [11984/19]

10. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on the recent comments by a union (details supplied) in addition to other bodies in relation to the new domestic violence legislation and the lack of training provided to members of An Garda Síochána to carry out their duties required of them by this legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [11876/19]

11. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if there will be an independent inquiry into the death of a person (details supplied). — Bríd Smith. [12009/19]

12. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons in probation services linked in with a probation officer; if sufficient community services are available; and if there are enough places for voluntary supervision. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [11721/19]

13. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of new recruits allocated and transfers in of existing gardaí in the past four years to each of the Cork Garda divisions; the number of transfers out and retirements out of each Cork Garda division in the period; if population growth has been factored into the allocation process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [12002/19]

14. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of road traffic collisions involving heavy goods vehicles and public service vehicles in each of the years 2015 to 2018 and to date in 2019; the number which resulted in a fatality, serious injury and fatality of the driver of the vehicles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [6261/19]

15. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the work of the panel of barristers examining protected disclosures within An Garda Síochána; the number and names of counsel employed to date on the panel in tabular form; the fees paid to counsel to date; if he is satisfied with the work of the panel to date; if he has had discussions with the Garda Commissioner in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [11995/19]

16. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will report on the efforts of the Office of Public Works in relation to the proposed new Garda station at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [10617/19]

17. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of prisoners that died in prisons since 2011 to date; if he is satisfied that the Irish Prison Service is adequately funded to deal with prisoner welfare; if he is satisfied that the best international practice is in place within prisons here to assist prisoners with mental health difficulties; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [11993/19]

18. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has received reports and statistical analysis of the number of crimes in which a knife was the primary weapon used. — Sean Sherlock. [11980/19]

19. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of civilian staff employed by An Garda Síochána; and the percentage of the overall An Garda Síochána staff attributable to overall numbers. — Sean Sherlock. [12005/19]

20. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the steps being taken to ensure that residents in direct provision centres are being advised of their right to vote in local elections in May 2019; and the way in which contact with candidates will be facilitated in order that residents can engage fully with the democratic process. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [11877/19]

21. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí in County Donegal in each of the past ten years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [11971/19]

22. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress being made in respect of providing additional gardaí to the Border area; and if it is confirmed that 600 gardaí will be deployed to the Border region. — Sean Sherlock. [11979/19]

23. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1956 was last reviewed in view of the increase in gaming arcades; the locations Part III of the Act is in force; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [11661/19]

24. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the deliberations of the panel of barristers he has convened in relation to protected disclosures from current and former gardaí; and if he is satisfied with the manner in which protected disclosures are being handled by An Garda Síochána. — Clare Daly. [11955/19]

25. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the position with regard to the release of information pertinent to cases of familicide by organisations with relevant knowledge; if a review will be conducted of barriers to provide information for families of victims of familicide; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [11960/19]

26. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on the need to provide additional staffing resources to the Border region in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [11997/19]

27. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the operation of the courts poor box is to continue for the foreseeable future. — Sean Sherlock. [11981/19]

28. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the degree to which he has examined the situation experienced by families suffering in the aftermath of familicide with particular reference with the need to ensure that an early warning system can be provided in which families may be briefed in situations in which a risk might exist; if consideration can also be given to legislating to prevent perpetrators from benefitting as the result of homicide; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [11805/19]

29. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to the recent incidents of burglaries and thefts in Cork city over the Christmas 2018 period; his plans to address same; and if additional resources both personnel and equipment will be provided to areas (details supplied). — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [11874/19]

30. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of cases and applications on hand at the end of each of the years 2015 to 2018 with the Criminal Injuries Compensation Tribunal; the average time to have a claim settled; the actions he plans to reduce the number of cases on hand; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [11660/19]

31. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to concerns from community text alert groups in relation to a new centralised system for phone calls to Garda stations in the eastern region; the actions that will be taken to protect the community text alert service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [11894/19]

32. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which he remains satisfied regarding the adequacy of resources available to An Garda Síochána to assist in the fight against organised crime; the extent to which adequate intelligence remains at the disposal of An Garda Síochána; if particular issues have arisen that may require further attention in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [11806/19]

33. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the destinations of prison officers to be recruited in 2019; the number required to replace retired officers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [11963/19]

34. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on the recent alleged arson attacks on possible sites for direct provision and asylum seekers; if he has discussed the matter with the Garda Commissioner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [11994/19]

35. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of community Gardaí that were and are assigned to Swords Garda station in each of the years 2014 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [12004/19]

36. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a report will be commissioned on the extent to which persons with a care history are represented within the prison population. — Jim O'Callaghan. [11961/19]

37. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has considered the installation of CCTV cameras at motorway junctions to help act against rural crime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [12008/19]

38. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans for upgrading refugee centres nationally. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [12007/19]

39. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has discussed the provision of additional information technology resources for An Garda Síochána with the Garda Commissioner and Policing Authority in view of recent reports on deficiencies in the Garda PULSE information technology system revealed by the recent Garda internal review into diversion programme referrals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11461/19]

40. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí in each Garda station in the Dublin northern and western divisions as of 1 January 2019; and the number of new recruits assigned to each division since recruitment resumed in 2014. — Louise O'Reilly. [12003/19]

41. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of spouses and or family members of international nurses working here awaiting visas; the range of waiting times; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [12000/19]

42. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the engagement he has had with his counterpart in the UK in respect of the threat of violence from so-called dissident groups. — Sean Sherlock. [11978/19]

43. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of applications in respect of an award under the terms of the addendum to the Magdalen restorative justice ex-gratia scheme; the number of persons granted an award; the number of persons awaiting a decision in respect of their application; the reason therefor; the number of persons considered ineligible for an award; the reason therefor; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [12001/19]

44. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when the Council of Europe Convention on Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse, known as the Lanzarote Convention, is to be ratified in view of the fact that Ireland is an outlier amongst European states in its failure to ratify the Convention; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [11878/19]

45. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans in place for a hotel (details supplied) to remain serving as a refugee centre. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [12006/19]

46. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his role in the appointment of the Master of the High Court. — Mattie McGrath. [7982/19]

47. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views in relation to the recent letter bomb sent to London from an address in Dublin; and if he has spoken to his UK counterpart in relation to same. — Michael Moynihan. [11934/19]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

*48. To ask the Taoiseach if the issue of a referendum on a united Ireland or a Border poll is included on the national risk register; if the risk committee that prepared this register examined this issue; if so, the assessment and determination; the reason this issue is or is not included on the risk register; and if a Department supplied information in respect of including this issue to those involved in drawing up the national risk register. — Sean Fleming. [11717/19]

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

*49. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if his attention has been drawn to the fact that members of the Reserve Defence Forces in some counties are being prevented from and not authorized to participate in St. Patrick's Day parades; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [11469/19]

*50. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if his attention has been drawn to comments by the Chief Medical Officer of the Defence Forces (details supplied); and if soldiers have been

disciplined for falsely claiming to be sick from taking Lariam in view of those comments. — Clare Daly. [11543/19]

*51. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if his attention has been drawn to comments by the Chief Medical Officer of the Defence Forces (details supplied); and if a complaint has been made to An Garda Síochána regarding outside groups encouraging soldiers to make fraudulent claims to be suffering side effects from Lariam in view of those comments. — Clare Daly. [11544/19]

*52. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the estimated cost of backdating claims for Army Rangers, chefs, accountants and recruits to the dates recommended by adjudicators in each case. — Clare Daly. [11879/19]

*53. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence further to Parliamentary Question No. 109 of 5 March 2019, the breakdown of the expenditure on capability development; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [11959/19]

*54. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the position regarding the mid-life refit of the LÉ Róisín. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [12048/19]

*55. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to conduct an independent external review of the Defence Forces human resources management in view of the retention crisis in the organisation. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [12147/19]

*56. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if a person (details supplied) is entitled to a combined pension for service with a number of defence related bodies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [12312/19]

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

*57. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the funding expended by his Department in promoting and hosting all Getting Ireland Brexit Ready events to date; the costs associated with advertising, design work, photography, event staging and venue hire, print and online media advertising and public relations in tabular form; the budget allocated in his Department for the Getting Ireland Brexit Ready events with respect to promotional activities in 2018 and 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [12420/19]

*58. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he has spoken to a family (details supplied) since a British Supreme Court ruling. — Micheál Martin. [11930/19]

*59. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if information in relation to a series of matters (details supplied) regarding the type of persons on the 2019 election observation roster will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [12555/19]

*60. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on the recently published UN report which indicated the actions by Israeli authorities in relation to protests in Gaza may amount to war crimes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [11593/19]

*61. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his attention has been drawn to reports of Israeli authorities withholding Palestinian tax revenue which would be considered a violation of the Oslo Accords; his views on such matters; if this matter has been raised at EU level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [11594/19]

*62. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of persons from Great Britain and Northern Ireland that have applied for an Irish passport in each of the years 2014 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [11595/19]

*63. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the target and actual turnaround time, respectively for receipt of a passport across all the passport services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [11596/19]

*64. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will address a matter regarding the election observation roster (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [11704/19]

*65. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his plans to update the Passports Act 2008; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [11729/19]

*66. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if the issue of a referendum on a united Ireland or a Border poll is included on the risk register of his Department; if the risk committee of his Department examined this issue; if so, the assessment and determination; the reason this issue is or is not included on the risk register; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [11752/19]

*67. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the degree to which he advocated for the strengthening of corporate accountability and increased regulation of the activities of transnational corporations and other business enterprises to ensure the prevention of land and human rights violations in developing countries; if he has referred to the recent report by a charity (details supplied) calling for this approach; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [11842/19]

*68. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if the recently issued appeals terms of reference would apply to a person (details supplied); if the independent appeals panel will review non-redacted versions of all appeals materials including all attachments submitted by the person; if a disability professional will be assigned as part of this review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [11910/19]

*69. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the position in relation to the UN guiding principles on human rights impact assessments for economic reform policies which are being debated at the UN Human Rights Council; and his plans in relation to rolling out such principles when adopted. — Clare Daly. [11948/19]

*70. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will be prioritising visits to affected communities in Colombia in view of the new embassy in place in Bogota and his commitment to human rights defenders and the peace process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [12143/19]

*71. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade further to Parliamentary Question No. 111 of 5 March 2019, the number of grants made versus loans, that is, quantity and monetary value regarding loans; the amount of interest applied; and the main receivers of the climate finance. — Eoin Ó Broin. [12163/19]

*72. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade further to Parliamentary Question No. 81 of 6 March 2019, if additional concerns (details supplied) will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [12353/19]

*73. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on the suppression of protests in Sudan by the Government of President Al-Bashir; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [12354/19]

*74. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will report on his meeting in the Irish Embassy in London with the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Ms Karen Bradley; the issues that were discussed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12355/19]

*75. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will report on the dinner he attended in the Irish Embassy in London on 6 March 2019; the guests that attended; the issues that were discussed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12356/19]

*76. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he discussed the comments made by the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Ms Karen Bradley in the House of Commons on 6 March 2019 regarding those that were killed by members of the British Army in Northern Ireland during the troubles during his meeting with her that evening; the response he received; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12357/19]

*77. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he spoke with the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Ms Karen Bradley on 6 March 2019 regarding the outstanding commitments between the Irish and British Governments in relation to outstanding legacy issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12358/19]

*78. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he discussed the report by the head of the civil service in Northern Ireland regarding the impact of a no-deal Brexit on Northern Ireland at the dinner on 6 March 2019 in the Irish Embassy in London; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12359/19]

*79. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he has discussed with the British Foreign Minister and the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, the way in which the victims of terrorism in Northern Ireland that still live there or here and in the UK are actually supported; the groups which receive funding to provide supports; the way in which this differs in each jurisdiction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12361/19]

*80. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he or his Department officials have met with a group (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12362/19]

*81. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the way in which his Department can facilitate requests from various groups such as a group (details supplied) to assist

them with reaching out to victims and all of their families; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12364/19]

*82. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he or his officials have met with the Minister for Health and his officials to discuss the way in which victims of terrorism that live here could receive specific supports in particular counselling from within the health service; if they receive support in accessing health services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12365/19]

*83. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he has received an update on the meetings that the British Attorney General has been having with EU officials on the withdrawal treaty and the backstop in particular. — Micheál Martin. [11928/19]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*84. To ask the Minister for Finance if a response will issue to a query (details supplied) regarding a no-deal Brexit. — Joan Collins. [11897/19]

*85. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to insurance companies increasing premiums or not covering persons that are renting rooms to students as part of the rent-a-room relief tax credit; his views on same; if insurance companies will be contacted on the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [12233/19]

*86. To ask the Minister for Finance the rules the Central Bank has in place on promotional and other material in relation to mortgage offers; if the Central Bank has power to instruct such material to be changed; the number of instances in which such material was submitted to the Central Bank with regard to cashback offers; the number of instances in which the Central Bank instructed that such material be altered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [11492/19]

*87. To ask the Minister for Finance if the car finance model being investigated by the Financial Conduct Authority in the UK in which credit brokers are paid commission based on interest charged exists here; if the Central Bank has views in relation to this model; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [11493/19]

*88. To ask the Minister for Finance when the next quarterly update from the cost of insurance working group will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [11505/19]

*89. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to regulate claims harvesting companies in the area of personal injuries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [11527/19]

*90. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason the Revenue Commissioners will not accept correspondence from agricultural colleges (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [11537/19]

*91. To ask the Minister for Finance the revenue generated by the sugar sweetened drinks tax since its introduction; if he will provide a revised estimate of the revenue raised from the tax in a full year and a projection for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11546/19]

*92. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of products that have been affected by the imposition of a calcium threshold on products exempt from the sugar sweetened drinks tax; if the imposition of the threshold has brought these products within the scope of the tax; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11547/19]

*93. To ask the Minister for Finance the consideration which has been given to extending the sugar sweetened drinks tax to products within the CN2202 category in which sugar has been added; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11548/19]

*94. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of an evaluation that has taken place of the sugar sweetened drinks tax; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11549/19]

*95. To ask the Minister for Finance the research which has been undertaken on evidence based fiscal measures to support healthy eating and lifestyles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11550/19]

*96. To ask the Minister for Finance the review of evidence which has taken place for fiscal measures on products that are high in fat, sugar and salt to reduce their consumption; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11551/19]

*97. To ask the Minister for Finance the work being undertaken in respect of addressing VAT anomalies in food and drink rates as part of deliberations on upcoming changes to VAT law at EU level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11554/19]

*98. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will consider the inclusion of a nutrient profiling model to identify unhealthy food products as part of the applicability of VAT on food and drink; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11555/19]

*99. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to increase the threshold band of inheritance tax payable for nieces and nephews in view of the high rate of tax that they are liable to pay on current thresholds; if investigations have been carried out on the implications of potential amendments to the thresholds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [11575/19]

*100. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount paid by policyholders by way of insurance premiums in each of the years since 2010 in respect of class 1 business motor insurance in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [11637/19]

*101. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount paid by policyholders by way of insurance premiums in each of the years since 2010 in respect of class 2 business motor insurance in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [11638/19]

*102. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount paid by policyholders by way of insurance premiums in each of the years since 2010 in respect of motor insurance for returning emigrants in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [11639/19]

*103. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount paid by policyholders by way of insurance premiums in each of the years since 2010 in respect of motor insurance for cars 10 years or older in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [11640/19]

*104. To ask the Minister for Finance if banks are required to offer customers in mortgage distress the option of applying for the mortgage to rent scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [11668/19]

*105. To ask the Minister for Finance the EU contributions to be made by Ireland in each of the next five years; the estimated figure if the contributions were based on best forecasts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [11678/19]

*106. To ask the Minister for Finance when persons (details supplied) will receive the remaining 35% of their entitlements following the collapse of a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [11701/19]

*107. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on a derogation in the proposed transposition process of IORP II for small single member pension schemes as was provided in the previous directive on this issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [11769/19]

*108. To ask the Minister for Finance the views of the Central Bank in relation to potentially expanding the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; if he requested the Central Bank to provide a formal opinion on the scheme; if so, the details of the opinion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [11790/19]

*109. To ask the Minister for Finance if funding will be provided for the purchase of an additional mobile x-ray scanner for the Revenue Commissioners; and the additional equipment that has been provided to the Revenue Commissioners Customs Service in 2018 and to date in 2019. — Clare Daly. [11811/19]

*110. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to have a bilateral meeting with his Italian counterpart, Mr. Giovanni Tria. — Clare Daly. [11812/19]

*111. To ask the Minister for Finance the banks in which he or the State has a shareholding; the role of public interest directors which can be appointed by him in respect of the banks; the details of the public interest directors on the boards of each of these banks; the date the last public interest director was a member of the board; the names of the directors; the date they completed their term; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [11865/19]

*112. To ask the Minister for Finance if cars will be tariff free in the event of a no-deal Brexit (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [11895/19]

*113. To ask the Minister for Finance the position regarding vehicles (details supplied) in the event of a no-deal Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [11896/19]

*114. To ask the Minister for Finance the progress that has been made to establish a national claims database as recommended by the cost of insurance working group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [12061/19]

*115. To ask the Minister for Finance the steps he has taken to tackle the rising cost of insurance for small businesses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [12062/19]

*116. To ask the Minister for Finance if he has been in contact with the Central Bank in relation to review, funding and or the interest rate of the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [12331/19]

*117. To ask the Minister for Finance if the working group identified in Parliamentary Question No. 132 of 5 March 2019, has identified areas in which there should be increased provision of flood insurance; if flood insurance is being delivered in those areas; if the working group has examined options or made recommendations for flood insurance for areas which are not included in tranch 1 of flood defences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [12425/19]

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

*118. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of plans for a flood relief scheme (details supplied) in County Cork; if the required level of funding is committed; the next steps in the process; the timeline for the completion of the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [11923/19]

*119. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the amount allocated to the Ennis south flood scheme to date; the breakdown of the spending; if the original announcement for the scheme of €8.6 million is still budgeted for; the changes that have been made to the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [12256/19]

*120. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the position regarding renovation works at Ballymahon and Longford Garda stations. — Robert Troy. [11470/19]

*121. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform further to Parliamentary Question No. 88 of 2 May 2018, if a copy of the actuarial tables referred to will be provided. — Clare Daly. [11539/19]

*122. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the work carried out by OPW in the areas of Ballymakeogh, Clonsingle and Shower Bog road further to the serious flooding of 2018; the work planned to be carried out in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [11675/19]

*123. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of plans for the refurbishment of a Garda Station (details supplied); the timeline for the completion of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [11686/19]

*124. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform The reason for the refusal of a supplementary pension for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [11692/19]

*125. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the level of consultation the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government has with him in relation to extra funding for the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; if a formal request for extra funding has been made; the extra amount being sought; the areas that funds will come from if it is granted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [11789/19]

*126. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the necessary funding for the recruitment of two additional assistant legal advisers at APO level for the Office of the Ombudsman will be provided. — Clare Daly. [11816/19]

*127. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he has given indications, guidance or directive in relation to the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme in recent weeks; if

funding has been made available to ensure that those that qualify for the loan will not have undue delays in approval due to funding issues; if changes in the scheme including the interest rate are being considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [12332/19]

*128. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of flood defence projects delayed due to planning issues. — Eugene Murphy. [12347/19]

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

*129. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the supports available to a person (details supplied); the way in which neurological conditions are specifically catered for in the school environment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [11475/19]

*130. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of schools here that implemented circular 38/2018. — Thomas Byrne. [11525/19]

*131. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application for a new building for a school (details supplied) in County Tipperary; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seamus Healy. [11526/19]

*132. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the costs associated with conducting a national audit of secondary schools in respect of the equipment, infrastructure and facilities available to cook, prepare and serve meals to students in addition to the facilities in which they can eat; if this can be undertaken as part of a healthy schools policy; his plans for such an audit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11565/19]

*133. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the funding available to schools that wish to develop and purchase equipment, infrastructure and facilities available to cook, prepare and serve meals to students in addition to the facilities in which they can eat; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11566/19]

*134. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if schools have contacted his Department in respect of the availability of drinking water in schools; if applications have been made for financial support to address issues in which a school does not have a tap drinking water supply; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11568/19]

*135. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an audit of all learning centres will be undertaken on the availability of potable drinking water; the estimated cost of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11569/19]

*136. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a matter in relation to a school amalgamation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [11589/19]

*137. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding the building programme of a school (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [11642/19]

*138. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a new set of regulations and standards is being drawn up in relation to temporary prefabs being purchased or leased for school purposes; if the new standards or regulations will apply to the pre-fabricated buildings already produced and in

the system; the way in which the regulations and standards are to be applied; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [11663/19]

*139. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a concessionary post of administrative principal will be approved for schools (details supplied); the progress to date in relation to each school; the timeframe for a final decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [11664/19]

*140. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the proposed location of the new second-level educate together school for Galway city; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [11702/19]

*141. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the stage the building project at a school (details supplied) is at; and the timeframe for construction to commence at the school. — Gino Kenny. [11708/19]

*142. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated amount it would cost in a full year if 75 additional rural coordinator posts under the home school liaison services were provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [11727/19]

*143. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the Information Commissioner and Data Protection Commissioner have been consulted with regard to proposed legislation (details supplied) to seal records of the Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse, the Residential Institutions Redress Board and the Residential Institutions Redress Review committee for 75 years; if so, the advice provided by each; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [11760/19]

*144. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the allocation of special education teaching support for a school (details supplied) will be reassessed on the grounds of exceptional circumstances in order to provide the staff with the best possible platform to adequately cater for a number of students; the reason the allocation of special education teaching support hours for the school has not been increased but remained the same despite an increase in the number of children that require such specialised support since the introduction of the new allocation of hours for pupils with additional needs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [11809/19]

*145. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he has satisfied himself that the current system for seeking an appeal or review of special education teaching support hours is offering schools, principals and boards of management an adequate forum from which they can communicate concerns, seek meaningful reviews or appeals and engage with his Department on behalf of students with complex needs that may require additional supports; if he is further satisfied that the system affords an appropriate level of credence to the principals that care for vulnerable children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [11810/19]

*146. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the name and location of technological universities nationally; and the institutes of technology which merged to form these technological universities. — Gerry Adams. [11824/19]

*147. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of institutes of technology which are in the process of applying to become technological universities; and the location of each. — Gerry Adams. [11825/19]

*148. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of institutes of technology that have not applied to become technological universities. — Gerry Adams. [11826/19]

*149. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an institute of technology must merge with another institute to gain technological university status; and if so, the reason therefor. — Gerry Adams. [11827/19]

*150. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if there will be negative impacts for institutes of technology which do not become technological universities. — Gerry Adams. [11828/19]

*151. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an institute of technology (details supplied) has applied to become a technological university; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [11829/19]

*152. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding the construction of a school extension (details supplied); when contact will be made with the school in relation to the matter; if the redesign of the project will be reconsidered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11850/19]

*153. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on whether it is fair that funding will not be granted to resolve building conditions in a classroom at a school (details supplied) that will soon be used by a child with cystic fibrosis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11851/19]

*154. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a school (details supplied) has included ASD classes in its regeneration plans. — Joan Collins. [11921/19]

*155. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an application by a school (details supplied) for additional classes to include ASD classes has been processed; if so, when it will be finalised; and the number of classes applied for. — Joan Collins. [11922/19]

*156. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an intervention will be made to provide ASD classes in schools in the Dublin 6, 6W and 12 areas and to protect the rights of a child to access education by invoking section 37A of the Education Act 1998 as inserted by section 8 of the Education (Admission to Schools) Act 2018 (details supplied). — Joan Collins. [11924/19]

*157. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on a motion from a union (details supplied) that Dundalk Institute of Technology should apply to become a technological university under the Technological Universities Act 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [11953/19]

*158. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason the number of prequalified contractors have been reduced from 10 to eight in the retendering process for the two schools in Maynooth education campus; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that KWETB has reduced this number to seven prequalified contractors and that the tender is to go out the week ending 8 March 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [11988/19]

*159. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a report was composed by the team from his Department that visited Maynooth education campus in August 2018 which determined the application for additional accommodation to be refused; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [11989/19]

*160. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of applications for a third-level maintenance grant refused in each of the years 2015 to 2018 and to date in 2019, as a result of an independent mature student being unable to provide proof of independent residence according to the SUSI requirements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [12047/19]

*161. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application by a school (details supplied) for an extension and or new build; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [12052/19]

*162. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the name, location and specific energy conservation measure of the schools set to receive deep energy retrofits in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [12064/19]

*163. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of schools built prior to 2008 nationally he plans to deliver deep energy efficient retrofits; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [12065/19]

*164. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount of funding spent to date on energy retrofits in view of the €2.5 billion identified for the refurbishment and construction of schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [12066/19]

*165. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount of funding that will be targeted on delivering energy retrofits between 2018 and 2027 to schools built prior to 2008 of the €2.5 billion identified for the refurbishment and construction of schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [12067/19]

*166. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a school building project (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [12088/19]

*167. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a project (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [12092/19]

*168. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a school (details supplied) in County Tipperary will be considered for and granted DEIS status; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [12129/19]

*169. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will meet with a person (details supplied) to discuss the educational needs of their child. — Marc MacSharry. [12137/19]

*170. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if grant assistance is available for students (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [12140/19]

*171. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an institute of technology (details supplied) is in the process of establishing a formal amalgamation with a college of further and higher education in Northern Ireland; the legislative provision that exists both here and in Northern Ireland for the creation of such an amalgamated institute; if such an amalgamated institute would be able to apply for technological university status here; the implications this may have for staff members; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [12148/19]

*172. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the rights parents of and pupils themselves have in terms of appealing a school decision to reject an application to attend for post-primary

schooling in exceptional circumstances, not in terms of special needs requirements, but in terms of personal security reasons. — John Lahart. [12158/19]

*173. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to address a matter (details supplied) in relation to children with special needs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [12259/19]

*174. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application for school transport for a pupil (details supplied) in County Cork; the steps he will take to ensure transport will be provided for them; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [12317/19]

*175. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on whether it is sufficient that the NCCA, in terms of syllabus specifications, merely sets out a list of topics and learning outcomes; and his further views on whether it would be more appropriate also to include depth of treatment standards to be achieved and examination specification. — Thomas Byrne. [12415/19]

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

*176. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the additional two weeks paid parental leave for children under one year as outlined in Budget 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [11518/19]

*177. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to ensure that the OPW secures another venue in Carndonagh, County Donegal while the local courthouse will be undergoing essential repair in the time ahead. — Pearse Doherty. [11787/19]

*178. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the residency status of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [11482/19]

*179. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current or potential residency status of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [11483/19]

*180. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason the smoking ban is not being enforced in prisons including Wheatfield Prison, Clondalkin, Dublin 22; and the steps he plans to take to address the matter in order to protect the health of those working in the prison. — Eoin Ó Broin. [11528/19]

*181. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the areas in which Part III of the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1956 is in force; the measures in place to ensure that district courts are kept informed as to the areas in which Part III of the Act is in force; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [11535/19]

*182. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason the legislative proposals to establish a central funds office to provide for the audit of wards of court funds by the Comptroller and Auditor General have not been progressed in view of the commitment made in the Report and Financial Statements of the Office of the Accountant of the Courts of Justice for year ended 30 September 2009 (details supplied). — Clare Daly. [11646/19]

*183. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 177 of 24 October 2017, if he is satisfied that the court is responding to requests for summaries specifically

that it is the position that the committee of the person is entitled to seek a summary of the overall amount of funds in court in view of reports that persons seeking them are not being responded to. — Clare Daly. [11657/19]

*184. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the steps he will take to remedy the situation that the wards of court system is in conflict with the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the EU Convention on Human Rights and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. — Clare Daly. [11658/19]

*185. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the full commissioning of the decision support service; and the achievements to date. — Clare Daly. [11659/19]

*186. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when it is planned to bring forward a gambling control bill in view of the ongoing problems identified with the Gaming and Lotteries Act 1956 in a recent District Court judgement (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11674/19]

*187. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of adult applications for naturalisation based on Irish association granted in 2018. — Billy Kelleher. [11687/19]

*188. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the way in which a person can apply for naturalisation based on Irish descent or Irish association without residing here. — Billy Kelleher. [11688/19]

*189. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when a person is applying for naturalisation based on Irish Association, if there are circumstances in which time spent here on a stamp 2 would be considered for the three year residency requirement. — Billy Kelleher. [11689/19]

*190. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if An Garda Síochána has recently put out to tender a contract to supply new marked Garda cars and vans to the fleet; if so, when the new vehicles will come into the fleet; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [11724/19]

*191. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated full year cost of recruiting two additional forensic anthropologists for Forensic Science Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [11725/19]

*192. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of new marked and unmarked Garda cars and vans that were attached to the Garda water unit in 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019; the number withdrawn during the same period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [11726/19]

*193. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 482 of 15 January 2019, the number of Irish Sign Language interpreting hours provided to the Irish Prison Service in each of the years 2015 to 2018. — Clare Daly. [11732/19]

*194. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to update the Registration of Clubs Act 1904 to 2008. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [11739/19]

*195. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons, including unaccompanied minors, Ireland committed to accepting under the resettlement and relocation programmes; the date

that this was to be achieved by; the number of persons to date including unaccompanied minors accepted under the resettlement programme and the relocation programme in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [11781/19]

*196. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to ensure that court sittings will continue to be held at a venue in Carndonagh, County Donegal while the local courthouse will be undergoing essential repair in the time ahead. — Pearse Doherty. [11786/19]

*197. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has received a report from the Garda authorities regarding the issuing of body worn cameras to be issued to An Garda Síochána; and if so, the amount of funding that will be provided for the issuing of body worn cameras. — Clare Daly. [11814/19]

*198. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to update the Irish Nationality and Citizenship Act 1956. — Clare Daly. [11815/19]

*199. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when an agreement with a company (details supplied) was signed to provide a direct provision centre at a hotel for an initial twelve months; if the agreement commenced on that date; if the company has received payment from that date for supplying a direct provision centre at the hotel; and the value of payments made to date. — Pearse Doherty. [11832/19]

*200. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a letter was issued to confirm that a hotel (details supplied) met all the health and safety requirements to be used as a direct provision centre prior to the signing of an agreement; if the terms of the agreement in relation to the proposed direct provision centre at the hotel commenced on the date the agreement was signed; and if not, if it commences when the asylum seekers arrive. — Pearse Doherty. [11833/19]

*201. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if security at a hotel (details supplied) is being paid for by his Department. — Pearse Doherty. [11834/19]

*202. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of Garda vehicles allocated to each Garda station in the Garda R and J districts in each of the years 2015 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11943/19]

*203. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when the Garda crime prevention officer post within the Garda Dublin north division will be filled on a full-time basis in view of the fact the post has been vacant for more than 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11944/19]

*204. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons that failed to pay fines imposed by the courts since the commencement of the Fines (Payment and Recovery) Act 2014; the number of persons that have had an attachment order, a recovery order or community service order made against them as a result; the number of persons imprisoned for failure to pay such fines; the equivalent figures for the three year period before the introduction of the Act; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [11958/19]

*205. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if there is a policy in place as to the way in which the State would respond in the eventuality that an Irish citizen becomes radicalised by foreign terror groups and seeks to return to reside here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [9734/19]

*206. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of cases in line to proceed to a member of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Tribunal for consideration namely cases in which the documents necessary are available to allow a member of the Tribunal to consider an application; the date on which and position in line of the next available case to be taken up by a member of the Tribunal for consideration; and the date on which the specific application was first submitted by the applicant. — Clare Daly. [11974/19]

*207. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 95, 96 and 97 of 28 February 2019, the meaning of applications received but not actively pursued by the applicant; and the criteria that must be met in order for an applicant to be considered to be actively pursuing a case. — Clare Daly. [11975/19]

*208. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the plans of the Office of Public Works for the tendering of new Garda stations in County Cork in 2019; the locations of those stations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [10618/19]

*209. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which he can intervene to ensure that children at risk are protected from being forced into crime or prostitution; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [7074/19]

*210. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 228 of 5 March 2019, if the value of the fines imposed by the court as requested will be provided; if no fines were imposed, the sanctions given to the eight disqualified drivers for not surrendering their licences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [12031/19]

*211. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the result of the public consultation carried out by his Department in relation to the impending decision regarding daylight saving time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Declan Breathnach. [12038/19]

*212. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the waiting times for the granting of probate in the Probate Office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [12127/19]

*213. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí assigned to the Roscommon and Longford division and the Galway division in each of the years 2010 to 2018, in tabular form; the number of Garda stations in these divisions which have closed since 2010; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [12164/19]

*214. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the capacity of a centre (details supplied); if it is at full capacity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dessie Ellis. [12190/19]

*215. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of legislation to tackle the ongoing issue of scrambler and quad bikes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [12234/19]

*216. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress to date in considering applications under the special scheme for non-EEA nationals that held a student permission during the period 1 January 2005 to 31 December 2010; and when the remaining applicants can expect a decision. — Eoin Ó Broin. [12246/19]

*217. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the qualification criteria for the immigrant investment programme; the turnaround time and number of applications for participation in the

programme which were determined and given approval or refusal within periods (details supplied) in each year since the programme was introduced; the number of staff exclusively dedicated to the assessment and decision making in relation to the applications; the Civil Service grade of such persons; the specialist professional expertise and qualifications they hold; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [12247/19]

*218. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to increase the capacity of a centre (details supplied) to accommodate additional asylum seekers and their families; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dessie Ellis. [12257/19]

*219. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the tendering process for direct provision services within 40km of Newbridge, County Kildare has concluded; if so, the details of the successful bidders; if not, when it will conclude; when the successful bidders will be announced; and the effect the outcome of the process will have for the future of a direct provision centre (details supplied) after June 2019. — Eoin Ó Broin. [12330/19]

*220. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when Strokestown Garda station, County Roscommon can expect to return to its five permanent Garda status. — Eugene Murphy. [12342/19]

*221. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if there is a serving sergeant stationed at Strokestown Garda station, County Roscommon. — Eugene Murphy. [12343/19]

*222. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí stationed full-time at Strokestown Garda station, County Roscommon. — Eugene Murphy. [12344/19]

*223. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he or his Department have met with a group (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12363/19]

*224. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which sufficient provision continues to be made to intercept and prevent suspected mail bombing attempts; if he is satisfied with security procedure in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12375/19]

*225. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which the Criminal Assets Bureau continues to pursue organized crime activity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12376/19]

*226. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which Garda numbers have increased; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12377/19]

*227. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which the upgrading of Garda stations nationally is scheduled for 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12379/19]

*228. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons serving long-term prison sentences for murder; the number scheduled for review or release; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12380/19]

*229. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the degree to which the most modern technology is available to An Garda Síochána in the fight against crime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12381/19]

*230. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which he remains satisfied that adequate resources are made available to An Garda Síochána to enable it to combat gangland wars; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12382/19]

*231. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of prisoners in various prisons nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12383/19]

*232. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons that have reoffended while on bail in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12384/19]

*233. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons deemed to have absconded and still remain free over the past 10 years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12385/19]

*234. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of promotional positions vacant and remaining to be filled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12386/19]

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

*235. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to publish a task force on digital piracy. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [12146/19]

*236. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which her Department continues to promote rural areas for investment through technology; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [11503/19]

*237. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if an employment permit will be granted to a person (details supplied); and the recourse they can take to maintain current employment and progress their career in this role. — Micheál Martin. [11587/19]

*238. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which she continues to encourage local and foreign aid investment in the regions through innovation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [11801/19]

*239. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the full extent of job creation throughout the regions in the past year; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [11802/19]

*240. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which enterprise and innovation continues to feature as a basis for job creation throughout all parts of the country; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [11803/19]

*241. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if the full potential of innovation and technology is fully available throughout the country; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [11804/19]

*242. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the gross expenditure on research and development as a percentage of GDP and GNI; the average gross expenditure as a

percentage of GDP of EU-15 countries, EU-27 countries and OECD countries in tabular form. — Maurice Quinlivan. [11852/19]

*243. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the gross expenditure on research and development activities by Department and expressed by each Department as a percentage of total expenditure on research and development in tabular form. — Maurice Quinlivan. [11853/19]

*244. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the progress to date on the implementation plans for jobs for the midlands region by county; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [11864/19]

*245. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of additional jobs created in 2018 in the Border and west region; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [11867/19]

*246. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if the IDA is working with Enterprise Ireland to secure a tenant for a location (details supplied); and if it will consider putting enterprise units in place at the location. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [12036/19]

*247. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she will consider providing supports to an industry (details supplied) as a result of the recent regulatory changes which have negatively affected their profession; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [12096/19]

*248. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of applications made to the regional enterprise development fund; the number of approved grants made under the fund by county; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [11391/19]

*249. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on whether it is appropriate for her Department to object to trade deals that do not satisfy a precondition (details supplied) at EU level; and her further views on the ongoing negotiations regarding two trade agreements with the USA and that with Mercosur, in view of the lack of their compliance with the Paris Agreement. — Seán Crowe. [12304/19]

*250. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of applicants and participants in Brexit schemes and supports provided by her Department or agencies under her remit in tabular form; and the amount allocated and expended to each such scheme in each year since being established. — Billy Kelleher. [12421/19]

*251. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of firms that have applied for working capital under the Brexit SME loan scheme; the number of firms that have been sanctioned financing to date by firm size (details supplied); and the total value of same in tabular form. — Billy Kelleher. [12422/19]

*252. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the latest figures regarding the Brexit SME loan scheme launched in March 2018 for items (details supplied) in tabular form. — Billy Kelleher. [12423/19]

*253. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when the future growth loan scheme announced in Budget 2018 will open for applications; the terms and conditions of this

scheme; and the length of time the scheme will stay open for applications. — Billy Kelleher. [12424/19]

*254. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of food businesses that have applied for working capital under the Brexit loan scheme which opened in March 2018; the number of such businesses that have been sanctioned financing to date; and the value of same. — Charlie McConalogue. [12426/19]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*255. To ask the Minister for Health when products of a company (details supplied) will be dispensed through general practitioners or pharmacies here in order to avoid persons having to travel abroad every three months and in some instances monthly to collect the medication. — Joan Collins. [11985/19]

*256. To ask the Minister for Health if an audit of children or adults in long-term residential care has been carried out; the costs associated with the care and stay of such persons during their lives from entry to when they leave; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kate O'Connell. [12179/19]

*257. To ask the Minister for Health the cost of long-term residential care for a person with special needs under the care of the State and or privately in tabular form; the person or body provides such long-term residential care in terms of governance, ethos and management; if a list of the organisations will be provided; the details in relation to inheritance of assets by the organisations should a service user die while in care; and if same will be provided. — Kate O'Connell. [12180/19]

*258. To ask the Minister for Health if a hospital appointment will be expedited for a person (details supplied); if they can be placed on a cancellation list; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [11464/19]

*259. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which private sector IVF is regulated; his plans in place in this area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [11465/19]

*260. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the replacement and refurbishment of 90 community nursing units nationally announced on 26 January 2016, in tabular form; the funding allocated to each project in 2019; and the expected completion date for each. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [11466/19]

*261. To ask the Minister for Health the funding made available in 2019 to support the implementation of the national neurorehabilitation strategy following publication of the implementation plan 2019 to 2021 by the HSE on 20 February 2019. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [11474/19]

*262. To ask the Minister for Health the number of times he met with a person (details supplied); the issues discussed; if his officials attended the meeting; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [11476/19]

*263. To ask the Minister for Health the reason no funding is available to transport young adults with disabilities to day care services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [11490/19]

*264. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which the public IVF scheme operates; the way in which it is regulated; the criteria for accessing the scheme; his plans in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [11494/19]

*265. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 363 of 26 February 2019, the details of interactions including dates, substance of advice and position taken by CervicalCheck between his Department and the organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [11495/19]

*266. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff at national director level, assistant national director level, general manager level and grade VIII level in the HSE on 1 March 2019 or the latest date available. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [11499/19]

*267. To ask the Minister for Health the number of general practitioner vacancies in each local health area in tabular form. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [11500/19]

*268. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the position to be filled at the Midlands Regional Hospital, Mullingar which has been with the health business services division for advertising and recruitment since 2018 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [11508/19]

*269. To ask the Minister for Health if a general practitioner surgery (details supplied) will be excluded from panel appointments going forward due to the fact that the surgery is operating at full capacity and has experienced difficulties in recruiting staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [11509/19]

*270. To ask the Minister for Health the criteria for treatment under the NTPF for public patients seeking wisdom tooth removal or impacted teeth removal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [11511/19]

*271. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting times under the NTPF for patient access to wisdom tooth removal or impacted teeth removal; his views on whether the exclusion of accredited specialists from providing this service is causing another significant delay for this cohort of patients (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [11512/19]

*272. To ask the Minister for Health the intended use of a building (details supplied) acquired by the HSE in County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [11536/19]

*273. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to relocate 33 persons from a home (details supplied); if those persons will be relocated together to a complex; if they will be dispersed to other locations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [11545/19]

*274. To ask the Minister for Health the research which has been undertaken on evidence based fiscal measures to support healthy eating and lifestyles as per action point 1.8 of A Healthy Weight for Ireland: Obesity Policy and Action Plan 2016-2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11552/19]

*275. To ask the Minister for Health the review of evidence which has taken place for fiscal measures on products that are high in fat, sugar and salt to reduce their consumption as per action

point 1.10 of A Healthy Weight for Ireland: Obesity Policy and Action Plan 2016-2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11553/19]

*276. To ask the Minister for Health the status of step 9 of the ten steps forward of A Healthy Weight for Ireland: Obesity Policy and Action Plan 2016-2025 in respect of the first 1,000 days of life; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11556/19]

*277. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the implementation of the breastfeeding action plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11557/19]

*278. To ask the Minister for Health the status of each of the recommendations of A Healthy Weight for Ireland: Obesity Policy and Action Plan 2016-2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11558/19]

*279. To ask the Minister for Health the status of action point 1.4 of A Healthy Weight for Ireland: Obesity Policy and Action Plan 2016-2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11567/19]

*280. To ask the Minister for Health the community based programmes with a focus on disadvantaged areas funded by his Department that focus on healthy eating and active living; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11573/19]

*281. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the implementation of the HSE cook it and healthy food made easy programmes in 2018 in terms of targets and attendances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11574/19]

*282. To ask the Minister for Health the number of external consultants employed on a full-time basis by the NMBI; and the levels within the organisation at which these consultants work. — Clare Daly. [11576/19]

*283. To ask the Minister for Health the annual staff turnover in the NMBI since 2011; and the turnover rate at each level of the organisation. — Clare Daly. [11577/19]

*284. To ask the Minister for Health the number of agency staff employed in the NMBI in each year since 2011; and the percentage of total staff represented by agency staff in the case of each year. — Clare Daly. [11578/19]

*285. To ask the Minister for Health the number of protected disclosures lodged by NMBI staff being investigated. — Clare Daly. [11579/19]

*286. To ask the Minister for Health the status of progress toward the publication of revised legislation in an area (details supplied). — Clare Daly. [11580/19]

*287. To ask the Minister for Health the changes made to the size and make-up of the NMBI board since the publication of a report in 2015 (details supplied). — Clare Daly. [11581/19]

*288. To ask the Minister for Health if emergency accommodation is provided by the HSE for nursing staff of St. Marys Hospital in a building (details supplied); if so, the number of managers of NAS that have used this accommodation facility in the past five years; the number of interns of the NAS that have used the facility in the past five years; if the attention of interns has been drawn to

the fact that this facility is available; if not, the reason therefor; and the costs of using this facility. — Clare Daly. [11582/19]

*289. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that a NAS paramedic intern used accommodation in a campsite due to the fact that they could not afford to rent accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [11583/19]

*290. To ask the Minister for Health the reason overtime for ICO grades in the NAS in Limerick has been discontinued. — Clare Daly. [11584/19]

*291. To ask the Minister for Health the amount paid to private ambulances from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018 in the Limerick area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [11585/19]

*292. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the significant deterioration of bullying figures between the 2016 NAS survey and the survey carried out in 2018; and his further views on the levels of discrimination that have been highlighted in both surveys. — Clare Daly. [11586/19]

*293. To ask the Minister for Health when medical surgery will take place for a person (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [11590/19]

*294. To ask the Minister for Health the progress being made on providing a person (details supplied) with an inpatient place at the National Rehabilitation Centre, Dún Laoghaire; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [11592/19]

*295. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting times for scoliosis operations; the steps taken to reduce waiting times for these operations; if there has been an increase in the number of consultants dealing with patients with scoliosis and future plans to reduce waiting lists for children with scoliosis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [11598/19]

*296. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be provided to the national clinic in Beaumont Hospital that assists those affected by amyotrophic lateral sclerosis also known as motor neuron disease (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [11599/19]

*297. To ask the Minister for Health the direct discharge rate to nursing homes for stroke patients from 2010 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11603/19]

*298. To ask the Minister for Health the average cost of keeping a stroke patient in long-term care assuming a mean three year survival; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11604/19]

*299. To ask the Minister for Health the number of stroke patients that are admitted to a stroke unit; the number of stroke patients that receive treatment in a stroke unit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11605/19]

*300. To ask the Minister for Health the thrombectomy service available here; the number of patients that have accessed this service; the five year budget impact of moving from the service to a national thrombectomy service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11606/19]

*301. To ask the Minister for Health the costs associated with addressing the resource deficit in the provision of the thrombectomy services; the costs of addressing the infrastructural issues relating to the current neurointerventional radiology and thrombectomy equipment in Beaumont Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11607/19]

*302. To ask the Minister for Health the number of stroke beds here; the deficit that exists for the population on the basis of recommendations contained in the UK National Clinical Guidelines for Stroke; the number of stroke beds required to manage the predicted increase in stroke outlined by SAFE; the costs of meeting the staffing requirements for a singular stroke unit bed; the cost required to meet the increase in incidence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11608/19]

*303. To ask the Minister for Health the detail of capital projects in the national stroke programme that have been approved but which have not progressed due to lack of capital funding; the costings for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11609/19]

*304. To ask the Minister for Health the recommended staffing per early supported discharge team under the national stroke programme; the costs of staff; the estimated cost of an ESD team here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11610/19]

*305. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of early supported discharge here; the number of operational ESD teams; the number of the teams that have the recommended staffing levels of an ESD; the staffing deficits that exist in each of the teams; the full year costs of the staffing required to fully staff the teams; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11611/19]

*306. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated costs of a national roll out of early supported discharge for stroke patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11612/19]

*307. To ask the Minister for Health if he will develop a new FAST media campaign to ensure national awareness of stroke symptoms among adults and ensure more persons get to hospital for treatment early thereby reducing disability after stroke and associated care required; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11613/19]

*308. To ask the Minister for Health the costs associated with the implementation plan for the national neurorehabilitation strategy which outlines a ten step plan to develop neurorehabilitation services at hospital and community level nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11614/19]

*309. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons under 65 years of age that were in receipt of homecare packages in each of the past five years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11615/19]

*310. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of establishing a heart failure unit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11616/19]

*311. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the planned review of the model of heart failure care; if an audit of existing service levels has been conducted; if there has been a service gap analysis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11617/19]

*312. To ask the Minister for Health the geographic gaps that exist with respect to heart failure service; the costs associated with addressing this disparity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11618/19]

*313. To ask the Minister for Health the costs associated with national roll out of heart failure integrated care projects in the community; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11619/19]

*314. To ask the Minister for Health the rehabilitation needs being met by cardiac rehabilitation services; the geographical disparities that exist with cardiac rehabilitation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11620/19]

*315. To ask the Minister for Health the costs associated with providing national capacity for cardiac rehabilitation for persons for which cardiac rehabilitation is recommended; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11621/19]

*316. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the review undertaken by the national ACS working group of all PPCI and PCI centres nationally to assess strengths and weaknesses and steps necessary to maintain the ORS protocol and to introduce a NSTE-ACS protocol; the resources needed to implement the recommendations arising from it; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11622/19]

*317. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the introduction of brain injury identity cards here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11623/19]

*318. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [11634/19]

*319. To ask the Minister for Health the services which will be provided for a person (details supplied); if psychiatric, dietary and occupational therapy services will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [11635/19]

*320. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the work of the group established under the chairmanship of the Chief Medical Officer to consider the issues raised by the Joint Committee on the Eighth Amendment of the Constitution in its ancillary recommendations; the number of times the group has met; the membership of the group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [11641/19]

*321. To ask the Minister for Health his views on a matter regarding out of hours doctors in County Kerry (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [11649/19]

*322. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital managers and CEOs educated to MBA level or equivalent; and the number that have been funded to acquire such a qualification since 2016. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [11656/19]

*323. To ask the Minister for Health the ownership of the land now being used for the national children's hospital prior to the land in question being acquired for the site. — John McGuinness. [11667/19]

*324. To ask the Minister for Health the number of scheduled treatments and procedures cancelled in all acute hospitals in 2018. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [11670/19]

*325. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive an operation on their spine; the reason for the delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [11676/19]

*326. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive a repayment for an operation received through the cross border directive; the reason for the delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [11679/19]

*327. To ask the Minister for Health the amount expended by the HSE on services provided under the cross border directive that resulted in claims being made to the HSE in each year since 2010; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [11680/19]

*328. To ask the Minister for Health the number and value of claims in process by the HSE for reimbursement under the cross border directive; the average delay in paying claims; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [11681/19]

*329. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting time for MRI scans in Galway University Hospital by category of urgency; the steps proposed to be taken to reduce the waiting time for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [11682/19]

*330. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he will take with the HSE to provide a kidney dialysis unit at Ennis General Hospital thereby reducing significant transport costs associated with taking patients to hospitals in counties Limerick and Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [11684/19]

*331. To ask the Minister for Health his views on a matter regarding medical distribution (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [11697/19]

*332. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will have a follow-up appointment with the dermatology unit at University Hospital Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [11698/19]

*333. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons that availed of the counselling in primary care service in each year since its inception; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11703/19]

*334. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full year cost of extending eligibility for the counselling in primary care service to all adult general practitioner card holders. — James Browne. [11705/19]

*335. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full year cost of extending eligibility for the counselling in primary care service to all children whose families qualify for a medical card and to all children whose family qualify for a general practitioner card, respectively. — James Browne. [11706/19]

*336. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to have the medication CBD produced by a company (details supplied) dispensed to pharmacies here rather than persons having to travel

abroad to collect this medication; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [11707/19]

*337. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on accessibility for medicinal cannabis; if patients prescribed medicinal cannabis through the compassionate access programme will have their medication delivered to, and dispensed from their local chemists; the measures he will take in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11711/19]

*338. To ask the Minister for Health if all forms of medicinal cannabis will be available to patients from their local chemists; the way in which the dispensing of medicinal cannabis will be undertaken here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11712/19]

*339. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full year cost of conferring consultant status on specialists in public health medicine here further to a report (details supplied). — Stephen S. Donnelly. [11713/19]

*340. To ask the Minister for Health his views on a matter regarding medication for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [11714/19]

*341. To ask the Minister for Health if a further assessment will be arranged for a person (details supplied) in County Cork who requires additional home help hours. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [11715/19]

*342. 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. [11716/19]

*343. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to cases in the Northern Ireland and Britain in which a distribution company is facilitating the direct importation of distribution to pharmacies of medication by a company (details supplied); the reason the same process has not been afforded to the sixteen patients that have been granted licences here for the medication; if these patients will be facilitated delivery of their medication to pharmacies here in view of rolling out the compassionate access programme; and if not, the reason therefor. — Louise O’Reilly. [11718/19]

*344. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 341 and 342 of 19 February 2019, the reason patients that have been prescribed medicinal cannabis for their health needs still need to leave the State and travel to another state to acquire the medication; the reason a process has not been put in place to import the medication to chemists and pharmacies here under the supervision of the health service to be provided to patients; and his plans to put processes in place to ensure that such medication will be imported and distributed through chemists and pharmacies here. — Louise O’Reilly. [11719/19]

*345. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the establishment of a working group to examine drug testing at nightclubs and music festivals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O’Reilly. [11720/19]

*346. To ask the Minister for Health the reason medical card holders in County Wexford no longer receive appointments with a medical centre (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11723/19]

*347. To ask the Minister for Health the status of extra home support for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [11741/19]

*348. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE helpline providing information on terminations will have a facility for deaf persons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [11766/19]

*349. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which funding issues for residential care for a person (details supplied) will be addressed; if the HSE received correspondence from their psychologist regarding the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [11767/19]

*350. 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. [11772/19]

*351. To ask the Minister for Health if he will review a matter (details supplied) regarding orkambi; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [11775/19]

*352. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been brought to a shortage of a medication (details supplied); the efforts underway to address same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [11782/19]

*353. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that a new respite service recently opened in Dundalk, County Louth is not fully wheelchair accessible; if funding will be made available to make this facility fully wheelchair accessible and suitably staffed to deal with the needs of those that seek it; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Declan Breathnach. [11784/19]

*354. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a fair deal application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [11807/19]

*355. To ask the Minister for Health the target date for the opening of the new 60 bed modular unit at University Hospital Limerick; the target date for the opening of the new permanent 90 bed structure at the hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [11836/19]

*356. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of the new diabetes treatment centre at Sligo University Hospital (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [11837/19]

*357. To ask the Minister for Health if a decision has been made regarding the future use of a building (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [11841/19]

*358. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal will be transferred to a nursing home; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [11846/19]

*359. To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent by the HSE on taxis in each of the years 2011 to 2018, in tabular form; the reason for using taxis for patient transfer, transfer of paper files between hospitals and so on; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O’Reilly. [11848/19]

*360. To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent on private ambulances by each hospital in each of the years 2011 to 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [11849/19]

*361. To ask the Minister for Health the contracts in place in the HSE for recycling various medical products such as crutches, walking aids, zimmer frames, wheelchairs and other aids to assist persons; the amount paid in respect of collecting and refurbishing for recycling purposes in each of the category of items involved per unit; the process in place by which these items are reused; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [11866/19]

*362. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding children in County Wexford with autism accessing occupational therapy; the number on the waiting list; the number waiting more than six and twelve months, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11872/19]

*363. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the provision of a hoist at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11880/19]

*364. To ask the Minister for Health the number of intensive homecare packages for persons with dementia allocated in 2018, by CHO in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [11881/19]

*365. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in County Waterford that applied for the treatment abroad scheme in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [11882/19]

*366. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting for a cataract operation at University Hospital Waterford for longer than 6, 12 and 18 months, respectively in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [11883/19]

*367. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons that had elective surgery cancelled or rescheduled more than once in 2017 and 2018 at University Hospital Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [11884/19]

*368. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons awaiting follow-up appointments for knee and hip operations at University Hospital Waterford in 2017 and 2018 respectively, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [11885/19]

*369. To ask the Minister for Health the number of home help hours allocated under the homecare package in each of the years 2016 to 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [11886/19]

*370. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to assist the estimated 150,000 adults here that may be undiagnosed and untreated for ADHD; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11888/19]

*371. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the shortage of psychiatrists diagnosing adults with ADHD here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11889/19]

*372. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to create a viable assessment and treatment pathway for adults with ADHD here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11890/19]

*373. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 290 of 11 December 2018, if funding will be released to the HSE for the provision of three multidisciplinary ADHD clinics here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11891/19]

*374. To ask the Minister for Health the details of all current and proposed HSE operational lease infrastructural projects here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11892/19]

*375. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the dynamic deployment method AMPDS system that is being used by the NAS control centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [11898/19]

*376. To ask the Minister for Health the number of ambulances that have been deployed to calls that are between 50 and 100km away from the location they received the call; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [11899/19]

*377. To ask the Minister for Health the number of ambulances that have been deployed to calls that are between 100 and 150km away from the location they received the call; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [11900/19]

*378. To ask the Minister for Health the number of ambulances that have been deployed to calls that are over 150km away from the location they received the call; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [11901/19]

*379. To ask the Minister for Health the categories of calls in relation to the number of ambulances that have been deployed to between 100 and 150km away from the location they received the call; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [11902/19]

*380. To ask the Minister for Health if the AMPDS system has a facility to allocate crews a rest break; if not, the system used to ensure crews have their mandatory rest breaks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [11903/19]

*381. To ask the Minister for Health his views on whether driver fatigue is an issue in the NAS; the number of ambulance crews in 2018 that had to discontinue their shift due to fatigue; the number of incidents in which ambulance crews and or managers had to recover them and provide assistance to get them back to their station's base; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [11904/19]

*382. To ask the Minister for Health if staff are being deducted pay from their core salary having availed of mandatory compensatory rest; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [11905/19]

*383. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made between the HSE and his Department regarding meetings between both in relation to the ongoing ambulance service dispute; the resolution he has found; when he plans to inform, update or invite a union (details supplied) into the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [11906/19]

*384. To ask the Minister for Health if the newly opened 12 bed short stay surgical ward at University Hospital Limerick is being used by non-surgical patients to alleviate overcrowding in the emergency department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [11911/19]

*385. To ask the Minister for Health the policy on accepting or rejecting corporate sponsorship from the fast food industry for hospitals and hospital related facilities; if fast food outlets operating within hospitals are banned here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [11912/19]

*386. To ask the Minister for Health if a homecare package will be provided to a person (details supplied). — Fergus O'Dowd. [11925/19]

*387. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made on the granting of importation licences for medicinal cannabis and the sourcing of an adequate distribution company to ensure supply of medication to pharmacies here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [11950/19]

*388. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 136 of 23 October 2018, the action being taken to resolve a situation (details supplied). — Joan Collins. [11976/19]

*389. To ask the Minister for Health if the educational psychologist vacancy has been filled in the school age team in the Dublin south west area; if the dedicated team manager position has been filled; if the psychologist position has been fully filled; if the speech and language position has been filled permanently; if the occupational therapist position been filled; if the social worker positions have been filled; and the number of the 100 new therapy posts allocated to CHO7. — Joan Collins. [11986/19]

*390. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) can apply for private financial assistance through the HSE; and the way in which the person can apply for financial support if available. — Joan Collins. [12017/19]

*391. To ask the Minister for Health the method of recruitment of internationally trained non-consultant hospital doctors here; the number of non-consultant hospital doctor positions filled by doctors trained here and internationally, respectively; the number of positions advertised; and the number left vacant in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019. — Michael Harty. [12022/19]

*392. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which internationally trained non-consultant hospital doctors qualifications are assessed and evaluated; and the agency responsible for the oversight of same. — Michael Harty. [12023/19]

*393. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a difference in the clinical performance between non-consultant hospital doctors trained here and internationally, respectively; and the way in which this is assessed and addressed. — Michael Harty. [12024/19]

*394. To ask the Minister for Health if the dependency of Ireland on internationally trained non-consultant hospital doctors has grown or has reduced between 2010 and 2018 and to date in 2019; and the reason therefor. — Michael Harty. [12025/19]

*395. To ask the Minister for Health when a unique identifier will be introduced for patients here; and the reason for the delay in the introduction of same. — Michael Harty. [12026/19]

*396. To ask the Minister for Health the grant schemes for items (details supplied) available through his Department or the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [12028/19]

*397. To ask the Minister for Health if a revised decision on minimum unit pricing in the event of an extension to article 50 will be committed to; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [12029/19]

*398. To ask the Minister for Health the reason for delaying minimum unit pricing pending further clarity on Brexit in view of the fact that statistics show the level of cross-Border trade has not increased between 2017 and 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [12030/19]

*399. 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. — John Lahart. [12035/19]

*400. To ask the Minister for Health if an application under the cross border scheme by a person (details supplied) will be expedited. — Robert Troy. [12053/19]

*401. To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacancies in a hospital (details supplied) unfilled or filled on a temporary basis by category. — Niamh Smyth. [12055/19]

*402. To ask the Minister for Health the number of internationally trained non-consultant hospital doctors that were or are registered and working in hospitals here in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by hospital group. — Michael Harty. [12059/19]

*403. To ask the Minister for Health the actions he is taking to increase the use of biosimilar drugs in order to get more value for money; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [12060/19]

*404. To ask the Minister for Health if efforts have been made to increase the funding for respite care services for children in care with disabilities. — Anne Rabbitte. [12068/19]

*405. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department or agencies under his remit have conducted a systematic review of the supports and services being offered in a case (details supplied) which reviewed in 2018. — Anne Rabbitte. [12069/19]

*406. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department or agencies under his remit have conducted a review of the services and supports which are offered to children in care that have disabilities; and if so, if this report will be published. — Anne Rabbitte. [12070/19]

*407. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department or agencies under his remit have developed performance metrics to monitor and measure the outcomes of children in care with disabilities. — Anne Rabbitte. [12071/19]

*408. To ask the Minister for Health if an application for cross-Border assistance will be expedited for a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [12074/19]

*409. To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacancies unfilled or filled on a temporary basis in Cavan General Hospital; and the details of each by categories. — Niamh Smyth. [12084/19]

*410. To ask the Minister for Health if the income thresholds will be raised for medical card means tests (details supplied). — Joan Collins. [12085/19]

*411. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting time for a speech and language therapy appointment for children in County Meath. — Thomas Byrne. [12091/19]

*412. To ask the Minister for Health the degree to which each of the 50 actions of the National Drugs Strategy has been implemented; the timeline for the implementation of each outstanding action; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [12093/19]

*413. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) is not entitled to assistance towards the cost of a cushion and shoes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Ferris. [12095/19]

*414. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 161 of 24 January 2019, the breakdown of orthodontic patients waiting less than two years for treatment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [12098/19]

*415. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the significant deterioration of bullying figures as contained in the National Ambulance Service surveys carried out in 2016 and 2018; his further views on the levels of discrimination highlighted in both surveys; and his views on the fact only 9% of staff feel involved in decisions that affect them in their work. — Joan Collins. [12100/19]

*416. To ask the Minister for Health the level to which staffing levels in the National Ambulance Service need to fall to before it is considered a national emergency; and the point at which the Army could be called to assist the service. — Joan Collins. [12101/19]

*417. To ask the Minister for Health the number of complaints received during 2018 from staff in the north-east National Ambulance Service regarding failure to be given a break during their shift. — Joan Collins. [12102/19]

*418. To ask the Minister for Health the number of ambulance stations nationally in which there have been reports of rat, mice or other rodent infestation in 2018; the actions taken in relation to such matters; and if there have been incidents in which staff have had to vacate due to such infestations. — Joan Collins. [12103/19]

*419. To ask the Minister for Health the reason staff were moved from the ambulance station in UCHG to Merlin Park and then subsequently moved back out. — Joan Collins. [12104/19]

*420. To ask the Minister for Health if a health and safety report was carried out on the ambulance based in UCHG; if a report was also carried out by HIQA; if the reports have been made available to the local health and safety representative in the ambulance base; and if a copy will be made available. — Joan Collins. [12105/19]

*421. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made between the HSE and his Department regarding meetings in relation to the ongoing ambulance service dispute; and when he plans to inform, update or invite a union (details supplied) into the process. — Joan Collins. [12106/19]

*422. To ask the Minister for Health the number of elective surgeries and procedures cancelled by specialty at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda by each month in 2017 and 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [12108/19]

*423. To ask the Minister for Health the amount the HSE spent on the provision of private ambulances from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018. — Joan Collins. [12122/19]

*424. To ask the Minister for Health the collective agreement between the recognised unions and the HSE regarding paramedic ICO locations; and if there has been adverse incidents regarding this agreement. — Joan Collins. [12123/19]

*425. To ask the Minister for Health his views in whether ICO staff should progress to paramedic training and compete for training with members of the public. — Joan Collins. [12124/19]

*426. To ask the Minister for Health if the current roster is the minimum staffing level for ICO nationally. — Joan Collins. [12125/19]

*427. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that paramedics in the National Ambulance Service are being refused payment for attending court when summoned by the court to give evidence on behalf of the State; his views on whether the HSE may be in breach of its financial regulations on the matter; and if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that paramedics are being sent to alternative State agencies to retrieve payment contrary to the HSE financial regulations policy. — Joan Collins. [12126/19]

*428. To ask the Minister for Health the OJEU notice under which the contract for the provision of a national agency vendor management system to manage its recruitment agency framework was awarded; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [12130/19]

*429. To ask the Minister for Health when the contract for the provision of a national agency vendor management system was awarded to a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [12131/19]

*430. To ask the Minister for Health the financial consideration that has been afforded for the use of a system (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [12132/19]

*431. To ask the Minister for Health the duration of the HSE contract with a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [12133/19]

*432. To ask the Minister for Health the number of other companies that tendered for the vendor management system contract; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [12134/19]

*433. To ask the Minister for Health if all fire certifications are in place and approved for the underground car park for the national children's hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [12135/19]

*434. To ask the Minister for Health if fire certifications relevant to the underground car park at the new national children's hospital include approval for the parking of large numbers of electric vehicles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [12136/19]

*435. To ask the Minister for Health if a MRI scan will be expedited for a person (details supplied). — John McGuinness. [12142/19]

*436. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a cost to those using emergency accommodation provided by the HSE for nursing staff of a hospital (details supplied) over the past five years. — Joan Collins. [12149/19]

*437. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal can expect to be transferred from Letterkenny University Hospital to the St. Conal's rehabilitation unit in Letterkenny, County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [12151/19]

*438. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal can expect to be admitted to the National Rehabilitation Hospital, Dún Laoghaire; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [12152/19]

*439. To ask the Minister for Health the reason for the delay in refunding the costs of a hip operation carried out in London on a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [12155/19]

*440. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to concerns in relation to the impact of the General Data Protection Regulation and Health Research Regulations on the ability to undertake clinical research; if researchers here are being put in a unique position which differs substantially from other European countries and may deprive persons here of timely access to potentially life saving treatments and making Ireland less attractive to pharmaceutical companies engaged in this area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12160/19]

*441. To ask the Minister for Health the number of medical card holders awaiting dental surgery at a clinic (details supplied); the number of medical card holders awaiting dental surgery at another clinic; the number of persons at both surgeries waiting more than 6, 12, 18, 24 and 36 months, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [12165/19]

*442. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive an appointment for orthodontic treatment; the waiting time for orthodontic treatment in the Galway region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [12176/19]

*443. To ask the Minister for Health if the upgrade to Clonakilty Hospital in accordance with HIQA regulations will proceed as scheduled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [12181/19]

*444. To ask the Minister for Health if the upgrade to Skibbereen Hospital in accordance with HIQA regulations will proceed as scheduled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [12182/19]

*445. To ask the Minister for Health if the upgrade to Kinsale Hospital in accordance with HIQA regulations will proceed as scheduled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [12183/19]

*446. To ask the Minister for Health if the upgrade to Castletownbere Hospital in accordance with HIQA regulations will progress as scheduled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [12184/19]

*447. To ask the Minister for Health if the upgrade to Dunmanway Hospital in accordance with HIQA regulations will proceed as scheduled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [12185/19]

*448. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) cannot claim reimbursement for a drug; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [12186/19]

*449. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the fact that over 50% of staff responded to the National Ambulance Service survey in 2016 and 28% responded to the 2018 survey; his views on whether this significant drop in engagement could be due to deteriorating morale within the service; his further views on whether the survey results in relation to the service are significantly worse than other sections of the HSE; and his views on whether such survey results give the impression of a service in turmoil. — Joan Collins. [12240/19]

*450. To ask the Minister for Health the minimum staffing level for intermediate care operative grades in County Limerick; and the provisions that have been put in place to cover absences for the grade in the area. — Joan Collins. [12241/19]

*451. To ask the Minister for Health the reason overtime for intermediate care operative grades in the National Ambulance Service in County Limerick has been discontinued; and the amount paid to private ambulances from 1 January to 31 December 2018 in County Limerick. — Joan Collins. [12242/19]

*452. To ask the Minister for Health the number of interns in the National Ambulance Service that have used the emergency accommodation provided by the HSE for nursing staff of St. Marys Hospital in a location (details supplied) in the past five years. — Joan Collins. [12243/19]

*453. To ask the Minister for Health if emergency accommodation is provided by the HSE for nursing staff of St. Marys Hospital at a location (details supplied) occupied by the National Ambulance Service DNL; and if so, the number of managers of the service have used the accommodation facility in the past five years. — Joan Collins. [12244/19]

*454. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that there is a vacancy for a consultant child and adolescent psychiatrist at the Mater CAMHS in Dublin; if the position will be filled to facilitate the estimated 150 patients of the consultant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [12249/19]

*455. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding primary care psychology for children in County Wexford; the number of children awaiting a primary care psychology appointment; the number waiting more than 6, 12, 18, 24, 30 and 36 months, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [12254/19]

*456. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter regarding a medical device (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick O'Donovan. [12258/19]

*457. To ask the Minister for Health if the drug Sativex is available for use by prescription in all HSE areas; if not, the HSE areas it is available in; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [12303/19]

*458. To ask the Minister for Health his future plans for dermatological services at Letterkenny University Hospital; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that these services were recently removed and relocated to Sligo University Hospital; if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that this decision has caused considerable disruption to those wishing to avail of these services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat The Cope Gallagher. [12305/19]

*459. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1195 of 20 June 2017, if he will provide the international benchmarking exercise used to compare the construction cost of the planned national children's hospital with other hospitals built throughout the world; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [12310/19]

*460. To ask the Minister for Health the progress being made on offering the FreeStyle Libre device to diabetic patients over 21 years of age for free; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [12313/19]

*461. To ask the Minister for Health the number of home help hours provided by local health area to date in 2019; the number of hours to be targeted in 2019; the number of home help hours delivered in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [12319/19]

*462. To ask the Minister for Health the reason in the case of a medical card application, a notice of assessment must be provided for the purpose of demonstrating tax liability but in which a letter of tax exemption from the Revenue Commissioners has already been provided; if the case of persons (details supplied) will be examined; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [12323/19]

*463. To ask the Minister for Health the status of plans for a unit (details supplied) in County Roscommon. — Eugene Murphy. [12335/19]

*464. To ask the Minister for Health the number of residents occupying a centre (details supplied) in County Roscommon. — Eugene Murphy. [12336/19]

*465. To ask the Minister for Health if plans to close down a centre (details supplied) in County Roscommon will be reconsidered. — Eugene Murphy. [12337/19]

*466. To ask the Minister for Health if a unit (details supplied) will be reopened to full capacity in order to deal with rising numbers of Alzheimer and dementia patients in County Roscommon. — Eugene Murphy. [12340/19]

*467. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which victims of terrorism that live here could receive specific supports in particular counselling from within the health service; if they receive support in accessing health services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [12366/19]

*468. To ask the Minister for Health the number of cars clamped by an operator at a facility (details supplied) in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Sean Sherlock. [12329/19]

*469. To ask the Minister for Health if a contract (details supplied) is a temporary rolling contract which is being recruited at present; if it is recruitment for the permanent position of registrar at a hospital; if persons can still apply for same; the location they can apply to; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [12401/19]

*470. To ask the Minister for Health the hours resourced and cost per hour of the number of professionals providing dialectical behaviour therapy through HSE funding by area in tabular form. — Pat Buckley. [12416/19]

*471. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to further support access to dialectical behaviour therapy across the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [12417/19]

*472. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the high demand for dialectical behaviour therapy access in the north Lee area of County Cork and the surrounding areas; and his plans for supporting access in this area further in view of the fact that there is currently no psychologists providing the therapy in the area. — Pat Buckley. [12418/19]

*473. To ask the Minister for Health when the funding set aside for IVF will be available to couples; the criteria to avail of same; the way in which couples register their interest; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [12419/19]

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

*474. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason deductions were made to payments of a person (details supplied); if the matter can be appealed; when full payment will issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [11489/19]

*475. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on whether it is appropriate to continue funding the greyhound industry in view of the recent assessment by sports information services (detailed supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [11540/19]

*476. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of schools in receipt of the EU school milk scheme; the number of students that received an allocation from the scheme in each of the past five academic years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11570/19]

*477. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if research has been undertaken on the reason schools do not or have ceased taking up the school milk scheme; if there are links to issues relating to facilities and equipment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11571/19]

*478. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of schools in receipt of the EU school fruit and vegetables scheme; the budget allocated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11572/19]

*479. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the process by which the areas of natural conservation were identified; the methodology used; if an appeal process is in place for landowners left out of the scheme that are of the view they fit the criteria for inclusion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [11665/19]

*480. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an Area of Natural Conservation 2019 appeal by persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [11669/19]

*481. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on continued funding for the greyhound industry in view of a recent report that the company that broadcasts Irish greyhound racing globally informed the Irish Greyhound Board in October 2018 that greyhound racing here has a serious integrity problem due to doping and irregular betting patterns; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [11695/19]

*482. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the impact on agriculture of the ban of a chemical (details supplied) introduced in France in January 2019; his plans to introduce a similar ban on the weedkiller here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [11710/19]

*483. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when he last met the chairperson of an organisation (details supplied); the issues discussed; when he will next meet the chairperson; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [11728/19]

*484. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to change the rules to allow a beef animal which is fit for slaughter and from a quality assured farm to be sold in a mart and killed no more than three days later by the new owner that retains its quality assurance bonus; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [11776/19]

*485. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the provision and supply of services at Killybegs Pier, County Donegal namely stevedoring, crane hire and or shipping agents at the pier are being procured under contract; if so, if the services are being supplied exclusively by a private firm; if the contract excludes other third-party firms from operating at the pier in such a capacity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [11843/19]

*486. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the boundary area under which his Department has and exercises jurisdiction at Killybegs Harbour, County Donegal; the lands owned by his Department located in the town; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [11844/19]

*487. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an application (details supplied); when a decision will issue in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [11863/19]

*488. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of horses injured and killed at racecourses and point-to-point events here in 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019. — Clare Daly. [11869/19]

*489. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if data in relation to the death and injuries of greyhounds will be provided for the period January to December 2018. — Clare Daly. [11870/19]

*490. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if an organisation (details supplied) will be representing Ireland at a dog show in China in April 2019; if so, his views on same in view of the fact that China is a country with few or no animal or dog welfare laws or regulations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11893/19]

*491. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the actions being taken with respect to the bioeconomy; the meetings of the interdepartmental group jointly chaired

by his Department to implement actions in this area by date and location in tabular form. — Jackie Cahill. [12039/19]

*492. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if data (details supplied) will be provided for each of the years 2007 to 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [12040/19]

*493. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he is satisfied with the supports provided to an organisation (details supplied); if his attention has been drawn to the importance of the industry to rural Ireland; his views on whether more funding should be provided for dispersal to various persons and organisations that support and underpin this sector of the equine industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [12107/19]

*494. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of companies providing dog microchipping services; if the companies provide details of dogs to his Department; and if his Department maintains a central database of all microchipped dogs. — Gerry Adams. [12112/19]

*495. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if an island wide microchipping database which can be accessed by dog wardens across the island of Ireland will be established. — Gerry Adams. [12113/19]

*496. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if there is a legislative requirement for the seller to re-register dog ownership details when a dog is sold. — Gerry Adams. [12114/19]

*497. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for the application of certification post-Brexit (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [12139/19]

*498. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 458 of 19 February 2019, if individual parcels of land in the folio are not required to be separately fenced; if the parcel meets land eligibility 2015 guidelines under traditional farmed hill land; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [12141/19]

*499. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the export credit insurance scheme in place; and if there is none, if such a scheme will be put in place. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [12153/19]

*500. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of cases of bovine tuberculosis herd incidents by county in 2017 and 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [12235/19]

*501. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he has taken to monitor the transfer of slurry and farmyard manure from feedlots to areas removed from the site of production; if a ring-fenced system will be put in place particularly in areas in which the soil type is heavier and prone to more rainfall; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [12236/19]

*502. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the role the AHCS system has in monitoring levels of tuberculosis; if the system is updated on an ongoing basis particularly in

bovine herds identified as high risk; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [12237/19]

*503. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures he has put in place to confine outbreaks of bovine tuberculosis in areas of high incidence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [12238/19]

*504. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of samples submitted to the Central Veterinary Research Laboratory from licenced export slaughter plants operating in counties Roscommon and Galway in 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [12239/19]

*505. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when an appeal by persons (details supplied) against the decision to withdraw a forestry license will be heard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [12253/19]

*506. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans in relation to pig farmers (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [12306/19]

*507. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the case of a person (details supplied) will be examined; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [12308/19]

*508. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a series of matters in relation to forestry will be examined (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [12309/19]

*509. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of carcasses graded by a given machine between when it was discovered to be working out of sync and the last time it was inspected by a Department official (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [12368/19]

*510. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the provisions which have been made to facilitate the live export of beef animals in the event that there is high import tariffs placed on Irish beef exports in the event of a no-deal Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [12369/19]

*511. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of factory fit beef animals from here slaughtered in meat plants in Northern Ireland in 2017 and 2018, respectively and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [12370/19]

*512. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 239 of 6 March 2019, when a factory has to revert to using an approved manual grader, if there is a protocol for a farmer to follow if they are unhappy with the grade awarded to an animal which they sent to slaughter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [12413/19]

*513. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if approved manual carcass graders are employed by his Department or the FBO when they are called upon in a situation in

which the mechanical grading machine is found to be working out of sync; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [12414/19]

*514. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the applications will open and the expected lending interest rate for the future growth loan scheme for long-term investment loans announced in Budget 2018; and the percentage of the €300 million scheme that will be ring-fenced for sectors (details supplied) in tabular form. — Charlie McConalogue. [12427/19]

*515. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of cattle and calves exported to each country in the 2010 to 2018 period; the figures for 2019 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [12428/19]

*516. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the volume and value in 2018 of total beef exports by country; the percentage of total exports to each country in 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [12429/19]

*517. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the countries to which Ireland exports lamb; the volume and value in 2018 of total exports by country; the percentage of total exports to each country in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [12430/19]

*518. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the breakdown by country in volume and value in 2018 of pork exports; the percentage of total exports to each country in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [12431/19]

*519. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the breakdown by country in volume and value in 2018 of dairy ingredient exports; the percentage of total exports to each country in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [12432/19]

*520. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the breakdown by country in volume and value in 2018 of cheddar exports; the percentage of total exports to each country in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [12433/19]

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

*521. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if his Department had studied the work of an organisation (details supplied) by which the Scottish Government tries to accelerate the development of a circular economy; if the targets aimed for by the organisation could be a model for a similar approach here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11673/19]

*522. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated time for connection under the roll out of the National Broad Plan for an area (details supplied); if this property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11463/19]

*523. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated time for connection of a property (details supplied) under the roll out of National broadband Plan for the area; if the property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion

recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11472/19]

*524. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment further to Parliamentary Question No. 539 of 16 October 2018, the terms of reference for the report on just transition due in early 2019 as mentioned by an official at the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Climate Action hearings on 17 September 2018; and the date for the likely completion of the report. — Catherine Martin. [11473/19]

*525. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated time for connection to the roll out of the National Broadband Plan for a property (details supplied); if this property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11485/19]

*526. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated time for connection to the roll out of the National Broadband Plan for a property (details supplied); if this property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11486/19]

*527. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated time for connection to the roll out of the National Broadband Plan for a property (details supplied); if this property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11487/19]

*528. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated time for the connection of a property (details supplied) to the roll out of National Broadband Plan for a property; if the property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11506/19]

*529. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated time for connection to the roll out of the National Broadband Plan for a property (details supplied); if the property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11519/19]

*530. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated time for connection to the roll out of the National Broadband Plan for a property (details supplied); if the property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11520/19]

*531. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated time for connection to the roll out of the National Broadband Plan for a property (details supplied); if the property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11522/19]

*532. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated time for connection to the roll out of national broadband plan for a property (details supplied); if the property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11523/19]

*533. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated timeframe for a broadband connection for a property (details supplied); the timeframe for the rollout of the National Broadband Plan for the area; if the property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11529/19]

*534. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated timeframe a broadband connection for a property (details supplied); the timeframe for roll out of the National Broadband Plan for the area; if the property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11530/19]

*535. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated timeframe a broadband connection for a property (details supplied); the timeframe for roll out of the National Broadband Plan for the area; if the property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11531/19]

*536. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated timeframe a broadband connection for a property (details supplied); the timeframe for roll out of the National Broadband Plan for the area; if the property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11532/19]

*537. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated timeframe a broadband connection for a property (details supplied); the timeframe for roll out of the National Broadband Plan for the area; if the property was part of the additional 80,000 residential and businesses expansion recently announced by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [11533/19]

*538. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of the provision of an annual support towards the cost of bin charges for homes in which a family member uses incontinence pads; when details of the scheme will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [11643/19]

*539. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the date for the roll out of high speed broadband for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [11709/19]

*540. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if fibre broadband will be brought to Stamullen, County Meath. — Thomas Byrne. [11847/19]

*541. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his views on the role of hedgerows acting as a carbon sink here; the position with regard to a national inventory system to facilitate the reporting of carbon sequestration by hedgerows in the landscape here to the

United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11946/19]

*542. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the role of land use management, forestry, hedgerows and woodland patches in the removal of CO₂ from the atmosphere; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11947/19]

*543. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment further to Parliamentary Question No. 435 of 5 March 2019, if he has raised with the European Commission the need to implement the recommendations of the Report of the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Communications, Climate Action and the Environment on the Future Funding of Public Service Broadcasting and the need to establish a public service broadcast fund in the context of state aid rules and ensure that such rules would not inhibit such a development in view of the need to support the independent radio sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [11982/19]

*544. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if it is possible under EU law to ask a semi-State company, such as the ESB, to roll out the National Broadband Plan; if this would require a new procurement process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Hildegard Naughton. [12032/19]

*545. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the reason provided by companies (details supplied) for withdrawing from the National Broadband Plan; if the prospective level of subsidy available was provided as a reason; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Hildegard Naughton. [12033/19]

*546. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if it is possible under EU law to ask a semi-State company, such as the ESB, to roll out the National Broadband Plan; if this would require a new procurement process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kate O'Connell. [12050/19]

*547. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the reason provided to his Department by a company (details supplied) for withdrawing from the National Broadband Plan; if the prospective level of subsidy available was provided as a reason; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kate O'Connell. [12051/19]

*548. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of high speed broadband in an area (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [12054/19]

*549. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if the perceived inadequate number of ESB electric car charge points nationally will be recognised and remedied in particular in County Clare (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [12086/19]

*550. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the position regarding the roll out of the National Broadband Plan in County Laois; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [12144/19]

*551. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he has considered a different model of household waste collection. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [12145/19]

*552. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his views on reports that the British Government was examining the construction of a geological disposal facility for the dumping of nuclear waste in the Mourne Mountains and at Slieve Gullion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [12161/19]

*553. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the correspondence he has had with the British Government outlining his views regarding the construction of a nuclear waste facility on the island of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [12162/19]

*554. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to roll out electric vehicle charging stations in towns and villages across County Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [12166/19]

*555. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to fund a scheme through an organisation (details supplied) for farmers to dispose of waste tyres correctly similar to the scheme run in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [12245/19]

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

*556. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the fees paid to a company (details supplied) for each of the past four years in its role as the enforcement service provider for the M50 barrier free tolling system. — Mattie McGrath. [11780/19]

*557. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the capital expenditure of his Department from 1 January to 31 December 2018 under the Greenways heading; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [11468/19]

*558. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the plans in place for UK driver licence holders resident here to continue using their licence in the event of a no-deal Brexit (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [11601/19]

*559. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to review speed limits here in view of the levels of death and serious injury on Irish roads to date in 2019; the legislation which would have to be reviewed in such a review of speed limits; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11624/19]

*560. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on recent reports that a leading car manufacturer (details supplied) plans to introduce a speed limiter on all its new vehicles from 2020; his further views on such a proposal to promote speed limiters on all new vehicles made or imported into the EU at the EU Transport Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11625/19]

*561. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his Department will be making applications to the recently announced €100 million fund under the Connecting Europe Facility. — Robert Troy. [11628/19]

*562. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when he expects to have phased out completely the use of diesel buses from the Dublin Bus fleet in view of the commitment not to purchase more diesel buses. — Eoin Ó Broin. [11677/19]

*563. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the steps he is taking to assist Shannon Airport improve access after Brexit when its current hub, Heathrow Airport will no longer be in the European Union; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [11685/19]

*564. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the estimated full year cost of increasing funding to Tourism Ireland by 12.5%; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [11730/19]

*565. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason a sports capital application from a group (details supplied) was granted only partial funding under the sports capital programme 2017 in view of the fact the amount does not facilitate completion of the works applied for; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [11734/19]

*566. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if it is policy to allocate partial funding for applications under the sports capital programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [11735/19]

*567. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the way in which the percentage or level of funding is determined in circumstances in which it is decided to only partially fund applications under the sports capital programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [11736/19]

*568. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the scoring system and assessment procedures used to validate the allocation of partial funding for a group (details supplied) under the sports capital programme 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [11737/19]

*569. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the revenue collected in each of the past four years and to date by a company (details supplied) acting in the capacity of enforcement service provider for the M50 barrier free tolling system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [11779/19]

*570. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will direct the NTA to investigate if the services and stops on the S1 and S2 Bus Éireann public service routes in Sligo town can be reviewed to allow more frequent stops in the Treacy Avenue area of the town in view of the ageing population of the homeowners in the area (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [11783/19]

*571. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to update the Railway Safety Act 2005. — Clare Daly. [11813/19]

*572. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the position on the inclusion of the western rail corridor as a transport link eligible for funding under the European Union Connecting Europe Facility (details supplied); his views on the position of the European Parliament; if he will relay same to EU Council negotiators; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [11830/19]

*573. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has commissioned a feasibility study into the extension of the western rail corridor (details supplied); the sections of the rail line being prioritised; if the prospective costs of the project have been examined; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [11831/19]

*574. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of expressway coaches which have been purchased in each year since 2008; and the number of coaches that will be purchased in 2019. — Robert Troy. [11838/19]

*575. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the expressway buses that will be purchased in 2019 will be of a hybrid electric variety; and if so, the number. — Robert Troy. [11839/19]

*576. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the amount spent on private hire services in each year since 2008. — Robert Troy. [11840/19]

*577. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the name of the person that will replace a person (details supplied) as chairperson of the Taxi Advisory Committee. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [11855/19]

*578. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he or the NTA will source alternative public park and ride facilities to serve passengers from the Newcastle Rathcoole areas that use the Luas at Citywest following the proposed closure of the Luas park and ride facility at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [11951/19]

*579. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of a sports capital application by a club (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [12049/19]

*580. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to ensure there is better synchronisation between rail services on the Dublin to Maynooth line and the 39 Dublin Bus service in order that passengers can better interchange between the two services and do not face lengthy waits after disembarking; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [12058/19]

*581. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on making dash cameras mandatory in all motor vehicles. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [12073/19]

*582. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the targets for the use of electric vehicles nationally; the targets and dates associated with achieving same; the measures he is leading on an all of Government approach to achieve the targets; the level of electric vehicle usage, trends and projections; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [12089/19]

*583. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of an issue previously raised with him directly in correspondence (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [12150/19]

*584. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status on an issue previously raised with him directly in correspondence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [12188/19]

*585. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will request Transport Infrastructure Ireland to investigate major safety issues arising on a national primary route (details supplied). — Eugene Murphy. [12341/19]

*586. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of persons now employed on the Hidden Heartland Fáilte Ireland project; and if it is planned to provide further personnel in order to ensure the project comes to fruition as soon as possible. — Eugene Murphy. [12345/19]

*587. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to provide a rural transport scheme for south County Roscommon following the removal of Bus Éireann stops at a location (details supplied). — Eugene Murphy. [12346/19]

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

*588. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of on-site audits carried out by her Department or on its behalf on ECCE providers in each of the years 2015 to 2018; the attendance records of those children for which payment was made; the proportion of providers audited in each of the years in question; and if she will provide a detailed analysis of the results of these audits. — Joan Burton. [11478/19]

*589. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if it is the policy of her Department or the agents under the remit of her Department to check all PPS numbers of children supplied by ECCE providers with the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection to confirm that the numbers quoted are correct and that the children are eligible and resident here; if so, the number of PPS numbers checked in each of the years 2015 to 2018; and the number of cases which required additional investigation. — Joan Burton. [11479/19]

*590. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if it is the policy of her Department or the agents under the remit of her Department to check all PPS numbers of children supplied by ECCE providers with the Department of Education and Skills to confirm that the children are not also registered as pupils in a national school; the number of PPS numbers checked in each of the years 2015 to 2018; and the number of cases which required additional investigation. — Joan Burton. [11480/19]

*591. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of staff in her Department engaged on the audit of funded programmes; the level of qualifications of each, for example, part or fully qualified accountants; and the number of on-site audits carried out for each of the programmes managed by her Department in each of the years 2015 to 2018. — Joan Burton. [11481/19]

*592. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if a decision will be overturned regarding the provision of an overage exemption for a person (details supplied) for an ECCE scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [11496/19]

*593. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs when the second optional protocol of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child will be ratified; the reason Ireland is the only EU state yet to ratify the convention; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [11541/19]

*594. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if her attention has been drawn to issues with the ECCE scheme by which childcare providers are prioritising children whose parents are paying for full daycare services over children whose parents are seeking to enrol them for half

day care which they are entitled to under the scheme; if her attention has further been drawn to the fact that such an approach by childcare providers is making it extremely difficult for parents to identify and secure childcare services under the scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [11694/19]

*595. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the position regarding separated children seeking asylum; the number Ireland has committed to accepting; the number accepted to date; when the procurement process to provide residential beds was completed; if additional beds have been made available since 2016; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [11835/19]

*596. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of domestic refuge centres here in tabular form; the number of spaces available by centre; the number of persons that availed of the services of each centre in 2018; the periods during 2018 when each of these centres were full to capacity; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11861/19]

*597. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if a person that has undergone a parental capacity assessment can be required to undergo a second one immediately or shortly after the first despite there being no issues of process or otherwise with the first one. — Clare Daly. [11862/19]

*598. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs further to Parliamentary Question No. 519 of 5 March 2019, if the reason she did not seek a copy of the report in question was due to the fact that she was informed by Tusla that it was an internal management report; and the circumstances in which Tusla informed her of same. — Clare Daly. [11940/19]

*599. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs further to Parliamentary question No.519 of 5 March 2019, when her attention was drawn to the fact that the report in question had been received by Tusla in May 2016. — Clare Daly. [11941/19]

*600. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the estimated full year cost of recruiting 30 additional full-time early years inspectors for Tusla; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11945/19]

*601. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs further to Parliamentary Question No. 514 of 5 March 2019, if a copy of the minutes requested will be provided in view of the fact the investigation of matters pertaining to the midlands management review are no barrier to the minutes requested being provided. — Clare Daly. [11949/19]

*602. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs further to Parliamentary Question No. 2335 of 24 July 2018, the details of the findings of the crèche in question being investigated; the actions taken by her Department; if her attention has been drawn to the fact that this facility has continued to advertise and operate itself under the guise of being a fully registered childcare facility; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [12037/19]

*603. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her plans to update the Child Care Act 1991. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [12045/19]

*604. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of the assurance review by Tusla of allegations made regarding a carer of a child or young person with a disability. — Anne Rabbitte. [12115/19]

*605. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if her Department or Tusla has reviewed the provision of disability supports and services to children in care as discussed in the Ombudsman report on a case (details supplied). — Anne Rabbitte. [12116/19]

*606. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her plans to introduce an enhanced support payment for children in care with disabilities. — Anne Rabbitte. [12117/19]

*607. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if there has been an engagement between the Department of Health and her Department in relation to formulating a national policy to support children in care with a disability. — Anne Rabbitte. [12118/19]

*608. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if her Department or agencies under her remit have conducted a systematic review of the supports and services being offered in a case (details supplied) that was reviewed in 2018. — Anne Rabbitte. [12119/19]

*609. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if her Department or agencies under her remit have conducted a review of the services and supports which are offered to children in care that have disabilities; and if so, if this report will be published. — Anne Rabbitte. [12120/19]

*610. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if her Department or agencies under her remit have developed performance metrics to monitor and measure the outcomes of children in care with disabilities. — Anne Rabbitte. [12121/19]

*611. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she will report on the concerns of a forum (details supplied) regarding the reporting of registration and attendance of children in community childcare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [12250/19]

*612. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the specific arrangements made in relation to children in care that are placed in residential and or therapeutic facilities in the United Kingdom; and the impact of the arrangements in the event that the UK leaves the European Union. — Clare Daly. [12320/19]

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

*613. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if an out of hours dog warden service will be introduced in County Louth. — Gerry Adams. [12109/19]

*614. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if the development of a reciprocal arrangement which would enable dog wardens in County Louth to follow dogs which have killed sheep into neighbouring counties here and into Northern Ireland will be supported. — Gerry Adams. [12110/19]

*615. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the procedure for dogs which have been removed by a dog warden due to sheep worrying. — Gerry Adams. [12111/19]

*616. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the action he has taken arising from a report (details supplied); the options for funding being considered; if there is a timeframe for a final decision; if he is working with all of the volunteer centres affected by the underfunding of the services; if an interim agreement on funding will be reached to support the centres while a long-

term plan is being devised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [11636/19]

*617. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the options under consideration for the funding of underfunded volunteer centres; the timeframe for a decision on the matter; and if additional funding will be made available. — Ruth Coppinger. [11808/19]

*618. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the percentage of total expenditure by each Leader group on administration and animation in the 2009 to 2014 programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [11818/19]

*619. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the planned level of administration and animation expenditure over the lifetime of the current Leader programme for all LAGs, both independent and local authority, expressed as a percentage of their total budgets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [11820/19]

*620. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the percentage of the total expenditure of local action groups on Leader programmes retained by local authorities; if this retention applies to all LAGs administering Leader; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [11822/19]

*621. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if his attention has been drawn to a report (details supplied) and the contents of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11907/19]

*622. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the plans he is considering to assist under-resourced volunteer centres; when additional funding will be made available to these groups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11908/19]

*623. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the grant schemes available for items (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [12027/19]

*624. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when the recommendations of the report *Developing Funding Criteria for Volunteer Centres in Ireland* will be implemented (details supplied); the options being considered; the timescale in which these decisions will be reached; if the necessary funding will be granted to services such as those in counties Westmeath and Longford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [12042/19]

*625. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his views on a report (details supplied) which identified the minimum funding necessary for centres as €121,016; the options being considered for volunteer groups that are underfunded and fall significantly below this amount; when a decision may be reached; and if the necessary funding will be granted. — Clare Daly. [12193/19]

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

*626. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection his plans to put a trainee wage rate in place (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [11510/19]

*627. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her views on the need for mediation between the Department of Finance and her Department over differences in the proposed transposition of the IORP II Directive regarding a derogation for small single member pension schemes as was provided in the previous directive on this issue. — Noel Grealish. [11770/19]

*628. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the way in which the EU Working Time Directive is interpreted here; the statutory basis of the directive here; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [12154/19]

*629. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated cost of increasing the level at which the higher rate of employer PRSI commences at to €452.20 a week; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [12156/19]

*630. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the way in which the EU Working Time Directive (details supplied) is interpreted here; the statutory basis of the directive here; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [12252/19]

*631. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if all issues related to identity have been resolved in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [11484/19]

*632. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the waiting times for appeal for all social welfare payments in tabular form. — John Brady. [11513/19]

*633. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the work undertaken in relation to the future of the local employment service; and the initial work being carried out in relation to the service in its current form. — John Brady. [11514/19]

*634. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to make changes to or end a community employment scheme (details supplied) in view of plans for development at the scheme location; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [11515/19]

*635. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if all those in receipt of the winter fuel payment from the UK will continue to receive the payment in circumstances in which they are not in receipt of the fuel allowance post-Brexit as per the convention on social security between Ireland and the UK; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [11516/19]

*636. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of schools in receipt of the schools meals programme; the number that do not have DEIS status; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11559/19]

*637. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the cost of extending the school meals programme to cover the cost of kitchen equipment, facilities or staff costs for those current recipients; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11560/19]

*638. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the cost of developing a pilot for the school meals programme to youth services, early years settings and after-school programmes to address the issue of food poverty for children and young persons availing of those services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11561/19]

*639. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the consideration which has been given to extending the school meals programme to youth services, early years settings and after-school programmes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11562/19]

*640. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the cost of extending the school meals programme to cover schools that do not have DEIS status, but that would otherwise have disadvantage status under the Pobal HP deprivation index; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11563/19]

*641. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the qualifying criteria for the school meals programme; if this has been reviewed or will be reviewed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [11564/19]

*642. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason the blind pension is not paid after a recipient reaches 66 years of age even though the recipient can receive it up to that date in addition to another social welfare payment; her plans to review this policy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [11597/19]

*643. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to extend the length of time jobseeker's payments will be paid to two years for those obliged to retire by contract at 65 years of age early in 2020 and will not qualify for a pension until they are 67 years of age; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [11626/19]

*644. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the claim of a person (details supplied) will be reviewed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [11627/19]

*645. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans for the appointment of a new community welfare officer for Ardee, County Louth; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [11630/19]

*646. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the steps which have been taken to source alternative accommodation for the community welfare service in Dunleer, County Louth which was closed due to health and safety concerns in March 2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [11631/19]

*647. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans in train to provide new social welfare services for the mid County Louth area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [11632/19]

*648. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the processing times for disability allowance applications; and the work being done to reduce this processing time. — Ruth Coppinger. [11633/19]

*649. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a project (details supplied) will be reviewed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [11644/19]

*650. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will address concerns that those engaged with the services provided by Turas Nua and that are employed in

part-time work are being pressured to leave their part-time employment and pursue unsuitable or full-time employment at great distance or expense from the location they reside and thus nullifying an income gain; if she will consider limiting the mandatory engagement with Turas Nua to those that are full-time unemployed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [11645/19]

*651. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of part-time or casual workers required to attend Turas Nua in each of the past three years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [11647/19]

*652. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of those that have transitioned to full-time work from part-time or casual work through engaging with the services provided by Turas Nua; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [11648/19]

*653. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if carer's allowance or benefit will continue to issue to a person (details supplied); the other financial supports available to the person; if the history of the benefit paid will be provided; and the reason benefit was not continued. — John McGuinness. [11662/19]

*654. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will arrange for details in the case of a person (details supplied) to be sent to the illness benefit section from a local branch of her Department; if her attention has been drawn to the fact that the information has been sought from the branch on two occasions by email but no response has issued and a person that claimed illness benefit cannot receive payment of same until the information sought has been received; and if her attention has been further drawn to the fact that the information was first sought in November 2018. — Kevin O'Keeffe. [11672/19]

*655. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of community employment supervisors (details supplied); if further discussions have taken place with unions on this matter; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [11693/19]

*656. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated full year cost if the island allowance of €12.70 per week was increased to €15.50 per week; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [11731/19]

*657. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to a recent opinion of the European Data Protection Supervisor (details supplied) in the context of the ongoing controversy in relation to the roll out of the public services card; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [11733/19]

*658. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will address matters in relation to the General Data Protection Regulation (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [11738/19]

*659. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will be made in relation to an invalidity pension application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [11742/19]

*660. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a disability allowance application by a person (details supplied) will be reviewed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [11777/19]

*661. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated full year cost if the carer's support grant was increased from €1,700 to €2,000. — Clare Daly. [11817/19]

*662. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason it has taken over three months to review an invalidity pension application by a person (details supplied); when a decision will be made on the review; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [11845/19]

*663. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will address matters (details supplied) in relation to SAFE II; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [11859/19]

*664. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the way in which a person (details supplied) in County Cork can obtain a public services card while their original passport is being held by the Irish Naturalisation and Immigration Service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [11887/19]

*665. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the stage at which the national action plan for social inclusion 2019 to 2025 is at; the reason it is not yet published; the date it will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [11913/19]

*666. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to increase the cut off age of seven years for lone parents in receipt of the one parent family payment in order to revert back to making it payable for a child up to 18 or up to 22 years of age for those in full-time education; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [11914/19]

*667. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated full year cost of extending the cut-off age for the jobseeker's transition payment until the youngest child reaches 18 years of age; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [11915/19]

*668. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if consideration has been giving to reducing the number of hours necessary to qualify for the working family payment from 19 to 15 hours per week in order to support more workers engaged in low hour and low paid work and their families; the additional costs involved in such a change; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [11916/19]

*669. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to a report by an organisation (details supplied) into the employment and living conditions of one parent families here; if so, her views on same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [11917/19]

*670. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons in receipt of the working family payment, formerly the family income supplement, in each of the years 2008 to 2018, in tabular form. — John Brady. [11918/19]

*671. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to introduce a comprehensive strategy of the long-term vision for lone parent families; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [11919/19]

*672. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to the Social Welfare Commission Bill 2018; her views on the objective of the Bill; if consideration has been given to the provisions and measures contained therein; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [11920/19]

*673. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if all correspondence from her Department will be provided to a person (details supplied) that has had an ongoing case regarding an application for an illness benefit. — Robert Troy. [11952/19]

*674. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a person that has worked in a section 39 funded position for the past 12 years but that was not directly paid by the HSE will qualify for an analogous grade if they commence work within her Department (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [11987/19]

*675. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to the impact the abolition of training rates is having upon small businesses that are under pressure due to significant rates of VAT, PRSI, rates and other costs in their attempt to employ young persons as an apprentice; if training grants will be restored in such circumstances; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [12041/19]

*676. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated cost in a full year if the budget for Citizens' Information Services increased by 8%. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [12043/19]

*677. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the amount that would be generated if the 2.6% PRSI rate of classes B, C or D increased to 3% or a minimum of €300. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [12044/19]

*678. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans under development to extend the Tús scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [12056/19]

*679. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her views on the recent report from an organisation (details supplied) which found that the rate of in-work poverty among lone parents more than doubled between 2012 and 2017; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [12063/19]

*680. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons in receipt of rent supplement at a location (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [12087/19]

*681. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will be made in relation to an appeal for a carer's allowance by a person (details supplied) that was appealed in August 2018.; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [12097/19]

*682. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when jobseeker's benefit will be extended to self-employed persons; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [12157/19]

*683. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a person that fails on an appeal in respect of a payment (details supplied) can further appeal or opt for a mediation process; if there is a sunset clause on when a person can make an application in respect of a payment; if she will further review a case in view of the fact that there is a series of mitigating factors; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [12255/19]

*684. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the case of a person (details supplied) in County Leitrim will be reviewed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [12302/19]

*685. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if discriminatory elements (details supplied) of the domiciliary care allowance scheme will be addressed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [12324/19]

*686. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will be made on an application for a carer's allowance by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [12371/19]

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

*687. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the steps which should be taken when a folio regarding a derelict property is registered in a now deceased person's name and following their death they had no family to transfer it to. — Robert Troy. [11765/19]

*688. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if the use of electric vehicles has given rise to reassessment of health and safety in design, construction and operation of underground, multistorey or enclosed car parks and parking areas generally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [12090/19]

*689. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the revenue received by each county from the local property tax each year since its introduction in tabular form; the amount of that money each year spent locally by each county; the amount of that money each year paid into the equalisation fund by each county; the amount of money received from the equalisation fund each year by each county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [12367/19]

*690. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount of local property tax collected by local authority each year since its introduction; the amount spent each year locally by local authority from the tax either from revenue or the equalisation fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [12553/19]

*691. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his views on a matter (details supplied) regarding the provision of funding in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [11467/19]

*692. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if legislation will be introduced to make it compulsory to keep leylandii trees under control; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [11477/19]

*693. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the associated regulations regarding the holding of plebiscites for place names will be laid before the Houses of the Oireachtas in view of the fact that the Local Government Act 2019 has been enacted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [11488/19]

*694. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the schemes and supports in place to help a person to relocate from a Dublin to a rural local authority house; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [11524/19]

*695. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if the working family payment will be re-examined as part of assessable means when determining a rent review, HAP or a social housing application by a local authority (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [11534/19]

*696. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when funding for the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme will be made available to Meath County Council. — Thomas Byrne. [11588/19]

*697. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason Clare County Council has been informed that it can no longer purchase private dwellings for its social housing programme; the number of social houses or apartments built directly by the council that will be completed in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [11683/19]

*698. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when he was first informed that the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme was oversubscribed and that local authorities were unable to process application forms due to a lack of funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [11690/19]

*699. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of applications to the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme processed by the Housing Agency; the number recommended by the Housing Agency; the number refused; the number sent back for further information; the amount recommended; the number of loans under the scheme drawn down to date; the value of such loans; the corresponding data for all information data requested by local authority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [11691/19]

*700. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the process for Rebuilding Ireland home loan mortgage applications; if county council approval should be obtained before a deposit is paid; if the 2019 capital loan amounts have issued to each local authority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [11696/19]

*701. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the position regarding Traveller accommodation that is lying idle at Cabragh, Thurles, County Tipperary; the expenditure on same under the Traveller specific accommodation scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [11762/19]

*702. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the location a complaint can be directed in relation to poor customer service by a client that had a very negative experience

in dealing with them in view of the fact that the Office of the Ombudsman will not hear complaints regarding the Residential Tenancies Board other than in connection with Part 7 of the Residential Tenancies Act 2004; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Declan Breathnach. [11763/19]

*703. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the regulations for the specific parking on local authority owned property of so-called touring caravans under the Traveller specific accommodation scheme; when the policy and regulations were introduced; the reason for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [11768/19]

*704. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his views regarding the reports of the discontinuance of the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; the reason this information was not put in the public domain; and his plans to enable persons that sought to benefit from it to gain access to the scheme. — Clare Daly. [11771/19]

*705. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [11774/19]

*706. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of applications made under the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme in County Tipperary; the number that were approved; the overall loan allocation under the scheme on a county basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [11778/19]

*707. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to introduce an affordable housing scheme; the likely principles of such a scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [11785/19]

*708. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to carry out a survey of homes to examine if persons are living in unsafe properties as highlighted in a report (details supplied); his further plans for a redress scheme for purchasers of houses and apartments that were not properly constructed and that are non-compliant with building and fire regulations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11854/19]

*709. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government further to Parliamentary Question No. 673 of 22 January 2019, if he has finalised the regulations for the affordable purchase scheme; when the regulations will be published and circulated to local authorities; the reason for the ongoing delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [11860/19]

*710. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of applications made under the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme for south County Dublin. — John Lahart. [11871/19]

*711. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the steps taken in order to reopen the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; the proposed date for the reopening of the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [11873/19]

*712. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of persons in County Clare assisted in buying their first home by availing of the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; the number of applicants in County Clare that have been approved but have not drawn down the funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [12034/19]

*713. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if his attention has been drawn to a backlog in registrations in the Land Registry; if such a delay is holding up the sale of a property; if there is a system of expediting a particular case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Declan Breathnach. [12072/19]

*714. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the changes that have been made to planning and building regulations with respect to enclosed, multistorey or underground car parks in terms of fire prevention in which electric cars are to be parked; the position in relation to the parking and storage of electric vehicles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [12128/19]

*715. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the final cost of a regeneration project in Ballymun, Dublin 11; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dessie Ellis. [12177/19]

*716. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the cost of works to date on dwellings which were new builds as part of the Ballymun regeneration project and have since required remediation works (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dessie Ellis. [12178/19]

*717. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the schemes which are available to support persons that wish to purchase their own home; the criteria of the schemes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [12187/19]

*718. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when he plans to respond to correspondence issued to him on 13 February 2019 regarding concerns in relation to procurement of contractors in the housing section of Wicklow County Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [12192/19]

*719. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason he has instructed Dublin and Fingal county councils to cease taking in new applications for the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; if his attention has been drawn to the stress and worry that this is causing persons hoping to take up the loan; when the matter will be resolved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [12261/19]

*720. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the review of income eligibility for social housing supports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [12318/19]

*721. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of all new home turnkey purchases and costs by each local authority in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [12325/19]

*722. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of all new home builds and costs by each local authority in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [12326/19]

*723. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of all new home regeneration builds and costs by each local authority in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [12327/19]

*724. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of all new home rapid and costs by each local authority in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [12328/19]

*725. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if there will be no delay in approving Rebuilding Ireland home loan applications due to funding shortages for the scheme in view of his clarification that councils can continue to accept and process applications for the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [12333/19]

*726. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the local authorities that have reached their spending limit under the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; and when further funds will be allocated. — Lisa Chambers. [12348/19]

*727. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of loan applications to the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme in County Mayo; and the number approved. — Lisa Chambers. [12349/19]

*728. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount the local authority in County Mayo has been allocated under the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; and the amount spent or drawn down. — Lisa Chambers. [12350/19]

*729. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the average wait time for approval for an applicant to the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme from the time their application is submitted to the local authority. — Lisa Chambers. [12351/19]

*730. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if his attention has been drawn to the delays being experienced in relation to decisions by An Bord Pleanála by which decisions are being deferred on a number of occasions without a final date; the number of appeals that have been submitted in July and August 2018 on which no decision has been made to date; the reason for continuous deferrals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Deasy. [12352/19]

*731. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when details of the powers and functions to be assigned to directly elected mayors will be published; if it will be ensured there is adequate time and information for the public to consider these issues in advance of the proposed plebiscites; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [12434/19]

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

*732. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if a licence to shoot deer will be granted to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [11507/19]

*733. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if Ireland is a signatory of the Convention for the Protection of Architectural Heritage of Europe (Granada, 1985); and if Ireland complies with its legal obligations under that EU Convention. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [11591/19]

*734. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if she will seek an update from Fáilte Ireland and the Chief State Solicitor's Office with regard to the ongoing problems with a

theatre (details supplied) in County Sligo drawing down its capital funding grant; if these problems have since been resolved; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [12248/19]

*735. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Cultúir, Oidhreachta agus Gaeltachta cad é an líon iomlán de chliantchomhlachtaí de chuid Údarás na Gaeltachta i ngach contae a bheadh incháilithe don deontas “Bí Réidh” de réir na gcoinníollacha (sonraí tugtha), cén líon iarratas atá ceadaithe agus cén líon atá ar lámh acu faoi láthair. — Aindrias Moynihan. [12301/19]

*736. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht her plans to extend the burning season (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [12307/19]

**CEISTEANNA, SEACHAS CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH, I
gCOMHAIR FREAGRA Ó BHÉAL DÉ CÉADAON, 13 MÁRTA, 2019
QUESTIONS, OTHER THAN QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY, FOR ORAL
ANSWER ON WEDNESDAY, 13 MARCH, 2019**

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

1. To ask the Minister for Health if a value engineering exercise has been or will be carried out in regard to identifying opportunities to reduce the building costs for the national children’s hospital; if so, if changes are being implemented or considered for implementation further to this work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [12197/19]

2. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to provide Spinraza for children with spinal muscular atrophy in view of the decision of the HSE not to provide same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [12081/19]

3. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting times for CAMHS in the Dublin 7 and 15 areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [12018/19]

4. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made on reducing the use of agency staff in the public sector under the terms of the Public Service Stability Agreement 2018 to 2020. — Jonathan O’Brien. [5957/19]

5. To ask the Minister for Health if a facilitator has been appointed to conduct a consultation process on the future of services at the Midlands Regional Hospital, Portlaoise. — Brian Stanley. [11938/19]

6. To ask the Minister for Health the date on which contracts were first exchanged in relation to the provision of modular theatres at Merlin Park Hospital, Galway; if the contracts have been signed; the reason for the delay; the number of persons awaiting surgery due to the closure of the theatres; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [12076/19]

7. To ask the Minister for Health his plans in place to increase capacity at St. Vincent’s University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [12217/19]

8. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to support the establishment of an Oireachtas mental health committee to oversee the implementation of the previous committee's report and scrutinise upcoming mental health legislation in particular; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [12390/19]

9. To ask the Minister for Health the staffing levels for CAMHS teams by CHO and LHO; the way in which this compares with the necessary full complement of staff as outlined by A Vision for Change; the number of vacant posts in whole-time equivalent terms in CAMHS by speciality by CHO and LHO; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [12175/19]

10. To ask the Minister for Health when the Sláintecare action plan will be published; if it will contain detailed costings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [12200/19]

11. To ask the Minister for Health his views on whether the funding provided to local and regional drug and alcohol task forces is sufficient to meet the aims of the national drugs strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [12172/19]

12. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that adult community mental health services in Clondalkin may be lost as a result of a lack of suitable premises; if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that organisations such as a task force (details supplied) are extremely concerned regarding the impact this will have on service users that benefit from having access to local services; if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that Clondalkin has one of the highest levels of referrals for mental health services in the country and the detrimental impact loss of local mental health services will have on the community; the measures he will take to urge the HSE to ensure that services are kept in the locality; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [12399/19]

13. To ask the Minister for Health when the review of A Vision for Change will be published; if the new policy will be costed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [12199/19]

14. To ask the Minister for Health the status of plans to reduce HSE funding to community voluntary organisations by €4 million in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [12406/19]

15. To ask the Minister for Health the measures he plans to take to reduce the waiting times for cataract surgery (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [12099/19]

16. To ask the Minister for Health when work will commence on the redevelopment of Mountmellick Community Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [12224/19]

17. To ask the Minister for Health if he is satisfied that section 39 services are in receipt of adequate funding to provide necessary services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [12229/19]

18. To ask the Minister for Health when primary care centres will open in Baltinglass, Rathdrum and Arklow, County Wicklow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [12227/19]

19. To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which he remains satisfied that the new children's hospital project can proceed as planned without restrictions to the scale and content of the proposed facilities in line with that originally anticipated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12339/19]

20. To ask the Minister for Health when the biosimilars policy will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [12202/19]

21. To ask the Minister for Health the number of extra home support hours which will be provided for older persons in CHO 7 in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [12222/19]

22. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to ensure the retention and recruitment of nurses is successful in the coming period. — Bríd Smith. [12410/19]

23. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of the regional hospital for the north-east in Navan, County Meath; and if he has received written correspondence from his Ministerial colleagues seeking its advancement and development in the past three years. — Shane Cassells. [12405/19]

24. To ask the Minister for Health the status of investment in regional hospitals and in particular a hospital (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [12396/19]

25. To ask the Minister for Health if he has agreed a HIQA compliance phased investment programme for 2019 to 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [12407/19]

26. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the accessibility of termination of pregnancy services including the availability of information materials in different languages and the accessibility of My Options for persons that are deaf or hard of hearing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [11791/19]

27. To ask the Minister for Health if ward 1A is to close in University Hospital Limerick in a number of weeks resulting in the loss of 17 inpatient beds adding further pressure to the overcrowding situation in the hospital. — Louise O'Reilly. [12171/19]

28. To ask the Minister for Health the position after a strike (details supplied) by ambulance personnel; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [12170/19]

29. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the second Scally report into the cervical cancer scandal is delayed; and when it will be published. — Alan Kelly. [11795/19]

30. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a progress report on the construction of the new 50 bed unit in Portiuncula Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [12213/19]

31. To ask the Minister for Health the measures he will take to secure the viability of rural general practitioner services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [12204/19]

32. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the implementation of the multi-annual investment in general practice which he announced in Budget 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [12201/19]

33. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of the regional hospital for the north-east; and if he has received correspondence from his Ministerial colleagues seeking its advancement in the past three years. — Shane Cassells. [12404/19]

34. To ask the Minister for Health the initiatives in place to improve dental services in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [12203/19]

35. To ask the Minister for Health his plans in place to provide adequate respite services for adults and children with disabilities in counties Cavan and Monaghan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [12216/19]

36. To ask the Minister for Health the action being taken to reduce the waiting times for occupational therapy in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [12206/19]

37. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to reduce the waiting times for persons waiting for ophthalmology services in the County Cork area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [12403/19]

38. To ask the Minister for Health the number of doctors working in hospitals as consultants that are not on the specialist register of the Medical Council; the steps he has taken to address the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [12174/19]

39. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of the new diabetes unit at Sligo University Hospital; the contractor that has been appointed; when construction work will commence on the unit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [11973/19]

40. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the roll out of centres alongside birth centres pursuant to the National Maternity Strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [12078/19]

41. To ask the Minister for Health the reason dentistry services for persons with special needs in Connolly Hospital have been cut; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [12019/19]

42. To ask the Minister for Health if palliative care services in County Tipperary are being expanded in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [12225/19]

43. To ask the Minister for Health if the contract with a contractor (details supplied) has a clause that in circumstances in which construction inflation exceeds 4.5% annually the contractor is entitled to renegotiate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [12220/19]

44. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to provide a mobility allowance or similar supports to those in receipt of a disability allowance and other related payments. — Willie Penrose. [8113/19]

45. To ask the Minister for Health if recruitment has commenced to staff the short-stay ward at Letterkenny University Hospital; the number of staff and the grade of each which have been advertised for the ward; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [12021/19]

46. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which he can address the difficulties being faced by voluntary organisations providing homecare (details supplied); and the way in which similar difficulties have been resolved in other areas. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [11793/19]

47. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the geographic accessibility of termination of pregnancy services; the locations in which ultrasound scanning is provided; if hospitals are operating catchment areas for the provision of termination of pregnancy services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [11792/19]

48. To ask the Minister for Health the status of and his plans to address the ongoing respite crisis being experienced for dozens of families in counties Cavan and Monaghan (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [12395/19]

49. To ask the Minister for Health the number of consultant doctor vacancies in hospitals nationally by hospital and speciality; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [12173/19]

50. To ask the Minister for Health the timeframe for the construction of a new hospital in County Cork; if a site has been selected; the stage the process is at; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Billy Kelleher. [12211/19]

51. To ask the Minister for Health the professional fees agreed in the 2014 contract with regard to the national children's hospital; and the estimated cost of the provision of the services in the present economic circumstances. — Eamon Ryan. [10619/19]

52. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 730 of 17 April 2018, the status the interstate property transfer in relation to the provision of a healthcare centre on Inisbofin, County Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [12075/19]

53. To ask the Minister for Health if the provision of homecare packages being provided in CHO1 will be increased; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [12334/19]

54. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on his implementation of the recommendations of the Joint Committee on the Future of Mental Health Care, in particular the commitment to invest in talk therapies as an alternative to relying on psychiatric medication; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [12388/19]

55. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to address the new entrant pay disparity for consultant doctors; the status of the new contracts for hospital consultants; the number of meetings he has had on these topics with consultant representative groups (details supplied) in the past 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [12198/19]

56. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of a diabetic unit in Sligo University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [12207/19]

57. To ask the Minister for Health when his Department will base health expenditure on multi-year budgeting supported by a five year health service plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [12209/19]

58. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the proposed capital developments at Sligo University Hospital, St. Patrick's Hospital Carrick-on-Shannon, County Leitrim and the Northwest Hospice, County Sligo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [11983/19]

59. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he is taking to facilitate the access to non-medication treatments needed to stem the rise of anti-depressant prescriptions. — Eamon Ryan. [12412/19]

60. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 111 of 5 February 2019, the status of the report setting out the preferred option for development; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [12079/19]

61. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to and his plans to address the contradiction in granting licences for the prescription of THC products for children with intractable epilepsy but that they are then omitted from the cannabis access programme; the steps he will take to include children with intractable epilepsy with the recommendation of their consultant in the cannabis access programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [12398/19]

62. To ask the Minister for Health the level of unfilled hospital consultant posts in the health service; the steps he is taking through pay restoration or otherwise to urgently remedy the situation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11799/19]

63. To ask the Minister for Health the timeline for the refurbishment of the HSE property in Drogheda Street, Monasterevin, County Kildare. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [12321/19]

64. To ask the Minister for Health the status of plans for the provision of emergency department services at the Midlands Regional Hospital, Portlaoise; and if such plans are dependent on the outcome of a consultation process on the future of services. — Brian Stanley. [11939/19]

65. To ask the Minister for Health his plans for the unrolling of a new HPV based CervicalCheck programme. — Bríd Smith. [12411/19]

66. To ask the Minister for Health the target date for beds to be opened in regard to the 60 bed modular unit at University Hospital Limerick; the projected expenditure for these beds; if this figure has increased or decreased; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [12231/19]

67. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to address waiting times for access to counselling in primary care services. — Mick Wallace. [12393/19]

68. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he has taken to address the concerns raised in the recent report of the Mental Health Commission on St. Luke's Psychiatric facility in County Kilkenny; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [11800/19]

69. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in the Dublin 8 and 10 areas diagnosed with a need for an ASD unit placement for primary schools through the assessment of needs diagnoses. — Joan Collins. [11954/19]

70. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to deal with the dramatic increase in the prescribing of psychiatric medication over the period from 2012 to 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [12387/19]

71. To ask the Minister for Health the status of developments in the provision of mental health services in County Kildare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [12391/19]

72. To ask the Minister for Health if the targets under the 1994 dental health action plan that children are entitled to three routine screenings in first or second class, third or fourth class and in sixth class including orthodontic screening, are being achieved across each HSE region; the percentage figures achieved for same across all regions in each of the years 2015 to 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [11796/19]

73. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made in the provision of a modular unit for the emergency department in Mayo University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [12205/19]

74. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the CervicalCheck delays; the number of women waiting for test results for more than four weeks; the length of time women are waiting; the projected commencement date for the HPV test; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [12196/19]

75. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in the Dublin 6, 6w and 12 areas diagnosed with a need for an ASD unit placement for primary schools through the assessment of needs diagnoses. — Joan Collins. [11957/19]

76. To ask the Minister for Health the status of negotiations to reverse FEMPI for general practitioners; if a schedule or timeline for full reversal has been agreed; if so, the timeline in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [12194/19]

77. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a timeline of events of when his attention was drawn to the fact that the costs associated with the development of the national children's hospital were escalating beyond that which was approved in March 2017. — Mattie McGrath. [8182/19]

78. To ask the Minister for Health when the short-stay ward will open in Letterkenny University Hospital; the preparations the HSE has underway to ensure it is open promptly; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [12020/19]

79. To ask the Minister for Health the progress that has been made to reduce the waiting list and time for home support; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [12080/19]

80. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to ensure that a system that has been provided to a person (details supplied) is retained by the person; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [11798/19]

81. To ask the Minister for Health if there will be an improvement in the provision of respite facilities in County Louth during 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Declan Breathnach. [12409/19]

82. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE is operating within budget to date in 2019 including the current and capital expenditure budgets; if not, the areas in which the budget is overrunning; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen S. Donnelly. [12195/19]

83. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the dispute with a union (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [5978/19]

84. To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which he remains satisfied regarding the adequacy of the budget of his Department to meet in full the current expenditure costs associated with and the running of the comprehensive health service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [12338/19]

85. To ask the Minister for Health the status of plans for the future of Midleton Community Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [12389/19]

86. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to implement 24/7 cardiac care services for those living in the south-east; his views on whether there is an equal provision of cardiac services in the region in comparison to the rest of the country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [12015/19]

87. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address the ongoing frustration experienced by general practitioners in rural areas in trying to address waiting lists for appointments while FEMPI cuts of up to 40% still remain; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [12169/19]

88. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to increase ophthalmology services at the South Infirmary Victoria Hospital, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [12402/19]

89. To ask the Minister for Health if work has commenced on the construction of the Athy primary care centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [12322/19]

90. To ask the Minister for Health the steps taken to reinstate the helipad and helicopter service of Galway University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [12077/19]

91. To ask the Minister for Health if he will implement a review of the long term illness scheme in view of the fact that it is almost 50 years since it has been updated; if he will consider the addition of fibromyalgia and ME to the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [12400/19]

92. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to extend Naas General Hospital day care and mental health services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [12392/19]

93. To ask the Minister for Health when the new 60 bed unit in University Hospital Limerick will be opened and operational. — Alan Kelly. [11794/19]

94. To ask the Minister for Health the impact of the cost overruns in relation to the national children's hospital on important capital projects at Beaumont Hospital in 2019 and 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [11797/19]

95. To ask the Minister for Health if a public benchmarking analysis was completed prior to the issuing of the tender in relation to the national children's hospital; if so, the person or body that conducted the analysis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [10616/19]