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CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH
QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

1. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the timeline for talks to commence with school secretaries; if a date will be set for the commencement of negotiations with representatives of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [20075/19]

2. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will introduce guidelines to ensure secondary schools have a policy in place to accept students from local feeder primary schools in order to ensure no child is left without a secondary school place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [19782/19]

3. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the actions he will take in 2019 to address the low take-up of apprenticeships by women; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [20076/19]

4. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans regarding the provision of autism specific education in Dublin 15 for children at primary and secondary level; when work will commence in respect of the proposed autism specific school in Dublin 15; when the school will officially open; if he anticipates the possibility of opening the autism specific school in temporary premises ahead of the 2019/2020 academic year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [19825/19]

5. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the completion of remedial works in schools identified as requiring remedial works or precautionary measures for schools constructed by a company (details supplied).. — Thomas Byrne. [20077/19]

CEISTEANNA EILE
OTHER QUESTIONS

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

6. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will report on the delivery of a non-denominational co-educational second-level school in the Ashtown and Dublin 7 areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [19843/19]

7. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he is satisfied with the level of access to education for children with special needs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [19837/19]

8. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the level of consultation made with the SNA sector regarding the new recommendations made by the National Council for Special Education regarding changes to the role of SNAs in the classroom which were agreed between the NCSE and his Department following a review in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [19798/19]

9. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to the fact that children are being taught in schools without the necessary supports needed due to delays in assessments for children attending school that have developmental issues and may require specialised support; the efforts being taken to clear this backlog; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19823/19]

10. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the factors driving a decline in the number of full-time equivalent primary district inspectors in 2018; the actions he is taking to address vacancies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [19840/19]

11. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the purpose and function of the City of Dublin Youth Services Board; the number of staff employed by job title and grade; the number of staff on secondment or career break by title and grade; and the number of staff bilocated. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [19722/19]

12. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the site acquisition to accommodate the three school campus in Buncrana, County Donegal; the timeline of works to ensure that the school campus is completed as soon as possible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19827/19]

13. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to address the crisis regarding a shortage of school places and ASD units for children with autism that are being denied access to school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [19253/19]

14. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to review the process in which schools receive resources and staff for ASD classes in order to achieve more flexibility for schools to apply and receive the necessary resources at multiple points during the year rather than exclusively at the start of the school year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [19797/19]

15. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the July provision for special needs children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19822/19]

16. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on whether the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment was the appropriate vehicle for conducting a review of the place of history as an optional subject at junior certificate level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [19721/19]

17. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he is satisfied that the criteria used to adjudicate DEIS status for schools is fair and equitable; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18844/19]

18. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if circulars distributed to staff in the education sector form part of the working terms and conditions of those staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [19796/19]

19. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the degree to which he expects to be in a position to progress the replacement of temporary accommodation in both primary and second-level schools nationally and by county with particular reference to the need to ensure that children and teachers can avail of the best possible educational environment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19814/19]

20. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the ex-gratia scheme set up in the wake of a case (details supplied) will be reviewed to ensure all survivors of child sexual abuse that occurred in schools here are compensated by the State for abuse they suffered; the number of survivors that have received compensation from this specific scheme to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [19795/19]

21. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the site location for a new purpose built school (details supplied); the stage of the process; when works will commence on the new building; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [18816/19]

22. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the consultation he has had with trade unions representing special needs assistants before the roll out of a pilot scheme to implement the recommendations of the review by the National Council for Special Education of the special needs assistant scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [19661/19]

23. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will report on the large disparities between special classes available in primary schools compared to such classes in post-primary schools in view of the fact that students with special education needs will progress from primary level to post-primary level; the counties that have the most acute access to education problems for students on the autism spectrum; the actions he is taking to address those service provision gaps; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19009/19]

24. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when talks will begin with representatives of school secretaries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [19839/19]

25. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will report on the need for an autism specific school in western areas of Dublin city; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [19842/19]

26. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to the fact that a school (details supplied) which while in County Meath has also met the need of families in the area of Clonee, Dublin 15 by enrolling a number of pupils from this area since its formation, but due to a change in enrolment and catchment area rules it will no longer accept families in Dublin 15 that are now having significant difficulties in finding a secondary school place; if his attention has been further drawn to the unfairness for families in this predicament and the difficulty for children deprived of a school place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [19829/19]

27. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to review the sex education policy in view of the fact that the recent review of sex education by the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment found that sex education for most secondary school pupils is outdated and provides little information in relation to issues such as consent, the way to navigate relationships in a positive and healthy way, LGBT+ issues and social media; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [19828/19]

28. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the acquisition of a site for a school (details supplied) has been agreed; the position regarding progress on the planning process for the new permanent school building for the school; when construction on the new permanent school building for the school will commence; when the new permanent school building for the school is expected to open; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [19830/19]

29. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress being made in agreeing additional consultant fees for the preparation of Nearly Zero Energy Building documentation for a major school building project (details supplied) in County Dublin; the timeline for the new school building; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19494/19]

30. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais agus Scileanna an bhfuil sé i gceist ag a Roinn go n-íocfar an deontas múineadh trí Ghaeilge agus múineadh go dhá theangach de €103 dalta agus €84 dalta le scoileanna chuimsitheacha, le pobal scoileanna agus scoileanna a thagann faoi na Boird Oideachais agus Treanála chomh maith le na scoileanna deonacha; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Catherine Connolly. [19836/19]

31. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when applications by schools (details supplied) were made for improvement works and or extensions at the respective schools; the interactions that have taken place between his Department and the respective schools in the intervening period of time; the future actions he plans to take in regard to each of the respective applications; the timeframe for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat The Cope Gallagher. [19410/19]

32. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding schools (details supplied) which are awaiting sanction for improvement works or extensions; the timeline for the delivery of these projects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat The Cope Gallagher. [19409/19]

33. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to adjust the optional nature of history for the junior cycle; his views on the findings of the report of the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19835/19]

34. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress made to provide additional primary school places for children in Rathcoole, County Dublin for September 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19493/19]

35. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of remedial works and the completion of external precautionary measures identified as required at 42 schools built by a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [19838/19]

36. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the steps he will take to intervene under the provisions of the Education (Admissions to Schools) Act 2018 to compel schools to make additional provision for the education of children with special needs. — Clare Daly. [19663/19]

37. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the development of a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18845/19]

38. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of plans for school accommodation in west Swords, County Dublin for the 2019/2020 school year; the location of the proposed temporary school; the number of classrooms that will be provided; and the progress that has been made to find a permanent site for a new school. — Clare Daly. [19252/19]

39. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his policy in respect of the use of laptops in schools and the cost of laptops to parents particularly during secondary education years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [19834/19]

40. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the position of history at junior cycle; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [19841/19]

41. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the timeline for the delivery of a new permanent school building for schools (details supplied); when the new school building will open; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [19831/19]

42. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the steps he is taking to ensure children with special education requirements that are without a suitable placement for the next school year will be provided with a suitable place. — Clare Daly. [19662/19]

43. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will report on moves to abolish the two tier pay scales for teachers as reported at the teachers' annual conferences during the last week of April 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19008/19]

44. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans aimed at reducing the pay gap between teachers recruited pre and post-2011; if there is scope to address the pay inequality under the current pay arrangements; if not, if it will be dealt with in negotiations on a successor to the Public Service Stability Agreement; the timeline for a pay review mechanism; when teachers on lower pay will see an actual benefit to their remuneration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [19832/19]

45. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to enhance sex education in schools in order to provide students with a safe space in which they can discuss, ask questions and talk about all aspects of relationships and sexuality; his plans to enhance the level of training for teachers tasked with delivering relationship and sex education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [19833/19]

46. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to provide psychological and counselling supports for children with mental health issues in schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [18883/19]

47. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the extent to which he continues to be engaged with the concept of the publicly funded education programme with particular reference to the need to ensure that the system here continues to produce an adequate number of suitably qualified graduates to meet the challenges and competition of the workplace here and abroad; the extent to which he remains satisfied regarding the ability of each stage of the educational system to achieve maximum targets in both the academic and technical spheres; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19813/19]

48. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a development at a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19826/19]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA
QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

*49. To ask the Taoiseach the person or body that takes account for homeless persons when the census is been compiled (details supplied). — Michael Healy-Rae. [18917/19]

*50. To ask the Taoiseach the number of persons on the Live Register in each of the past five years by age group and county (details supplied); the number of social welfare offices in Galway city and county; and the unemployment rates for each social welfare office in Galway city and county. — Noel Grealish. [19064/19]

*51. To ask the Taoiseach the number of persons employed at each level of the civil service from secretary general to cleaner each year since 2016; and the number of those at each level that are female in each year since 2016, in tabular form. — Barry Cowen. [18434/19]

*52. To ask the Taoiseach the State agencies and bodies under the remit of his Department; the location of each such body by county; and the number of full and part-time persons employed in each such body. — Dara Calleary. [18435/19]

*53. To ask the Taoiseach the rate of jobless households here; the way in which this compares to the EU average; and the number of jobless households by county. — Willie O’Dea. [18119/19]

*54. To ask the Taoiseach if he has contacted the Government of Sri Lanka to express his condemnation of the recent attacks on churches and other properties; and if so, the date of same. — Mattie McGrath. [19256/19]

*55. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to Prime Minister May since the murder of a person (details supplied); and if he discussed preparations in relation to the structures and substance of the talks to commence shortly. — Micheál Martin. [19816/19]

*56. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken with Prime Minister May or other EU leaders in relation to the withdrawal treaty since the last EU Council meeting. — Micheál Martin. [19817/19]

*57. To ask the Taoiseach when Cabinet committee D (infrastructure) last met. — Micheál Martin. [19818/19]

*58. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken with the Prime Minister of Spain, Mr. Pedro Sanchez, since the recent election result there. — Micheál Martin. [19819/19]

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

*59. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the reason the Air Corps was not permitted to land at Baldonnell Aerodrome on 26 January 2019 with a child (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Ferris. [18801/19]

*60. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if the water supply at Columb Barracks, Mullingar will be reinstated (details supplied); and the reason there has been no running water supply for an extended period of time. — Robert Troy. [18460/19]

*61. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the way in which three Royal Navy vessels (details supplied) were authorised to conduct military exercises in Irish waters in the Dublin Fingal area on 16 April 2019; and the authorisation which was provided for same. — Clare Daly. [18686/19]

*62. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence his plans to award a medal in 2021 to the Defence Forces and the national statutory and voluntary emergency services for their service to communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18778/19]

*63. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of external organisations or membership based organisations his Department is a member of; the year in which his Department joined the organisation; the amount paid in membership in each of the past five years; the level of interaction between his Department and the organisation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18785/19]

*64. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if he or his officials or political staff were recipients of tickets and or hospitality from an organisation (details supplied) during the term of office of a person; the details of each occasion tickets and or hospitality was provided by the organisation during this period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18786/19]

*65. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the role and functions of the Civil Defence; if there will be forthcoming changes to these roles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [19182/19]

*66. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if consideration is being given to raising the age limits for eligibility to join the Defence Forces (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [19500/19]

*67. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the reason requested helicopters and backup had not arrived in a timely manner to combat the gorse fires in the Rosses, County Donegal; if emergency plans and protocols will be put in place to deal with similar future incidences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19550/19]

*68. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if a solution will be found to allow the Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Council to approve a licence for Civil Defence volunteers to continue providing the same level of medical care that they currently provide beyond 31 July 2019; if the Civil Defence is not approved by the PHECC, the measures he plans to take; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [19635/19]

*69. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the reason a person (details supplied) is still awaiting clearance to be allowed entry into a career in the Permanent Defence Forces despite the fact that they passed all their entrance examinations and fitness tests in March 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19676/19]

*70. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the amount and percentage of the capital budget for the Defence Forces that was spent in each of the years 2016 to 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19777/19]

*71. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the position in relation to the application of the protected disclosures legislation to persons in the Defence Forces; the person or body to which they should make a protected disclosure if they wish to make a complaint; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19999/19]

*72. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the strength of the Naval Service by number of personnel and rank in each year since 2010, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [20071/19]

*73. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of Naval Service personnel that left their employment early in each year since 2010; the number that made a payment to the Naval Service and or his Department as a result of ending their contract early; the amount paid each year by such persons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [20072/19]

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

*74. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the agency created or designated as the national security authority as required under EU Council Decision 2013/488/EU; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [19382/19]

*75. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if assistance will be provided to a person (details supplied) regarding an application for a passport. — Tom Neville. [18411/19]

*76. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will report on the human rights situation in the Kingdom of Bahrain and the efforts made on raising these issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [18441/19]

*77. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of passports issued to persons over 65 years of age in each of the years 2012 to 2018; and the estimated cost per year if free passports were reintroduced for persons over 65 years of age. — Seán Crowe. [18491/19]

*78. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will work with other countries to table a resolution in the United Nations Human Rights Council to condemn continued and worsening human rights violations in the Kingdom of Bahrain especially against political prisoners; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Crowe. [18527/19]

*79. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the position regarding the invoking of the Genocide Convention on Myanmar, a position which should be foremost in a country seeking a seat on the UN Security Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [18528/19]

*80. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on the human rights violations in the Kingdom of Bahrain; the sanctions there will be in response to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [18529/19]

*81. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if a person (details supplied) has to pay a fee for a passport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [18567/19]

*82. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the discussions held on the topic of the undocumented Irish in view of the visit of the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, Mrs. Nancy Pelosi to Dáil Éireann on 17 April 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [18677/19]

*83. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the way in which three Royal Navy vessels (details supplied) were authorised to conduct military exercises in Irish waters in the Dublin Fingal area on 16 April 2019; and the authorisation which was provided for same. — Clare Daly. [18687/19]

*84. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on the pre-election promises annexing the settlements in the West Bank made by outgoing and incoming Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in Israel; if this will be discussed at EU level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [18693/19]

*85. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his attention has been drawn to the case of a person (details supplied); if he has raised the issue with his Emirati counterpart; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Crowe. [18753/19]

*86. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his plans to support the UN Binding Treaty on Business and Human Rights in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18755/19]

*87. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on the worsening human rights situation in Bahrain; the steps being taken at EU and international level to address human rights concerns in Bahrain; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [18971/19]

*88. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the steps he is taking to pursue the full implementation of the Good Friday Agreement in particular the need for the Assembly and power sharing Executive to reconvene and take up their devolved powers on behalf of the population of Northern Ireland in view of the ongoing Brexit negotiations and the threat of paramilitary violence; the additional resources being provided for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19036/19]

*89. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the way in which he is addressing human rights abuses in Bahrain. — Eamon Scanlon. [19103/19]

*90. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his attention has been drawn to the case of a person (details supplied); and if he has raised the case with his Israeli counterpart. — Seán Crowe. [19112/19]

*91. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the cost implications for British born spouses of deceased Irish citizens in obtaining an Irish passport; if the law was recently changed in relation to this instance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [19191/19]

*92. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if an interdepartmental committee will be established to oversee and monitor Ireland's response to Christian persecution in view of the fact that Christians are the most persecuted religious grouping globally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19462/19]

*93. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the steps taken to secure the release of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [19483/19]

*94. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the way in which persons working for Irish Aid abroad can gain access to new passports (details supplied); the way in which they can operate while waiting four weeks to obtain a new passport; if an online facility can be made available for them in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [19524/19]

*95. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his plans to support a UN binding treaty on business and human rights in 2019 as per the policy of an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [19587/19]

*96. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his attention has been drawn to challenges Irish citizens face in securing passports in insecure environments (details supplied); and if the policy in relation to same will be reviewed. — Seán Crowe. [19686/19]

*97. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if Ireland will oppose cuts of up to 15% to the youth sector and youth programme budget of the Council of Europe when the matter comes before the Council of Europe Committee of Ministers in the coming weeks; if the strong support of Ireland will be indicated for the work of the youth programme of the Council of Europe (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19773/19]

*98. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of an Irish passport for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19939/19]

*99. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his attention has been drawn to the attempts of the President of the National Assembly of Venezuela, Mr. Juan Guaidó to carry out an alleged military coup in Venezuela (details supplied); if he will condemn this alleged coup attempt; and if he will revise his decision to declare Mr. Juan Guaidó as the interim President of Venezuela. — Seán Crowe. [20123/19]

*100. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the Government of the United States of America is intensifying its alleged illegal blockade of Cuba and that a person (details supplied) confirmed that the American Government would fully implement Title III of the Helms-Burton Act allowing Cuban Americans to sue foreign companies; and if he will condemn the continued alleged illegal blockade of Cuba and intensification of the blockade. — Seán Crowe. [20125/19]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*101. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding the artist tax exemption; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [18390/19]

*102. To ask the Minister for Finance if there are plans to remove VAT from automated external defibrillator devices; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18436/19]

*103. To ask the Minister for Finance the measures undertaken to counteract the potential impact of reduced economic activity as projected by the ESRI publication Ireland and Brexit: Modelling the Impact of Deal and No-Deal Scenarios; the level of engagement he has had with officials in agencies under his remit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18787/19]

*104. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will consider increasing the rate at which pension recipients must pay tax on a pension; and his views on the fact that this rate has not been increased in line with inflation. — Robert Troy. [18916/19]

*105. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of applications received to date for the first time buyers help to buy scheme in Limerick city; the number accepted and refused, respectively; the amount provided under the scheme in Limerick city; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [18939/19]

*106. To ask the Minister for Finance the contributions Ireland has made to projects supported by the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in each of the years 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19090/19]

*107. To ask the Minister for Finance if CBD with THC levels lower than 0.2%, the European legal limit, is being stopped at the customs border from Europe. — Stephen Donnelly. [19634/19]

*108. To ask the Minister for Finance if flat rate expenses will be maintained for workers in the mining industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [18405/19]

*109. To ask the Minister for Finance if clarification will be provided in relation to his comments made in Dáil Éireann on 4 November 2018 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [18410/19]

*110. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated amount payable by a person that has never paid the local property tax since its introduction on the basis that the property is at the lowest point in terms of property valuation and the local authority in which they reside has not made adjustments to the rate; the estimated amount of local property tax payable together with interest or surcharges; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18455/19]

*111. To ask the Minister for Finance the expected increase in local property tax for each of the rate bands following reviews; and when the changes will take effect. — Robert Troy. [18456/19]

*112. To ask the Minister for Finance if a farmer that qualifies for consanguinity relief has to pay 6% stamp duty and claim the relief back; if they can pay 1% when the farm transfer is taking place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [18521/19]

*113. To ask the Minister for Finance if provisions will be considered to help maintain the viability of small rural businesses in particular rural pubs in the form of an increase of the VAT threshold from €75,000 to €150,000; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [18575/19]

*114. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of corporation tax receipts forecast at the beginning of each of the years 2010 to 2018 to be collected during each year; the amount actually collected for each year; the difference between the figures in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [18642/19]

*115. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of registered companies; the number that were liable for corporation tax; the number that paid; the amount each paid, respectively; and the number that did not pay in each of the years 2000 to 2015, by payment bands (details supplied) in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [18653/19]

*116. To ask the Minister for Finance the income, gains and taxable income of companies that filed a return on corporation tax in each of the years 2000 to 2018, by range of tax liability band (details supplied) in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [18654/19]

*117. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of applications which have been received to date in 2019 in respect of the VAT compensation scheme for charities which he announced in Budget 2018; the steps he is taking to promote the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [18679/19]

*118. To ask the Minister for Finance when the Revenue Commissioners will amend and deliver the payslip of a person (details supplied); if his attention has been drawn to delays in the processing of payslips for substitute teachers; the reason for the delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [18685/19]

*119. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 109 of 2 April 2019, the number of persons a bank (details supplied) has petitioned personal bankruptcy proceedings in the High Court since 2012; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [18827/19]

*120. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of money spent in fees across all Departments to a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2011 to 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [18836/19]

*121. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of money spent in fees by across all Departments to a firm (details supplied) in each of the years 2011 to 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [18837/19]

*122. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of money spent in fees across all Departments to a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2011 to 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [18838/19]

*123. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of money spent in fees across all Departments to a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2011 to 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [18839/19]

*124. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of money spent in fees across all Departments to private audit and advisory firms in each of the years 2011 to 2018. — Jonathan O'Brien. [18840/19]

*125. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans for insurance reform in particular in view of the recent significant increase in insurance premium liability for industry, business and traders; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [18898/19]

*126. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the way in which the cost of tax expenditures in revenue forgone are calculated; if he is satisfied that the current calculating methodology is adequate; the amount of revenue foregone in each of the years 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18920/19]

*127. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will address a matter regarding legal fees being added to mortgage arrears accounts (details supplied). — Peter Fitzpatrick. [18943/19]

*128. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of taxes paid to the Exchequer by companies (details supplied) over the past five years in tabular form. — Eoin Ó Broin. [18988/19]

*129. To ask the Minister for Finance if Ireland has received financial support from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in each of the years 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19091/19]

*130. To ask the Minister for Finance if under Section 40 of the Code of Conduct on Mortgage Arrears 2013, lenders should share with borrowers their documentation of its considerations of each option examined under Provision 39 including the reasons the option or options offered to the borrower is or are appropriate and sustainable for their individual circumstances; the reason the option or options considered and not offered to the borrower is or are not appropriate and not sustainable for the individual circumstances of the borrower; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19102/19]

*131. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to abolish the universal social charge; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19118/19]

*132. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of revenue raised from the levy on insurance; the way in which this funding was used in 2017 and 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19125/19]

*133. To ask the Minister for Finance the position in relation to the ability of banks and credit unions here to extend credit to Irish citizens that are principally living abroad; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19127/19]

*134. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of measures to tackle the cost of car insurance; the progress made to date; the further associated actions that remain to be carried out; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19150/19]

*135. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of persons here that have been fined for not having VRT in each of the past five years. — Robert Troy. [19170/19]

*136. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to the fact that certain lenders are not complying with section 45(a) of the Code of Conduct on Mortgage Arrears 2013 and the mortgage arrears resolution process due to the fact that they are only offering borrowers the option of voluntary surrender in a scenario in which the mortgage has been deemed to be unsustainable; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19173/19]

*137. To ask the Minister for Finance the success rate of appeals lodged by borrowers to the appeals process within lender institutions against an alternative repayment arrangement in circumstances in which one is offered or in which none is offered; the number of appeals upheld in which the appellant is appealing against the fact that no alternative repayment arrangement was offered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19174/19]

*138. To ask the Minister for Finance the position in relation to the legal fees of the lender being applied to the mortgage account of the borrower in a mortgage arrears situation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19175/19]

*139. To ask the Minister for Finance if he is satisfied that all lenders are applying the rules governing mortgage interest relief in cases in which the borrower is in arrears on the mortgage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19176/19]

*140. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to and his views on whether it is appropriate that a bank (details supplied) as a majority State owned institution, has contracted services from a company that is one of the biggest arms manufacturers in the world; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19228/19]

*141. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of applications received to date under the VAT compensation scheme for charities; the expected amount to be refunded in 2019 in respect of qualifying charities; the procedures and the form required to make a claim under this scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19229/19]

*142. To ask the Minister for Finance the work completed to ensure that all companies involved in the leisure and tourism industry can obtain a reasonable insurance premium; and the actions taken by him to assist companies that have experienced difficulty in securing an insurance quotation. — Robert Troy. [19245/19]

*143. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the difficulties faced by a company (details supplied) in securing an insurance policy. — Robert Troy. [19246/19]

*144. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 64 of 18 April 2019, the status of the outcome of the meeting between the Revenue Commissioners and an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [19287/19]

*145. To ask the Minister for Finance the value of property held by IREFs in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019. — Pearse Doherty. [19315/19]

*146. To ask the Minister for Finance the value of property held by REITs in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019. — Pearse Doherty. [19316/19]

*147. To ask the Minister for Finance the effective corporate tax and capital gains tax rates for private limited and public limited companies in each of the years 2016 to 2018. — Pearse Doherty. [19320/19]

*148. To ask the Minister for Finance the effective corporate tax and capital gains tax rates for IREFs in each of the years 2016 to 2018. — Pearse Doherty. [19321/19]

*149. To ask the Minister for Finance the effective corporate tax and capital gains tax rates for REITs in each of the years 2016 to 2018. — Pearse Doherty. [19322/19]

*150. To ask the Minister for Finance the definition of completed REITs which are subject to capital gains tax on developed assets sold within three years of completing development; if it refers to building structures such as roof in place; and if not, if it refers to completed when furnished. — Pearse Doherty. [19323/19]

*151. To ask the Minister for Finance if the removal of the IREF five year holding capital gains tax exemption applies to all IREFs and is retrospective to assets acquired before 1 January 2019. — Pearse Doherty. [19324/19]

*152. To ask the Minister for Finance the rate capital gains tax is chargeable regarding IREFs which are subject to the tax; and if this can be reduced through double tax treaties or by the fact that the IREF is owned by institutional investors such as pension funds. — Pearse Doherty. [19325/19]

*153. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason he chose to allow IREF shareholders an exemption from capital gains tax on disposal of IREF shares even in cases in which the shares are not quoted on the stock exchange as was originally anticipated when this legislation was introduced. — Pearse Doherty. [19327/19]

*154. To ask the Minister for Finance the percentage of corporation tax receipts that was paid by foreign multinationals in 2016, 2017 and 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19343/19]

*155. To ask the Minister for Finance the share of net corporation tax receipts provided by the top ten tax paying companies in 2017 and 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19344/19]

*156. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will provide an updated version of table 3 from the Summer Economic Statement 2018 taking account of measures in Budget 2019 and changes to other economic indicators in particular the figure for net fiscal space in Budget 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19399/19]

*157. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated additional revenue that would be raised in Budget 2020 from the non-indexation of the income tax system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19400/19]

*158. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason a joint account is frozen in the event of one of the named persons on the account dying when the account is for use in a marital situation between two spouses. — Sean Sherlock. [19464/19]

*159. To ask the Minister for Finance the rate of VAT payable by sports and leisure clubs seeking to purchase and install emergency defibrillator devices at their facilities; and if there is provision for such clubs to claim this VAT back. — Darragh O'Brien. [19488/19]

*160. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to reintroduce the home renovation incentive scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19498/19]

*161. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated receipts due to be received from the IBRC by each year until these receipts are expected to end in tabular form. — Pearse Doherty. [19503/19]

*162. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated amount of the €3.5 billion NAMA surplus due to be received in each year until all the payments are made in tabular form. — Pearse Doherty. [19504/19]

*163. To ask the Minister for Finance his policy on the sale of State owned bank shares in the short and medium term; if this policy differs between the banks concerned; if changes in the value of these shares create a change in policy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19505/19]

*164. To ask the Minister for Finance the evidence to support the claims made in the Stability Programme Update 2019 that there is a threat of an overshooting of housing supply; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19506/19]

*165. To ask the Minister for Finance his preferred method of measuring the structural balance in view of the inclusion of two methodologies in the Stability Programme Update 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19507/19]

*166. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on whether the European Commission will accept the methodology for calculating the structural balance as included in the Stability Programme Update 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19508/19]

*167. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the most accurate methodology for measuring the output gap in the economy between his Department and the commonly agreed methodology of the European Commission; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19510/19]

*168. To ask the Minister for Finance the number and amount of payments made in each year under the home renovation scheme since it was introduced; the amounts paid out under the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19518/19]

*169. To ask the Minister for Finance when the competition to fill the position of Governor of the Central Bank will be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19529/19]

*170. To ask the Minister for Finance the extent to which his attention has been drawn to the programme of local branch closures of a bank (details supplied); if this is being carried out in order to increase the attractiveness of a potential sale; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [19544/19]

*171. To ask the Minister for Finance the action he is prepared to take to renegotiate the relationship framework agreement between a bank (details supplied) and the State on strategic and day-to-day management decisions in order to protect local communities from the impact of branch closures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [19545/19]

*172. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to support the objectives in local communities of the InvestEU Programme of the European Commission in respect of the key policy areas of social capacity building and the growth of SMEs in order to move banking towards a sustainable accountable future. — Clare Daly. [19546/19]

*173. To ask the Minister for Finance the way in which he plans to monitor the recently announced intentions of a bank (details supplied) to promote a sustainable banking future by incorporating social values into its business model; and the way in which he will hold the bank to account for measurable concrete actions to empower small business and personal banking in local communities nationally. — Clare Daly. [19547/19]

*174. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated increase to a pack of cigarettes if an annual tax escalator of 5% and the rate of inflation was introduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19552/19]

*175. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated increase to roll-your-own tobacco if an annual tax escalator of 10% and the rate of inflation was introduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19553/19]

*176. To ask the Minister for Finance the timeframe for the publication of the tax strategy papers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19554/19]

*177. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated time for the tax rate on roll-your-own tobacco to reach equivalence with manufactured cigarettes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19555/19]

*178. To ask the Minister for Finance the cigarette production volumes in each of the years 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019; the tobacco product tax receipts on fine cut tobacco since 2003, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19556/19]

*179. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of actions taken as part of the WHO Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19560/19]

*180. To ask the Minister for Finance the feasibility of including nicotine patches in the list of medicines which are zero rated for VAT; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19561/19]

*181. To ask the Minister for Finance when the national economic dialogue will be held in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19732/19]

*182. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of the implementation of the VAT compensation refund scheme; the number of recipients; the amount of VAT refunded to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19733/19]

*183. To ask the Minister for Finance if he has made appointments to a State board in the past three years in cases in which he has reappointed a person that has already served two full terms contrary to the advice in section 13.2 of the Guidelines on Appointments to State Boards; if so, the details and rationale for such appointments if relevant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19734/19]

*184. To ask the Minister for Finance the social welfare payments that are subject to tax and exempt from tax, respectively in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [19791/19]

*185. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of suspicious transaction reports that have been made to the Revenue Commissioners on an annual basis in each of the years 2014 to 2018 and to date in 2019; the role of the Revenue Commissioners in combatting money laundering; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [19941/19]

*186. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to increase the number of customs officers in County Cork in the context of Brexit. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [20023/19]

*187. To ask the Minister for Finance the position in relation to recognising and using losses from a CGT perspective on the sale by a person of residential properties; the difference in the

treatment if the purchaser is a family member of the vendor; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [20026/19]

*188. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on recent meetings with representatives from a company (details supplied) in relation to the recently revised rate of betting tax and the Gambling Control Bill 2018. — Louise O'Reilly. [20037/19]

*189. To ask the Minister for Finance if there is a format that needs to be used by a shipping company in charging the appropriate amount of customs duty including an obligation to provide a detailed written statement in the context of the application of customs to an Irish company importing products from a third country; the recourse the company has if it is not satisfied with the amount charged or the quality of the documentation if has been provided with in order to reclaim a VAT charge; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [20066/19]

*190. To ask the Minister for Finance if tax breaks will be considered to encourage fully qualified engineers born and educated here to return from abroad to work in industry here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [18665/19]

*191. To ask the Minister for Finance if tax rebates are available for completion of a house that never finished construction and was never occupied. — Robert Troy. [18853/19]

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

*192. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans to have a meeting with community employment supervisors as part of the high level forum discussion in relation to gratuities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [18458/19]

*193. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if a pension scheme will be introduced for community employment supervisors (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18566/19]

*194. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the provision of pensions for community employment supervisors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [18591/19]

*195. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the availability of capital for the provision of pensions for community employment supervisors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [18592/19]

*196. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will be engaging with the high level forum (details supplied) to deal with the ongoing issue of the pension claim by community employment supervisors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [18829/19]

*197. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if a public health assessment has been carried out in advance of the installation of 5G technology at Buncrana Garda station; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19260/19]

*198. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform when funding will be made available for the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [19291/19]

*199. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans to allow public servants that retired in 2018 aged 65 years of age that were allowed to work an extra year, to continue to work until they are 70 years of age as in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [19334/19]

*200. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the case of a person (details supplied) will be examined in relation to the Public Service Superannuation (Age of Retirement) Act 2018; if an amendment will be considered to allow persons that were between 65 and 66 years of age when the Act was enacted to have the choice to continue to work until 70 years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [19372/19]

*201. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform further to Parliamentary Question No. 143 of 26 February 2019, the position regarding the matter; the progress made since the reply issued; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19416/19]

*202. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will consider meeting a union regarding a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19421/19]

*203. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the OPW works at a location (details supplied). — Eoin Ó Broin. [19431/19]

*204. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the amount of unallocated expenditure in each of the years 2020 to 2024 or the latest date in tabular form; and if this unallocated expenditure is already included within the general Government balance baseline for each of these years. — Pearse Doherty. [19645/19]

*205. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the approximately €300 million and €720 million of unallocated expenditure for 2020 and 2021 respectively, listed in the 2019 expenditure report is already factored into the general Government baseline such that its removal would improve the general Government balance by the figures cited in each year. — Pearse Doherty. [19646/19]

*206. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his views on a matter in relation to community employment supervisors (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19968/19]

*207. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans to reform freedom of information legislation following a recent High Court decision overturning a Data Commission decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18393/19]

*208. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the correspondence he has received from Cork City Council in respect of a funding proposal for an event centre. — Sean Sherlock. [18467/19]

*209. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the reason for the clearing of a large amount of trees and hedgerows along Whitechurch stream in St. Enda’s Park and the Pearse Museum, Rathfarnham, Dublin 16 in late March 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Crowe. [18490/19]

*210. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the cost of the recently published Phoenix Park Visitor Experience Strategic Review carried out by the OPW and other bodies; the cost of the previous traffic study of the Phoenix Park by a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18500/19]

*211. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the person or agency that commissioned the Phoenix Park Visitor Experience Strategic Review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18501/19]

*212. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the public consultation period as part of the Phoenix Park Visitor Experience Strategic Review will be extended to give more time for persons to examine the report and make observations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18502/19]

*213. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will fully publish the Phoenix Park Visitor Experience Strategic Review to make it available to those that do not have access to same online; his plans to better inform the public in relation to the proposed changes and recommendations of the review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18503/19]

*214. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the process established in 2015 to examine the 2008 Labour Court recommendation on pension rights for community employment supervisors and assistant supervisors; when he will meet with the relevant trade unions in order to resolve the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [18550/19]

*215. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he, his Departmental or political staff were recipients of tickets and or hospitality from an organisation (details supplied) during the term of office of a person; the details of each occasion tickets and or hospitality was provided by the organisation during this period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18781/19]

*216. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the measures undertaken by his Department to counteract the potential impact of Brexit; the level of engagement he has had with officials in agencies under his remit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18782/19]

*217. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of projects supported by his Department in County Galway in each of the past five years; the value and status of each project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18783/19]

*218. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of projects that were refused funding by his Department in County Galway in each of the past five years; the reason for the refusal; the status of each project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18784/19]

*219. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the amount spent on restoration and maintenance of the Rock of Cashel in each of the years 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019; the detail of such works; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [18859/19]

*220. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the amount spent on the maintenance of the Farmleigh Estate in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019; the detail of such works; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [18860/19]

*221. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the amount spent on the upkeep and use of the Stewards Lodge in Farmleigh in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019; the dates and purpose for which it has been used in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [18861/19]

*222. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of applications he has accepted for the voluntary homeowners relocation scheme; the amount of funding set aside for the scheme; the progress which has been made in delivering the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [18862/19]

*223. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the supports or mechanisms to assist persons with disabilities to acquire a job in the public or civil service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18892/19]

*224. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the recent meetings he has had with officials, Ministerial colleagues or others regarding the community employment supervisors pension claim and the implementation of the 2008 Labour Court recommendation. — Clare Daly. [18934/19]

*225. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will meet with representatives of community employment supervisors to discuss the implementation of their pension scheme. — Clare Daly. [18935/19]

*226. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the reason the high level forum agreed under the Lansdowne Road Agreement to discuss community employment supervisors pensions has not met since December 2017. — Clare Daly. [18936/19]

*227. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if his attention has been drawn to the particulars of a case concerning a prison officer on unpaid leave from the Irish Prison Service since May 2011 (details supplied); if he will engage with the prison officer on the matters concerned; if he has considered the issue of awarding an injury warrant in respect of the person; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18965/19]

*228. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his specific responsibilities with regard to the Cork event centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18978/19]

*229. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will address a matter regarding a pension increase in relation to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19097/19]

*230. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his views on the dredging works which recently took place in the Ward Rivervalley Park in Swords, County Dublin; if the OPW had permission to cut trees and bushes down during nesting season; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [19104/19]

*231. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the position in respect of the civil and public service levy; when civil servants can expect to have their PSPR reduced in their pensions as agreed; when the arrears from 1 January 2019 will be paid to retired civil servants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [19110/19]

*232. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the position regarding a pension scheme for community employment supervisors; if a scheme will be put in place for them; and his plans to deal with this issue. — Brian Stanley. [19114/19]

*233. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of a number of proposed flood risk management schemes in areas (details supplied) in County Donegal; when the OPW will provide further details to the local authority with regard to the design and construction of these schemes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19136/19]

*234. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans to implement a recruitment campaign for HEO and third secretary posts within the civil service in quarter 2 of 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [19159/19]

*235. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform when persons (details supplied) will be contacted in relation to the home relocation scheme; the expected timeframe for the process to be completed; the supports available to applicants in the interim until relocation is facilitated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [19163/19]

*236. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the position in relation to the restoration of a public service pension to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19231/19]

*237. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the annual cost of running the Irish Government Economic and Evaluation Service; the number of persons working for the Service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [19427/19]

*238. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans for community employment supervisors’ pensions as in the case of persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19448/19]

*239. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the OPW will undertake to fund urgent restoration work required at Terreraght Castle, a Norman tower house, in New Ross, County Wexford; if the attention of the OPW has been drawn to the condition of this historic monument which in its present condition has necessitated the closure of a local important link road; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [19540/19]

*240. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will clarify with the OPW when the original gates will be returned to the entrances to the Phoenix Park; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [19575/19]

*241. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of residential properties that the State has inherited as the ultimate intestate successor in each of the years 2011 to 2018; the number of units sold off by year; and the number of units that are retained by the State, both in use and vacant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [19609/19]

*242. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the Government expenditure in each of the years 2007 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19736/19]

*243. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the specific locations of Departments in County Kildare to which persons could be assigned to as principal officer positions that were advertised under publicjobs.ie. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [19948/19]

*244. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if a list of principal officer positions that are based in County Kildare will be provided; the exact locations in the county of each; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [19949/19]

*245. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the reason public service retirees that retired after 28 February 2012 have their pension increase linked to the pay restoration timetable of their serving colleagues (details supplied); if their pension rights will be restored; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [20083/19]

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

*246. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to support the development of a national hairdressing apprenticeship by an organisation (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [18561/19]

*247. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the maintenance charges on the Bus Éireann school transport fleet are charged on a per mile basis in accordance with the 1975 agreement or on a per bus basis; if not, the date on which his Department agreed to a change in this per mileage charge; and the date the change was implemented. — John McGuinness. [18745/19]

*248. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason a person (details supplied) in County Mayo has been offered an apprenticeship course in Gaoth Dobhair, County Donegal instead of either Shannon or Athlone; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kevin O'Keeffe. [19456/19]

*249. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to establish a national school based counselling initiative to support the existing structures available in schools and which would be beneficial to students if increased mental health supports were provided in the school environment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [18388/19]

*250. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of progress on a new build for a school (details supplied) since the announcement in December 2018. — Martin Heydon. [18412/19]

*251. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans for a national school based counselling programme; his plans to supply each school with access to an on call counsellor or psychotherapist to ensure children and young persons have regular access to mental health services outside of the intervention services provided by the National Educational Psychological Service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [18417/19]

*252. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when funding will be granted to a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18425/19]

*253. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress made on the commitment to increase the capacity by five classrooms of a school (details supplied); the timeline for completion of the works; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18439/19]

*254. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the actions he has taken in 2019 to investigate the prevalence of exclusion of pupils from schools for behavioural reasons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [18445/19]

*255. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of apprenticeships under way; the number of female apprentices; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [18446/19]

*256. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the resolution of an issue which resulted in additional taxes being paid by substitute teachers in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [18447/19]

*257. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the provision of university status to institutes of technology which have indicated an interest in same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [18448/19]

*258. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a patronage process will be announced for schools to be established in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [18449/19]

*259. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the referral of an economic analysis related to third-level funding to the European Commission; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [18450/19]

*260. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an analysis has been conducted of the prevalence of voluntary contributions to schools by county; if so, if the analysis will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [18451/19]

*261. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the way in which the decision to have an age limit of 70 years of age for taxi drivers transporting special needs children to school under the school transport scheme was arrived at; and the Department responsible for the decision (details supplied). — Billy Kelleher. [18477/19]

*262. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when works are due to commence with the installation of the three temporary classrooms and toilet block at a school (details supplied). — Alan Kelly. [18492/19]

*263. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of children with an autism diagnosis that require school placement in preschool settings, mainstream primary schools or ASD units or second-level schools in County Laois; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18522/19]

*264. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application by a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [18557/19]

*265. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to a proposal to house six classes from a secondary school in a nearby Gaelscoil (details supplied); if his Department

approved plans for such a move; his views on whether such a move would impact on the ethos of the school; his plans to prevent the move; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [18584/19]

*266. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason an appeal under Circular 0019/2019, Appendix F (e), Criterion E- Small Schools, by a school (details supplied) in March 2019 regarding staff retention was declined despite the school having the requisite number of pupils; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that this DEIS school must now curtail many of its educational programmes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18596/19]

*267. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of additional primary teaching posts required in order to restore the appointment figure to 48 pupils for the third teacher in a primary school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [18616/19]

*268. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 95 of 7 March 2019, the status of the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat The Cope Gallagher. [18619/19]

*269. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of allowances previously available to teachers which were removed following a review of allowances during the recession; the estimated annual saving through the reduction of these allowances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [18639/19]

*270. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if plans for a new primary school at a location (details supplied) include a provision for an ASD unit with another school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [18640/19]

*271. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of special educational needs hours for a school (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18691/19]

*272. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when funding will be allocated for a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [18692/19]

*273. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of students that failed to qualify for third-level SUSI grants in 2017 and 2018 due to their earnings being above the €4,500 limit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18704/19]

*274. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of students in counties Laois and Offaly that failed to qualify for third-level SUSI grants in 2017 and 2018 due to their earnings being above the €4,500 limit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18705/19]

*275. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to increase the earnings limit for third-level students in order for them to work more hours in part-time jobs without losing their grant. — Carol Nolan. [18706/19]

*276. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the annual scheme and regulations for the student grant will be published. — Carol Nolan. [18707/19]

*277. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if history will be reinstated to the junior certificate programme as a compulsory subject; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18708/19]

*278. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the specific initiatives he has taken to increase the recruitment of teachers at primary and second level. — Carol Nolan. [18709/19]

*279. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to address the shortage of subject teachers at second level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18710/19]

*280. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of prefabs and portacabins in use at primary and second level schools here. — Carol Nolan. [18711/19]

*281. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount spent on prefabs and portacabins at primary schools here. — Carol Nolan. [18712/19]

*282. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of prefabs and portacabins being used for classroom accommodation by primary schools in counties Laois and Offaly. — Carol Nolan. [18713/19]

*283. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of prefabs and portacabins being used for classroom accommodation by secondary schools in counties Laois and Offaly. — Carol Nolan. [18714/19]

*284. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount being spent on prefabs and portacabins at primary and secondary schools in counties Laois and Offaly since 2016, in tabular form. — Carol Nolan. [18715/19]

*285. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position in relation to an application for emergency funding by a school (details supplied) in County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [18730/19]

*286. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures being taken to ensure education for primary school children regarding road safety and pedestrian crossings; the further measures taken to highlight the dangers of phone use while crossing the road; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18744/19]

*287. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a school transport service (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18754/19]

*288. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the provisions being put in place to support a school (details supplied) that has been presented with an insurance quote of €26,000; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [18757/19]

*289. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason a school (details supplied) did not receive the full funding sought under the emergency works programme; if he will review this decision; the status of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18763/19]

*290. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans for the location of an ASD unit in a school (details supplied) and or another school in accordance with section 8 of the Education

(Admission to Schools) Act 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [18775/19]

*291. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to provide an ASD unit at primary level in Rathcoole, County Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [18800/19]

*292. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on a matter (details supplied) regarding the remote area grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18814/19]

*293. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a reply will issue to representations recently submitted by a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18825/19]

*294. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost if the student contribution to fees was reduced by €250 to €2,250; if he will consider the matter in the context of Budget 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [18828/19]

*295. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the concerns of rural and farming parents that school curriculums will include negative depictions of beef consumption will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18848/19]

*296. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if there are grants, scholarships, a bursary or financial aid available for a person (details supplied) in County Cork who wishes to study abroad. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [18874/19]

*297. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a matter (details supplied) regarding an amalgamation of schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18881/19]

*298. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when home tuition hours and a suitably qualified tutor will be provided to a student (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18885/19]

*299. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the provision being made by the special education section for the provision of a school place for a student (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18888/19]

*300. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a section 29 appeal in respect of a student will be completed (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18889/19]

*301. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the rationale for the exclusion of mental injury which may arise as a result of an assault for the leave of absence following assault scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [18902/19]

*302. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount expended on modular classrooms and or prefabricated units in order to meet additional classroom space in the past ten years; the amount allocated to provide same in the 2019/2020 school year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18918/19]

*303. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of SENOs in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18919/19]

*304. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an appeal by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18924/19]

*305. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the schools that were put on the school building capital plans for new schools or large extensions between 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019; the schools that have been built; the status of the other schools; when each one will be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [18937/19]

*306. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 184 of 9 April 2019, if there is a deadline for the school build completion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18955/19]

*307. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application by a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19010/19]

*308. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a school (details supplied) under construction and near completion will include an ASD unit or a special needs unit; and if not, the reason therefor. — Louise O'Reilly. [19013/19]

*309. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of schools in the Dublin 2 and 4 areas with an ASD unit or special needs unit; his plans to build more units; if so, the locations of same; and the estimated timeframe for them coming online. — Louise O'Reilly. [19014/19]

*310. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of teachers nationally in 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019, that were successful in obtaining deployment in their location of choice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [19019/19]

*311. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position in relation an appropriate school place being provided to a child (details supplied) in County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19107/19]

*312. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the capacity of a special school (details supplied) in County Cork; the number enrolled; the number of children on the waiting list; his plans to extend the capacity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19108/19]

*313. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the employment of school secretaries by his Department (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19128/19]

*314. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount of funding allocated to ASD special classes in secondary schools in each year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [19151/19]

*315. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a decision will be made regarding school transport home pick up for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [19164/19]

*316. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will set out a policy in relation to the provision of ASD classes in each school catchment area; if he is satisfied with the current provision of ASD classes for families that reside in the Dublin 6, 6W and 12 areas; his plans to address the shortage of classes in these areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [19165/19]

*317. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a school (details supplied) will go under construction and completion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [19166/19]

*318. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the efforts he is making to tackle the lack of full-time positions available to young teachers at present; if his attention has been drawn to the difficulties this problem is causing in areas such as County Sligo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19172/19]

*319. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason a person (details supplied) is waiting for a lengthy period on a Teaching Council number; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19193/19]

*320. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason a person (details supplied) is waiting for a lengthy period on a Teaching Council number; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19194/19]

*321. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the value of borrowing, underwriting and guaranteeing activities notified to him under the borrowing framework provided for in section 38 of the Universities Act 1997, for each university since the institution of the framework in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [19203/19]

*322. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the value, name of the creditor and interest rate for each individual amount of borrowing above €1 million in each of the universities covered by the borrowing framework outlined in section 38 of the Universities Act 1997, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [19204/19]

*323. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the implied recourse to the Exchequer involved in the borrowing, underwriting and guaranteeing activities of universities covered under the Universities Act 1997; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19205/19]

*324. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the aggregate at any one time of moneys borrowed by the university and education and training board sectors in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [19206/19]

*325. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the aggregate at any one time of moneys borrowed by each education and training board in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [19207/19]

*326. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the working of the borrowing framework outlined in section 38 of the Universities Act 1997. — David Cullinane. [19208/19]

*327. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on the appropriateness of university marketing activities here that go beyond providing information to potential students such as paid

promotional signage at sporting grounds or theatres; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19209/19]

*328. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on the appropriateness of universities providing housing, catering facilities and staff, transport resources and staff for the personal use of its senior administrators; and the guidance or instruction he has offered the HEA or the universities on such matters of prudence. — David Cullinane. [19210/19]

*329. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the date of construction, the university, the building or project name, the area and the cost of each university building programme costing in excess of €5 million in the past fifteen years in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [19211/19]

*330. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the date of construction, the institute, the building or project name, the area and the cost of each institute of technology building programme costing in excess of €5 million in the past fifteen years in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [19212/19]

*331. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the area of land owned or in the possession of each university and institute of technology in each year in the past fifteen years in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [19213/19]

*332. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if discretion can be shown to prospective teachers returning from outside of the EU after a number of years of teaching (details supplied) in relation to the payment of non-EU fees to their masters in education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [19232/19]

*333. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the action he is taking to provide school transport for 24 pupils that are attending schools (details supplied); if the pupils will be included in the school transport system in view of the fact that all buses from Callan to Kilkenny city are operating at maximum capacity; and if a solution for all concerned will be expedited. — John McGuinness. [19248/19]

*334. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if assistance will be provided to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [19288/19]

*335. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if finance has been provided for ASD units at schools (details supplied); and if the necessary staff will be in place for September 2019. — Brian Stanley. [19307/19]

*336. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a reply will issue to correspondence (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [19333/19]

*337. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the school bus operated by a bus service (details supplied) has run out of private funding; if he will consider funding this school bus service to ensure school attendance rates are maintained; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19348/19]

*338. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of ASD units; the location of each; the number of students in each of these units in second level schools in County Laois; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19365/19]

*339. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of ASD units; the location of each; the number of students in each of these units in primary schools in County Laois; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19366/19]

*340. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a place is available at the ASD unit of a school (details supplied) for a person; and if the matter will be expedited. — John McGuinness. [19407/19]

*341. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application by a school (details supplied). — Barry Cowen. [19420/19]

*342. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the level of funding which has been committed by SOLAS towards an electronic marking system for adult and apprenticeships programmes; the progress of the project; the breakdown of the spend; the amount allocated to a company (details supplied); the estimated overall cost in addition to SOLAS working hours and travel and subsistence; the proposed date of implementation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19424/19]

*343. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to the fact that minutes of meetings of the Higher Education Authority have not been published on its website since the meeting of 6 November 2018; the reason minutes of recent meetings have not been published; if minutes of all recent meetings of the Authority will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [19426/19]

*344. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a development at a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19444/19]

*345. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the steps he is taking to ensure enough special classes are attached to mainstream schools in order that all children diagnosed with autism that need such facilities and supports can access them; the new such classrooms planned for schools in Limerick city and county at both primary and post-primary level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [19459/19]

*346. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the school transport grant awarded to a person (details supplied) will issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [19468/19]

*347. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a school bus place will be provided for a student (details supplied) to get to a school in Kells, County Meath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [19479/19]

*348. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application for school transport by a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19489/19]

*349. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when his officials will meet with a union (details supplied) to discuss the recommendations following the review of the National Council of Special Education guidelines in 2018 in view of the fact that a new pilot scheme is due to commence in September 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19495/19]

*350. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures he is taking to improve working conditions, terms of employment and job security for special needs assistants in view of the precarious nature of their employment; his plans to develop a panel based on the model of the primary school supplementary panel; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19496/19]

*351. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of child protection complaints received due to staffing levels in schools and not having the requisite number of adult teachers or assistants to adhere to child protection guidelines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19497/19]

*352. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount paid in fees to legal professionals for the purposes of defending a case (details supplied) and other cases of day school sex abuse litigation in each of the years 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19502/19]

*353. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if consideration has been given from a public health perspective and to support lifelong healthy eating to funding a programme in which children are taught in school at second-level the way to cook by qualified chefs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19522/19]

*354. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if priority access to a local secondary school will be given to those that live in the local catchment area and that attend primary school there in the case of pupils that are going on to secondary level education (details supplied). — Danny Healy-Rae. [19549/19]

*355. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to a situation in which SNAs were eligible to retire at the end of the 2017/2018 school year but chose to continue working had a reduction in pay to the lowest scale when returning to work in September 2018; his plans to address the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [19578/19]

*356. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he has received a formal request from a trade union (details supplied) to meet with the view to discussing the recommendations of the NCSE Comprehensive Review of the Special Needs Assistance Scheme published in March 2018; if so, when this engagement will commence; his views on the findings of the report; his plans to implement same prior to said discussions taking place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19589/19]

*357. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a funding application by a school (details supplied). — Dara Calleary. [19591/19]

*358. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of emergency works funding for a school (details supplied). — Dara Calleary. [19593/19]

*359. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the way in which students will be assessed under the new syllabus for agricultural science in secondary schools beginning from September 2019; the way in which the practical elements of the current syllabus change under the new system will be assessed; if the practical elements will be maintained to the same level as the current system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [19600/19]

*360. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 23 of 6 March 2019, the status of the school building project; the timeline for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19606/19]

*361. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if there are other extenuating circumstances that SUSI can take into account when deciding whether to accept a late application aside from the death of a close family member or medical circumstances that prevent the student from submitting an application during the requested timeframe, for example, bankruptcy proceedings and home repossession proceedings against the student's family during the time period for accepting applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [19677/19]

*362. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the revised code of practice for the governance of third-level institutions will be issued; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19737/19]

*363. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of meetings held by the Student Grants Appeals Board in each of the years 2016 to 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19738/19]

*364. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the most recent report on the activities of the Student Grants Appeals Board which he has received pursuant to section 27 of the Student Support Act 2011; if this report is publicly available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19739/19]

*365. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the work of the Apprenticeship Council; the remit and membership of the board; the number of meetings held in each of the years since 2014; the key achievements to date; the proposed future actions of the board; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19740/19]

*366. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the work of the National Apprenticeship Advisory Committee; the remit of the Committee; the membership of the Committee; the number of meetings held in each of the years since 2014; the key achievements to date; the proposed future actions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19742/19]

*367. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of apprentices commencing an apprenticeship programme in each of the years 2008 to 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19743/19]

*368. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of apprentices that failed to complete an apprenticeship programme in each of the years 2016 to 2018, in tabular form; the reason the apprentices did not complete the programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19744/19]

*369. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of apprentices participating on an apprenticeship in each apprenticeship programme in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19745/19]

*370. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of apprentices participating in an apprenticeship programme by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19746/19]

*371. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of male and female apprentices respectively, participating in an apprenticeship programme in each of the years 2016 to 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19747/19]

*372. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of apprentices from a minority ethnic background participating in an apprenticeship programme in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19748/19]

*373. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of apprentices in each age cohort (details supplied) participating on an apprenticeship programme in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19749/19]

*374. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the new apprenticeship programmes approved since 2014; the title of each; the year each was approved; the number of apprentices currently participating in the programme in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19750/19]

*375. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the funding provided for apprenticeships in each of the years 2014 to 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19751/19]

*376. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the actions taken to support greater participation of young women and other underrepresented groups on apprenticeship programmes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19752/19]

*377. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the funding provided to pre-apprenticeship or access to apprenticeship programmes in 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19753/19]

*378. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he has made State board appointments in the past three years in circumstances in which he has reappointed a person that has already served two full terms contrary to the advice in section 13.2 of the Guidelines on Appointments to State boards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19754/19]

*379. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of school secretaries that have been employed directly by his Department in each of the past five years; if principals can apply for Department paid status for their secretaries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [19792/19]

*380. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress made in the delivery of extension work at a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19803/19]

*381. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress made in identifying and securing a site for a new school building for a school (details supplied) in County Dublin; if this project is now included on the schools building work programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19804/19]

*382. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to reimburse members of a union (details supplied) that suffered financial penalties amounting to a total of €15 million in wages to thousands of teachers as a result of industrial action they took in their campaign for equal pay for

teachers recruited pre and post-2011; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [19844/19]

*383. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding his plans for a new secondary school in the western area of Blanchardstown; if an appropriate site has been identified; the timeline for the delivery of the new school; if proposals in relation to the patronage of the new school have been considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [19845/19]

*384. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the steps taken to assist facilities and schools in a time of great tragedy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [14272/19]

*385. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will report on the availability of places in primary schools in Finglas, Dublin 11 for children with ASD; and if he will address a matter in relation to a person (details supplied). — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19853/19]

*386. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a child (details supplied) in County Cork with ASD will receive a NEPS assessment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19933/19]

*387. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the provision of a secondary school and multi-purpose communal building in Kinnegad, County Westmeath. — Robert Troy. [19935/19]

*388. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the outstanding contributions from religious congregations amounting to €6.37 million to the Residential Institutions Statutory Fund will be collected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19953/19]

*389. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an urgent meeting will take place between his officials, parents, a school (details supplied) and the NCSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [19957/19]

*390. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to the fact that there is no breastfeeding provision for special needs assistants in schools; if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that teachers have entitlements to breastfeeding breaks; if this matter will be rectified; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [20016/19]

*391. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the provisions in place to deal with the shortage of first year secondary places for those that are on waiting lists in the Kilcoole and Greystones area in County Wicklow; the status of the provision of a new secondary school in Greystones; if the process will be accelerated in view of the high demand for places and the stress placed on parents that do not have a place for their child; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [20025/19]

*392. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will provide a report on the availability of places in primary schools in an area (details supplied) for children with ASD; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [20028/19]

*393. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding a new school to cater for an area (details supplied); if this school will now be located outside the catchment area; if so,

the reason for the decision; if this is a final decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [20049/19]

*394. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding a system under which new schools are approved particularly in Dublin; the criteria for establishing a catchment area; the number of schools functioning in temporary locations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [20050/19]

*395. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the remaining sections of the Education (Admissions to Schools) Act 2018 in particular section 9(61), (62) and (63) will be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [20055/19]

*396. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the review of the outstanding moneys owed to contractors following the last building project for a school (details supplied) will be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [20069/19]

*397. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of a new building for the relocation of a school (details supplied); the funding which has been allocated for this project; the estimated completion date for the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [20087/19]

*398. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the role of his Department in the provision of supports including SNAs for children with autism in primary and secondary schools; his plans to enhance the supports available; his plans to ensure children have access to such supports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [20117/19]

*399. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to ensure children and students in the Dublin 8 and 12 areas have access to a secondary educate together facility; the rationale for excluding students from these areas from the facility at Harold's Cross; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [20118/19]

*400. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will meet with parents and students that are campaigning for Gaelscoileanna in Dublin 10 and 12 in view of the fact that these areas are the only areas in Dublin without such a facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [20119/19]

*401. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the extent to which it is expected to provide student accommodation on site to facilitate Maynooth and other universities nationally with particular reference to focus on meeting student accommodation needs at reasonable rent which can have the dual benefit of assisting the general housing market and education system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20127/19]

*402. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding development at a campus (details supplied) with particular reference to the need to restore activity on the site with a view to meeting the schedules insofar as possible with particular reference to the opening date for the schools involved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20129/19]

*403. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a development (details supplied) is likely to be completed; the full extent and scale of the facilities to be provided thereon; the extent to which the temporary accommodation sought by schools is likely to be provided in the interim; if

a target date has been set for the completion of all works and the opening of the two schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20130/19]

*404. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding the provision of a Gaelcholáiste in north county Kildare; the extent to which previous arrangements are proceeding with a view to meeting the requirements as previously envisaged; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20131/19]

*405. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the extent to which all primary and post-primary school accommodation requirements in Maynooth, County Kildare are being coordinated with a view to meeting the plans set out by the various school authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20132/19]

*406. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding the proposed extension, upgrading and replacement of facilities at primary and post-primary level in Kilcock, County Kildare; the precise stage of development in each case with a view to identifying the extent to which the needs can be met in the medium to short-term; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20133/19]

*407. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding proposed extension, upgrading and replacement of facilities at primary and post-primary level in Clane, County Kildare; the precise stage of development in each case with a view to identifying the extent to which the needs can be met in the medium to short-term; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20134/19]

*408. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the extent to which plans are in hand or in progress to meet in full the primary and second-level education needs in terms of extension, upgrading and replacement at the various existing or new schools in Naas, County Kildare with particular reference to the identification of precise proposals in each case with a view to ensuring adequate accommodation in line with the demographics of the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20135/19]

*409. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the extent to which he expects to be in a position to meet in full the requirements as set out by the authorities at the various primary and post-primary schools in Celbridge, County Kildare with particular reference to the need for a precise response and determination in each case with a view to addressing in full the requirements as set out by the various school authorities or patrons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20136/19]

*410. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the extent to which patronage changes in respect of various primary and post-primary schools throughout County Kildare has been advanced in line with expectations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20137/19]

*411. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position in relation to proposals to replace the primary school at Newtown, Enfield, County Kildare with particular reference to the need to address demographic challenges in the area; the timescale in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20138/19]

*412. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the extent to which works at a school (details supplied) are progressing in accordance with the requirements as set out by the school authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20139/19]

*413. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the extent to which works at a school (details supplied) are progressing in accordance with the requirements as set out by the school authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20140/19]

*414. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the degree to which constant re-evaluation takes place throughout north County Kildare with a view to replacement of obsolete school buildings with permanent modern accommodation in accordance with the requirements as set out by the school authorities and mindful of the demographic challenges facing the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20141/19]

*415. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding proposed extension, upgrading and replacement of facilities at primary and post-primary level in Sallins, County Kildare; the precise stage of development in each case with a view to identifying the extent to which the needs can be met in the medium to short-term; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20142/19]

*416. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding proposed extension, upgrading and replacement of facilities at primary and post-primary level in Prosperous, County Kildare; the precise stage of development in each case with a view to identifying the extent to which the needs can be met in the medium to short-term; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20143/19]

*417. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding proposed extension upgrading and replacement of facilities at primary level in Derrinturn, Carbury, County Kildare; the precise stage of development in each case with a view to identifying the extent to which the needs can be met in the medium to short-term; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20144/19]

*418. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding proposed extension upgrading and replacement of facilities at primary level in Kilshanroe, Carbury, County Kildare; the precise stage of development in each case with a view to identifying the extent to which the needs can be met in the medium to short-term; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20145/19]

*419. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress to date in regard to upgrading and replacement of a school (details supplied); the extent to which the demographic changes in the area are being catered for in accordance with the case set out by the school authorities arising from the demographics of the area; when the project will move to the next stage; if this can be carried out as a matter of urgency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20146/19]

*420. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the degree to which patronage of primary and national schools throughout County Kildare has been agreed in accordance with the wishes of the various authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20147/19]

*421. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the extent to which the school building programme in respect of new school buildings is progressing satisfactorily in line with projections

and expectations in all schools nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20148/19]

*422. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the extent to which a reduction in pupil-teacher ratios and class sizes is being addressed in all areas nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20149/19]

*423. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the extent to which the school curriculum at primary and secondary-level can be extended to incorporate particular emphasis on basic life skills, sex education and health and safety issues with a view to addressing issues arising and the prevention of bullying in and out of the classroom; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20150/19]

*424. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a site location can be made available for the new South Drogheda post-primary school that was announced in 2018 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [20156/19]

*425. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on a campaign (details supplied) in particular the demand to be treated like other public sector workers in terms of pay and conditions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [20159/19]

*426. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans in relation to student registration fees and student hardship in general in Budget 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [20160/19]

*427. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the project brief for a school redevelopment project at a school (details supplied); the most recent contacts his Department has had with the school patron; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [20161/19]

*428. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the project brief for a school redevelopment project at a school (details supplied) has been formulated; when the brief will proceed to the next stage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [20162/19]

*429. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if funding can be provided for sustaining small schools schemes for a bus service (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19394/19]

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

*430. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to introduce legislation to cap insurance awards for soft tissue injuries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [18391/19]

*431. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the legislation in place to prevent the grooming of children. — Robert Troy. [19022/19]

*432. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a review can be undertaken on the decision to refuse a de facto visa in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19353/19]

*433. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when the new decision support service as provided for in the Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Act 2015 will become functional; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19767/19]

*434. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has received a protected disclosure in respect of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18965/19]

*435. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of rank and file gardaí in Terenure Garda station since 2012, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [18401/19]

*436. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of applications processed to date under the special student scheme accepted and rejected, respectively. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [18420/19]

*437. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the recent abolition of the re-entry visa requirement results in extra staff allocation towards processing of special student scheme applications. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [18421/19]

*438. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if there is a deadline to complete the processing of all special student scheme applications. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [18422/19]

*439. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason the processing of the special student scheme was not simplified by issuing temporary visas to applicants that applied on the portal online instead of delaying (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [18423/19]

*440. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when an application for naturalisation will be finalised for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18428/19]

*441. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to drug pushers selling drugs in the Clonliffe area harassing persons living in the area; the actions being taken to address these issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [18487/19]

*442. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a formal decision was taken to allow PSNI officers to carry weapons here which has been reported as being the case since 2013. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [18540/19]

*443. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a formal decision was taken to allow PSNI officers to carry weapons here which has been reported as being the case since 2013; if not, the level at which the decision was taken; and if the decision was communicated to other Departments after the decision was taken. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [18541/19]

*444. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a formal decision was taken to allow PSNI officers to carry weapons here which has been reported as being the case since 2013. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [18542/19]

*445. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of times firearms certificates have been granted to personnel from other jurisdictions; the personnel granted certificates and the circumstances in which they were granted. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [18543/19]

*446. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will report on the discussions of the cross agency group on quads and scramblers; the number of times it has met; the recommendations it is bringing forward; if it is recommending legislative changes regarding the seizure powers of An Garda Síochána; if the cross agency group is considering recommendations regarding legislation providing for a minimum age of ownership, registration and effective deterrents for when they are used in non-legal situations; if these recommendations have been examined by the Office of the Attorney General; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18544/19]

*447. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to ongoing concerns by prison staff in relation to bullying and having to work excessive hours without appropriate breaks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [18583/19]

*448. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons in direct provision in each of the past five years in tabular form; his plans to address the issues with the direct provision system; if he will consider alternatives to direct provision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18589/19]

*449. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress to date in the determination of an application for naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [18590/19]

*450. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a person (details supplied) will be appointed to a role; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [18593/19]

*451. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the introduction of the decision support service; when the service will be fully operational in order to commence the operation of the Assisted Decision Making (Capacity) Act 2015; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [18595/19]

*452. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of applications for citizenship by naturalisation processed within six months from the date received to the date a decision is made for each of the past three years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [18611/19]

*453. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if Ireland has fully transposed the EU Directive 2012/29/EU establishing minimum standards on the rights, support and protection of victims of crime, and replacing Council Framework Decision 2001/220/JHA; if not, the provisions of this legislation yet to be transposed; when it is planned to do same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [18617/19]

*454. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if Ireland has fully transposed the Council Framework Decision 2009/315/JHA of 26 February 2009 on the organisation and content of the exchange of information extracted from the criminal record between member states; if not, the reason therefor; when it is planned to do same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [18618/19]

*455. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the rationale for repeat vetting the same person in different organisations; if vetting could be transferable; and his plans to streamline this requirement in order that the same person does not have to undergo the Garda vetting processes numerous times in order to work legally across a number of bodies. — Kate O’Connell. [18621/19]

*456. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of prisoners that have been questioned and charged by An Garda Síochána for possession of contraband within the prison estate throughout 2018 and the first quarter of 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [18628/19]

*457. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons that have been arrested for fraud in connection with medical certificates to cover for days a person was absent from work in each of the years 2000 to 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [18662/19]

*458. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the measures he has put in place to reduce the number of fraudulent motor insurance claims here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18716/19]

*459. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of fraudulent motor insurance claims made in counties Laois and Offaly in 2017 and 2018. — Carol Nolan. [18717/19]

*460. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of fraudulent insurance claims made against businesses in counties Laois and Offaly in 2017 and 2018. — Carol Nolan. [18718/19]

*461. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans regarding the review and reform of regulations and laws in respect of fraudulent personal injury claims in the workplace to help protect businesses from fraudulent claims; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18719/19]

*462. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of unsolved murder and manslaughter cases here in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18736/19]

*463. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the proposal by the Commission on the Future of Policing for a severance and or redundancy programme to support policing reform in An Garda Síochána has been finalised; if so, the details of the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O’Rourke. [18746/19]

*464. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has engaged or consulted with the Garda Commissioner in respect of broadening and or abolishing the upper age limit on persons wishing to make an application to become a full-time serving trainee Garda (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18759/19]

*465. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has engaged or consulted with the Garda Commissioner and the Chief Constable of the PSNI in respect of developing a transfer of police officer staffing at all ranks allowing for officers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18762/19]

*466. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the timelines operated by the Criminal Injuries Compensation Tribunal to deal with cases; the date on which the next case available to be taken

up by a tribunal member for consideration was placed in line for such consideration; the date on which that specific application was first submitted to the tribunal; if an example of basic timelines in respect of the cases with the tribunal regarding an aged analysis on a yearly basis in respect of the outstanding cases when they were first submitted to the tribunal will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18772/19]

*467. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the legislative and regulatory framework governing the collection, storage and use of genetic data; his plans to upgrade the law in this area; the measures underway at European level in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18794/19]

*468. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he or his officials or political staff were recipients of tickets and or hospitality from an organisation (details supplied) during the term of office of a person; the details of each occasion tickets and or hospitality was provided by the organisation during this period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18795/19]

*469. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of projects supported by his Department in County Galway in each of the past five years; the value and status of each project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18796/19]

*470. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of projects that were refused funding by his Department in County Galway in each of the past five years; the reason for the refusal; the status of each project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18797/19]

*471. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when contact will be made with a person (details supplied) to declare them a refugee; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18804/19]

*472. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason two of the open prisons are running at 80% capacity and yet prisoners are being detained in the basement of Mountjoy Prison; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [18842/19]

*473. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if warrants are being executed under the old system resulting in persons being committed to prison for the non-payment of fines; if he has statistics in relation to the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [18843/19]

*474. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of reported bike thefts from each DART 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. — Catherine Martin. [18854/19]

*475. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of reported bike thefts from each Luas 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. — Catherine Martin. [18855/19]

*476. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of reported bike thefts from each Irish Rail station excluding those on the DART line 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. — Catherine Martin. [18856/19]

*477. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to reform the licensing laws to provide for later opening and staggered closing for clubs and theatres in order to foster nightlife in Dublin and elsewhere around Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [18875/19]

*478. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to abolish special exemption orders for late bars and nightclubs in view of the fact that the expense involved in gaining a SEO is perceived to strangle smaller businesses and promoters; and his plans to introduce instead an annual licence. — Clare Daly. [18876/19]

*479. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to put forward legislation to address gambling addiction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [18911/19]

*480. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to the delay of 29 months regarding an application for a certificate of naturalisation by a person (details supplied); if the application will be dealt with as a matter of urgency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [18927/19]

*481. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to the particulars of a case concerning a prison officer on unpaid leave from the Irish Prison Service since May 2011 (details supplied); if he will engage with the person on the matters concerned; if he has received a protected disclosure in respect of the person; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18964/19]

*482. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to the particulars of a case concerning a former prison officer; if he or his predecessors have received a protected disclosure in respect of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18966/19]

*483. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to rectify a situation on the PULSE system (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18972/19]

*484. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to publish a report into allegations of covert surveillance in prisons completed by the Inspector of Prisons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [19016/19]

*485. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the steps being taken by An Garda Síochána to work closely with the Police Service of Northern Ireland to address the escalating threat of paramilitary violence in Northern Ireland; if additional resources will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19025/19]

*486. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 93 of 4 April 2019, the progress in processing the 3,100 applications under the new non-EEA student scheme which stood at 800; and when the remainder will be completed in view of the vulnerable position of the students concerned. — Clare Daly. [19051/19]

*487. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress to date in the determination of an application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19092/19]

*488. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress to date in the determination of an application for naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19098/19]

*489. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to introduce a new licence to facilitate venues primarily devoted to music to operate outside of the current licensing Acts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [19132/19]

*490. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if consideration will be given to delegating two local authorities the entitlement to grant a new form of music licence to facilitate venues primarily devoted to music to operate outside of the current licensing Acts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [19133/19]

*491. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a review will be initiated of the licensing Acts to enable venues that are predominantly committed to the enjoyment of music to operate outside the current licensing Acts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [19134/19]

*492. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if consideration will be given to granting venues devoted predominantly to the enjoyment of music their own specific licences in order that they are not exposed to the large costs of current licences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [19135/19]

*493. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the amount spent on purchasing spit hoods for the years ending 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [19157/19]

*494. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to update the Domicile and Recognition of Foreign Divorces Act 1986; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [19158/19]

*495. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if persons that are accepted to be Somali nationals since January 2017 have been issued with deportation orders and have been deported. — Robert Troy. [19169/19]

*496. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress to date in the determination of applications for citizenship in the case of persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19222/19]

*497. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the percentage of the recommendations for refugee or subsidiary protection received from the IPO that are outstanding and awaiting a decision and that have been rejected in 2018, respectively. — Thomas Pringle. [19226/19]

*498. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of vulnerability assessments that have been identified as being necessary for applicants seeking asylum; the number carried out in 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [19242/19]

*499. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason for the delay in providing ministerial decision letters for applicants seeking asylum in circumstances in which the IPO has

made recommendations to him; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [19243/19]

*500. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of applicants granted status to remain here that continue to be kept in direct provision centres; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [19244/19]

*501. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of male and female prisoners, respectively transferred from the Irish Prison Service to the Central Mental Hospital in each month in 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19267/19]

*502. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of prisoners awaiting a transfer from the Irish Prison Service to the Central Mental Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19270/19]

*503. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of van mounted speed cameras in operation by An Garda Síochána; the number of vehicles decommissioned; the number of new vehicles in place per fleet in each of the years 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [19282/19]

*504. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the additional training resources for existing members of An Garda Síochána put in place since the recommencement of Garda training at Templemore; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [19283/19]

*505. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the introduction of a human resource strategy for An Garda Síochána; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [19284/19]

*506. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of vacancies within the Garda information services centre; the number of these vacancies which remain unfilled since the start of 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [19285/19]

*507. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if there is a register of investors approved under the visa investment programme that can be supplied to those that are seeking investment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [19290/19]

*508. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to reverse the decision to downgrade Gorey Garda district resulting in the loss of its superintendent in 2013; the number of gardaí in the Gorey area in each of the years 2007 to 2018 and the date in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dessie Ellis. [19337/19]

*509. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the process for two Cambodian citizens to apply for a holiday visa to visit their daughter and grandchildren that are Irish citizens; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19338/19]

*510. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of an application by a family (details supplied); if the case will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19367/19]

*511. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when stamp 4 status will issue in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19387/19]

*512. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a person (details supplied) can have their stamp upgraded to stamp 4; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19389/19]

*513. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current and expected residency status in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19390/19]

*514. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí in receipt of injury at work payments; the number injured at work that have received compensation awards; the policy relative to the reclassification of injury at work payments to standard sick pay for members that are frequently out sick due to injury; the impact on the income of the members concerned; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [19403/19]

*515. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when he will introduce legislation to ensure that private security companies and their staff that execute court orders are registered with the Private Security Authority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19528/19]

*516. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when the disciplinary aspect of the Legal Services Regulation Act 2015 will be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [19569/19]

*517. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of recruitment campaigns to An Garda Síochána in each of the past five years; the number of applications received in respect of each campaign; the number of persons that joined An Garda Síochána as a result of the campaigns; when each of the processes concluded; if the applications received in November 2016 are still being assessed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19570/19]

*518. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the residency status in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19579/19]

*519. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress to date in the determination of residency status in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19581/19]

*520. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if all required documentation has now been received in respect of an application for naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); if further documentation is required; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19582/19]

*521. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the residency status and eligibility for naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19583/19]

*522. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the operation of the community text alert system in County Kildare; the number of alert schemes in operation; if text alert messages

are sent out by the local Garda stations in the county or via a centralised Garda station in Dublin; the recent changes to the operation of the text alert schemes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [19592/19]

*523. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress to date in the determination of an appeal for a visa in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19597/19]

*524. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current and or expected residency status in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19603/19]

*525. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of convictions in relation to an offence (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [19605/19]

*526. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress to date in the determination of an application for naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19614/19]

*527. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of applications received and approvals granted in each of the past five years in respect of the Immigrant Investor Programme under the heading enterprise investment; the amount received under this heading in each year; the average time taken to process applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19615/19]

*528. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of applications received and approvals granted in each of the past five years in respect of the Immigrant Investor Programme under the heading investment fund; the amount received under this heading in each year; the average time taken to process applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19628/19]

*529. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to the circumstances of the death of a person (details supplied) in prison; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [19647/19]

*530. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to extend opportunities for meaningful work and study to prisoners on sentences of ten years or over many of which are excluded from the entitlements that for example life sentence prisoners would be able to access. — Clare Daly. [19648/19]

*531. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of applications received and granted in each of the past five years in respect of the Immigrant Investor Programme under the heading endowment; the amount received under this heading in each year; the average time taken to process applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19649/19]

*532. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of applications received and approvals granted in each of the past five years in respect of the Immigrant Investor Programme under the heading real estate investment trusts; the amount received under this heading in each year; the average time taken to process applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19653/19]

*533. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of Garda cars available in each Tipperary Garda District in each of the years 2013 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form excluding road policing units; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [19667/19]

*534. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the final stage of an application for naturalisation for a person (details supplied) will be expedited to allow them to complete their degree; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [19681/19]

*535. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the requirements to facilitate preparations for naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19684/19]

*536. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the youth justice strategy; the terms of reference and proposed timeframe for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19755/19]

*537. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the actions he plans to take to implement the 42 recommendations from the Legal Services Regulatory Authority arising from the review of the Legal Services Regulation Act 2015 which was recently published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19756/19]

*538. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the establishment of both the review committee and complaints committee as provided for in the Legal Services Regulation Act 2015; the commencement date for when both committees will receive complaints; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19757/19]

*539. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the establishment of the legal practitioners disciplinary tribunal as provided for in the Legal Services Regulation Act 2015; the commencement date for the tribunal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19758/19]

*540. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he has made State board appointments in the past three years in circumstances in which he has reappointed a person that has already served two full terms contrary to the advice in section 13.2 of the Guidelines on Appointments to State boards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19759/19]

*541. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of marked and unmarked cars and marked motorbikes attached to the north Dublin roads policing unit as of 31 December 2017, 31 December 2018 and 29 April 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19778/19]

*542. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí that have graduated in the fraud and e-crime investigation postgraduate certificate in UCD; the number of gardaí undertaking the course at present; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19779/19]

*543. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the Garda districts and or stations in which gardaí have received training in coercive control prior to or following the enactment of the Domestic Violence Act 2018, in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [19793/19]

*544. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of Garda vehicles within the force in each of the past ten years by county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [19802/19]

*545. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 229 of 5 March 2019, the number of drivers that were summoned to court in 2018 for the offence of driving while disqualified; the number convicted of this offence; the penalty imposed by the court in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19856/19]

*546. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 231 of 4 December 2018 and 529 of 26 March 2019, if the assessment of the caseload of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Tribunal which he requested is now complete; the outcomes and actions arising from same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19984/19]

*547. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when applications by persons (details supplied) under the Immigrant Investor Programme will be processed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [20020/19]

*548. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the length of time it takes to process applications under the Immigrant Investor Programme; his views on whether this is curtailing significant investment in the small and medium enterprise sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [20021/19]

*549. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of cases with the Criminal Injuries Compensation Tribunal received each year in each of the past five years; the number of these cases completed in each year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [20032/19]

*550. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the process by which a prisoner can apply for and secure a temporary release; the regulations governing the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [20067/19]

*551. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to introduce a penal ombudsman; the progress on this matter to date; the timescale for the matter to be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [20074/19]

*552. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to complaints from residents in direct provision centres that food served to them is culturally inappropriate and inedible and that the food provided does not address cultural and multi-faith residents; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [20079/19]

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

*553. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps she will take to reduce delays in view of the fact that applications for employment permits are taking up to 13 weeks to process and in further view of the impact these delays are having on the tourist industry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [18834/19]

*554. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on issues raised regarding employment permits and the claims made in correspondence (details supplied) concerning

the hiring process to fill the roles in question; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [18890/19]

*555. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if a review of a work permit application on behalf of a person (details supplied) has been considered by the employments permit section; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [19105/19]

*556. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if a Labour Court recommendation (details supplied) of 22 July 2008 was signed by the relevant Minister; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19117/19]

*557. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to have a trade mission to the east coast of the United States of America. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [18609/19]

*558. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to produce a macroeconomic assessment of the impact of Brexit on the all-island economy (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [18625/19]

*559. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if financial incentives will be considered to encourage fully qualified engineers born and educated here to return from abroad to work in industry here; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [18665/19]

*560. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of the implementation of the Midlands Regional Enterprise Plan; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18866/19]

*561. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the grants and supports available to assist in the transition of the midlands region from a carbon intensive region; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18867/19]

*562. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to put in place legislation placing legal obligations on private sector employers to negotiate with a union on behalf of employee members; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [18897/19]

*563. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the land and property acquired by IDA Ireland in 2017 and 2018; the price paid for the land and property, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19071/19]

*564. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of new jobs created by IDA Ireland client companies in 2018, by county in tabular form; the number of jobs in client companies in each county; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19072/19]

*565. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of new jobs created by Enterprise Ireland client companies in 2018, by county in tabular form; the number of jobs in client companies in each county; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19073/19]

*566. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of new jobs created by local enterprise office client companies in 2018, by county in tabular form; the number

of jobs in client companies in each county; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19075/19]

*567. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the properties and land rented by IDA Ireland in 2018, in tabular form including overseas properties; the yearly rent paid per property; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19076/19]

*568. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the properties and land rented by Enterprise Ireland in 2018, including overseas properties in tabular form; the yearly rent paid per property; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19077/19]

*569. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the properties and land rented by local enterprise offices in 2018, in tabular form; the yearly rent paid per property; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19078/19]

*570. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of persons with disabilities that received support through the 31 local enterprise offices to set up a business since their establishment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19093/19]

*571. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of persons with disabilities that secured employment in companies supported by the 31 local enterprise offices since their establishment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19094/19]

*572. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if measures to ensure that persons with disabilities are supported to set up businesses through the local enterprise offices will be introduced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19095/19]

*573. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if her Department and the officers and agencies under her remit encourage remote working; the number of persons in her Department and the offices and agencies under her remit that work remotely; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19140/19]

*574. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the timeframe for introducing ticket touting legislation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19142/19]

*575. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if assistance will be provided regarding clarification of permit applications for persons (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [19261/19]

*576. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of full and part-time staff, respectively employed in the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission by grade, legal personnel and other staff in tabular form; and the funding allocated to the Commission in 2019. — Billy Kelleher. [19277/19]

*577. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of investigative cases commenced for suspected anti-competitive conduct that does not fall within the definition of a cartel; the number of inspections carried out; the number of prosecutions made; the number of fines issued, the value of fines issued; the number of collected and uncollected fines; the average fine per case in which fines were issued; and the average length of anti-competitive investigations

to date in each year since the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission was established in tabular form. — Billy Kelleher. [19278/19]

*578. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of investigative cases commenced for suspected anti-competitive conduct which falls within the definition of a cartel; the number of inspections carried out; the number of prosecutions and cartel decisions made; the number of cases which concluded with fines issued; the value of fines issued; the number of collected and uncollected fines; the average fine per cartel; and the average length of cartel investigations to date in each year since the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission was established in tabular form. — Billy Kelleher. [19279/19]

*579. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of staff allocated since the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission was established working on competition enforcement in absolute terms and as a percentage of total staff. — Billy Kelleher. [19280/19]

*580. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if a facility (details supplied) has received supports from the IDA and or Enterprise Ireland; if so, the type of supports; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [19303/19]

*581. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if an investigation is underway here by the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission in view of the British Competition and Markets Authority recently calling for rapid legislation to end the dominance of the big four accounting firms and address problems of poor working practices and conflicts of interest in the sector; and if not, his plans to call for an investigation. — Pearse Doherty. [19313/19]

*582. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of local enterprise offices here; the number of staff that work in each office in tabular form; the number of staff that work in the LEO section of her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19341/19]

*583. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the budget allocation for local enterprise offices in each of the years 2014 to 2019, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19342/19]

*584. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the spend on developing and promoting worker's co-operatives in each of the years 2015 to 2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19345/19]

*585. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the 2018 and 2019 budget allocations for IDA Ireland, Enterprise Ireland and local enterprise offices in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19346/19]

*586. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the companies supported by InterTradeIreland in 2018; the number of jobs supported by InterTradeIreland in 2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19363/19]

*587. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the budget allocation for InterTradeIreland in 2018 and 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19364/19]

*588. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the details and cost of flights, accommodation and other expenses borne by Enterprise Ireland for Ministers and officials from her Department in 2017 and 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19412/19]

*589. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the details and cost of flights, accommodation and other expenses borne by IDA Ireland for Ministers and officials from her Department in 2017 and 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19413/19]

*590. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she will review the rules in relation to work permits for non-EU nationals due to the critical shortages being experienced in small factories (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [19478/19]

*591. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of IDA site visits by county in each of the years 2016 to 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19501/19]

*592. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she has met with an organisation (details supplied) in 2019; if she will meet the organisation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19616/19]

*593. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of companies that travelled with the IDA and Enterprise Ireland trade mission to the United States of America for St. Patrick's Day. — Michael Moynihan. [13895/19]

*594. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if her attention has been drawn to the Labour Court recommendation for a company (details supplied) to award pay increases to its long-term staff which the company has not complied with; if assistance can be offered in the dispute; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [20078/19]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*595. To ask the Minister for Health when negotiations will conclude with the Departments of Children, Education and Skills and the Taoiseach concerning the Youth Mental Health Pathfinder initiative; when approval to launch same will be granted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [18415/19]

*596. To ask the Minister for Health if an assessment has been carried out on the number of homes left empty due to the effect the sale of those homes would have on the qualification of the owner for the fair deal scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [18641/19]

*597. To ask the Minister for Health the average, shortest and longest wait, respectively facing a prisoner that is awaiting a transfer from the Irish Prison Service to the Central Mental Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19269/19]

*598. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the ongoing drugs crisis in north County Wexford and that a group (details supplied) involved in the community response

to the crisis has had its funding cut by 30%; his plans to address the crisis in the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dessie Ellis. [19336/19]

*599. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question 102 of 30 January 2019, the position regarding the increase in public service pensions which has been sanctioned but not implemented; when pay increases to qualifying pensions will be applied in CHO2; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [19486/19]

*600. To ask the Minister for Health the feasibility of introducing a licence system with a minimum annual fee of €500 to be paid by tobacco retailers; the estimated costs associated with developing, maintaining and administering same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19562/19]

*601. To ask the Minister for Health the reason an application for a medical card was issued a closure letter despite the PCRS confirming to this Deputy that supporting documentation as sought by the HSE had been received ten days prior to closure but remained unlogged and therefore not considered as part of the file in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18386/19]

*602. To ask the Minister for Health when a replacement speech and language therapist will be found for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [18387/19]

*603. To ask the Minister for Health the timeline for the availability of medication for multiple sclerosis named ocrevus or alternatively ocrelizumab; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [18392/19]

*604. To ask the Minister for Health when an autism therapist position will be allocated in County Donegal (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18394/19]

*605. To ask the Minister for Health the owner of St. Vincent's Private Hospital, Dublin; and the owner of St. Vincent's University Hospital, Dublin. — John Lahart. [18397/19]

*606. To ask the Minister for Health the funding and or grants for building, plant or equipment provided to St. Vincent's University Hospital since 2010, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [18398/19]

*607. To ask the Minister for Health the funding and or grants for building, plant or equipment provided to St. Vincent's Private Hospital since 2010, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [18399/19]

*608. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE has taken a lease out on a building (details supplied); if so, the length of the lease; the commencement date of the lease; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [18407/19]

*609. To ask the Minister for Health if pharmacy qualified assistants will be entitled to continue to provide cover for pharmacists as heretofore in view of legislative proposals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seamus Healy. [18408/19]

*610. To ask the Minister for Health when an application for home support by a person (details supplied) will be assessed. — Thomas Byrne. [18409/19]

*611. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the implementation of the Youth Mental Health Pathfinder initiative; the roadmap and timeline to full implementation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [18414/19]

*612. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to address the delays in access and lack of resources in mental health services for children and young persons; his plans to implement in full the recommendations of the report of the Taskforce on Youth Mental Health; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [18416/19]

*613. To ask the Minister for Health the future of a care facility (details supplied); if there are plans to close the facility; and the arrangements made for patients if closure is imminent. — Thomas Byrne. [18427/19]

*614. To ask the Minister for Health when an appointment for cataract surgery will be allocated for a person (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [18429/19]

*615. To ask the Minister for Health if an awareness campaign will be launched (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18432/19]

*616. To ask the Minister for Health when specialist nurses will be made available to Parkinson's disease sufferers in County Kerry (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18433/19]

*617. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting times for women seeking gynaecological services for investigation of ovarian cysts at hospitals in Dublin 2, 4, 6 and 8; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [18438/19]

*618. To ask the Minister for Health if an application by a person (details supplied) for the fair deal scheme will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [18443/19]

*619. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive an appointment for a procedure; if the matter will be expedited in view of the special circumstances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [18457/19]

*620. To ask the Minister for Health when a location (details supplied) in County Wexford will become operational; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [18462/19]

*621. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment will be arranged for a person (details supplied); the timeframe for such treatment and the likelihood of the patient being scheduled for an early appointment; if there is a waiting list for this treatment; and if so, the action that can be taken to obtain the treatment elsewhere in view of the fact that the patient has a medical card but no means. — John McGuinness. [18463/19]

*622. To ask the Minister for Health the number of retail outlets registered to sell tobacco with the National Register of Tobacco Retailers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [18469/19]

*623. To ask the Minister for Health the basis on which some hospitals are allowing an organisation (details supplied) to collect samples and data from patients attending clinics in order to build a database of genetic information on Irish persons. — Louise O'Reilly. [18470/19]

*624. To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE ambulances in operation by year in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [18471/19]

*625. To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent on repairs to HSE ambulances in each of the years 2011 to 2018, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [18472/19]

*626. To ask the Minister for Health if the capital plan for 2019 has been finalised; and if not, when it will be finalised. — Louise O'Reilly. [18473/19]

*627. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 319 of 26 February 2019, the status of same. — Louise O'Reilly. [18474/19]

*628. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE will meet with a union (details supplied) at the earliest available opportunity in relation to issues arising regarding the 2016, 2017 and 2018 physiotherapist panels and associated recruitment campaigns. — Louise O'Reilly. [18475/19]

*629. To ask the Minister for Health the reason pembrolizumab and nivolumab are being denied to cancer patients through the public system even though they are being provided to patients with private health insurance; and his views on whether this undermines the public health service. — Louise O'Reilly. [18476/19]

*630. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) has to reapply for a medical card in view of the fact that a new one was not issued along with their parent's cards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [18493/19]

*631. To ask the Minister for Health if the meningitis B vaccine will be extended to children over six years of age that have a disability and hold a medical card. — Brian Stanley. [18494/19]

*632. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an ENT appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18507/19]

*633. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [18511/19]

*634. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [18512/19]

*635. To ask the Minister for Health the reason funding was refused for an appropriate nursing home place for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [18513/19]

*636. To ask the Minister for Health if an agreement is in place with a hospital (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18515/19]

*637. To ask the Minister for Health the person or body that made the decision to stop having subscriptions of a union (details supplied) deducted at source from HSE employees' salaries despite

the fact that these subscriptions had been deducted since the union was formed; the reason this decision was taken; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [18516/19]

*638. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the decision was made to the change the contingency plan under the call management system for the days that members of a union (details supplied) are striking; the person or body that made this decision; the grounds on which this decision was taken; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [18517/19]

*639. To ask the Minister for Health the reason his Department is considering issuing court injunctions against a recognised union (details supplied) in view of the fact that it negotiates with the same union for a significant portion of staffing of the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [18518/19]

*640. To ask the Minister for Health if he has set a date for meeting with a cross party group to discuss the ongoing situation regarding recognition of a union (details supplied) in view of the fact that there is cross party support to have this matter resolved and allow ambulance personnel to return to work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [18519/19]

*641. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the HSE has ignored all requests to meet in the Workplace Relations Commission despite his statement that this is his preferred method of addressing the issue regarding recognition of a union (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [18520/19]

*642. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 907 of 26 March 2019, the progress being made by his Department and the HSE in their investigation into the alleged use of cannabis and or marijuana at the DOP facility, St. Luke's Hospital, Kilkenny; if the HSE has provided the report requested by his Department into the alleged incident or incidents; if the report will be published and made available to the complainant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [18533/19]

*643. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will have hip surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18536/19]

*644. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be called for a procedure; the reason for the delay in same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [18546/19]

*645. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Meath will receive a hospital appointment at Our Lady's Hospital, Navan. — Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin. [18547/19]

*646. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive an appointment to have cataracts removed. — Mary Lou McDonald. [18548/19]

*647. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons with a County Wexford address awaiting primary care psychology; the number of children and adults respectively, awaiting primary care psychology appointments for more than 12, 18, 24, 30 and 36 months in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [18549/19]

*648. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will have surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18558/19]

*649. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he will take to provide funding of €200,000 per year to an association (details supplied) to enable it to provide a five day per week helpline, cover core costs and employ a full-time specialist nurse; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [18563/19]

*650. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons with a County Wexford address awaiting an audiology appointment for more than 12, 18, 24 and 36 months respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [18564/19]

*651. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children with a County Wexford address awaiting an audiology appointment for more than 12, 18, 24 and 36 months respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [18565/19]

*652. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive a rheumatology appointment in St. Vincent's University Hospital; the position of the person on the waiting list; the reason there is such a delay with the appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [18569/19]

*653. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to ensure that a two tier health system does not occur here (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [18570/19]

*654. To ask the Minister for Health when a child (details supplied) will be provided with an appointment for an initial assessment for autism spectrum disorder; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [18574/19]

*655. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children under six years of age that are waiting for an ASD assessment in County Waterford in excess of a 6 and 12 month waiting period, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [18577/19]

*656. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children aged between 6 and 18 years of age with autism waiting in County Waterford for child psychology services, for example, occupational therapy, speech and language therapy and so on in excess of 6, 12 and 18 months, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [18578/19]

*657. To ask the Minister for Health the number of support staff employed in County Waterford to assist in the delivery of services to children with autism; the breakdown of those posts by relevant discipline; if there are deficiencies in posts; if so, his plans to address those deficiencies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [18579/19]

*658. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a medical appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [18581/19]

*659. To ask the Minister for Health if he will publish the report by a company (details supplied) into UL hospitals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [18586/19]

*660. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider two properties for respite care facilities for persons residing in a catchment area (details supplied). — Kevin O'Keeffe. [18587/19]

*661. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a hospital appointment for a person (details supplied). — Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin. [18598/19]

*662. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) can expect admission to the National Rehabilitation Hospital, Dún Laoghaire, County Dublin. — Barry Cowen. [18599/19]

*663. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [18600/19]

*664. To ask the Minister for Health if home help will be sanctioned and put in place for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18607/19]

*665. To ask the Minister for Health when two reports completed in 2015 in relation to allegations of damage to the teeth of children while being treated at a Dublin hospital will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [18612/19]

*666. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to reform and modernise the practice of dentistry and orthodontics here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [18613/19]

*667. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on dentistry services for children aged under 6, 6 to 12 and 12 to 18 years of age; if free medical services to these cohorts will include dentistry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [18614/19]

*668. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the residential centre for adults with autism at a location (details supplied) in County Kerry which remains unoccupied five years after completion; the steps being taken to progress its opening in view of the shortfall in services for persons with autism in the county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [18615/19]

*669. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of a carer and home help for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18620/19]

*670. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) cannot get an anomaly scan for their pregnancy at a hospital; if one can be scheduled at 20 to 21 weeks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18622/19]

*671. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that persons with neurofibromatosis type 1 and neurofibromatosis type 2 are often recommended medicinal cannabis; if it is prescribed here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [18623/19]

*672. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be called for an ASD assessment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [18624/19]

*673. To ask the Minister for Health if a surgery appointment will be scheduled for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18629/19]

*674. To ask the Minister for Health if the closure of a residential facility (details supplied) will be prevented; if reports are true; the reason families were not consulted regarding the closure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18631/19]

*675. To ask the Minister for Health the reason for not publishing the 2017 pricing review of the nursing home support scheme; the timeframe for same; his views on whether supports under

the scheme need to be reformed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [18633/19]

*676. To ask the Minister for Health the provisions in relation to nursing homes contained in the proposed 2019 GMS contract for general practitioners; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [18634/19]

*677. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce changes to the fair deal scheme; if the changes will include examining the effect of the sale or rental of the home of the person applying for the scheme which has led to many homes being left empty in the midst of a shortage of supply of homes nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [18638/19]

*678. To ask the Minister for Health his views on whether increasing the size of the emergency department in University Hospital Limerick has led to extra admissions; if not, the reason for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [18645/19]

*679. To ask the Minister for Health if the same bed management process being used in Beaumont Hospital is being considered for University Hospital Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [18646/19]

*680. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department was consulted on the publicly indicated recruitment and overtime ban to be brought in by the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [18020/19]

*681. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the assessment on the provision of a drug (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [18650/19]

*682. To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent on taxis by the HSE in the most recent year for which figures exist by each CHO area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [18657/19]

*683. To ask the Minister for Health the progress in the implementation of the National Maternity Hospital Strategy; if the budget to roll out the strategy has been ring-fenced as originally intended in order to ensure the continuing roll out of the 77 actions contained in the strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [18660/19]

*684. To ask the Minister for Health the status of financial assistance for persons seeking IVF treatments; the date on which financing persons for same will commence in 2019; the way in which the application process will be governed; the eligibility criteria for the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18666/19]

*685. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 629 of 26 March 2019, the reason none of the hospitals in question use the CPE outbreak control checklist 1.0 for guidance in dealing with CPE outbreaks, nor do they maintain a record for the purposes of accountability and audit of recommended control actions taken; and his views on the lack of accountability or audit trail in regard to this issue. — Clare Daly. [18669/19]

*686. To ask the Minister for Health the additional child psychologist posts that have been created in the past five years in the CHO area for the south-east by year and county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [18670/19]

*687. To ask the Minister for Health the additional speech and language therapist posts that have been made in the past five years in the CHO area for the south east by year and by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [18671/19]

*688. To ask the Minister for Health the additional occupational therapists posts that have been created in the past five years in the CHO area for the south-east by year and county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [18672/19]

*689. To ask the Minister for Health the average wait times for child psychologists, child speech and language therapists and child occupational therapists in the CHO area for the south-east by year and county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [18673/19]

*690. To ask the Minister for Health the assessment teams in place to access children in the CHO area for the south-east by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [18674/19]

*691. To ask the Minister for Health if the creation of an additional position for a CBT practitioner in the city north east sector (details supplied) will be considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [18675/19]

*692. To ask the Minister for Health when the HSE plans to provide the pembrolizumab drug to public cancer patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [18680/19]

*693. To ask the Minister for Health the status of plans to develop a primary care centre (details supplied) in County Donegal; if the existing facility which houses general practitioner and related health services in the area remains available for use in the immediate to medium term; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18681/19]

*694. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal can expect to receive an appointment in Letterkenny University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18682/19]

*695. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal can expect to receive an appointment in Letterkenny University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18683/19]

*696. To ask the Minister for Health the number of nurses on duty in the emergency department in University Hospital Limerick at 8am on 3 April 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [18695/19]

*697. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) had a recent surgical appointment deferred at a hospital, will receive an appointment; and if the appointment will be expedited. — Carol Nolan. [18697/19]

*698. To ask the Minister for Health the actions he has taken to assist women injured by vaginal mesh; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18720/19]

*699. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be made available to women injured by vaginal mesh implants in order to enable them to travel to the UK to have mesh removed by consultants with extensive experience in the UK. — Carol Nolan. [18721/19]

*700. To ask the Minister for Health if he will meet with women injured by vaginal mesh here. — Carol Nolan. [18722/19]

*701. To ask the Minister for Health the reason women suffering from vaginal mesh complications have recently been informed by a hospital (details supplied) that they must wait in excess of 52 weeks for gynaecology services at the hospital. — Carol Nolan. [18723/19]

*702. To ask the Minister for Health the number of complaints made in respect of the pathways programme which has the role of assisting women injured by mesh. — Carol Nolan. [18724/19]

*703. To ask the Minister for Health the reason there is unclear, disjointed and delayed communication between the personnel operating the pathways programme and women affected by mesh complications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18725/19]

*704. To ask the Minister for Health if a review of the pathways programme in respect of its role to assist women injured by mesh here is being considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18726/19]

*705. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the National Mesh Advisory Group has refused to meet with women injured by mesh. — Carol Nolan. [18727/19]

*706. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he will take to ensure that the National Mesh Advisory Group meets with women injured by mesh as soon as possible in the interest of their health; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18728/19]

*707. To ask the Minister for Health if individual weekly or monthly payments are being made to some carers in order to provide funding for independently obtained home respite service; if so, the way in which this payment is advertised to all carers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [18743/19]

*708. To ask the Minister for Health the number of the Children's Disability Network manager's posts advertised on 19 November 2018 that were filled and in place by the end of Q1 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18749/19]

*709. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that a facility (details supplied) has been allocated 0.8 of a SLT resource for 117 children; his views on whether this is in breach of Article 24, Section 2 of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18750/19]

*710. To ask the Minister for Health if he will seek the provision of emergency speech and language therapist cover in a facility (details supplied) until the PDS programme is completed in view of the fact there is only 0.8 SLT allocated for 117 children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18751/19]

*711. To ask the Minister for Health the reason there is a delay in completing the PDS programme; when the programme will be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18752/19]

*712. To ask the Minister for Health if he or his officials or political staff were recipients of tickets and or hospitality from an organisation (details supplied) during the term of office of a person; the details of each occasion tickets and or hospitality was provided by the organisation during this period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18764/19]

*713. To ask the Minister for Health the legislative and regulatory framework governing the collection and use of patient genetic data under health research regulations; his plans to upgrade the law in this area; the measures underway at European level in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18765/19]

*714. To ask the Minister for Health the publicly funded health facilities here that have given permission for the collection of genetic data; if permission for this has been granted; the legal or regulatory basis being used to permit the collection of genetic data from patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18766/19]

*715. To ask the Minister for Health if extra home help hours will be provided to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [18773/19]

*716. To ask the Minister for Health the areas in which a recruitment freeze has been implemented in the HSE; the community health areas in which this applies; the grade and categories of those included in same; the expected length of same in each area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18774/19]

*717. To ask the Minister for Health the reason an alternative date for surgery has not been scheduled for a person (details supplied); and if the surgery will be expedited in view of the circumstances. — Robert Troy. [18799/19]

*718. To ask the Minister for Health if a refund will be ensured for a person (details supplied) under the cross border directive. — Robert Troy. [18803/19]

*719. To ask the Minister for Health his views in relation to the lengthy delays in access to new medicines experienced by sufferers of MS here in comparison with sufferers in other western European countries; and his plans to address the matter. — Clare Daly. [18807/19]

*720. To ask the Minister for Health the amount owed to the HSE under the nursing home support scheme as a result of the deferral by applicants by way of a charge on the family home of their liability in respect of that property under the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [18808/19]

*721. To ask the Minister for Health if the circumstances of an ambulance service call-out in relation to a person (details supplied) will be investigated. — Robert Troy. [18813/19]

*722. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to allow persons with multiple sclerosis access to new medicines available in other EU states; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [18815/19]

*723. To ask the Minister for Health when details of FEMPI reversals will be communicated to general practitioners, in particular to general practitioners that are not members of an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [18823/19]

*724. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce legislation in relation to surrogacy that is inclusive of same sex male couples (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [18824/19]

*725. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) can remain at a hospice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [18830/19]

*726. To ask the Minister for Health if the lack of ENT services in the south-east specifically in University Hospital Waterford which has waiting lists of 24 to 36 months for initial appointments will be investigated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [18832/19]

*727. To ask the Minister for Health the length of time the moratorium in the HSE will last; and the positions that will be affected as a result. — Robert Troy. [18833/19]

*728. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to establish a national diabetes register; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18849/19]

*729. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff that have been recruited to operate the 40 bed modular unit proposed for South Tipperary General Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18850/19]

*730. To ask the Minister for Health the number of senior case workers for the protection of older persons employed on a LHO area basis for each of the years 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18851/19]

*731. To ask the Minister for Health if records are kept on the number of patients that after attending hospitals subsequently went on to commit suicide while under the care of the hospital; if so, the details for same in each of the years 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18852/19]

*732. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce a scheme to replace the motorised transport grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [18857/19]

*733. To ask the Minister for Health the status of funding and support being offered to the Midland Regional Drug and Alcohol Task Force; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18865/19]

*734. To ask the Minister for Health if discretionary medical cards can be assessed on the basis of need rather than income; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18869/19]

*735. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which the criteria for long term illnesses was decided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18870/19]

*736. To ask the Minister for Health if the long term illnesses list will be reviewed or amended; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18871/19]

*737. To ask the Minister for Health the reason persons with fibromyalgia can no longer access protocol 6 on the online Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection list; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18872/19]

*738. To ask the Minister for Health if an application for funding for a service (details supplied) will be examined; the options available in order to retain same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [18873/19]

*739. To ask the Minister for Health the reason an appointment for a person (details supplied) in Letterkenny University Hospital, County Donegal was rescheduled on two occasions; if it is anticipated the latest appointment will be facilitated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18878/19]

*740. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be called for a procedure in Letterkenny University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18879/19]

*741. To ask the Minister for Health if free sanitary products are being provided in all public hospitals; if not, his plans to do so; when they will be available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [18886/19]

*742. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to deal with delayed discharges in hospitals; the volume of delayed discharges across all hospitals in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [18887/19]

*743. To ask the Minister for Health if a moratorium on all clinical uses of human germline editing, that is, changing heritable DNA in sperm, eggs or embryos to make genetically modified children will be supported; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [18895/19]

*744. To ask the Minister for Health if the use of CRISPR gene editing technology is available or licensed here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [18896/19]

*745. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding a new anti-CGRP medication for the preventative treatment of chronic migraine; if the National Centre for Pharmacoeconomics has completed its full health technology assessment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [18900/19]

*746. To ask the Minister for Health if the same treatments will be put in place on the public service that are available to customers of a company (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [18908/19]

*747. To ask the Minister for Health his responsibilities with regard to addressing gambling addiction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [18910/19]

*748. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to put forward legislation to address gambling addiction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [18912/19]

*749. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of a new nursing home (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [18914/19]

*750. To ask the Minister for Health if it will be ensured that a person (details supplied) is not left without a hoist, enabling them to leave their bed and access various appointments. — Clare Daly. [18923/19]

*751. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an application for homecare by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18925/19]

*752. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 403 of 9 April 2019, if the 13,485 children in target classes waiting for dental examination will receive an examination before the end of the 2019 school term. — Gerry Adams. [18929/19]

*753. To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE staff allocated to deliver dental assessments in schools in County Louth; the grade of each; and the vacant staff positions within the service. — Gerry Adams. [18930/19]

*754. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in County Louth in each year over the past ten years that have received dental assessments during their primary school years; and the number of children in County Louth over the past ten years that left primary school without ever having received a dental assessment. — Gerry Adams. [18931/19]

*755. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in County Louth that have received all three dental assessments to which they are entitled since the programme began. — Gerry Adams. [18932/19]

*756. To ask the Minister for Health the level of funding attributed to the school dental assessment programme in County Louth in each year since it commenced. — Gerry Adams. [18933/19]

*757. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the four year waiting list for ENT services at University Hospital Waterford; the number of persons on the waiting list; the action being taken to reduce the waiting time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [18947/19]

*758. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE will engage as a matter of urgency with persons (details supplied). — John McGuinness. [18948/19]

*759. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be made available to construct a facility to house the MRI scanner at St. Luke's Hospital, Kilkenny; if response will be expedited in view of the fact that the equipment has been purchased; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [18949/19]

*760. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment will be arranged at WRH or St. James's Hospital, Dublin as a matter of urgency for a person (details supplied); if the correspondence from their general practitioner requesting urgent intervention for the patient will be considered; the reason for the delay in providing the care and treatment required in this case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [18950/19]

*761. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an application for funding to provide a shared residential placement for a person (details supplied); when a decision is likely to be made; the cost to date of the care of the person at St. Luke's Hospital, Kilkenny in which they are a patient for over four months; the date the person was ready to be discharged; the cost of the care from that date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [18951/19]

*762. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will have urgent cardiac surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18959/19]

*763. To ask the Minister for Health the policies the HSE has in place to inform and educate persons diagnosed with type 2 diabetes of the reversibility of the illness; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [18961/19]

*764. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to increase the list of foods on the long term illness scheme for patients of PKU; if the cross border directive can be used to access products (details supplied) in Northern Ireland or Great Britain; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [18962/19]

*765. To ask the Minister for Health if he has given consideration to the introduction of a scheme in which senior citizens living in remote areas would have a contribution to transport costs paid for as in such cases there is no access to public transport; and his views on whether the free travel scheme is of little benefit to these citizens and additional supports are necessary. — Robert Troy. [18963/19]

*766. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be admitted to Beaumont Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [18967/19]

*767. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the HSE commissioned a company (details supplied) to carry out an independent review into the escalation of costs at the national children's hospital after the company had been earlier commissioned by the HSE to provide specialist high level input to advise the decision making process with respect to the hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18974/19]

*768. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to extend the long term illness scheme to include Crohn's disease; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18986/19]

*769. To ask the Minister for Health if an occupational therapy appointment will be scheduled for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18987/19]

*770. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment will be brought forward for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [18990/19]

*771. To ask the Minister for Health the impact of Brexit in regard to dental services provided between north and south; and the preparations taken to protect cross-Border dental services. — Louise O'Reilly. [18991/19]

*772. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that many women seeking to access files in a unit (details supplied) are experiencing difficulties including not being notified of appointments and of files being misplaced or lost; and his views on the unit. — Louise O'Reilly. [18992/19]

*773. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE will provide counselling for families that suffer a bereavement while using the maternity services in hospitals. — Louise O'Reilly. [18993/19]

*774. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide the review of the clinical assessments carried out by a psychiatrist (details supplied) on a dementia unit to the residents of the home and their families before residents are removed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [18994/19]

*775. To ask the Minister for Health if the redacted elements of the report by a psychiatrist (details supplied) in relation to individual residents of a dementia unit will be provided to the patients concerned in addition to elements in the clinical assessments relating to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [18995/19]

*776. To ask the Minister for Health if concerns were raised in the care plans carried out by medical professionals every six months in a dementia unit (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [18996/19]

*777. To ask the Minister for Health if it was ever suggested or recommended that a general nurse should be hired for a dementia unit (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [18997/19]

*778. To ask the Minister for Health the cost incurred for hiring a psychiatrist (details supplied) from Northern Ireland to carry out a review of clinical assessments of residents in a dementia unit; the reason a psychiatrist from here was not hired; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [18998/19]

*779. To ask the Minister for Health the cost of relocating a patient from a dementia unit (details supplied) to a private nursing home. — Louise O'Reilly. [18999/19]

*780. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a letter sent to the Cathaoirleach of Roscommon County Council from the private secretary of the Minister for Health in December 2015 outlining the future of a dementia unit (details supplied); if a copy of the letter will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [19000/19]

*781. To ask the Minister for Health if a person refusing home help hours or declining a particular home help staff member to care for them is entitled to alternative personnel or to reapply for home help hours at another date; if a refusal renders their application null and void; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [19001/19]

*782. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 312 of 12 March 2019, his plans to recruit a consultant cardiologist to support the implementation of a heart failure service in the South/Southwest hospital group; the costs associated with recruiting for this position; if funding is available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19004/19]

*783. To ask the Minister for Health when he will establish a focused working group to develop proposals for a package of health and well-being supports for survivors of mother and baby homes as recommended in the collaborative forum report; the process by which persons will be appointed to this forum; the consultation he will have with survivors and the various representative groups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19005/19]

*784. To ask the Minister for Health the reason for the delay in providing a homecare package for a person (details supplied); and if his attention has been drawn to the level of distress this is causing the family. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19011/19]

*785. To ask the Minister for Health the number of times the working group convened to consider the outputs from the stakeholder forum on the built environment and related recommendations has met; when the group will report on the recommendations that were made and actions to address same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [19012/19]

*786. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be provided for services (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [19015/19]

*787. To ask the Minister for Health if a reimbursement programme for products such as CBD medicinal oil prescribed by consultants for treatment of severe epilepsy exists; the amount allocated to this programme for 2019; the number of parents receiving reimbursement; and the number of patients that have applied for reimbursement and are awaiting decision. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19020/19]

*788. To ask the Minister for Health the companies and or organisations employed on a contract basis by the NMBI from June 2016 to date; the purpose of each engagement; the length of each engagement; and the cost to the NMBI for the relevant period of engagement. — Clare Daly. [19023/19]

*789. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) will be referred for treatment via the NTPF at a facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [19024/19]

*790. To ask the Minister for Health if a service will be provided for a person (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [19044/19]

*791. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a centre (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19055/19]

*792. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the insufficient mortuary facilities at University Hospital Waterford (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19057/19]

*793. To ask the Minister for Health if he is satisfied that hospital mortuary facilities are sufficiently funded; if the attention of the HSE has been drawn to concerns regarding the provision of such services from hospitals; the names of such hospitals; the year that such complaints were raised from 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19058/19]

*794. To ask the Minister for Health if an early appointment for scoliosis surgery will be provided to a person (details supplied). — John McGuinness. [19062/19]

*795. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Clare will have knee surgery at Croom Orthopaedic Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [19070/19]

*796. To ask the Minister for Health when surgery will be offered in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19082/19]

*797. To ask the Minister for Health when a wheelchair with brakes will be provided for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Ferris. [19084/19]

*798. To ask the Minister for Health if a suitably qualified nurse is made available for regular clinics at a facility (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19087/19]

*799. To ask the Minister for Health if the department of clinical genetics will move from Crumlin Hospital to the national children's hospital; if not, if it will stay in place; and the improvements scheduled for same. — Thomas Byrne. [19100/19]

*800. To ask the Minister for Health if he will meet with representatives of a campaign (details supplied); if his attention has been drawn to the fact that there are three endocrinologists here which is deemed unsatisfactory by the campaign; if he will dispense with the psychiatric model by which a diagnosis for transgender persons before treatment is required; if he will introduce a general practitioner led service instead; if trans-identity will not be treated as a mental health and or behavioural disorder; his plans to ensure that the treatment abroad scheme can be utilised by transgender persons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [19113/19]

*801. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) who has waited over two years for hip surgery under a consultant now has to wait an additional three years as a result of being moved to another consultant's waiting list; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [19115/19]

*802. To ask the Minister for Health the efforts being made by the HSE in order to resolve the delays with children accessing the CAMHS service in County Sligo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19116/19]

*803. To ask the Minister for Health the details of the HSE recruitment embargo that has been put in place; and if the moratorium will be lifted in June 2019 as stated. — Eugene Murphy. [19119/19]

*804. To ask the Minister for Health if successful applicants that have been affected by the HSE recruitment embargo and have been advised that they cannot take an accepted position will be employed by the HSE once the moratorium has been lifted. — Eugene Murphy. [19120/19]

*805. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) who was near the end of the recruitment process with the HSE and has now been advised that they cannot proceed due to the HSE recruitment embargo will be employed with the HSE once the moratorium has been lifted. — Eugene Murphy. [19121/19]

*806. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that following the announcement of the HSE recruitment embargo, persons that were in the recruitment process and had consequently officially notified their current employers are now unemployed as a result and will have to rely on payments from the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection. — Eugene Murphy. [19122/19]

*807. To ask the Minister for Health the reason medical card holders must pay €15 per sample when getting bloods taken; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that this cost is leading to financial hardship for some persons with illnesses that require many blood samples per month; his plans to change this in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19129/19]

*808. To ask the Minister for Health the number of women on the gynaecology outpatient waiting list (details supplied) at Cork University Maternity Hospital in tabular form; the number awaiting surgery at the hospital; the number of surgeries completed each year since 2007; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19143/19]

*809. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the opening of the second gynaecology operating theatre at Cork University Maternity Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19144/19]

*810. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1309 of 20 June 2017, the status of plans for the redevelopment of this facility; the timeframe for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19145/19]

*811. To ask the Minister for Health his plans for the disposal or regeneration of a site (details supplied) in Dublin 8; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19147/19]

*812. To ask the Minister for Health the annual budget of a centre (details supplied); the breakdown of expenditure under the budget; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19154/19]

*813. To ask the Minister for Health the annual budget of a centre (details supplied) in each of the years 2014 to 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19155/19]

*814. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) is waiting for a MRI to diagnose the level of pituitary edema; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19156/19]

*815. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the development of neurorehabilitation supports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19168/19]

*816. To ask the Minister for Health when legislation to give effect to the proposed changes in the fair deal scheme outlined in the media in February 2018 will come before the Houses of the Oireachtas; the full extent of these changes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [19179/19]

*817. To ask the Minister for Health when the nursing home subvention scheme for a person (details supplied) will be put into payment; the reason for the delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [19181/19]

*818. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) is waiting for occupational therapy and physiotherapy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19184/19]

*819. To ask the Minister for Health the number of times per year since 2008 that funding has been applied for to provision a residential placement for a person (details supplied) who has been waiting since 2008 for this allocation of residential care; the number of applications for funding refused; the dates and if applications for part-time residential care were requested; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [19189/19]

*820. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of implementing the National Strategy and Policy for the Provision of Neuro-Rehabilitation Services in Ireland; if he will dedicate the required funding to the strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [19192/19]

*821. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will have cataract surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [19197/19]

*822. To ask the Minister for Health if he has considered designating services in Nenagh, County Tipperary, and Ennis, County Clare to alleviate the pressures in University Hospital Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [19200/19]

*823. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a shortage of general practitioners in Limerick city or the greater Limerick, Clare and Tipperary area that is leading to the constant overcrowding in University Hospital Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [19201/19]

*824. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE will provide transport services for a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19202/19]

*825. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a general practitioner visit card was only awarded in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19214/19]

*826. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to update the medicinal cannabis access programme to make it easier for pharmacies to import medicinal cannabis for medicinal cannabis prescription holders in order that they can access their prescribed medicine here. — Louise O’Reilly. [19217/19]

*827. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to update the medicinal cannabis access programme to allow for pharmacies to import medicinal cannabis produced by a company (details supplied) for prescription holders in order that they can access their prescribed medicine here. — Louise O’Reilly. [19218/19]

*828. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will have a hip replacement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [19221/19]

*829. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider a property (details supplied) for conversion to a respite care facility for persons residing in the catchment area. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [19235/19]

*830. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider a property (details supplied) for conversion to a respite care facility for persons residing in the catchment area. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [19236/19]

*831. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be made available to enable a person (details supplied) in County Donegal to purchase equipment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19238/19]

*832. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal can expect an appointment from Beaumont Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19247/19]

*833. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) has eligibility for treatment benefit including optical benefit through the medical card scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19257/19]

*834. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding State support for those that suffered injuries resulting from Thalidomide use; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19258/19]

*835. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) has been refused a homecare package; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19259/19]

*836. To ask the Minister for Health if an application was received by the HSE in respect of a person (details supplied) in County Cork; and if a decision has been reached on the provision of an orthosis. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [19262/19]

*837. To ask the Minister for Health the occupancy rates in the Central Mental Hospital for each month in 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19266/19]

*838. To ask the Minister for Health the criteria applied when deciding the suitability of a prisoner to be transferred to the Central Mental Hospital if a place is available there; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19268/19]

*839. To ask the Minister for Health if promised developments of public nursing homes in Drogheda and Ardee, County Louth are progressing to plan and schedule to the completion dates of 2021 as necessitated to retain HIQA registration; the progress of both projects; the expected timeline; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [19275/19]

*840. To ask the Minister for Health if home help hours will be reviewed in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19281/19]

*841. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment for a person (details supplied) will be expedited in order to be eligible for another surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [19289/19]

*842. To ask the Minister for Health when his attention was drawn to the serious conditions at the mortuary at University Hospital Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19293/19]

*843. To ask the Minister for Health the actions and steps taken by University Hospital Waterford to address issues raised in a letter by four consultant pathologists at the hospital. — David Cullinane. [19294/19]

*844. To ask the Minister for Health the record of complaints since 2004 to date made by consultant pathologists at University Hospital Waterford regarding facilities in the mortuary; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19295/19]

*845. To ask the Minister for Health the number of risk incident forms submitted by staff at the pathology department at University Hospital Waterford since 2004 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19296/19]

*846. To ask the Minister for Health the number of incidents of decomposing bodies of deceased persons in hospital trolleys recorded at University Hospital Waterford since 2004 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19297/19]

*847. To ask the Minister for Health the number of families of deceased persons informed since 2004 to date that the bodies of their loved ones were left to decompose on trolleys at University Hospital Waterford due to poor conditions at the mortuary; the way in which they were informed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19298/19]

*848. To ask the Minister for Health the number of families of deceased persons whose bodies decomposed on hospital trolleys at University Hospital Waterford (details supplied) due to poor conditions at the mortuary since 2004 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19299/19]

*849. To ask the Minister for Health the action the management at University Hospital Waterford and the South/South West Hospital Group took when they received a letter from four consultant pathologists outlining serious concerns relating to the mortuary; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19300/19]

*850. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Clare will receive a hospital appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [19304/19]

*851. To ask the Minister for Health if the facilitator has been appointed for the consultation process on Portlaoise Hospital; when the process will commence; and the expected completion date. — Brian Stanley. [19309/19]

*852. To ask the Minister for Health if the State Claims Agency will consider a claim (details supplied) that the Legal Aid Board is indicating is statute barred; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19314/19]

*853. To ask the Minister for Health the status of financial support for couples that have to pay for IVF; and his plans in this regard. — Michael Lowry. [19318/19]

*854. To ask the Minister for Health the full cost of implementing all the recommendations of the 2018 capacity review for the health service by recommendation and segments of recommendation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [19319/19]

*855. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be allocated an appointment for medical intervention. — Sean Sherlock. [19328/19]

*856. To ask the Minister for Health if home help hours will be allocated to a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19335/19]

*857. To ask the Minister for Health when a child (details supplied) will receive orthodontic treatment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [19340/19]

*858. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients waiting for plastic surgery appointments; and the length of time they have been waiting. — Gerry Adams. [19354/19]

*859. To ask the Minister for Health the hospitals and locations in which plastic surgery is carried out nationally. — Gerry Adams. [19355/19]

*860. To ask the Minister for Health the number of clinicians nationally that undertake plastic surgery; and the locations they operate. — Gerry Adams. [19356/19]

*861. To ask the Minister for Health if a medical card will be granted to a person (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [19357/19]

*862. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients on methadone treatment at a treatment centre (details supplied) on 1 February 2019; the number on a waiting list for methadone treatment at the centre on 1 February 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19358/19]

*863. To ask the Minister for Health the number of new patients accepted at a treatment centre (details supplied) in 2018; the number that exited the service and transferred out of the service respectively, in 2018, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19359/19]

*864. To ask the Minister for Health the documented clinical outcome of patients that exited a treatment centre (details supplied) in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19360/19]

*865. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of IVF through the public health system; when persons will be able to apply for same; the criteria in order to apply for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [19361/19]

*866. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive an urgent hospital appointment; his views on whether it is satisfactory to keep older persons waiting for more than a year for such appointments and procedures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19368/19]

*867. To ask the Minister for Health the services available for children with autism in the north Dublin area, including sensory gyms and other sports, recreational and social services. — Clare Daly. [19369/19]

*868. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting times for children with autism to access crucial physiotherapy and psychological assessment and treatment. — Clare Daly. [19370/19]

*869. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the case of a child (details supplied) with autism who has been waiting for physiotherapy and psychological services. — Clare Daly. [19371/19]

*870. To ask the Minister for Health his views on whether it is fair that public funding is being used for the construction of private clinics to be used for private medicine at the new national children's hospital; and if the inclusion of same is a direct contradiction to the aims of Sláintecare. — Louise O'Reilly. [19374/19]

*871. To ask the Minister for Health the steps being taken to address the shortage of epilim chromosomes nationally particularly in north County Dublin. — Louise O'Reilly. [19375/19]

*872. To ask the Minister for Health the funding streams that have been created and are available for couples in regard to IVF in view of comments by the Taoiseach in 2018 (details supplied). — Louise O'Reilly. [19376/19]

*873. To ask the Minister for Health the value to each hospital of the car parking charges system in each of the years 2011 to 2018; the amount raised from car parking charges if the system is under

the control of the hospital; and the amount made in payment from a private operator if the system is privatised. — Louise O'Reilly. [19377/19]

*874. To ask the Minister for Health the State or EU funding streams available to an organisation (details supplied). — Louise O'Reilly. [19378/19]

*875. To ask the Minister for Health the timeline for the passing of the assisted human reproduction Bill. — Louise O'Reilly. [19379/19]

*876. To ask the Minister for Health if the new assisted human reproduction regulatory authority will have a patient advocate on its board. — Louise O'Reilly. [19380/19]

*877. To ask the Minister for Health the status of plans for a primary care centre at a location (details supplied); when the primary care centre will be developed; if a location for same has been confirmed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19381/19]

*878. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE drugs group met to consider the revised pricing proposal from the manufacturer of spinraza; if so, the recommendation of the HSE leadership team; and when the leadership team will make a final decision on the reimbursement of the drug. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19385/19]

*879. To ask the Minister for Health the dedicated nursing support services available for persons with Parkinson's disease; the locations of same; his plans to expand services for persons in counties Cork and Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [19392/19]

*880. To ask the Minister for Health the reason nurses that have trained in the United States of America must have regency of practice in order to register in the general division of nursing (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19396/19]

*881. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be provided for a bus for a day care centre (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19397/19]

*882. To ask the Minister for Health if speech and language therapy and occupational therapy services will be provided for a person (details supplied); the reason for the delay; and the timeframe for the delivery of the services to the person. — John McGuinness. [19401/19]

*883. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients on the waiting lists for cataract operations at University Hospital Waterford; his plans to ensure that this type of operation is provided for patients without undue delay; when a date for an operation will be arranged in the case of a person (details supplied) in view of the fact that their case has been deemed urgent by their general practitioner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [19404/19]

*884. To ask the Minister for Health if a cataract operation will be provided for a person (details supplied) at University Hospital Waterford; and if they qualify for the cross border scheme in view of the fact that they were referred in 2017. — John McGuinness. [19406/19]

*885. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of the proposed CSSD sterilisation unit at Sligo University Hospital; the reason it has not been developed to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19411/19]

*886. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive an appointment. — Barry Cowen. [19415/19]

*887. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the reopening of a ward (details supplied); when the ward will reach full capacity; the efforts being made for the reopening as soon as possible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19417/19]

*888. To ask the Minister for Health the progress of the recruitment competition initiated by St. Vincent's University Hospital to fill the post vacated in 2018 by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [19418/19]

*889. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Clare will receive an appointment from the urology department at University Hospital Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [19419/19]

*890. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made and the planning permission status of the €9 million 50 bed facility for St. Joseph's Hospital, Ardee, County Louth as listed in the HSE capital plan which expires in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [19423/19]

*891. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the proposed additional nursing home beds at St. Mary's Hospital, Drogheda, County Louth; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [19433/19]

*892. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a hip operation in University Hospital Kerry for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19439/19]

*893. To ask the Minister for Health if versatis patches will be reinstated on the medical card scheme. — Dara Calleary. [19443/19]

*894. To ask the Minister for Health if discretion can be shown in relation to a late registration payment (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [19447/19]

*895. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) will receive a hospital appointment for an orthopaedic procedure. — Kevin O'Keeffe. [19455/19]

*896. To ask the Minister for Health if Crohn's disease is covered under the long-term illness scheme. — Thomas Byrne. [19457/19]

*897. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) has been denied access to the compassionate access programme; if persons have a right to access the programme when they request same; the options available to a person in circumstances in which they are denied access; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [19460/19]

*898. To ask the Minister for Health the number of claims initiated against him and the HSE with respect to vaccine administration since 2011; the vaccine concerned in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19461/19]

*899. To ask the Minister for Health when a child (details supplied) will receive a further dental examination. — Sean Sherlock. [19466/19]

*900. To ask the Minister for Health if an early appointment for a cataract operation will be arranged for a person (details supplied); and the reason they were not called as promised at the time of their assessment. — John McGuinness. [19476/19]

*901. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the purchase of medical equipment for home carers by CHO; the budget over the past five years by CHO; the amount spent in the past five years; if there is a priority list for homecare medical equipment; if so, the number on the priority list and other waiting lists for homecare medical equipment; and the criteria to qualify for this medical equipment. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [19477/19]

*902. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the difficulties in accessing homecare packages in County Wexford; when additional funding will be allocated to the HSE to reduce the waiting lists and waiting times for home support services in County Wexford; if a homecare package will be approved in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [19482/19]

*903. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons living with dementia that are availing of the fair deal scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [19484/19]

*904. To ask the Minister for Health if a child (details supplied) will be called for specific treatment at the earliest date possible. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [19487/19]

*905. To ask the Minister for Health when ocrelizumab will be available to persons with multiple sclerosis that were promised access to the drug in January 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19511/19]

*906. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to reduce or abolish the per item prescription charges in Budget 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19512/19]

*907. To ask the Minister for Health if hospitals will receive sufficient funding in Budget 2020 to ensure they do not charge for parking for patients or visitors to the hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19513/19]

*908. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that some doctors are charging medical card holders for reports such as those needed to apply for a driving licence for persons over 70 years of age; his views on whether the practice is acceptable; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19514/19]

*909. To ask the Minister for Health if funding is available from the HSE for the refurbishment of the new premises for the Clondalkin Adult Mental Health Service; when work at the new location will commence in view of the fact that planning permission has been secured; when the works will be completed; and if the current service provision will remain at a location (details supplied) until the new premises is complete. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19516/19]

*910. To ask the Minister for Health when an appointment will be approved for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19517/19]

*911. To ask the Minister for Health if consideration has been given from a public health perspective and to support lifelong healthy eating to funding a programme in which children are

taught in school at second-level the way to cook by qualified chefs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19521/19]

*912. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) will be assessed in respect of the provision of home help. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [19523/19]

*913. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied) in University Hospital Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19525/19]

*914. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the availability of the latest cancer drugs that are available through a company (details supplied) that are not available to citizens accessing the public health service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19531/19]

*915. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he is taking to ensure that requests for the improvement of pay and conditions of all healthcare support staff is urgently addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19532/19]

*916. To ask the Minister for Health the action he is taking to address the incidence of carbapenemase producing enterobacteriaceae infections; the number of cases of this infection that occurred here in 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19533/19]

*917. To ask the Minister for Health the status of persons that are offered positions in the HSE but are affected by the recruitment ban; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [19535/19]

*918. To ask the Minister for Health when the HSE recruitment ban will be lifted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [19536/19]

*919. To ask the Minister for Health the number of approved homecare packages including home help hours applications for which no funding has been released by county across each county of CHO1; the length of time the longest of these is awaiting the release of funds to allow the packages commence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin. [19541/19]

*920. To ask the Minister for Health the number of approved homecare packages including home help hours applications for which no funding has been released by each CHO area; the length of time the longest of these is awaiting the release of funds to allow the packages commence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin. [19542/19]

*921. To ask the Minister for Health the level of liability of the pharmaceutical industry in relation to vaccine injury; and if it has been indemnified by the State with the Exchequer taking on liability such as in the pandemrix vaccination programme. — Clare Daly. [19548/19]

*922. To ask the Minister for Health the number of retail outlets registered to sell tobacco with the National Register of Tobacco Retailers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19551/19]

*923. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of making nicotine replacement therapy free of charge to all those enrolled in smoking cessation programmes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19557/19]

*924. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to examine operational structures to provide nicotine replacement therapy without a prescription to GMS patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19558/19]

*925. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of abolishing the exclusion of nicotine replacement therapy from the drugs payment scheme in a full year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19559/19]

*926. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment will be scheduled for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19563/19]

*927. To ask the Minister for Health when unique health identifiers will be in place for all persons and healthcare providers; and the reason for the delay in their provision in view of the fact that legislation to give effect to identifiers was passed in 2014. — James Browne. [19568/19]

*928. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive an appointment with a neurologist; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Ferris. [19574/19]

*929. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the case of a person (details supplied); and when they can expect an appointment at the Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital. — Barry Cowen. [19584/19]

*930. To ask the Minister for Health the number of families here with a Ministerial licence to purchase CBD oil with THC; the number of families whose CBD oil with THC treatment is being funded under the primary care reimbursement scheme; the rationale for not including CBD oil without THC under the scheme; the number of families using CBD oil without THC under the direction of consultant neurologists here; his plans to source a quality assured supplier here of medicinal cannabis products (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [19586/19]

*931. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment in UHK for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19588/19]

*932. To ask the Minister for Health the clinical cover which will be in place to ensure that speech and language services provided at a hospital (details supplied) continue to be available to service users over the coming months when it is anticipated that the current post holder will be on maternity leave; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19590/19]

*933. To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown of the use of the €150 million provided in Budget 2019 for persons with disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [19594/19]

*934. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the practice of nursing homes requiring separate new prescriptions for respite patients with associated extra dispensing costs and increased risk of medication error; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [19598/19]

*935. To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which persons (details supplied) owe moneys arising from the care of a person in a nursing home under the fair deal scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19602/19]

*936. To ask the Minister for Health when home support hours previously assigned to a person (details supplied) will be allocated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [19610/19]

*937. To ask the Minister for Health when the assisted human reproduction Bill will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19611/19]

*938. To ask the Minister for Health the details of all those participating or involved in the cannabis working group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [19612/19]

*939. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) can expect a hospital appointment. — Barry Cowen. [19619/19]

*940. To ask the Minister for Health the cost to the HSE in 2018 and to date in 2019 for the use of private ambulance transport nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Hildegarde Naughton. [19621/19]

*941. To ask the Minister for Health the cost to the HSE in 2018 and to date in 2019 of intermediate care operative overtime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Hildegarde Naughton. [19622/19]

*942. To ask the Minister for Health the cost to the HSE in 2018 and to date in 2019 for the use of private ambulance transport of patients to and or from University Hospital Galway and Merlin Park University Hospital, Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Hildegarde Naughton. [19623/19]

*943. To ask the Minister for Health the cost to the HSE in 2018 and to date in 2019 of intermediate care operative overtime of staff based in County Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Hildegarde Naughton. [19624/19]

*944. To ask the Minister for Health the number of public patients transported by private ambulance nationally in each of the years 2013 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Hildegarde Naughton. [19625/19]

*945. To ask the Minister for Health the number of public patients transported by private ambulance to and or from University Hospital Galway and Merlin Park University Hospital, Galway in each of the years 2013 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Hildegarde Naughton. [19626/19]

*946. To ask the Minister for Health when medical cannabis will go on sale here at licensed pharmacists; the way in which it will be distributed to pharmacists once approved; and the location from which it will be sourced. — Stephen Donnelly. [19631/19]

*947. To ask the Minister for Health if companies other than pharmacists will be allowed to apply for licences to distribute medical cannabis. — Stephen Donnelly. [19632/19]

*948. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons here entitled to avail of medical cannabis. — Stephen Donnelly. [19633/19]

*949. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the confusion in relation to the licencing of Civil Defence volunteers by the Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Council to practice as emergency medical technicians or above; if the level of medical care that Civil Defence volunteers are able to provide at the moment is downgraded, if the ambulance service will be able to deal with the increased workload; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [19636/19]

*950. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the HSE is not facilitating the availability and treatment of vitamin C intravenous treatment for recovering cancer patients in the north-west (details supplied); the reason the treatment is not available through general practitioners in the north-west region; the reason it is not licensed or available to pharmacies in the region in view of the success of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19650/19]

*951. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [19655/19]

*952. To ask the Minister for Health the status of plans to build a new oncology treatment facility at Galway University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [19657/19]

*953. To ask the Minister for Health the part-time and full-time nurse staffing levels at University Hospital Waterford compared to recommended sanctioned levels. — Stephen Donnelly. [19668/19]

*954. To ask the Minister for Health his plans for recruitment of additional nurses at University Hospital Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [19669/19]

*955. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the €1 million that has been allocated to assist infertile couples access IVF in 2019; the criteria being used for same; if funding has been spent to date; the number of couples it will assist in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [19687/19]

*956. To ask the Minister for Health if LGBTQI+ couples will be able to access IVF through the €1 million fund announced in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [19688/19]

*957. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the establishment of the national advocacy service for patients; when the service will commence; the budget for 2019; the proposed number of staff providing the service; the scope of health services in which advocates can assist patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19764/19]

*958. To ask the Minister for Health if he has made State board appointments in the past three years in circumstances in which he has reappointed a person that has already served two full terms contrary to the advice in section 13.2 of the Guidelines on Appointments to State boards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19765/19]

*959. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a legislative provision in the Dentists Act 1985, the Health and Social Care Professionals Act 2005, the Pharmacy Act 2007, the Medical Practitioners

Act 2007 and the Nurses and Midwifery Act 2011 or the Regulated Professions (Health and Social Care) (Amendment) Bill 2019 which would prohibit a registrant that is or has been subject to a sanction by the five health regulators from subsequently serving on the council and or board and or its disciplinary committees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19766/19]

*960. To ask the Minister for Health the number of posts vacant in the mid-Kildare network disability team; the number of posts the HSE is inviting applications for; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [19774/19]

*961. To ask the Minister for Health the locations in which persons in CHO area 9 can access hydrotherapy pool treatment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19775/19]

*962. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) can expect an appointment. — Barry Cowen. [19781/19]

*963. To ask the Minister for Health if he has received requests and proposals to increase the neonatal screening services provided here; his plans to consider doing so; if there is a group of experts reviewing same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [19786/19]

*964. To ask the Minister for Health if a one-to-one occupational therapy appointment will be scheduled at the school of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19788/19]

*965. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to deal with the health crisis in view of new figures from the Health Research Board indicating the year on year rise in cocaine use, with 1,500 cases treated for cocaine use in 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19808/19]

*966. To ask the Minister for Health if he is satisfied with the roll out of primary care centres in mid-western areas of Dublin city since publishing the progress report on the primary care centres; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19809/19]

*967. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) must wait for another 18 months for an operation in view of the fact their condition was diagnosed over three years ago; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19815/19]

*968. To ask the Minister for Health the correct procedure to be followed by an elderly person that potentially requires nursing home support but receives only a weekly pension and owns no property; the options available to them in such circumstances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19824/19]

*969. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the case of a person (details supplied); and when they can expect an appointment at the Midland Regional Hospital, Tullamore, County Offaly. — Barry Cowen. [19846/19]

*970. To ask the Minister for Health when the criteria for the fair deal scheme will change in terms of family businesses to exclude working family businesses as part of the deal. — Robert Troy. [19847/19]

*971. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting time for the orthopaedic surgery list at Tallaght Hospital with particular reference to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [19848/19]

*972. To ask the Minister for Health if a site (details supplied) owned by the HSE will have improvement works carried out in view of the fact it is falling into a derelict state and is becoming unsightly. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [19849/19]

*973. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 309 of 9 March 2019, when a response will issue. — Peadar Tóibín. [19850/19]

*974. To ask the Minister for Health if radiographer vacancies for DEXA scanning services at Naas General Hospital have now been filled further to a recent recruitment campaign; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [19858/19]

*975. To ask the Minister for Health the steps taken to resolve the shortage of radiographers to conduct MRI scans at Naas General Hospital in view of the fact that the afternoon service appears to have been suspended with patients being transported via ambulance to privately outsourced clinics to have their MRI scans there; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [19859/19]

*976. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons with disabilities in receipt of home support hours in each LHO area at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; the number of persons currently on the waiting list for same in each LHO area; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively, in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19860/19]

*977. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons with disabilities in receipt of personal assistance hours in each LHO area at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; the number of persons on the waiting list for same in each LHO area; and the number waiting 0 to 3 months, 3 to 6, 6 to 12 and more than 12 months respectively, in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19861/19]

*978. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for assessment by early intervention teams in each LHO area in CHO1 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 9, 9 to 12, 12 to 18, 18 to 24 and more than 24 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19862/19]

*979. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for assessment by early intervention teams in each LHO area in CHO2 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 9, 9 to 12, 12 to 18, 18 to 24 and more than 24 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19863/19]

*980. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for assessment by early intervention teams in each LHO area in CHO3 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 9, 9 to 12, 12 to 18, 18 to 24 and more than 24 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19864/19]

*981. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for assessment by early intervention teams in each LHO area in CHO4 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available;

and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 9, 9 to 12, 12 to 18, 18 to 24 and more than 24 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19865/19]

*982. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for assessment by early intervention teams in each LHO area in CHO5 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 9, 9 to 12, 12 to 18, 18 to 24 and more than 24 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19866/19]

*983. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for assessment by early intervention teams in each LHO area in CHO6 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 9, 9 to 12, 12 to 18, 18 to 24 and more than 24 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19867/19]

*984. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for assessment by early intervention teams in each LHO area in CHO7 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 9, 9 to 12, 12 to 18, 18 to 24 and more than 24 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19868/19]

*985. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for assessment by early intervention teams in each LHO area in CHO8 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 9, 9 to 12, 12 to 18, 18 to 24 and more than 24 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19869/19]

*986. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children waiting for assessment by early intervention teams in each LHO area in CHO9 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 9, 9 to 12, 12 to 18, 18 to 24 and more than 24 months, respectively. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19870/19]

*987. To ask the Minister for Health the number of residential places for persons with a disability being provided at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available by CHO in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19871/19]

*988. To ask the Minister for Health the number of new emergency places provided to persons with a disability at the end of April 2019 by CHO area in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19872/19]

*989. To ask the Minister for Health the number of beds and wards in public and voluntary acute hospitals that were closed on 26 April 2019 or the latest date on which data for validated bed closures at hospital and ward level are available in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19873/19]

*990. To ask the Minister for Health the number of bed days lost through delayed discharges in April 2019 in each public and voluntary hospital in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19874/19]

*991. To ask the Minister for Health the percentage of clinical status 1 ECHO incidents responded to by first responders in 7 minutes and 59 seconds or less in each ambulance station in each month to the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; and the percentage of clinical status 1 DELTA incidents responded to by a patient carrying vehicle in 7 minutes and 59 seconds or less in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19875/19]

*992. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients aged 75 years of age or over that experienced an emergency department wait time of more than 24 hours to the end of April 2019; and the hospitals in which the wait occurred. — Stephen Donnelly. [19876/19]

*993. To ask the Minister for Health the number of home support hours being provided in each LHO area to the end of April 2019; the number of persons on the waiting list for home support hours in each LHO area; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 12 and more than 12 months respectively, in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19877/19]

*994. To ask the Minister for Health the number of ambulance attendances at each emergency department nationwide in April 2018; the number of such ambulances that waited longer than 20 minutes to hand over patients, get their trolleys back and return to responding to calls; and the number that waited longer than 40, 60, 90, 120 and more than 180 minutes for same, respectively in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19878/19]

*995. To ask the Minister for Health the number of spinal fusion patients waiting less than 4, 4 to 8 and more than 8 months, respectively for treatment at Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin and Temple Street Children's University Hospital at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; and if the same information for other spinal patients will be provided in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19879/19]

*996. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each LHO area waiting for a podiatry appointment in primary care at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively. — Stephen Donnelly. [19880/19]

*997. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each LHO area waiting for an ophthalmology appointment in primary care at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively. — Stephen Donnelly. [19881/19]

*998. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each LHO area waiting for an audiology appointment in primary care; and the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available. — Stephen Donnelly. [19882/19]

*999. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each LHO area waiting for a dietetics appointment in primary care; and the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available. — Stephen Donnelly. [19883/19]

*1000. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each LHO area waiting for an oral health appointment in primary care at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 weeks and more than 52 weeks, respectively. — Stephen Donnelly. [19884/19]

*1001. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each LHO area waiting for a speech and language assessment in primary care at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively. — Stephen Donnelly. [19885/19]

*1002. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each LHO area waiting for a speech and language therapy appointment in primary care at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 12 , 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively. — Stephen Donnelly. [19886/19]

*1003. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each LHO area waiting for an occupational therapy appointment in primary care at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 12 ,12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively. — Stephen Donnelly. [19887/19]

*1004. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each LHO area waiting for a physiotherapy appointment in primary care at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks, respectively. — Stephen Donnelly. [19888/19]

*1005. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the physiotherapy waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to12 and more than 12 months, respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 4, 5 to17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 plus years of age in each category by local health area at the end of April 2019 or the latest data available in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19889/19]

*1006. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a MRI scan in the Dublin Midlands hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19890/19]

*1007. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a CT scan in the Dublin Midlands hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19891/19]

*1008. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a bone scan in the Dublin Midlands hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19892/19]

*1009. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an angiogram in the Dublin Midlands hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19893/19]

*1010. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an electroencephalogram in the Dublin Midlands hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19894/19]

*1011. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for cholangiopancreatography in the Dublin Midlands hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19895/19]

*1012. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an ultrasound scan in the Dublin Midlands hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19896/19]

- *1013. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a MRI scan in the South/South West hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19897/19]
- *1014. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a CT scan in the South/South West hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19898/19]
- *1015. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a bone scan in the South/South West hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19899/19]
- *1016. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an angiogram in the South/South West hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19900/19]
- *1017. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an electroencephalogram in the South/South West hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19901/19]
- *1018. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for cholangiopancreatography in the South/South West hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19902/19]
- *1019. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an ultrasound scan in the South/South West hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19903/19]
- *1020. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a MRI scan in the Saolta hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19904/19]
- *1021. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a CT scan in the Saolta hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19905/19]
- *1022. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a bone scan in the Saolta hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19906/19]
- *1023. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an angiogram in the Saolta hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19907/19]
- *1024. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an electroencephalogram in the Saolta hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19908/19]
- *1025. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for cholangiopancreatography in the Saolta hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19909/19]

*1026. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an ultrasound scan in the Saolta hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19910/19]

*1027. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a MRI scan in the University of Limerick hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19911/19]

*1028. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a CT scan in the University of Limerick hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19912/19]

*1029. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a bone scan in the University of Limerick hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19913/19]

*1030. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an angiogram in the University of Limerick hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19914/19]

*1031. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an electroencephalogram in the University of Limerick hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19915/19]

*1032. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for cholangiopancreatography in the University of Limerick hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19916/19]

*1033. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an ultrasound scan in the University of Limerick hospital group for waiting periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19917/19]

*1034. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children at the end of April 2019 or the latest available date that were awaiting a first assessment from the HSE under the Disability Act 2005 by each local health office area in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19918/19]

*1035. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the speech and language therapy assessment waiting list at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively by each local health area in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19919/19]

*1036. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the speech and language therapy initial treatment waiting list at the end of April 2019 or latest date available; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively by each local health area in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19920/19]

*1037. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the speech and language therapy further treatment waiting list at the end of April 2019 or latest date available; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively by each local health area in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19921/19]

*1038. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy first time assessment waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively; the number waiting in each category of 0 to 4, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years of age by each local health area at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19922/19]

*1039. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 5, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years of age in each category by each local health area in CHO1 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19923/19]

*1040. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 5, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years of age in each category by each local health area in CHO2 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19924/19]

*1041. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 5, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years of age in each category by each local health area in CHO3 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19925/19]

*1042. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 5, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years of age in each category by each local health area in CHO4 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19926/19]

*1043. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 5, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years of age in each category by each local health area in CHO5 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19927/19]

*1044. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 5, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years of age in each category by each local health area in CHO6 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19928/19]

*1045. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 5, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years of age in each category by each local health area in CHO7 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19929/19]

*1046. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 5, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years of age in each category by

each local health area in CHO8 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19930/19]

*1047. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the occupational therapy treatment waiting list; the number waiting less than 4, 4 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively; and the number waiting aged 0 to 5, 5 to 17, 18 to 64 and more than 65 years of age in each category by each local health area in CHO9 at the end of April 2019 or latest date available in tabular form. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19931/19]

*1048. To ask the Minister for Health his plans for vital breast cancer assessment services following proposals to cut the existing five one-stop centres to three; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [19934/19]

*1049. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19937/19]

*1050. To ask the Minister for Health if an illness (details supplied) will be considered as a long-term illness; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19940/19]

*1051. To ask the Minister for Health if there is an overspend to date in 2019 of €11 million at University Hospital Kerry, the measures in place to address this matter; the services that will be affected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [19942/19]

*1052. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to increase funding across the spectrum of mental health services. — Robert Troy. [19954/19]

*1053. To ask the Minister for Health if increased levels of funding will be provided to a service (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19955/19]

*1054. To ask the Minister for Health the knock-on effects for the CervicalCheck system further to the announcement that the main Irish laboratory (details supplied) used by CervicalCheck is to cease accepting new smears from general practitioners as part of arrangements to clear its backlog of tests; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [19956/19]

*1055. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each LHO area waiting for a counselling appointment in primary care at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks. — James Browne. [19958/19]

*1056. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in each local health office area waiting for a child and adolescent mental health services appointment at the end of April 2019 or the latest date available; and the number waiting 0 to 12, 12 to 26, 26 to 52 and more than 52 weeks. — James Browne. [19959/19]

*1057. To ask the Minister for Health if funding was approved in the estimates programme for 2019 to reduce the orthodontic treatment waiting list in counties Laois and Offaly; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19961/19]

*1058. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the orthodontic treatment waiting list; the number that were placed on the orthodontic waiting list in each of the years 2010 to 2018 and earlier years if appropriate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19965/19]

- *1059. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive orthodontic surgical treatment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19966/19]
- *1060. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) has not received a date for surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19967/19]
- *1061. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a MRI scan in the RCSI hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19969/19]
- *1062. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a CT scan in the RCSI hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19970/19]
- *1063. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a bone scan in the RCSI hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19971/19]
- *1064. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an angiogram in the RCSI hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19972/19]
- *1065. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an electroencephalogram in the RCSI hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19973/19]
- *1066. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for cholangiopancreatography in the RCSI hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19974/19]
- *1067. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an ultrasound scan in the RCSI hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19975/19]
- *1068. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a MRI scan in the Ireland East hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19976/19]
- *1069. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a CT scan in the Ireland East hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19977/19]
- *1070. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for a bone scan in the Ireland East hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19978/19]
- *1071. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an angiogram in the Ireland East hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19979/19]

*1072. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an electroencephalogram in the Ireland East hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19980/19]

*1073. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for cholangiopancreatography in the Ireland East hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [19981/19]

*1074. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting as of 30 April 2019 or the nearest available date for an ultrasound scan in the Ireland East hospital group for periods (details supplied) in tabular form. — Stephen Donnelly. [19982/19]

*1075. To ask the Minister for Health the mechanism to ensure that the referral system by which a general practitioner is required to write to request a hospital appointment for a patient will function effectively for persons of no fixed abode; if an analysis has been carried out on the extent of the difficulties of communicating appointments to patients of no fixed abode and on possible solutions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19983/19]

*1076. To ask the Minister for Health the number of full and partial lower limb amputations carried out in 2018; the number of these patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19985/19]

*1077. To ask the Minister for Health the number of full and partial lower limb amputations carried out in each of the years 2016 to 2018; the number of these patients by county that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19986/19]

*1078. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients by county treated for foot ulcerations which did not require a full or partial limb amputation in 2018; the number of those patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19987/19]

*1079. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients under 65 years of age by county treated for foot ulcerations which did not require a full or partial limb amputation in 2018; the number of those patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19988/19]

*1080. To ask the Minister for Health the number of full and partial lower limb amputations carried out in 2018 by county on persons under 65 years of age; the number of these patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19989/19]

*1081. To ask the Minister for Health the number of bed days required by patients treated for foot ulcerations which did not require a full or partial limb amputation in each of the years 2016 to 2018; the number of those patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19990/19]

*1082. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital bed days required by patients by county treated for foot ulcerations which did not require a full or partial limb amputation in each of the years 2016 to 2018; the number of those patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19991/19]

- *1083. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital bed days required by patients undergoing full and partial lower limb amputation procedures in each of the years 2016 to 2018, by county on persons under 65 years of age; the number of these patients that had diabetes in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19992/19]
- *1084. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital bed days required by patients by county on persons under 65 years of age treated for foot ulcerations which did not require a full or partial limb amputation in each of the years 2016 to 2018; the number of those patients that had diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19993/19]
- *1085. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients availing of the type 2 diabetes cycle of care programme in each of the years 2016 to 2018; the cost of the programme to date; his plans to extend it to patients with type 2 diabetes that do not have a medical card or general practitioner only visit card; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19994/19]
- *1086. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients with type 2 diabetes that had their feet assessed as part of the HSE type 2 diabetes cycle of care programme in each of the years 2016 to 2018; the number of these that were referred to hospital care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19995/19]
- *1087. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to restore pay equality for hospital consultants appointed post-2012; if he will put in place a process to deal with this issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [20000/19]
- *1088. To ask the Minister for Health if he has met with an association (details supplied) recently; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [20001/19]
- *1089. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) who applied on 29 May 2018 for an early intervention assessment appointment is still waiting for that appointment and has been told it may not happen until May 2019 in view of the fact that under the Disability Act 2005 children must be assessed within three months of applying; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [20002/19]
- *1090. To ask the Minister for Health if a date for a cataract operation will be arranged for a person (details supplied) at WUH as requested by their general practitioner; if they qualify for the cross border scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [20008/19]
- *1091. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) will be provided an early date for a cataract operation at WUH; and if they qualify for the cross border healthcare initiative. — John McGuinness. [20009/19]
- *1092. To ask the Minister for Health if a MRI scan will be arranged for a person (details supplied); the locations such scans are undertaken; if they will be referred to the next available appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [20010/19]
- *1093. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to improve the provision of general practitioner services in Leixlip, County Kildare in view of the fact that there are no doctors available out of hours or on Thursday afternoons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [20011/19]

*1094. To ask the Minister for Health the costs to nursing homes for general practitioners to call out; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [20012/19]

*1095. To ask the Minister for Health when a child with ASD (details supplied) in County Cork will receive specific intervention services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [20018/19]

*1096. To ask the Minister for Health when a child (details supplied) in County Cork will receive intervention services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [20024/19]

*1097. To ask the Minister for Health if assistance will be provided to a person (details supplied) in being called for an urgent surgical procedure. — Kevin O'Keeffe. [20031/19]

*1098. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to support and or co-sponsor a resolution (details supplied) aimed at improving the transparency of markets for medicines, vaccines and other health related technologies at the upcoming 72nd Session of the World Health Assembly; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [20033/19]

*1099. To ask the Minister for Health the projections and commitment for the number of bariatric surgeries up to 2022; and if the service will be available in all of the hospital groups in view of the rapidly increasing prevalence of obesity here (details supplied). — Louise O'Reilly. [20034/19]

*1100. To ask the Minister for Health if vaccination for varicella zoster virus and chicken pox will be included as part of the national childhood immunisation programme in view of the fact that it is available privately here. — Louise O'Reilly. [20035/19]

*1101. To ask the Minister for Health the role of the State in the indemnification of medical professionals (details supplied); and the cost of same in each of the years 2011 to 2018, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [20036/19]

*1102. To ask the Minister for Health the funding that will be provided for the implementation of the national neurorehabilitation strategy. — Louise O'Reilly. [20038/19]

*1103. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which neurorehabilitation services being rolled out under the national neurorehabilitation strategy will integrate with existing services. — Louise O'Reilly. [20039/19]

*1104. To ask the Minister for Health the number of submissions received regarding broadening the scope of community pharmacists since 2011; his views on the submissions; and his plans to expand the role of community pharmacists. — Louise O'Reilly. [20040/19]

*1105. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a hospital appointment for a person (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [20041/19]

*1106. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be transferred from Clifden Hospital to Bloomfield Hospital, Dublin due to exceptional medical circumstances; the reason for the delay in issuing the funding for this transfer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [20042/19]

- *1107. To ask the Minister for Health if efforts are ongoing to secure homecare support in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20045/19]
- *1108. To ask the Minister for Health if respite care and convalescence will be provided for a person (details supplied). — Kevin O’Keeffe. [20046/19]
- *1109. To ask the Minister for Health if a homecare package will be approved in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20047/19]
- *1110. To ask the Minister for Health if rheumatoid arthritis has been added to the new chronic illness list for general practitioners; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [20051/19]
- *1111. To ask the Minister for Health if an operation will be expedited for a person (details supplied). — John McGuinness. [20073/19]
- *1112. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder in south central areas of Dublin city; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [20080/19]
- *1113. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a cross border directive pro-forma application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [20088/19]
- *1114. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the difficulties in accessing homecare packages and lengthy waiting lists for homecare services in County Leitrim; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [20089/19]
- *1115. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on the waiting list for a homecare package in each area of CHO1; the number of persons on a waiting list for an increase in home help hours in each area of CHO1; the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6 and 6 to 12 months, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [20090/19]
- *1116. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce free general practitioner care for children under 12 years of age. — Thomas Byrne. [20091/19]
- *1117. To ask the Minister for Health if a matter regarding a person (details supplied) in County Cavan will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [20095/19]
- *1118. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he taking in relation to the waiting times and trolley waits in Tallaght Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [20120/19]
- *1119. To ask the Minister for Health if €24 million will be reallocated from the health capital budget in both 2019 and 2020 to address the overrun in the costs for the new national children’s hospital. — Stephen Donnelly. [20121/19]

*1120. To ask the Minister for Health the reassurance which can be offered to those concerned regarding the zostavax vaccine for shingles in view of the litigation in the United States of America alleging serious side effects. — Stephen Donnelly. [20126/19]

*1121. To ask the Minister for Health the procedure in place for children and adolescents that present at accident and emergency to a hospital (details supplied) in Cork City in need of mental health support and or psychiatric services; the details of the interaction between the hospital and CAMHS; his views that the current response and service provided is acceptable; his plans to improve the service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [20151/19]

*1122. To ask the Minister for Health his plan to provide CAMHS services to a child (details supplied) in County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [20153/19]

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

*1123. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the date when the request for a support package was made to the European Commission (details supplied); if the request was also submitted to the Brexit preparedness group under the European Commission Taskforce on Article 50 negotiations with the United Kingdom; the EU legislative provision the request was made under; and when the support package will be announced. — Charlie McConalogue. [18498/19]

*1124. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the person or body with responsibility for Brexit further to a statement (details supplied); the specific date when the request for a support package was made to the European Commission; if the request was also submitted to the Brexit preparedness group under the European Commission Taskforce on Article 50 negotiations with the United Kingdom; the EU legislative provision the request was made under; and when the support package will be announced. — Charlie McConalogue. [18499/19]

*1125. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if there are guidelines in place for the removal of mature trees from property surrounding a dwelling; if so, if there is a maximum distance a tree can be from the dwelling before felling is prohibited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18572/19]

*1126. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to the campaign to stop live animals being transported to Libya; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19195/19]

*1127. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way in which the 125km rule and the restriction on the removal of category 1 offal originated; the way in which the 125km rule came through EU regulation; the way in which the distance of 125km was chosen; the regulatory references to the implementation of the rule; and his plans to have the 125km rule reviewed. — Billy Kelleher. [18389/19]

*1128. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason submissions made by the public in respect of forestry planning applications are not accessible to the public; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18431/19]

*1129. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason the process of submitting an observation or objection to the establishment of a forestry contract plantation as administered by his Department is not dealt with in the same way as a planning permission

submission or objection as per the Planning and Development Act 2000 with respect to broad public access to the objection submitted, independent appeals body and so on; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [18454/19]

*1130. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated additional cost based on 2018 participation and planting rates of implementing a proposal over a full year (details supplied). — Jackie Cahill. [18478/19]

*1131. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a forestry proposal as set out in a report has been examined (details supplied); and the associated full year cost of introducing such a scheme. — Jackie Cahill. [18479/19]

*1132. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a forestry proposal as set out in a report has been examined (details supplied); and the associated full year cost of facilitating this proposal. — Jackie Cahill. [18480/19]

*1133. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated full year cost of forestry proposals (details supplied) in tabular form. — Jackie Cahill. [18481/19]

*1134. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a forestry proposal as set out in a report has been examined (details supplied); and the estimated associated full year cost of facilitating this proposal. — Jackie Cahill. [18482/19]

*1135. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has explored the following forestry proposal as set out in a report (details supplied); and the associated full year cost of facilitating this proposal. — Jackie Cahill. [18483/19]

*1136. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if participants in afforestation schemes under the Forestry Programme 2014-2020 are also eligible to apply to both the basic payment scheme and GLAS for land that is planted. — Jackie Cahill. [18484/19]

*1137. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the annual amount allocated and expended on the woodland improvement scheme in each year since it was established. — Jackie Cahill. [18486/19]

*1138. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the specific date when the request for a support package was made to the European Commission (details supplied); when the support package will be announced; and the EU legislative provision the request was made under. — Charlie McConalogue. [18495/19]

*1139. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has formally made a request to the European Commission under EU Regulation No. 702/2014 following confirmation that a support package is being discussed with the EU for the agri-food sector even if the UK does not leave the EU (details supplied); if so, when the application was made; and when the support package will be announced. — Charlie McConalogue. [18496/19]

*1140. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has formally made a request to the European Commission under Article 219 of EU Regulation 1308/2013 following confirmation that a support package is being discussed with the EU for the agri-food sector even if the UK does not leave the EU (details supplied); if so, when the application was made; and when the support package will be announced. — Charlie McConalogue. [18497/19]

- *1141. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the urgent action he has or is taking to counteract out of control sea lice levels at organic salmon farms on the west coast in order to protect wild salmon and trout during smolt runs in view of a document issued by the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [18504/19]
- *1142. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to deal with the threat posed by the spruce bark beetle; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [18526/19]
- *1143. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will suspend live exports to Libya in view of the escalation of fighting. — Clare Daly. [18532/19]
- *1144. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the application process to new and existing participants in the hen harrier scheme (details supplied); the 2019 allocation in view of the announcement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [18576/19]
- *1145. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 174 of 20 September 2018, when an outstanding GLAS underpayment will issue to a person (details supplied); the reason it has not issued; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [18580/19]
- *1146. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will address the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18630/19]
- *1147. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for the compulsory introduction of seaweed to the diet of cows in a bid to comply with the ordered reduction in air pollution figures based on recent studies (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Collins. [18676/19]
- *1148. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to introduce a 200 per cow suckler scheme in order to assist farmers outlay the high costs and low prices in the sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [18678/19]
- *1149. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will consider extending the closing deadline for application to the Brexit loan scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18698/19]
- *1150. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the issues discussed at the recent EU Agriculture and Fisheries Council meeting; the outcome of the discussions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18699/19]
- *1151. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has had recent discussions with the European Commissioner for Trade regarding difficulties that will arise for the agri-food sector in the scenario of a no-deal Brexit; the measures that will be implemented to protect trade with the UK; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18700/19]

- *1152. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if drainage work on land which is sanctioned by local authorities on health and safety grounds to prevent flooding to houses and roads in the location affects farmers basic payments. — Carol Nolan. [18701/19]
- *1153. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when a young farmer scheme payment will be made to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18747/19]
- *1154. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the position regarding a 2014 appeal under the single farm payment scheme by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [18779/19]
- *1155. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the funding received from the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development from 2017 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18846/19]
- *1156. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the meetings he has had with the UK Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs since 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18847/19]
- *1157. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when letters of grant approval under the FLAG scheme will be issued; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [18858/19]
- *1158. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if concerns that milk prices here continue to perform poorly when compared with prices offered across the EU will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18864/19]
- *1159. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the new procedure to be followed by private forestry owners when applying for felling licences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18958/19]
- *1160. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the detail of the recent changes in the felling licence application process; the rationale for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18960/19]
- *1161. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the discussions taking place in relation to the EU proposals on moving from live animal exports to meat and carcass and germinal products; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19017/19]
- *1162. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a payment to a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19018/19]
- *1163. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to complaints regarding cows loose on public roads in an area (details supplied); and his plans to rectify same. — John McGuinness. [19061/19]
- *1164. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason it will be compulsory for farmers to tag all sheep and lambs with electronic tags from 1 June 2019 onwards but it will not be mandatory for factories and marts to have the technology required to read the tags; the reason

farmers are being forced to pay additional costs while still having to complete the same amount of paperwork as before; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [19067/19]

*1165. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the furthest possible distance that a clinical suspect BSE cow can be transported on the island of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [19068/19]

*1166. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the furthest possible distance that a cow which has tested positive for BSE can be transported on the island of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [19069/19]

*1167. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if measures will be introduced to allow applications for funding to construct underpasses for the movement of livestock in view of the fact that it is a health and safety issue for farmers and road users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [19131/19]

*1168. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if payment under the national reserve will issue to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19183/19]

*1169. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the legislation under which persons can obtain a licence to run a dog kennel. — Bríd Smith. [19186/19]

*1170. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the checks carried out on dog kennels to ensure a minimum standard of care for animals; and the checks carried out to ensure that animals are not being neglected or treated cruelly. — Bríd Smith. [19187/19]

*1171. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when a GLAS payment will issue to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19190/19]

*1172. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a TAMS II TCIS review in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [19216/19]

*1173. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of the export of beef to China over the past five years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [19251/19]

*1174. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures he is taking to address the problem of generational renewal within Irish agriculture; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19254/19]

*1175. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to the findings of the Western Development Commission which has estimated that the number of persons working in agriculture in the west of Ireland has decreased by 41% in the past 20 years; if his Department holds similar data for the other regions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19255/19]

- *1176. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for recruitment within the fertiliser section within his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19305/19]
- *1177. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for recruitment within his Department; the positions and vacancies due to be filled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19306/19]
- *1178. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason a person (details supplied) has not received funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19317/19]
- *1179. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the most recent contract for the collection of the foal levy was put up for tender by Horse Racing Ireland. — Clare Daly. [19329/19]
- *1180. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a company (details supplied) was given an €80,000 lump sum by Horse Racing Ireland when the contract was being renewed plus €24,000 in administration costs; and if so, the reason therefor. — Clare Daly. [19330/19]
- *1181. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason Horse Racing Ireland does not collect the foal level and contracts the job out (details supplied). — Clare Daly. [19331/19]
- *1182. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to introduce a 1% foal levy at the point of sale to replace the current system. — Clare Daly. [19332/19]
- *1183. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of herd numbers registered here; the number of herd numbers registered solely to a female, male, female-only partnerships, male-only partnerships and mixed partnerships in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [19383/19]
- *1184. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the results of the competent authority acting on his behalf in respect of matters (details supplied); if harvesting was accelerated; if so, the reason therefor; and his views on same. — Clare Daly. [19386/19]
- *1185. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a felling and planting licence will be issued to a person (details supplied); if the matter will be expedited; and the reason for the delay to date. — John McGuinness. [19408/19]
- *1186. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to incidents occurring between Ireland's Eye and Lambay Island on 16 April 2019 which caused damage to lobster and crab pots. — Clare Daly. [19428/19]
- *1187. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the position when a farmer enters into a GLAS contract on leased lands and during the GLAS contract period a new lease is issued by the landowner subsequent to which the farmer cannot fulfil their GLAS obligations for the overall length of the GLAS contract; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [19537/19]
- *1188. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the position in relation to TASC certification for the haulage sector in the event of Brexit; and if a new scheme will be put in place should Brexit occur (details supplied). — Kevin O'Keeffe. [19585/19]

- *1189. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the stocking, losses escapes, diseases, mortalities and harvested fish by number of fish and weight at a farm (details supplied) in 2018 and to date in 2019. — Bríd Smith. [19629/19]
- *1190. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason the beef plan not been added to the Farmers Charter Review Group covering CAP; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19654/19]
- *1191. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason the NBAS31B form has been removed from use by his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19656/19]
- *1192. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of negotiations with the Chinese authorities over the past four months in relation to the 12 CNCA licences that are currently appended to factories here (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19660/19]
- *1193. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has received an approval date for the CNCA licences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O'Mahony. [19678/19]
- *1194. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when a payment will issue to a person (details supplied) in County Donegal under the GLAS 2 scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19857/19]
- *1195. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the plans of the Forestry Service to recruit inspectors to deal with Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [19950/19]
- *1196. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to increase the number of staff in his Department in view of the significant waiting times being experienced by farmers applying for afforestation and tree felling licences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [19951/19]
- *1197. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a TAMS 2 scheme penalty in the case of a person (details supplied) will be reviewed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [20015/19]
- *1198. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of landings at Renard Pier, County Kerry in each of the years 2016 to 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [20029/19]
- *1199. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara cén uair a dhéanfar cinneadh ar achomharc atá déanta ar son feirmeoir i gContae na Gaillimhe (sonraí tugtha); cén fáth go bhfuil moill ar an gcinneadh ar an achomharc seo, ag cur i gcuntas na cúinsí force majeure atá i gceist leis; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [20086/19]
- *1200. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to strengthen the laws on animal welfare and to improve the powers of animal welfare groups to rescue animals that are being abused; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [20152/19]

*1201. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the legislation in place to protect wildlife habitats and to cease tree felling during summer months; the circumstances in which licences for tree felling on private lands are approved, particularly from 1 May to 31 August 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [20154/19]

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

*1202. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if the establishment of a feed-in-tariffs scheme will be investigated similar to that in operation in the UK by which cash can be guaranteed to farmers on each unit of electricity produced by solar energy and generated for the national grid. — Carol Nolan. [18863/19]

*1203. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of the roll out of electric vehicle charge points in Dublin 15; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [19106/19]

*1204. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if a mining licence will be granted to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19567/19]

*1205. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the timeframe for the completion of the roll out of the National Broadband Plan for County Louth in view of recent media comments that the plan has been further delayed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [18395/19]

*1206. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the reason for the latest delay regarding the National Broadband Plan, despite the previous commitment that a decision on proceeding with the plan would be made by Easter 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [18396/19]

*1207. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will adopt the key recommendations of the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission report published 28 September 2018 to establish an economic regulator for household waste collection; if he will consider its functions to include economic licensing, data collection and analysis, market design and consumer protection; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [18440/19]

*1208. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he has met with representatives of commercial operators that have announced plans to roll out fibre infrastructure within the intervention area of the National Broadband Plan; if the roll out of the National Broadband Plan will be possible in cases in which a commercial operator is in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18452/19]

*1209. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the way in which the National Broadband Plan is a different type of proposal to another project also named the National Broadband Plan in view of his comments of 2 April 2019; when these changes took place; when they were announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18453/19]

*1210. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the reason a number of properties (details supplied) have not been included in the fibre roll out of a company due to the location of these properties within a large town setting; and his plans to ensure this anomaly is corrected by the company as soon as possible. — Robert Troy. [18488/19]

*1211. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the locations of the high power charging hubs for electric cars (details supplied) in counties Cavan and Monaghan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18509/19]

*1212. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if the annual support of €75 has been introduced to help with the costs of bin charges for those that need it; and when this will be implemented. — John McGuinness. [18534/19]

*1213. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the timeline for the opening of the support scheme for renewable heat to all elements including biogas and biomass; the strategic environmental assessment that has or will be carried out on the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18585/19]

*1214. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if files have been stolen from his Department in the past six years; and if so, if the matter has been reported to An Garda Síochána. — Peadar Tóibín. [18604/19]

*1215. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when high speed fibre broadband will be available to areas in the vicinity of Tullyallen, County Louth (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [18637/19]

*1216. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if the figure of €3 billion cited as a cost for the National Broadband Plan represents the total cost or the amount needed as an additional subsidy as part of the gap funding model. — Pearse Doherty. [18644/19]

*1217. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his views on the safety of 5G technology. — John Brassil. [18684/19]

*1218. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of his recent application to the European Commission Coal Regions in Transition Platform; if he has requested that the midland regions be included for support; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18703/19]

*1219. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of homes upgraded as part of smart technology energy saving scheme since its launch in 2016; the number of local authorities that have taken part in the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18788/19]

*1220. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of homes upgraded as part of all energy efficiency upgrades in each of the past five years; the amount provided to each local authority area in each of the past five years; if he is satisfied that targets in the National Development Plan will be achieved to upgrade up to one million homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18789/19]

*1221. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of homes that have had their heating controls upgraded as part of all energy efficiency upgrades in

each of the past five years; the amount provided across each local authority area in each of the past five years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18790/19]

*1222. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the legislative and regulatory framework governing medical waste here; the legislation or regulation governing the collection and disposal of medical waste; the number of companies that operate under these rules; the percentage of medical waste disposed of correctly; the sanctions for breaches of the rules in this area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18791/19]

*1223. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the measures at European level that address the handling of medical waste; if new legislation or regulation is required in this area; if he is satisfied with the level of disposal in this area; if he has engaged in consultation on this issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18792/19]

*1224. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he, his officials or political staff were recipients of tickets and or hospitality from an organisation (details supplied) during the term of office of a person; the details of each occasion tickets and or hospitality was provided by the organisation during this period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18793/19]

*1225. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the reason there was no national angling forum from April 2018 to January 2019 in view of the availability of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [18817/19]

*1226. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment further to Parliamentary Question No. 472 of 16 April 2019, the type of review and the timescale for the review to take place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [18818/19]

*1227. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his views on whether the failure of an organisation (details supplied) to accept input from the forum floor is contributing to the decrease in attendance at forum meetings; his further views on whether there is a lack of faith in the forum rather than a lack of interest from the stakeholders and is another symptom of the low level of engagement with stakeholders of the organisation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [18819/19]

*1228. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will chair a forum meeting of an organisation (details supplied) in the interest of reconciliation. — Thomas Byrne. [18820/19]

*1229. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if an organisation (details supplied) can avail of a class 35 planning exemption. — Thomas Byrne. [18821/19]

*1230. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the grants available to support the construction of solar energy farms; his plans to introduce further grants in the future; and the terms and conditions which apply for a solar energy farm to supply energy to the national grid. — Robert Troy. [18841/19]

- *1231. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of the provision of broadband to a property (details supplied); and the coverage provided through phase 1 of the national broadband scheme to an area. — Robert Troy. [18915/19]
- *1232. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if his attention has been drawn to the persistent breaches of environmental legislation by a number of companies; if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that penalties are light due to the fact the EPA prosecutes through the District Court; the reason the EPA does not prosecute companies through higher courts in order to ensure greater penalties are issued; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [18938/19]
- *1233. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will amend the legislation to remove the immunity from civil action provided to the EPA in section 15 of the Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992 as was recommended by the Ombudsman in 2011; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [18940/19]
- *1234. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if an eircode will be issued to a person (details supplied); and the reason for the delay in the process. — John McGuinness. [18956/19]
- *1235. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when an announcement will be made for the State led intervention particularly in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18969/19]
- *1236. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of all exploration and drilling licences issued to a company (details supplied) or pending following applications. — Eoin Ó Broin. [18989/19]
- *1237. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when the updated SEAI grant measures will be announced; and if these measures will include the replacement of windows to a higher energy efficiency model. — Robert Troy. [19053/19]
- *1238. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if extensive research has been carried out into the possible health and environmental implications of 5G; and if his Department commissioned research in jurisdictions in which 5G technology is already widely available. — Robert Troy. [19056/19]
- *1239. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if a property will receive a broadband connection as part of phase 1 of the National Broadband Plan (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19065/19]
- *1240. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the rationale for the awarding of the main State broadband contract to a company (details supplied) in such a way which allows it to cherry-pick the service it consequently provides and services stop in the middle of a road leaving some properties inexplicably with no service. — Robert Troy. [19066/19]
- *1241. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of e-fibre broadband roll out in an area (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19089/19]
- *1242. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of e-fibre broadband roll out in an area (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19101/19]

- *1243. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of the second phase of the renewable heat support scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19152/19]
- *1244. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of the provision of woodchip boilers under the second phase of the renewable heat support scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19153/19]
- *1245. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to update or amend the Waste Management Act 1996 during the current legislative programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [19162/19]
- *1246. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when an estate (details supplied) is due to be included in the roll out of the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [19224/19]
- *1247. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of the National Broadband Plan; the efforts taken to date to ensure a timely implementation of the plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19225/19]
- *1248. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to extend high speed fibre broadband to a household (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19239/19]
- *1249. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to extend high speed fibre broadband to a household (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19240/19]
- *1250. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if his attention has been drawn to the gap in fibre broadband coverage at a location (details supplied); and the steps he is taking to address this and other similar anomalies in the roll out of broadband infrastructure. — Clare Daly. [19273/19]
- *1251. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of a national risk assessment of technologies and equipment used in the roll out of 5G networks; the status of research carried out in relation to 5G safety standards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [19274/19]
- *1252. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when fibre broadband will be rolled out at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [19310/19]
- *1253. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when fibre broadband will be rolled out at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [19398/19]
- *1254. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when broadband will be provided to an area (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [19445/19]

*1255. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the plans by the ESB for new smart meters in homes nationally; the cost to the customer for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19515/19]

*1256. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if broadband will be reviewed for a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [19527/19]

*1257. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the stage the proposed review of the impacts of increasing carbon tax on fuel poverty within households is at; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19530/19]

*1258. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the reason provided by a company (details supplied) for not including certain properties in phase one of the fibre broadband roll out is that the contract signed with his Department does not allow the inclusion of additional properties; and the position regarding the inclusion of additional properties in view of the fact that in previous replies to Parliamentary Questions he has stated that the inclusion of additional properties is a commercial decision for the company. — Robert Troy. [19601/19]

*1259. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when an estate (details supplied) will be supplied with fibre broadband as part of the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [19630/19]

*1260. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the additional supports provided for older persons applying for energy saving grants in view of the fact that most of the information and application forms are all online; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19810/19]

*1261. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he is satisfied that those eligible for the free energy efficiency improvements scheme are being reached and are benefitting from the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19811/19]

*1262. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of the roll out of fibre broadband with regard to a property (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19936/19]

*1263. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of broadband in an area (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [20082/19]

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

*1264. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the road passenger service routes which are operated under the LocalLink funded scheme for which the operator receives a direct payment from her Department for the carriage of passengers under the free travel scheme; and the reason such payments are made for services already fully funded by the National Transport Authority. — Peadar Tóibín. [18505/19]

- *1265. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport further to Parliamentary Question No. 570 of 28 September 2005, if he will furnish a copy of this study; and the cost of same. — Clare Daly. [19429/19]
- *1266. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if guidelines have been provided to Transport Infrastructure Ireland in relation to the use of weed killer on national roads; and the policy in this regard. — Eamon Ryan. [18406/19]
- *1267. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of a driver retest for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18424/19]
- *1268. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the costs incurred regarding the 2016 Olympic ticketing issue to date in 2019, by year; the breakdown of costs; if a person (details supplied) is in receipt of payment or financial support and or other supports to date from Sport Ireland and or an organisation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18437/19]
- *1269. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to allow for a refund of motor tax to include all full months remaining in cases in which a vehicle is taken off the road as is the case in the United Kingdom (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18506/19]
- *1270. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason for the delay in the payment of the sports capital grant for a club (details supplied) in County Tipperary; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [18508/19]
- *1271. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the grant allocation to each local authority in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019, for each of the three main grant categories, restoration improvement, discretionary grant and restoration maintenance for regional and local roads; the amount expended in each year to date; and the amount paid out to date out as a percentage of the amount allocated to each local authority in each year in tabular form. — Dara Calleary. [18523/19]
- *1272. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if separate funding is provided for footpath refurbishment and construction in view of insufficient roads maintenance funds available to carry out such works on district roads. — Dara Calleary. [18524/19]
- *1273. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of rail passengers using the train at locations (details supplied) in County Kildare in each of the years 2012 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [18608/19]
- *1274. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to have a bilateral meeting with the CEO and chairperson of the Irish Aviation Authority. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [18610/19]
- *1275. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if it is compulsory for cyclists and walkers using rural roads to wear high visibility safety gear; if not, if he will consider a change in the legislation for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [18652/19]
- *1276. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of a driver test for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18656/19]

- *1277. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if real time passenger information signs will be provided on the northbound bus routes in Lusk, Rush and Skerries; if a similar sign on the southbound Dublin bound bus routes in Rush will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [18658/19]
- *1278. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the progress to date on the EU Motorways of the Sea initiative; the specific actions taken to date under the TEN-T guidelines to achieve a European maritime space without barriers; the implications for this initiative of Brexit and the UK land bridge; the port and ferry supports available under the initiative; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [18668/19]
- *1279. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the advertising or public information available to inform and make persons using taxis aware of an application (details supplied). — Bríd Smith. [18729/19]
- *1280. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason most rural sections of road are marked with speed limit signs of 80km when the roadways are not capable of supporting such speeds; his plans to change same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [18756/19]
- *1281. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the consideration being given to extending the LUAS to serve western areas of Dublin city; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18761/19]
- *1282. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the measures underway to address the public transport infrastructure deficit for commuters in western areas of Dublin city; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18777/19]
- *1283. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the implications of Brexit in relation to the case of persons (details supplied); the options available to them in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18780/19]
- *1284. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason the NCT service no longer accepts a passport as a valid form of identification; if the matter will be investigated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [18809/19]
- *1285. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a person (details supplied) can apply for a full driving licence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [18812/19]
- *1286. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if funding will be granted to a local authority (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18880/19]
- *1287. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a passport is an acceptable form of identification for NCT centres; if not, the reason it is not accepted; and the form of identification that should be presented. — Imelda Munster. [18894/19]
- *1288. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has undertaken a review of the National Cycle Policy Framework; and if so, if he will provide a copy of same. — Catherine Martin. [18905/19]

- *1289. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the intercity, suburban rail, future Metro, DART, Luas and bus stations which have been audited to assess existing and potential cycling parking provision since the publication of the National Cycle Policy Framework; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18906/19]
- *1290. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when the next round of sports capital grant funding is opening to new applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18953/19]
- *1291. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to introduce changes to the law or regulations regarding driver licences; if he will address the matter of more than 120,000 learner permit holders that obtained their first licence between 1984 and 2016 and have never taken a driver test (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [19059/19]
- *1292. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to regulate push and motorised scooters and other similar vehicles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [19060/19]
- *1293. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if measures will be introduced to prevent users of bicycles, skateboards and motorised scooters from using footpaths; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [19099/19]
- *1294. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will investigate with the National Transport Authority if the review ongoing on the Sligo bus network will be open for public consultation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19123/19]
- *1295. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will initiate a grant scheme for the provision of cattle underpasses in view of the fact health and safety for all parties affected is of paramount importance. — Michael Lowry. [19130/19]
- *1296. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the Road Safety Authority report on electric scooters; when this report is due to be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [19167/19]
- *1297. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the position regarding a recent presentation to the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Transport, Tourism and Sport (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19171/19]
- *1298. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the person or body that authorised the use of public funds by the National Transport Authority for its publicity campaign on BusConnects; and the cost of this campaign. — Kate O'Connell. [19188/19]
- *1299. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will investigate with Fáilte Ireland the new plans it has to invest further capital funding in flagship projects along the Wild Atlantic Way along the north-west in order to try and increase the numbers of visitors to these areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19196/19]
- *1300. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the regulations in place for owners of caravan parks regarding facilities and rent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19391/19]

- *1301. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason lorries registered here must pay a toll entering Northern Ireland in view of the fact that lorries registered in Northern Ireland do not have to pay a toll when entering here. — Robert Troy. [19393/19]
- *1302. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the criteria and requirements to licence and register electric bikes, electric scooters and electric pedal assisted bicycles; the classes of electric bikes and scooters that do not need to be registered and licensed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19441/19]
- *1303. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the value of student fares or equivalent fare types sold in 2017 and 2018 by the main public transport providers. — Robert Troy. [19450/19]
- *1304. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the value of child fares or equivalent fare types sold in 2017 and 2018 by the main public transport providers. — Robert Troy. [19451/19]
- *1305. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the cost of fitting a real time information display unit for bus services. — Robert Troy. [19452/19]
- *1306. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of student fares or equivalent fare types sold in 2017 and 2018 by the main public transport providers. — Robert Troy. [19453/19]
- *1307. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of child fares or equivalent fare types sold in 2017 and 2018 by the main public transport providers. — Robert Troy. [19454/19]
- *1308. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason an association (details supplied) does not accept that autism is a disability; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19481/19]
- *1309. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if funding is available to sports clubs seeking to install a defibrillator; the value of such funds; and the amount drawn down in each of the years 2016 to 2018 for same. — Darragh O'Brien. [19490/19]
- *1310. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if sports and recreation clubs seeking to install defibrillators within their facilities must pay VAT on these devices; and if there is funding available to offset this expense. — Darragh O'Brien. [19491/19]
- *1311. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if funding is available to assist sports and recreation clubs that have fitted or are fitting defibrillator devices within their premises with the provision of training of volunteers in the use of the devices. — Darragh O'Brien. [19492/19]
- *1312. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of passengers travelling to and from Castlebar using Castlebar train station in 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [19520/19]
- *1313. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the progress in delivering the Dunkettle roads upgrade project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [19538/19]

- *1314. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if funding is ring-fenced for the completion of the Dunkettle roads upgrade; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [19539/19]
- *1315. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the work undertaken to meet objective 4 under the National Cycling Policy Framework; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [19577/19]
- *1316. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the amount expended by Fáilte Ireland and Tourism Ireland, respectively in engaging influencers and their associates in the past three years to date; the amount paid to each influencer by both organisations; the name and nature of each project they were engaged on (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [19613/19]
- *1317. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if new buses ordered by Dublin Bus will be fitted with technology to allow account based and contactless debit card payment. — Robert Troy. [19637/19]
- *1318. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of efforts to create a new accessibility application for public transport users with disability. — Robert Troy. [19638/19]
- *1319. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the new SPSV strategy; and the timeline for its publication. — Robert Troy. [19639/19]
- *1320. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the piloting of evening and night-time services of LocalLink buses; the extent of these services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [19640/19]
- *1321. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of occurrences in which private bus operators have been contracted in order to provide Bus Éireann bus services owing to vehicle breakdown in each of the past four years in tabular form. — Robert Troy. [19641/19]
- *1322. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of occurrences in which private bus operators have been contracted in order to provide Bus Éireann bus services owing to driver absences in each of the past four years in tabular form. — Robert Troy. [19642/19]
- *1323. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the amount spent on contracting private bus operators to provide Bus Éireann bus services owing to driver absences in each of the past four years in tabular form. — Robert Troy. [19643/19]
- *1324. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the amount spent on contracting private bus operators to provide Bus Éireann bus services owing to vehicular breakdown in each of the past four years in tabular form. — Robert Troy. [19644/19]
- *1325. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of a service (details supplied); and the plans of the NTA to continue the service. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [19944/19]
- *1326. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a public bus service will be provided from Rathangan to Maynooth, County Kildare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [19945/19]

*1327. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a public bus service will be provided from Newbridge to Maynooth, County Kildare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [19946/19]

*1328. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a public bus service will be provided from Kildare town to Maynooth, County Kildare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [19947/19]

*1329. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if there are plans by Irish Rail to carry out works on a railway station (details supplied) in County Limerick. — Patrick O'Donovan. [19960/19]

*1330. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to reports of hedgerow destruction on the part of Irish Rail, including severe hedge trimming and hedge removal (details supplied); if he has raised the matter with Irish Rail; his plans to carry out an investigation in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [20007/19]

*1331. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when the new company that won the tender for bus routes 123, 126 and 130 in County Kildare will be taking over the route; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [20013/19]

*1332. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to introduce legislation or regulations to make it mandatory for motorists to have headlights on at all times whilst driving; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [20043/19]

*1333. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when he plans to announce the allocation of grants under the sports capital programme in respect of the applications already submitted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [20048/19]

*1334. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if consideration has been given to a report (details supplied) commissioned by his Department; if he has requested the NTA and relevant public transport and local authorities to adopt shared mobility solutions as a way of improving access to public transport and public services for all; if priority will be given to pilot shared mobility schemes in Dublin and a suitable rural county such as County Donegal as per the recommendations of the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Climate Action; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20122/19]

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

*1335. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the electrical upgrading and other remediation works carried out on the Tusla refuge in Rathmines; the reason for the long closure period for the works; the reopening date for the refuge; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [18444/19]

*1336. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if a plan that regularises the teaching and education status of persons that provide early childcare education will be formalised to include staffing grants, recognition of education status and terms and conditions including salary, in order that the value of the early childcare teacher is properly recognised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [18602/19]

- *1337. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of an application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [18760/19]
- *1338. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the way in which the new childcare scheme which will commence in June 2019 will affect funding for community run childcare facilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [19063/19]
- *1339. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the measures being considered in order to assist middle income earners that do not qualify for State subsidies, payments or assistance with the rising cost of childcare (details supplied); her plans to address same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19124/19]
- *1340. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if there is an appeals process in cases in which a family has been served with a school attendance notice from Tusla; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [18419/19]
- *1341. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if a person (details supplied) has completed their examination into the legal and scientific considerations relating to the collection of DNA samples by the State for the purpose of returning human remains in Tuam to identifiable relatives for dignified burial; and if so, when the report will be published. — Mary Lou McDonald. [18442/19]
- *1342. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her plans to investigate adoptions in circumstances in which the mother consenting was a minor. — Clare Daly. [18551/19]
- *1343. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her plans to examine other types of irregular adoptions such as those granted in the absence of birth certificates of any kind and in the case of children whose parents were married and instances of correct birth registrations which resulted in illegal adoptions. — Clare Daly. [18552/19]
- *1344. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the circumstances of a third delay to the publication of the final report of the scoping exercise into incorrect birth registrations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [18553/19]
- *1345. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the additional resources that will be made available to social workers in the HSE area of County Westmeath. — Robert Troy. [18568/19]
- *1346. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs further to Parliamentary Question No. 94 of 4 April 2019, the reason three times as many children are put in foster care in Dundalk rather than Drogheda; and the reason one is twenty times more likely to have children placed in foster care in County Carlow than in County Kilkenny. — Clare Daly. [18636/19]
- *1347. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if her attention has been drawn to the severe shortage of childcare places in the Dublin 15 area; the efforts underway to address these shortages; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [18748/19]
- *1348. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if the case of a person (details supplied) will be reviewed; if funding is in place for same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18776/19]

*1349. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the length of time the 337 children missing from care in 2018 were missing. — Clare Daly. [18835/19]

*1350. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the family resource centres in each of the 17 Tusla geographical areas that will be allocated funding to employ a family support worker; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18968/19]

*1351. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her plans to consult with the broader survivor community in addition to the collaborative forum membership regarding the recommendation of the report of the collaborative forum to fund a series of memorialisation measures to remember and honour the mothers and children incarcerated in mother and baby homes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19006/19]

*1352. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs when she expects to appoint a new chairperson of the collaborative forum; the process by which this appointment will be made; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19007/19]

*1353. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the percentage of foster children placed in care in 2017 and 2018 that were placed by for-profit foster care agencies; the names of the agencies involved; the percentage of children placed by each; and the jurisdiction in which each is located for tax purposes. — Clare Daly. [19080/19]

*1354. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the spend on foster care in 2017 and 2018; the percentage of this allocated to for-profit agencies; and the amount paid to each individual agency. — Clare Daly. [19081/19]

*1355. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of the progress of Adoption (Information and Tracing) Bill 2016 (details supplied); when she expects same to be finalised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19138/19]

*1356. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she has met formally with the interim CEO of Tusla (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [19161/19]

*1357. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the programmes funded by her Department in the early learning and care sector. — Michael McGrath. [19436/19]

*1358. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if persons employed by the early childhood care and education programme will continue to be described as early years education; and if there are proposed changes to this title. — Michael McGrath. [19437/19]

*1359. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she is considering changes to the title of the early childhood care and education programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19438/19]

*1360. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she will consider a scoping exercise into a legal birth registration to be expanded beyond those cases which are already held by Tusla and the Adoption Authority of Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19526/19]

- *1361. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the steps she will take to address the poor level of pay and conditions being experienced by graduate workers in the childcare sector; and her views on whether it is reasonable to expect more attractive pay and conditions having completed a high level of training in this area. — Robert Troy. [19670/19]
- *1362. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if a case in which a child (details supplied) meets the minimum age requirement of 2 years and 8 months for the early childhood care and education scheme but is deemed to not be within the eligible age range to avail of the ECCE will be examined; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [19683/19]
- *1363. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the expenditure funding provided to youth organisations and youth work provision in each of the years 2007 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19706/19]
- *1364. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the detail of the additional €1.5 million allocated for youth work provision in 2019, in tabular form according to schemes (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19707/19]
- *1365. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the detail of the €60.4 million funding allocation for youth work provision in 2019, according to schemes (details supplied) in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19708/19]
- *1366. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the detail of the €60.4 million funding allocation to youth work services and provision by county in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19709/19]
- *1367. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of the reform of the youth service grant scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19710/19]
- *1368. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of the youth employability scheme announced on 31 October 2018; the projects selected; the funding allocated; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19711/19]
- *1369. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she has made State board appointments in the past three years in circumstances in which she has reappointed a person that has already served two full terms contrary to the advice in section 13.2 of the Guidelines on Appointments to State boards; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19712/19]
- *1370. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of the implementation of the value for money and policy review of youth work funding programmes report and the recommendation that the four existing funding schemes should be amalgamated into a single targeted youth funding scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19713/19]
- *1371. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the expenditure by her Department in each of the years 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19714/19]

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

*1372. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if consideration will be given to requesting from the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform that the threshold for the requirement for e-tenders be increased in order to cut the level of bureaucracy that is hindering community groups from bringing smaller Leader projects forward. — Dara Calleary. [18525/19]

*1373. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if there has been changes to the LIS scheme in view of the fact that a person (details supplied) is no longer eligible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [18771/19]

*1374. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans to consider streamlining the criteria required for small grants applications, for example, Leader and CLÁR; and his views on a streamlined process for grants to up to €5,000 to ease cumbersome applications. — Robert Troy. [18907/19]

*1375. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the Action Plan for Rural Development commitment to developing a pilot scheme to encourage increased residential occupancy in rural towns and villages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18921/19]

*1376. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the provision of WiFi calling; the preparedness of each provider; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [18982/19]

*1377. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the scoring marks of the unsuccessful applicants to the 2018 rural regeneration scheme for County Sligo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19199/19]

*1378. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if funding is available for regattas (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19302/19]

*1379. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if funding can be provided under rural regeneration for small schools schemes for a bus service (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19394/19]

*1380. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if he will address a matter regarding a CLÁR funding application by a service (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19395/19]

*1381. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if an application for CLÁR funding will be granted for a society (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19435/19]

*1382. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if a walking trail (details supplied) in County Leitrim can be given special consideration to be allocated funding for expansion under the walks scheme in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [19565/19]

*1383. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the development of a national strategy on volunteering; when he will publish the strategy; when he plans to appoint the expert group to assist in the development of the strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19760/19]

*1384. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the allocation of funding to date by county under the rural regeneration and development fund in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19761/19]

*1385. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the measures he is taking to support and promote philanthropy here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19762/19]

*1386. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if he has made State board appointments in the past three years in circumstances in which he has reappointed a person that has already served two full terms contrary to the advice in section 13.2 of the Guidelines on Appointments to State boards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19763/19]

*1387. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if funding will be provided to a club (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19800/19]

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

*1388. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason no clearance has been allocated to a person (details supplied) by the HSE certificate section to allow them to remarry here; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [18489/19]

*1389. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to introduce legislation to regulate remote working in order to protect both the rights of workers and interests of businesses; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19139/19]

*1390. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her views on the concept of a living wage for workers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19141/19]

*1391. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to address perceived discriminatory measures (details supplied) under the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [20085/19]

*1392. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will introduce a change to the calculation for the State pension (contributory) for those that are unable to avail of the homecaring periods scheme or the homemaker's scheme (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [18400/19]

*1393. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a person (details supplied) can be excluded from JobPath having already completed a previous JobPath course and

reaching 62 years of age in May 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18418/19]

*1394. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to hold a full review of community employment, rural social and Tús schemes including employment conditions, remuneration and benefits; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [18426/19]

*1395. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons in receipt of non-contributory pensions and persons on qualified adult payments awaiting a review under the pension review of persons born since 1 September 1946. — Aindrias Moynihan. [18459/19]

*1396. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the first year and full year cost of a proposal as set out in a report (details supplied). — Jackie Cahill. [18485/19]

*1397. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason for the delay in processing a fuel allowance application by a person (details supplied); the outstanding documentation in this regard; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18530/19]

*1398. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she has considered automatic transfer of entitlement to fuel allowance for those widowed in circumstances in which it was already determined their household income derives solely from their State pension; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18531/19]

*1399. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the date from which the two extra weeks paid leave for parents of a child in their first year announced in Budget 2019 will be implemented; her views on whether the manner in which the scheme was announced at Budget 2019 suggested that it would be backdated; if the payment will be backdated; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18545/19]

*1400. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when the pension review will be completed; and the percentage of same that resulted in an increase. — Robert Troy. [18559/19]

*1401. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will review the provisions of the Employment (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2018 to ensure that the training rate of pay for adults over 20 years of age is protected in certain instances (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [18560/19]

*1402. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if assistance will be provided to an organisation (details supplied) in implementing a national strategy to support the industry and ensure sustainable development. — Robert Troy. [18562/19]

*1403. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for a review of the decision not to grant them carer's benefit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [18588/19]

- *1404. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application for a review of the rate of carer's allowance for 2018 by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [18601/19]
- *1405. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 533 of 15 May 2018, the estimated cost of a €1 increase in schemes (details supplied) in tabular form. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [18647/19]
- *1406. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated full year cost of extending the number of weeks carer's benefit is paid from 104 weeks to 156 weeks; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [18651/19]
- *1407. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when she signed into law section 11 of the Water Services Act 2014; the data collected prior to the signing of this legislation into law; the reason this data was collected; the length of time personal data was collected by her Department; the reason it took her four years to sign section 11 of the Act into law; if Irish Water still has this information; and if not, if it has been expunged. — Peadar Tóibín. [18689/19]
- *1408. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons in counties Laois and Offaly in receipt of the farm assist payment in each of the years 2014 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18702/19]
- *1409. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason child benefit is not paid for those over 18 years of age that remain in second-level education; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [18758/19]
- *1410. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will be made in relation to a guardianship payment for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18806/19]
- *1411. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if persons on illness benefit for a number of years prior to the two year limit being introduced go on partial capacity benefit but find they are unable to work and need to return to illness benefit, are put back on illness benefit on the same terms, that is, without the statutory two year limit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [18810/19]
- *1412. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a domiciliary care allowance will be awarded to a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [18822/19]
- *1413. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a weekly payment will issue to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [18831/19]
- *1414. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an assessment has been conducted on the level of child poverty or children at risk of poverty in counties Laois and Offaly; if statistics are available with respect to same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [18868/19]
- *1415. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her views on the fact that the European Commission has now launched infringement proceedings against Ireland for

failure to transpose the IORP II directive; and the reason the transposition of same has been delayed to the point that Ireland now faces infringement proceedings. — Clare Daly. [18877/19]

*1416. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an appeal by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18882/19]

*1417. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application for the working family payment by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [18884/19]

*1418. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a working family payment will be expedited for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18903/19]

*1419. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the way in which and the location the most recent public consultation conducted as part of the review of the operation of the Gender Recognition Act 2015 was advertised or notified to the general public; the reason the public consultation only lasted little over four weeks; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18926/19]

*1420. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an appeal for family income supplement by a person (details supplied) which was lodged in early February 2019; when a decision will be made; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [18954/19]

*1421. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will be made on a carer's allowance application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [18970/19]

*1422. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for a review of the decision to refuse their application for carer's allowance. — Brendan Howlin. [18973/19]

*1423. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when arrears of invalidity pension will issue to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [18985/19]

*1424. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 636 to 641 of 12 March 2019, the criteria used to determine the way in which the 367 non-DEIS schools participating in the school meals programme were selected; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19002/19]

*1425. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 636 to 641 of 12 March 2019, the way in which the pilot scheme from September 2019 providing hot school meals will be undertaken; the criteria used to select the participating schools; the way in which the scheme will be evaluated; when a report will issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19003/19]

- *1426. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an appeal by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19021/19]
- *1427. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 350 of 25 October 2018, the reason freephone numbers are not used exclusively for her Department in view of the fact that many that are in contact are on limited incomes; her views on whether the use of premium rate of lo-call numbers will result in higher charges for those that do not have access to a landline; if the Commission for Communications Regulation review on this matter is complete; if so, the actions she will take arising from the review; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19026/19]
- *1428. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will be made on a carer's allowance application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [19083/19]
- *1429. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a carer's benefit application by a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19085/19]
- *1430. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will be made in relation to a disability allowance application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [19086/19]
- *1431. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a working family payment application by a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19088/19]
- *1432. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application for a hearing aid by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19111/19]
- *1433. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the average waiting time for disability allowance claims which have been successfully appealed to the social welfare appeals office to be processed and awarded after the file has been returned to it; if there is a delay in this regard; if so, the steps she will take to address the delay; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19148/19]
- *1434. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated annual cost of increasing the fuel allowance payment by €1.50 per week; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [19160/19]
- *1435. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when the review of eligibility for child benefit will be complete in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19180/19]
- *1436. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a contributory pension review for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [19185/19]

- *1437. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to the fact that a person (details supplied) has had their jobseeker's allowance suspended since January 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [19198/19]
- *1438. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if assistance will be offered to a person (details supplied) in allowing them to secure the WSS; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [19271/19]
- *1439. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a review for disability allowance will be expedited in the case of a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19301/19]
- *1440. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a pension review will take place for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19308/19]
- *1441. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision on a homecaring claim by a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [19352/19]
- *1442. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a decision has been made on a carer's support grant appeal in respect of a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19422/19]
- *1443. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [19440/19]
- *1444. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a decision has been made on an application for an invalidity pensions by a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19458/19]
- *1445. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a carer's allowance for a person (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [19465/19]
- *1446. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a person (details supplied) will receive illness benefit. — Sean Sherlock. [19469/19]
- *1447. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason a person (details supplied) is not in receipt of a full payment. — Sean Sherlock. [19470/19]
- *1448. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a decision has been made on a review of a disability allowance application by a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19480/19]
- *1449. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a carer's allowance in respect of a period will issue to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19499/19]
- *1450. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an invalidity pension review will be expedited for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19519/19]

- *1451. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to amend the Tús scheme to address the recruitment difficulties due to the significant decrease in referrals for the scheme to a partnership (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Barrett. [19566/19]
- *1452. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if jobseeker's allowance can be awarded in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19571/19]
- *1453. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if jobseeker's allowance payment can be restored in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19572/19]
- *1454. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the level of a working family payment can be reviewed in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19573/19]
- *1455. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a person (details supplied) qualifies for an increase for qualified adult on their invalidity pension payment in respect of their spouse; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19580/19]
- *1456. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an invalidity pension will be awarded following review to a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19599/19]
- *1457. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will be made on an invalidity pension application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [19617/19]
- *1458. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an exceptional needs application form has been returned and is being processed in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19618/19]
- *1459. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of pensioners that had their pensions assessed under the homecaring periods scheme; the number that received a back payment; the number still to have their pension assessed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [19620/19]
- *1460. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an appeal for the working family payment by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [19627/19]
- *1461. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the procedures for a self-employed person that is signing for jobseeker's allowance on a casual basis; the number of days they can sign during the course of a week, month or calendar year; the income they can earn from self-employment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19652/19]
- *1462. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 26 years of age in receipt of the jobseeker's allowance payment that also receive the qualified adult allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19689/19]

- *1463. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 26 years of age that are recorded as homeless and who are in receipt of the €112.70, €157.80 and €203 per week rate of jobseeker's allowance payment in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19690/19]
- *1464. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 26 years of age that are participating on the back to education scheme by county in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19691/19]
- *1465. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the additional financial supports a young person under 26 years of age on the lower rate of jobseeker's allowance will receive when transitioning to an education programme supported by the back to education scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19692/19]
- *1466. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 25 years of age that have been supported to date by the jobsplus youth scheme by county; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19693/19]
- *1467. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 25 years of age that have commenced on the jobsplus youth scheme in each of the years 2015 to 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19694/19]
- *1468. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the cost of supporting young persons under 25 years of age on the Jobsplus youth scheme in each of the years 2015 to 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19695/19]
- *1469. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of the implementation of the youth employment support scheme; the proposed number of participants in 2019; the number of participants that have commenced the programme to date; the budget for 2019; the budget spend to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19696/19]
- *1470. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the average cost to date per young person participating on the youth employment support scheme excluding their existing social welfare payment in advance of participating on the YESS; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19697/19]
- *1471. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 26 years of age participating in the community employment scheme on or before July 2017, in tabular form; when the CE scheme rules were changed; the data available on the number of young persons under 26 years of age participating on the scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19698/19]
- *1472. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if eligibility to the community employment scheme for young persons under 21 years of age that have been on the live register for 12 months or more will be extended; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19699/19]

- *1473. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the additional annual cost of a young person on the €112.70 weekly jobseeker's allowance rate participating on a community employment scheme for 12 months; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19700/19]
- *1474. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the additional annual cost of a young person on the €157.80 weekly jobseeker's allowance rate participating on a community employment scheme for 12 months; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19701/19]
- *1475. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons in each year of age aged 18 to 25 years participating on a community employment scheme in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19702/19]
- *1476. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 26 years of age that commenced a Tús Programme in each of the years 2015 to 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19703/19]
- *1477. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the additional annual cost of a young person under 26 years of age on the €112.70 weekly jobseeker's allowance rate participating on the Tús Programme for 12 months; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19704/19]
- *1478. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the additional annual cost if a young person under 26 years of age on the €157.80 weekly jobseeker's allowance rate participating on the Tús Programme for 12 months; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19705/19]
- *1479. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the average cost per young person and cost to the Exchequer in a calendar year of increasing the jobseeker's allowance to €203 for all young persons under 26 years of age currently on the €112.70 and €157.80 lower rates of jobseeker's allowance payment in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19715/19]
- *1480. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the average cost per young person and cost to the Exchequer in a calendar year of increasing the jobseeker's allowance to €157.80 for all young persons aged 18 to 24 years of age currently on the €112.70 rate of jobseeker's allowance payment in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19716/19]
- *1481. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the average cost per young person and cost to the Exchequer in a calendar year of increasing the jobseeker's allowance to €180.40 for all young persons aged 25 years of age on the €157.80 lower rate of jobseeker's allowance payment in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19717/19]
- *1482. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 26 years of age that have been in receipt of jobseeker's allowance, jobseekers' benefit and or signing for credits for periods (details supplied) in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19718/19]

*1483. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 26 years of age that have been in receipt of jobseeker's allowance, jobseeker's benefit and or signing for credits for 12 months or more by county in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19719/19]

*1484. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 26 years of age that are in receipt of €112.70, €157.80 and €203 respectively per week on the jobseeker's allowance payment in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19720/19]

*1485. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 26 years of age in receipt of disability allowance at the end of each of the years 2013 to 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19723/19]

*1486. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of young persons under 26 years of age in receipt of the one parent family payment at the end of each of the years 2013 to 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19724/19]

*1487. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the measures she is taking to address youth unemployment (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19725/19]

*1488. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of new clients presenting to the MABS in the first three months of 2017, 2018 and 2019, by county in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19726/19]

*1489. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans for supporting and funding the dedicated mortgage arrears MABS in the medium-term (details supplied); the measures she is taking to engage with staff, MABS boards and the Citizens Information Board to ensure the service is still available to persons in mortgage difficulty; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19727/19]

*1490. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of both full-time and part-time staff delivering the dedicated mortgage arrears MABS in each of the eight regional MABS boards in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19728/19]

*1491. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when the report arising from the consultations on the auto-enrolment pensions scheme will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19729/19]

*1492. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she has made State board appointments in the past three years in circumstances in which she has reappointed a person that has already served two full terms contrary to the advice in section 13.2 of the Guidelines on Appointments to State boards; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19730/19]

- *1493. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the date for the pre-budget forum has been decided; if so, when it will be held; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19731/19]
- *1494. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the eligibility for disability allowance and or invalidity pension in the case of a person (details supplied); when payment can be restored in this case; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19741/19]
- *1495. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated full year cost if the fuel allowance was increased from 27 to 30 weeks; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19776/19]
- *1496. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a matter (details supplied) will be reviewed; her views on the issues raised; if policy changes are planned regarding same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19780/19]
- *1497. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the progress to date in the determination of an appeal in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19787/19]
- *1498. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the correct rate of jobseeker's allowance payment in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19790/19]
- *1499. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a working family payment application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19855/19]
- *1500. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a person (details supplied) is due arrears in relation to a working family payment following a social welfare appeal that was allowed on 25 January 2019 on the grounds that their employment took place under a contract of service and is insurable at class A; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19932/19]
- *1501. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an illness benefit payment can be changed to a local area in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19938/19]
- *1502. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a reply will issue to queries by a person (details supplied) in relation to an extension of a community employment scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [20019/19]
- *1503. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the position regarding lengthy delays processing successful social welfare appeals when returned to the relevant social welfare payment section, for example, disability allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [20030/19]
- *1504. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to a change of address in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20044/19]

*1505. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to remove the barriers associated with the partial capacity benefit scheme and allow persons on invalidity pensions to participate in employment for rehabilitative or therapeutic purposes for up to 20 hours per week as permitted under pre-2013 exemption arrangements without the need to transfer to partial capacity benefit in view of ratification of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the recent changes to the rules on disability allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [20084/19]

*1506. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to the widespread practice of contracted private companies providing homecare packages under the HSE home support service not paying travel time or mileage for care assistants travelling between house calls; when a case (details supplied) will be legislated for; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [20092/19]

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

*1507. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if an exemption from state aid rules has been sought from the EU for Irish Water and its assets; the reason he has not sought a referendum for the public ownership of Irish Water to be held in May 2019; the annual income of Irish Water; the loans Irish Water entered into; and the annual cost of servicing these loans. — Peadar Tóibín. [18690/19]

*1508. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount issued annually over the past five years in compensation for malicious damage to property under the compensation scheme established under the Malicious Injuries Act 1981 and the Malicious Injuries (Amendment) Act 1986; the amount paid out annually over the past five years that specifically relates to compensation for the theft of ATM cash machines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [19054/19]

*1509. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if a matter (details supplied) will be reviewed; his plans to address the concerns raised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19137/19]

*1510. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if the rates bar set in Kingscourt, County Cavan will be reviewed; if he will address concerns raised (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19177/19]

*1511. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason firefighters that are healthy, fit and have a good understanding of their job must retire at 58 years of age while other professions do not have to retire until they 60 years of age plus; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [19276/19]

*1512. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he approved the significant increases in the cost of domestic connections which came into effect on 1 April 2019. — Robert Troy. [19362/19]

*1513. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when wind energy guidelines will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19446/19]

*1514. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of homes in each local authority that have availed of the free energy efficiency improvement scheme in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19812/19]

*1515. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will report on the upcoming plebiscite on the mayoral elections. — Micheál Martin. [19820/19]

*1516. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason tenants that wish to purchase their local authority houses under the tenant purchase scheme are excluded from the scheme if they are in houses that were built under the Part V process in view of the fact that this rule did not exist in relation to previous tenant purchase schemes; the reason he does not consider it good policy for persons that live in local authority housing that were acquired specifically under the Part V process be allowed to purchase their homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [18383/19]

*1517. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans in place across County Louth to ensure there is clear access and sharing of information to persons with disabilities in relation to a range of add-on measures that enable them to vote in advance of the upcoming elections in May 2019. — Gerry Adams. [18384/19]

*1518. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if awareness training is provided to returning officers at official polling stations in County Louth to ensure that persons with disabilities are fully supported when they are voting in the May 2019 elections; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [18385/19]

*1519. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if plans are in place to ensure that official polling stations currently inaccessible to persons with a disability can be made fully accessible in advance of the upcoming elections in May 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gerry Adams. [18404/19]

*1520. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he receives reports from an organisation (details supplied) in relation to complaints regarding poor performance by architects; if there is oversight of architects outside of their representative body; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18554/19]

*1521. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will consider consumer friendly and cost-effective redress and dispute resolution for homeowners dealing with defects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18555/19]

*1522. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when he will introduce a regulatory system for builders that is independent of the industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [18556/19]

*1523. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the value of development levies accrued in each local authority in each of the years 2016 to 2018, in tabular form. — Róisín Shortall. [18573/19]

*1524. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the revaluation of commercial rates process will commence for County Donegal; if he has considered expediting the process for the county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [18627/19]

*1525. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if consideration will be given to having his Department as the lead agency in the provision of a new funding programme for the provision of sewage schemes in small towns and villages in conjunction with Irish Water, local authorities and the Department of Rural and Community Development; if consideration will be given to introducing a number of pilot schemes as part of the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [18632/19]

*1526. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when a Rebuilding Ireland home loan which was approved on 1 October 2018 for a person (details supplied) in County Clare will issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [18655/19]

*1527. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the measures being put in place to introduce legislation to ensure the fluidity of the housing market and the transparency of the planning process while ensuring first time buyers will not continue to be priced out of the market by private equity funds (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [18659/19]

*1528. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of homes upgraded as part of the smart technology energy saving scheme since its launch in 2016; the number of local authorities that have taken part in the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18737/19]

*1529. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of homes upgraded as part of all energy efficiency upgrades in each of the past five years; the amount provided to each local authority area in each of the past five years; if he is satisfied that targets in the National Development Plan will be achieved to upgrade up to one million homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18738/19]

*1530. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of homes that have had their heating controls upgraded as part of all energy efficiency upgrades in each of the past five years; the amount provided across each local authority area in each of the past five years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18739/19]

*1531. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if his attention has been drawn to the large number of vacant or potential residential units that are above retail units, restaurants, pubs and other commercial properties; if a study has been carried out by his Department or an agency under his aegis on the matter; his views on the need to bring significant numbers of new residential units on stream; if he has discussed the matter with his officials or Ministerial colleagues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18740/19]

*1532. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he has given consideration to a suite of measures to encourage employers renovate and upgrade residential accommodation for employees to help bring significant numbers of new residential units into use; if he has discussed the matter with his officials or Ministerial colleagues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18741/19]

*1533. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he or his officials or political staff were recipients of tickets and or hospitality from an organisation (details supplied) during the term of office of a person; the details of each occasion tickets and or hospitality was provided by the organisation during this period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18742/19]

- *1534. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if his attention has been drawn to the two and a half year backlog for applications for DPG grants for council houses in Limerick City; if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that new applications are not being considered due to this backlog; if he has made attempts to remedy this situation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [18769/19]
- *1535. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if funding will be provided to Limerick City and County Council to address the shortfall in funding under the DPG grant scheme; the amount he will provide to alleviate the backlog; when this funding will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [18770/19]
- *1536. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the funding provided to Kickham Barracks, Clonmel, County Tipperary; the proposed funding that he plans to allocate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18798/19]
- *1537. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the new rural housing guidelines; when they will be published; if they will be open for public consultation when they are published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [18802/19]
- *1538. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the circumstances and or differences in which a Part 8 planning process is decided by a decision of a full council as opposed to a municipal district; the role of county councillors in deciding this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18805/19]
- *1539. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the working group comprising senior representatives from his Department and planning authorities which was established in May 2017 following the Flemish Decree of the European Court of Justice in 2013 to review the new rural housing guidelines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [18811/19]
- *1540. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if his attention has been drawn to recent reports that lead concentrations levels well above the legal limit have been found in drinking water in areas of north Dublin including Cabra, Drumcondra and Phibsborough; his plans to address this issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [18826/19]
- *1541. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if grants are available for completion of a house that never finished construction and was never occupied. — Robert Troy. [18853/19]
- *1542. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to assist homeowners that have been assessed for level 1 pyrite damage and that are not currently eligible for assistance with pyrite remediation works; if he will review the situation in this regard (details supplied); if consideration can be given to providing grant contribution towards remediation works for level 1 homeowners; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [18899/19]
- *1543. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the 2018 review of income eligibility levels for social housing will be finalised and published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Declan Breathnach. [18913/19]

- *1544. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his views on whether adequate funding is provided to local authorities for disability adaptations to council housing stock; if each local authority determines the amount they allocate; if a percentage is recommended by his Department of their overall budget; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [18928/19]
- *1545. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he is satisfied that the recent recruitment of a chairperson for an organisation (details supplied) was in line with the Code of Practice for Governance of State Bodies. — Clare Daly. [18944/19]
- *1546. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if all legal advisers providing services to an organisation (details supplied) were appointed following a public procurement process. — Clare Daly. [18945/19]
- *1547. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if a public procurement process was followed by an organisation (details supplied) in tendering for contracts on a project. — Clare Daly. [18946/19]
- *1548. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the Acts under which the authority or remit is given to a local authority or remit is given to local authority rate collectors to prepare or update the register of electors in each county without providing an interpretation of the law or regulations; if ministerial orders were used in the past to change the powers and or duties of local rate collectors relative to the Acts; if the same system of collecting rates and updating the register of electors is used in each local authority area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [18952/19]
- *1549. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will investigate the anomaly by which a convenience store valuation is radically less than the convenience store element of a convenience store with a forecourt filling station; if he will instruct the Valuation Office to investigate the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [18984/19]
- *1550. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the provision made for older persons that are renting properties and whose tenancies are terminated following the transfer of the property to a vulture fund; and his plans to introduce safeguards for such persons such that they do not find themselves homeless in their retirement. — Clare Daly. [19096/19]
- *1551. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if discretion can be shown in relation to the applications of the terms and conditions of the Rebuilding Ireland home loan and county council mortgages for families that may have got homes repossessed in the past; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [19109/19]
- *1552. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if additional resources will be provided to local authorities in order to allow them to effectively enforce short-term letting legislation coming into force on 1 June 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19146/19]
- *1553. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the final report on the review of the tenant purchase scheme will be available; the reason this has not been published to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19149/19]

- *1554. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government further to Parliamentary Question No. 660 of 19 February 2019, the status of proposed regulations with particular reference to rural areas with no rental demand; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [19178/19]
- *1555. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the next steps in the process and the timeframe for the development of a water treatment facility at Lough Talt, County Sligo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [19272/19]
- *1556. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to consider changing the criteria on condition 1 of the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme (details supplied). — Brian Stanley. [19311/19]
- *1557. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the planning guidelines for solar development at large scale ground mount level will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [19349/19]
- *1558. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his views on standardisation of development charges by local authorities for grant of planning permission for solar farms; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [19350/19]
- *1559. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if the Valuation Office has a policy on standardisation or rates applicable to solar farms; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [19351/19]
- *1560. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the breakdown of Part V acquisitions for 2017 and 2018, by local authority of the number of homes acquired as new homes, existing second-hand homes previously occupied or not and ghost estates. — Róisín Shortall. [19384/19]
- *1561. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when the updated guidelines for windfarms will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [19414/19]
- *1562. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of frontline staff in Dublin Fire Brigade in each of the years 2014 to 2018; the number of new recruits in each of the years; the cost of overtime for each year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19463/19]
- *1563. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of blind or visually impaired templates made available nationwide for both the Presidential election and recent referendums; if a record was supplied to his Department by all returning officers on the number of voters requesting and using the templates on each voting occasion; and the amount spent on each of the templates. — Sean Sherlock. [19471/19]
- *1564. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if templates will be used to assist blind or vision impaired voters at the upcoming local and European elections; and his plans to make available supports by phone or website to assist blind or vision impaired voters to recall the position of each candidate on the ballot papers. — Sean Sherlock. [19472/19]

*1565. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if his attention has been drawn to research by focus groups carried out by the National Disability Authority on the use of templates; and the outcome of the study (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [19473/19]

*1566. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if the template solution will be used to provide blind or vision impaired persons with assistance for secrecy when voting; the amount being spent on the solution for elections in 2019; the guidance that will be given to returning officers in relation to same; if an information campaign for persons in relation to same (details supplied) will be considered; and if local telephone or web based supports will be made available to assist the vision impaired or blind voter to recall the candidates and their position on the ballot papers in each electoral area. — Sean Sherlock. [19474/19]

*1567. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if, in all HAP and RAS tenancies and leasing arrangements between local authorities and landlords, the properties are registered with the RTB; if this is a requirement for the landlord to receive payments; the number of tenancies that are not compliant by local authority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19485/19]

*1568. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when he will progress the maritime area and foreshore (amendment) Bill; the reason for the delays in its progression to date; the timeline in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19564/19]

*1569. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason a person with a stamp 4 visa is excluded from accessing the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [19576/19]

*1570. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to allow former tenants to lodge a complaint with the RTB if the cost of the rent of their former home has increased by more than 4% between their tenancy and the next tenancy in a rent pressure zone; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [19595/19]

*1571. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to create a database of rents in order that individual rental units can be tracked and forced to adhere to the rent pressure zone regulations when there is a change of tenants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [19596/19]

*1572. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the position in relation to the application for planning under the IROPI process for the new Lough Talt water treatment plant in County Sligo; when the matter will be concluded; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [19604/19]

*1573. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if the review of the first twelve months of the tenant (incremental) purchase scheme 2016 has been published; and the findings and recommendations in this regard. — Kevin O’Keeffe. [19608/19]

*1574. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when a scheme (details supplied) will be approved; his plans to ensure that there are no further delays in having such a properly funded scheme put in place due to the severe hardship caused to householders at present; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [19659/19]

- *1575. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the estimated average all-in cost of building a new social home. — Pearse Doherty. [19671/19]
- *1576. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the estimated average all-in cost of delivering a buy and renew home. — Pearse Doherty. [19672/19]
- *1577. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the estimated average all-in cost of accommodation for members of the Travelling community. — Pearse Doherty. [19673/19]
- *1578. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the estimated average all-in cost of an affordable home for rent. — Pearse Doherty. [19674/19]
- *1579. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the estimated average all-in cost of affordable homes based on a model (details supplied). — Pearse Doherty. [19675/19]
- *1580. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will issue a report on responses received further to the consultation process to modernise the electoral registration process; when this report will be published; the next steps in the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19768/19]
- *1581. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will issue a report on responses received further to the consultation on a regulatory impact analysis on the establishment of an electoral commission; when this report will be published; the next steps in the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19769/19]
- *1582. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government further to Parliamentary Question 588 of 11 December 2018, if the relevant statutory committee appointments by him will be subject to public advertisement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19770/19]
- *1583. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he has made State board appointments in the past three years in circumstances in which he has reappointed a person that has already served two full terms contrary to the advice in section 13.2 of the Guidelines on Appointments to State boards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19771/19]
- *1584. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the measures he has taken to address the report by the EU Commission in January 2014 that Ireland was disenfranchising Irish citizens living in other EU member states from voting in elections; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19772/19]
- *1585. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of sites included on the vacant site register under the Urban Regeneration and Housing Act 2015 by Galway City Council and Galway County Council to date; the amount collected as a result; the developers and companies included on the register; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Hildegard Naughton. [19783/19]
- *1586. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if rent pressure zones in Cork are to include the Ballincollig-Carrigaline municipal district as revised; and if the southern end of Carrigaline including Fountainstown, Myrtleville and Crosshaven will now fall under the

new Carrigaline municipal district and be considered a designated rent pressure zone as a result. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [19784/19]

*1587. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of enforcement of standards and rent books in 2018 of rental property inspections carried out in each local authority in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19805/19]

*1588. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of housing applicants in each local authority that have refused more than one offer of a home in the past three years in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19806/19]

*1589. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of housing applicants in each local authority that have been suspended from local authority housing lists after refusing more than one offer of a home in the past three years in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [19807/19]

*1590. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if under new regulations it is possible to let accommodation in Galway city, which is student accommodation during term time, as accommodation on a website (details supplied) during the summer months and which is not the primary residence; the permissions required from the local authority to do so; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Hildegard Naughton. [19854/19]

*1591. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the position in relation to amounts outstanding on the non-principal private residence charge; the amount outstanding; the amount collected in recent years; the penalties collected; if the outstanding liability is now capped; if there are extenuating circumstances in which the liability may be reduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [19943/19]

*1592. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to introduce an assistance package for those that lost their homes and other property in the recent wildfires in west County Donegal in addition to other parts of the country; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that a great deal of hardship and loss has occurred due to these wild fires and many persons are severely disadvantaged through no fault of their own; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat The Cope Gallagher. [20017/19]

*1593. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if retained firefighters are being allowed to remain in employment until 60 years of age if medically approved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [20027/19]

*1594. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when changes to grant schemes for private wells and septic tanks under the multi-annual rural water programme will come into effect; when local authorities will be provided with revised guidelines and application forms in view of the fact that it was planned that changes would come into effect at the end of April 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [20052/19]

*1595. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when he will publish the review by a person (details supplied) into certain planning matters in respect of Donegal County Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [20062/19]

*1596. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason the proposed Naas inner relief road satisfies the objectives of the LIHAF fund from which it is receiving funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [20063/19]

*1597. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his views on the width of the proposed roadway on the Naas inner relief road route 2 in view of the fact that construction of roads of this nature can encourage high speeds; his further views on the impact of sound proofing walls proposed to be erected adjacent to residential homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [20064/19]

*1598. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his views on factually inaccurate information being printed and distributed on election material; and the remedy in place for correcting such falsehoods. — Clare Daly. [20070/19]

*1599. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason he has chosen to replace Irish Water commercial debt with State funded debt; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19509/19]

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

*1600. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the number of new jobs created by Údarás na Gaeltachta client companies in 2018, by county in tabular form; the number of jobs in client companies in each county; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19074/19]

*1601. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the properties and land rented by Údarás na Gaeltachta in 2018, in tabular form; the yearly rent paid per property; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19079/19]

*1602. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the way in which she plans to protect a site (details supplied) until a detailed investigative report can be carried out on its archaeological significance; if an update will be sought from South Dublin County Council on the way in which it plans to protect the land due to a recent find there; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [20054/19]

*1603. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if a proposal by a person (details supplied) to be included in the turf cutting compensation scheme will be considered in respect of a parcel of bogland from their holdings; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [18430/19]

*1604. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the correspondence he has received from Cork City Council in respect of a funding proposal for an event centre. — Sean Sherlock. [18468/19]

*1605. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding turf cutting; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18626/19]

*1606. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the annual capital allocation to Comhar Naíonraí na Gaeltachta in each of the years 2016 to 2018, in tabular form; and the 2019 allocation in this regard. — Dara Calleary. [18901/19]

*1607. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the status of the Cork event centre; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18975/19]

*1608. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the position regarding planning permission and funding for the Cork event centre; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18976/19]

*1609. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the reason a new timeline is not in place in view of comments made that a new timeline would be in place by Easter 2019 for the Cork event centre; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [18977/19]

*1610. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht her plans to assist the development of better marine facilities on Clare Island including the extension of the pier and the provision of a breakwater; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [19049/19]

*1611. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht her plans to provide funding for the development of better harbour facilities on the mainland to serve Inishturk Island and Clare Island all year round and in all weather; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [19050/19]

*1612. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht her plans to seek permission from the EU for the provision of a public service obligation air service to Cleggan airport and to Inishbofin from Connemara airport; if so, when she plans to lodge the application; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [19052/19]

*1613. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the budget allocation for Údarás na Gaeltachta in 2018 and 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19347/19]

*1614. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the extent of funding for museums (details supplied); and her plans to take over the running and financing of another museum. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [19373/19]

*1615. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the properties that remain under the ownership of the State within the area of a site (details supplied) in Dublin 1; and the plans in place for their future use and development. — Peadar Tóibín. [19432/19]

*1616. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the funding from Údarás na Gaeltachta provided to a company (details supplied) in 2018. — Ruth Coppinger. [19679/19]

*1617. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the number of employees in a company (details supplied) which received Údarás na Gaeltachta grant aid. — Ruth Coppinger. [19680/19]

*1618. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht when a decision will be made on an application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [19685/19]

*1619. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if she will address the perceived decades of neglect that has led to the deterioration of the Market House, Castleblayney, County Monaghan in view of the significant cost of the repair and restoration; if she will pursue funding sources including from the historic structures fund and the built heritage investment scheme in view of the significant cost of repair and restoration; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin. [19785/19]

*1620. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the status of an application for a section 42 licence by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19801/19]

*1621. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if her attention has been drawn to the recent gorse fires that destroyed hundreds of acres of land around the villages of Loughanure and Annagry, County Donegal; her plans to carry out an evaluation of the destruction of flora, fauna and wildlife as a consequence of these fires; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [20003/19]

*1622. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if her attention has been drawn to reports of hedgerow destruction on the part of Irish Rail, including severe hedge trimming and hedge removal (details supplied); if she has raised the matter with Irish Rail; her plans to carry out an investigation in this regard; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [20005/19]

*1623. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht her plans to put in place an information and support system for landowners in order that they will not engage in the burning of vegetation outside the burning season from September to February inclusive as legislated in section 7(1) of the Heritage Act 2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [20006/19]

*1624. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if a detailed report on a site (details supplied) is to be carried out to establish its archaeological significance in view of a recent find there; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [20053/19]

*1625. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if the National Monuments Service has analysed the full report into recent bronze age discoveries in an archaeological dig on land on Scholarstown Road, Templeogue, Dublin 16; and if she will request a full independent archaeological survey of the site and publish a plan for the preservation of the significant finds. — Seán Crowe. [20124/19]

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gCOMHAIR FREAGRA Ó BHÉAL DÉARDAOIN, 9 BEALTAINE, 2019
QUESTIONS, OTHER THAN QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY, FOR ORAL
ANSWER ON THURSDAY, 9 MAY, 2019**

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

1. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which his Department can access particular EU funding or other sources to address the issues for Irish agriculture arising in the context of Brexit and future uncertainty as a result; the steps he can take in the short-term to

address the issues drawn to his attention by the farming community recently on this issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20113/19]

2. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide the minutes of the annual meeting of the Hare Coursing Monitoring Committee; if he is satisfied with the make-up of the committee; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [16674/19]

3. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the timeline of his interactions with the EU in relation to his submission for assistance for the seafood sector in the event of a no-deal Brexit; the indicative amount of contingency funding he is seeking from the EU in the event of a UK crashout from the EU; the state of readiness of such assistance should the seafood sector have to avail of it post-October 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat The Cope Gallagher. [19852/19]

4. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the position with regard to discussions regarding the next CAP reform and the protection of the CAP budget; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [20101/19]

5. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he will take to ensure dairy farmers receive a higher price for their milk; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [20157/19]

6. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the supports provided to Bord Bia to assist Irish agri-food businesses to find new markets for its produce in the context of a potentially changed trading environment post-Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [20100/19]

7. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the supports he has in place for the Irish agri-sector if new UK tariffs are imposed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19046/19]

8. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way in which he can address concerns of residents close to fox hunting events regarding encroachments into residential areas; and the measures taken to address this reality to date. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [20110/19]

9. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the price beef farmers are receiving for their produce from factories; the details of recent discussions at the beef forum; the actions and deadlines agreed; the steps being taken to protect beef farmers from a hard Brexit and a Mercosur deal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [20060/19]

10. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the beef environmental efficiency pilot; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [20104/19]

11. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the degree to which his attention has been drawn to the difficulties facing the beef sector with particular reference to the need to ensure the sustainability of farm families in the context of competition in the market place, a reasonable return for their produce and a means of addressing the issue of peaks and valleys in the industry which causes difficulty in relation to forward planning; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [20112/19]

12. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason for the change in land eligibility for farmers in cases in which land qualified under biophysical constraint (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [20094/19]

13. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when he expects to receive a reply to his submission to the EU for a fund to support beef farmers in the wake of Brexit; the way in which he plans to administer such a fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [20158/19]

14. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the targets Bord Bia has for 2019 for live export of cattle for six months or more; the resources in place to ensure a reasonable number are delivered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [20093/19]

15. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way in which compulsory electronic tagging of lambs for slaughter improves traceability when livestock marts and meat processing factories are refusing to read tags electronically; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [19997/19]

16. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number and location of fish farms around the country; the number of inspections at these fish farms each year since 2016; the reason for the decision to rescind a fish farm licence under section 68 of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1997; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19126/19]

17. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the Programme for Partnership Government commitment to seek recognition from the European Commission for forgotten farmers as a group with specific disadvantage under the national reserve in the same way that old young farmers are provided for. — Charlie McConalogue. [20059/19]

18. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the efforts he is making to seek new markets in the context of Brexit; the efforts being made by agencies under his remit to provide support to agri-food business; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [20103/19]

19. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of recent progress in the development of live export markets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [20102/19]

20. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the recent progress in the development of live export markets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [20099/19]

21. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when a compensation package will be introduced for beef farmers that have seen incomes severely impacted since Autumn 2018. — Thomas Byrne. [20111/19]

22. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of actions being taken to prepare for Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [20115/19]

23. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the conditions in fur farms here; the way in which he can address the concerns of groups highly critical of this practice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [20109/19]

24. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent of contingency planning he has prepared in the event of a no-deal Brexit; the submissions he has made to the EU for assistance should a no-deal Brexit occur for the entire seafood sector; when such contingencies would come into place in the event of a no-deal; when the assistance packages will be made available to the entire seafood sector; if the state of preparedness in the marine sector is equal to preparations made already for the agriculture sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat The Cope Gallagher. [19851/19]

25. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to support and incentivise the wide scale production of premium quality tillage crops, meat and dairy products here concentrating on GMO-free, organic and 100% Irish-made products; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [20108/19]

26. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the position regarding the appeals process for the ANC scheme with reference to appeals by farmers in County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [19048/19]

27. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason farmers are not paid for the fifth quarter, that is, remaining pieces of an animal carcass which are not being used for meat production. — Charlie McConalogue. [20057/19]

28. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to implement full convergence of the basic payment scheme immediately or on a gradual basis over the lifetime of the next CAP; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [19996/19]

29. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views with regard to children being present at horse racing and greyhound racing tracks in view of the trends of problem gambling and the exposure to persons under the legal age to gambling; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [14340/19]

30. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number and location of organic salmon farms requested to accelerate harvesting in view of concerns in relation to high sea lice levels on their farms; the number and location of other farms with levels of sea lice that are of concern; the actions being taken to address and resolve these issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [20098/19]

31. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason only 81 approved loans under the Brexit loan scheme have progressed to bank level despite 462 eligibility applications received; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [19045/19]

32. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when a compensation package will be introduced as a direct mitigation measure from the decrease in prices experienced by beef farmers since Autumn 2018 from the impact of Brexit. — Charlie McConalogue. [20056/19]

33. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress made on growing existing markets and establishing new markets that will equate to exports of agricultural produce to the UK in view of the delay in Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [19998/19]

34. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to reports (details supplied) that at least 40 Irish and UK born and trained greyhounds are allegedly

being kept in very poor conditions for breeding in China; the resources he will make available for the repatriation of Irish greyhounds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [19047/19]

35. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to ongoing research undertaken by NUI Galway with EU funding in relation to antibiotic resistant bacteria in the sea around County Galway; the actions being taken further to the findings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [20097/19]

36. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the percentage of Irish beef products that are genetically modified free; the percentage of Irish dairy products that are genetically modified free; the percentage of cattle feed used here that is imported genetically modified free; if the imported feed is tested for traces of chemicals such as glyphosate; if so, the locations these test results can be accessed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [20107/19]

37. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the contingencies being operationalised and supports that will be in place to safeguard farmers here and the agri-food sector for all scenarios including a no-deal hard Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [20058/19]

38. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of the submission made to the European Commission for an additional support package for the beef sector; the feedback received; and when a final decision is expected. — Martin Heydon. [20105/19]

39. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the supports in place to support farmers and the mushroom growers sector in view of Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [20106/19]

40. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to assist farmers affected by the ongoing beef crisis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [20061/19]