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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

1. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent engagement with the US Congressional delegation that visited Ireland. — Mary Lou McDonald. [21570/19]

2. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his meeting with the US Congressional delegation that visited Ireland recently. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [21771/19]

3. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to Prime Minister May since Dáil Éireann adjourned for the Easter recess; and if so, if he discussed the Northern Ireland talks, Brexit or other matters. — Micheál Martin. [20558/19]

4. To ask the Taoiseach when he last spoke with the British Prime Minister, Mrs. Theresa May. — Mary Lou McDonald. [21569/19]

5. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report of the ongoing talks in Northern Ireland; and if he has discussed same with Prime Minister May. — Michael Moynihan. [21769/19]

6. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent conversations with Prime Minister May in relation to Northern Ireland. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [21772/19]

7. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken with Prime Minister May in relation to the talks on Northern Ireland recently. — Micheál Martin. [22680/19]

8. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the discussion at the informal EU Council meeting on building a greener, fairer and more inclusive future; and if he contributed to same. — Michael Moynihan. [20555/19]

9. To ask the Taoiseach if digital taxation was discussed at the informal EU Council meeting. — Michael Moynihan. [20557/19]

10. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the discussions at the informal EU Council meeting in May 2019 on developing the EU economic base, in particular regarding fair and effective taxation, protecting the single market, deepening EMU and ensuring connectivity in addition to developing artificial intelligence; and if he contributed to these discussions. — Micheál Martin. [20559/19]

11. To ask the Taoiseach if he attended bilaterals when he attended the informal EU Council meeting on 9 May 2019; and if so, the issues that were discussed. — Micheál Martin. [20560/19]

12. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the informal European Council meeting in Sibiu, Romania; and the decisions taken in relation to the future of Europe. — Seán Haughey. [21513/19]

13. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the recent informal meeting of the European Council. — Mary Lou McDonald. [21571/19]

14. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the informal European Council meeting in Sibiu, Romania on 9 May 2019. — Brendan Howlin. [21852/19]

15. To ask the Taoiseach further to the reply to Parliamentary Question Nos. 5 to 14 on 5 February 2019, if he will report on any contacts he has had with a person (details supplied). — Michael Moynihan. [21768/19]

16. To ask the Taoiseach if agricultural issues or CAP were discussed when he met President Macron on 15 May 2019. — Michael Moynihan. [21766/19]

17. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his visit to Paris on 15 May 2019 and the Christchurch call to action which commits Governments and online service providers to undertake a series of actions to counteract and remove extreme violent activity online. — Micheál Martin. [21774/19]

18. To ask the Taoiseach if he met with other world leaders in Paris on 15 May 2019; and if so, the issues he discussed with them. — Micheál Martin. [21775/19]

19. To ask the Taoiseach if he spoke with Prime Minister May in relation to her upcoming vote on the Withdrawal Treaty Bill in June 2019 while in Paris. — Micheál Martin. [22083/19]

20. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his meetings in Paris on 15 May 2019. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [22684/19]

21. To ask the Taoiseach his plans for visits abroad over the next six months. — Brendan Howlin. [22696/19]

22. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the informal EU Council meeting held on 28 May 2019; the issues that were discussed; and if he held bilaterals at same. — Micheál Martin. [22676/19]

23. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his meeting with EU leaders at the informal EU Council meeting. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [22683/19]

24. To ask the Taoiseach the status of his plans for Seanad reform. — Brendan Howlin. [22697/19]

25. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the international, European Union and northern division of his Department. — Brendan Howlin. [22698/19]

CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

26. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of discussions he has had with the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment with regard to broadband provision in rural communities including the role of his Department in the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [23010/19]

27. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the national indemnity scheme that he announced to indemnify private land owners in areas not covered by the approved trails in respect of the use of their lands for recreational purposes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [22753/19]

28. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if the level of funding being made available under the SICAP programme will be reviewed in view of the fact it has been at the same level since 2016 and is anticipated to remain at this level until 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [23011/19]

29. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if County Cork and in particular west County Cork will receive a fair share of funding in the next round of rural regeneration and development funding in view of the fact that in the second round of rural regeneration and development funding announcements, west County Cork was passed over and received no funding for community type projects even though projects were ready to go or shovel ready. — Michael Collins. [22899/19]

30. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans to develop better rural connectivity through increased funding to the transport measures of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [23049/19]

CEISTEANNA EILE OTHER QUESTIONS

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

31. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans to help communities which require assistance in formulating proposals for funding from the various programmes under his remit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [22719/19]

32. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when successful applications under 2019 CLÁR funding will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [22754/19]

33. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the EU funding supports available for regional development. — Dara Calleary. [22887/19]

34. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the level of funding drawn down by his Department under the ESF programme for employability, inclusion and learning 2014 to 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [22737/19]

35. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount spent to date under the 2014-2020 Leader programme by project and administration costs, respectively; the amount expended to date on project costs by each LAG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [22890/19]

36. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the role of his Department in tackling climate change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [22798/19]

37. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans to allocate funding in 2019 to an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [22729/19]

38. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development further to Parliamentary Question No. 10 of 8 November 2018, when the review of local community development committees due in quarter 2 of 2018 will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [22877/19]

39. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the feedback he received from stakeholders during his recent roadshow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [22727/19]

40. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of applications made under the rural regeneration and development fund to date per category; the number of applications granted funding per category; the funding approved for the scheme in 2019; the number and value of payments made to date for approved projects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [22891/19]

41. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the level of funding under the community enhancement programme for 2019 compared to 2018; the number of additional projects that will be funded; if all funding has been allocated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [22797/19]

42. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the projects delayed or shelved as a result of the financial burden created by the excessive costs of the national children's hospital and the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [22752/19]

43. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if he will report on the town and village renewal scheme and the rural regeneration pilot scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [22726/19]

44. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the consultations taking place with stakeholders for the next phase of rural policy post-2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [22721/19]

45. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of funding for the SLNCR greenway and the Cavan and Leitrim greenway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [22751/19]

46. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the rural regeneration development fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [22725/19]

47. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the 2019 CLÁR programme, the 2019 outdoor recreational infrastructural scheme and the walks scheme, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [22723/19]

48. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the roll out of the Leader programme as at the end of April 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [22722/19]

49. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of discussions he has had with the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment with regard to broadband provision in rural areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [22889/19]

50. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the operations of the Western Development Commission and its role in the development of the Atlantic economic corridor; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [22728/19]

51. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the response he received from the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform to his recent letter on treating community groups applying for Leader funding with greater flexibility in the procurement process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [22874/19]

52. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if he or his officials have been briefed by the board of Pobal in relation to its review of its charitable status; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [22886/19]

53. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his proposals for the development of a national volunteering strategy and for the drawing up of a national social enterprise policy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [22868/19]

54. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his plans to provide additional funding for the local improvement scheme in County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [22730/19]

55. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the implications for rural Ireland of the roll out of the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [22720/19]

56. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the 2019 local improvement scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [22724/19]

57. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if he has considered the independent review of the charitable status of Pobal; when the review will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [22878/19]

58. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the spend to date in 2019 under the rural regeneration fund; the expenditure expected by year end; the value of the grant approvals to date under the fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [22845/19]

59. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount approved for projects to date under the current Leader programme by LAG; the total paid out to date by LAG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [22846/19]

60. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when the mid-term review of local economic and community plans will be published; the extent to which each of the sustainable development goals have been incorporated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [22879/19]

61. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the position regarding the first allocation under the rural regeneration and development fund; the project review mechanisms in place; when the second call for funding under the fund will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [22881/19]

62. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when the reports in relation to the town and village pilot residential occupancy scheme from each of the six local authorities will be published; when the pilot scheme will be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [22880/19]

63. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the details of the community services programme; the number of groups in receipt of assistance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [22718/19]

64. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development further to Parliamentary Question No. 1383 of 8 May 2019, the details of the types of information received from the call for input for the national strategy on volunteering; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [22717/19]

65. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the progress to date in appointing a CEO to the Charities Regulator and Pobal, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [22869/19]

66. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the local improvement scheme nationally; his plans to increase funding to clear backlogs on waiting lists for the scheme over the past ten years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [22755/19]

67. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development his views on expenditure in his Department up until the end of quarter 1 of 2019 with regard to 2017 and 2018 allocation made for schemes (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [22888/19]

68. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the progress of the training programme for procurement staff in local development companies and local authorities administering the Leader programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [22873/19]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA
QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

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

*69. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of athletes being sent to China for the CISM World Games 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [22969/19]

*70. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if triathletes in the Defence Forces will be travelling to China to represent Ireland in the CISM World Games 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [22970/19]

*71. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the amount being spent to accommodate athletes travelling to the CISM World Games in China in October 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [22971/19]

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

*72. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if the Israel and Palestine issue was discussed at the recent EU Foreign Affairs Council meeting. — Michael Moynihan. [22673/19]

*73. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the name of the members appointed to the 2018 election observation roster; if all those placed on the roster had sought to be reappointed; if current or past Departmental staff members have been appointed to the 2018 roster; the detail of each observer placed by mission since the commencement of the new roster; the costs incurred per placement; the expenses and grants paid for each observer placed; the number of observers with disabilities placed on missions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [22958/19]

*74. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the reason funding is only provided to UN youth volunteers for 12 months; his plans to extend the period of funding for volunteers in the future to a two year period similar to other countries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [23009/19]

*75. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade further to Parliamentary Question No. 116 of 21 May 2019, the status of a passport application by a person (details supplied); the approximate date for the issuing of the passport; if the application will be expedited to allow the person to travel for Eid on 5 June 2019 in view of the fact that proof of travel has been supplied; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [23053/19]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*76. To ask the Minister for Finance if his officials have received the recent OECD Economic Outlook Report published on 21 May 2019. — Micheál Martin. [22681/19]

*77. To ask the Minister for Finance if the OECD report on corporation tax was discussed at recent EU Ecofin meetings or when he met his EU counterparts. — Micheál Martin. [22677/19]

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

*78. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the flood defences for Athea, County Limerick; and the location in Athea they will be carried out. — Tom Neville. [22988/19]

*79. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the expenditure incurred to date by various Departments in acquiring and developing physical infrastructure for all possible Brexit scenarios, including for example, buying or leasing of land at ports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [22992/19]

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

*80. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of school building projects at an advanced stage of architectural planning stage 2(B) - detailed design; the number of school building projects that have been at stage 2B for more than one, two, three and over five years, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [22912/19]

*81. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the options available in terms of transport provision for children including children with special educational needs not attending their nearest primary and post-primary schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [22922/19]

*82. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of school places for students with autism in both primary and secondary schools in Dublin by location; and the steps he is taking to address the shortage of school places for students with autism in Dublin. — Seán Crowe. [22952/19]

*83. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason secondary school SNAs work during the month of June in view of the fact that only State exams are taking place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [22978/19]

*84. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding differing levels of pay between SNAs at primary and secondary level respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [22979/19]

*85. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason for salary and working hours disparity between primary and secondary school SNAs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [22980/19]

*86. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to expand and add additional resources if needed to carry out energy efficient retrofits of schools nationally in view of the fact that a climate emergency has been declared; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [23037/19]

*87. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the number of schools that are set to benefit from deep energy retrofits in 2019 will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [23038/19]

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

*88. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the progress to date in the determination of an application for citizenship in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [22905/19]

*89. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 218 of 2 April 2019, when the information will issue (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [22934/19]

*90. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the current and possible residency status in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [22942/19]

*91. 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. [22944/19]

*92. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí by rank attached to each community policing unit in the Coolock Garda District as of 20 May 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [22959/19]

*93. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to increase the number of Garda vehicles in Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [23034/19]

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

*94. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to revise legislation regarding trade unions with particular reference to if it is possible for persons to be in multiple unions and if unions can on that basis request a member to resign and maintain sole membership; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [22998/19]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*95. To ask the Minister for Health if officials in his Department work with officials in other Departments on the formulation of health policy. — Micheál Martin. [22679/19]

*96. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assessments of need carried out by the ASD team located in Waterford city and county in each of the years 2016 to 2018, by age groups of zero to six, seven to 12 and 13 to 18 years of age in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [22901/19]

*97. To ask the Minister for Health the average length of time a child may be waiting for an assessment of need for an ASD diagnosis in Waterford city and county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [22902/19]

*98. To ask the Minister for Health the reason some HSE disability services in various CHOs are reluctant to accept privately sourced assessment of needs diagnosis for ASD which parents have privately undertaken from qualified medical personnel due to the length of the waiting lists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [22903/19]

*99. To ask the Minister for Health when and they way in which the 15 additional posts promised under the 2019 National Service Plan of the HSE to improve access and assessments for children in County Waterford and the south-east will be allocated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [22904/19]

*100. To ask the Minister for Health if the audiologist working with the HSE to screen and monitor persons with hearing impairments in counties Westmeath, Roscommon, Laois and Offaly is no longer employed by the HSE; the length of time the position of audiologist been vacant; his plans to rectify the situation; the number of patients seeking screening and monitoring that had their appointments cancelled or postponed as a result of there being no audiologist available to provide this service in the counties in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [22935/19]

*101. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to address concerns of parents with children with hearing impairments in counties Westmeath, Roscommon, Laois and Offaly that have had their screening and monitoring appointments cancelled due to the fact the audiologist employed by the HSE to provide this service in the counties is no longer employed by the HSE; and the measures being put in place to ensure children are regularly monitored by a hearing specialist. — Louise O'Reilly. [22936/19]

*102. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 43 of 15 May 2019, the recommended medical, infrastructural and accessibility designation criteria for a major trauma centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [22937/19]

*103. To ask the Minister for Health when the HSE plans to provide pembrolizumab to public cancer patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [22940/19]

*104. To ask the Minister for Health if pembrolizumab has received marketing authorisation here and in the EU respectively, for the treatment of cervical and colorectal cancer. — Louise O'Reilly. [22941/19]

*105. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be given an urgent date for an appointment for an assessment of need, early intervention, genetics and neurodevelopment. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [22943/19]

*106. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Clare will receive cataract surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [22947/19]

*107. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the building of a new HSE nursing home (details supplied) in Dublin 24 has caused significant issues for residents living in an area; if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that the construction of the nursing home is ongoing and the lights in the facility are being left on all night each night; the reason for same; and the amount the HSE is spending each week on electricity for the building. — Seán Crowe. [22951/19]

*108. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to appoint a new consultant to the diabetic paediatric service in Cork University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [22954/19]

*109. To ask the Minister for Health the reason another consultant has not been allocated to the diabetic adult services team in Cork University Hospital in view of the fact that one consultant clinic is closed to new patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [22955/19]

*110. To ask the Minister for Health if a psychologist will be appointed in Cork University Hospital to assist children come to terms with their diabetes diagnosis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [22956/19]

*111. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to allocate more dieticians to the diabetic services team in Cork University Hospital in view of the fact that there is one and a half dieticians at the hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [22957/19]

*112. To ask the Minister for Health if and when occupational therapy and an appointment for a child psychologist will be facilitated in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [22963/19]

*113. To ask the Minister for Health if medical equipment can be provided to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [22964/19]

*114. To ask the Minister for Health if the HPV vaccine is to be extended to boys; when the report of the health technology assessment being carried out by HIQA in respect of the HPV vaccine for boys will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [22966/19]

*115. To ask the Minister for Health the number of nurses employed to assist with persons that have Parkinson's disease; his plans to employ more nurses in the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [22967/19]

*116. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to assist persons with Parkinson's disease; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [22968/19]

*117. To ask the Minister for Health when he expects the outcome of a review in relation to admissions policy for a psychiatric hospital (details supplied); if the review has yet commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [22972/19]

*118. To ask the Minister for Health if it is policy not to provide low or medium support hostel accommodation for persons with mental health issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [22973/19]

*119. To ask the Minister for Health if he will seek funding in Budget 2020 to provide resources for the establishment of a dedicated department at a university hospital here to treat persons with Ehlers-Danlos syndrome and hypermobility spectrum disorders to be led by a specialist consultant on the conditions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [22975/19]

*120. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he is taking to address the needs of persons with Ehlers-Danlos syndrome and hypermobility spectrum disorders; his plans to improve services for persons with the conditions in 2019 and 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [22976/19]

*121. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive a hospital appointment with an orthopaedic surgeon at the Midland Regional Hospital, Tullamore. — Barry Cowen. [22981/19]

*122. To ask the Minister for Health the number and types of surgical procedures and treatments carried out in 2018 and to date in 2019 by each public and private hospital under the NTPF scheme; the number by each public and private facility contracted under the fund; the quantum and types of procedures and treatments provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [22990/19]

*123. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive a date for surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [22991/19]

*124. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he will take regarding the new loco parentis rule which means that parents that are carers cannot leave their children with a qualified nurse unless another competent nurse to be present is nominated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Clare Daly. [23000/19]

*125. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 52 of 5 February 2019, the progress he has made in examining the disparity of home support services for the elderly in CHO area 7; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [23036/19]

*126. To ask the Minister for Health if he has met the new Director General of the HSE since their appointment. — Michael Moynihan. [22675/19]

*127. To ask the Minister for Health if there are circumstances in which a refund can be sought by persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [23050/19]

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

*128. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the procedures in place to detect disease on imported bees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [22924/19]

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

*129. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the steps a person (details supplied) can take in order to receive an Eircode; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [22914/19]

*130. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if fibre broadband will be installed at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [22953/19]

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

*131. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the degree to which assistance is available to facilitate localised transport with particular reference to areas not covered by public transport with a view to facilitating shopping, socialising or community interaction with specific reference to the need to prevent isolation in either urban or rural communities nationally and in County Kildare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23029/19]

*132. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when the Road Safety Authority will carry out research into the way in which e-scooters and other such vehicles are regulated in other countries particularly other member states; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [22906/19]

*133. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the commitment under the BusConnects plan to provide accessible buses for wheelchair users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [22908/19]

*134. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the targets and timelines he has set out in order to increase the number of accessible taxis in the fleet; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [22909/19]

*135. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to invest in accessible coach stop infrastructure in Bus Éireann under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of

Persons with Disabilities, Article 9 on accessibility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [22910/19]

*136. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to ensure a fully wheelchair accessible rail service under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Article 9 on accessibility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [22911/19]

*137. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to plans to introduce a bus service linking Caragh village to Naas town and Sallins train station. — James Lawless. [22923/19]

*138. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of progress on the Macroom bypass; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [22939/19]

*139. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of vehicles in the Dublin Bus fleet and a company (details supplied) to date; and the number in the Dublin Bus fleet in each of the years 2009 to 2018, in tabular form. — Bríd Smith. [23007/19]

*140. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of buses removed from service during the summer period in both Dublin Bus and a company (details supplied). — Bríd Smith. [23008/19]

*141. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the exact low emission technology for the future purchasing of Dublin buses has been determined; the work being prepared for the implementation of no longer purchasing diesel only buses from July 2019 onwards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [23039/19]

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

*142. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if her attention has been drawn to the fact that the new regulations under the Childcare Support Act 2018 have forced crèches to reduce the number of places they are offering which will leave many children without childcare; her plans to accommodate those children; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [22946/19]

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

*143. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if legislation or powers are available to allow local authorities to CPO land for the provision of burial grounds; if so, the details of the legislation or powers; if there is no legislation, his plans to introduce such legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [23017/19]

*144. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if he will report on the national community weekend; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23020/19]

*145. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the review of the community services programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23021/19]

*146. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of his proposal to introduce an indemnity scheme for landowners with regards to the use of their land for recreational purposes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23022/19]

*147. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the restructuring of Comhairle na Tuaithe; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23023/19]

*148. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the review of dog legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23024/19]

*149. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the roll out of the 2019 libraries programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23025/19]

*150. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the review of the operation of the local community development committees and the national public participation networks advisory group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23026/19]

*151. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which Leader funding is available to communities and bodies in County Kildare; the amount available for distribution in 2019; the amount made available in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23027/19]

*152. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which he expects various supports administered by his Department to benefit persons, groups or bodies throughout County Kildare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23028/19]

*153. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when the next tranche of grant aid will be awarded; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23030/19]

*154. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which he expects to be in a position to support applications from County Kildare for assistance under the various schemes operated by his Department in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23031/19]

*155. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of an application by a school (details supplied); when a decision will be made on the application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [23052/19]

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

*156. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an appeal by a person (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [22945/19]

*157. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to expand the carer's leave scheme or to introduce more flexibility into the scheme or introduce a new scheme to enable persons to take more time off work to care for elderly parents that are living at home; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [22977/19]

*158. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the basis on which earned homecare credits appear to have been reduced within the calculation for a State pension resulting in a lower rate of payment in the case of a person (details supplied); if a review will be carried out in this instance with a view to awarding full rate of pension; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [22989/19]

*159. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the position in relation to the commencement of section 13 of the Civil Registration (Amendment) Act 2014; the position that pertains to the recognition and recording here of death certificates issued in other jurisdictions in respect of Irish citizens that died abroad; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [22993/19]

*160. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the reintroduction of the fuel allowance and household benefits package will be considered for carers that do not live with the person they care for in view of the fact that during the winter period claimants on jobseeker's allowance receive a higher payment than carers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [23001/19]

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

*161. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the steps he is taking to ensure a percentage of all social housing projects supported by capital funding deliver a percentage of integrated wheelchair accessible social housing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [22907/19]

*162. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if his attention has been drawn to the situation faced by many persons that are ineligible for social housing or HAP and renting privately and saving to apply to the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [22921/19]

*163. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when further funds will be released to Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council to facilitate the Rebuilding Ireland home loan scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [22925/19]

*164. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the review of income eligibility for social housing supports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [22926/19]

*165. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of requests received from Dublin City Council seeking funding for the purchase of additional fire appliances to date in 2019; the proportion of those which were approved, pending or refused in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [22961/19]

*166. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his views on low or medium support hostel accommodation for persons with mental health issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [22974/19]

*167. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if legislation will be brought forward outlawing election posters and replacing them with equal access to a public space in which posters from all candidates could be displayed together with reform of the election expenses system to allow all candidates to set out their key priorities. — Clare Daly. [22996/19]

*168. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if electoral legislation will be revised in order that persons working abroad at election time in public service roles can be allowed to vote in the same way as members of the Defence Forces. — Clare Daly. [22997/19]

*169. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when a review of the tenant incremental purchase scheme will be published; if tenants of Part V housing will be allowed to purchase their houses under the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [23018/19]

*170. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the basis on which he has made the decision to amend the regulations to provide that a household that refuses two offers in a twelve month period will not receive further offers from local authorities for a period of five years instead of the current period of one year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [23032/19]

*171. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to direct all local authorities to acknowledge the climate emergency and to take the necessary urgent action to deal with same in view of the fact that a climate emergency has been declared; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [23033/19]

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

*172. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if a person (details supplied) is eligible for inclusion in the turf cutting compensation scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [22900/19]

*173. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the estimated full year cost if the budget for the Creative Ireland programme was increased by 25%. — Denise Mitchell. [22960/19]

**CEISTEANNA, SEACHAS CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH, I
gCOMHAIR FREAGRA Ó BHÉAL DÉARDAOIN, 30 BEALTAINÉ, 2019
QUESTIONS, OTHER THAN QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY, FOR ORAL
ANSWER ON THURSDAY, 30 MAY, 2019**

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

1. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of cases due for review under the new total contribution system for assessing pensioners for contributory State pensions; the number of cases reviewed and finalised to date; the number of these cases that resulted in an increase in pension of between up to €10, between €10 and €20, between €20 and €30 and over €30 per week; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [22847/19]

2. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she or officials from her Department discussed the issue of the publication of the full final report of the investigation by the Data Protection Commission into the public services card with the Commission since the

meeting of the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Justice and Equality on 3 April 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [22995/19]

3. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to extend the duration of jobseeker's payments in line with the increase in pension to 67 years of age; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [23002/19]

4. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 481 of 14 May 2019, the reason the average number of weeks to award payments (details supplied) are between nine and 13 weeks; the measures she is taking to reduce these waiting times for the award of these payments; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [22787/19]

5. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her views on the statistic that 132,000 children here are growing up in consistent poverty; her further views on whether this is unacceptable in a wealthy society such as Ireland and is indicative of policy failure in view of the fact the number continues to rise; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [22692/19]

6. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of plans for local employment services, including the tender process for the service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [22984/19]

7. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of her planned engagement with community employment supervisors; the proposals she plans to bring forward to address their entitlement to an occupational pension; if there is a timeline in place for the discussions to be completed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [22987/19]

8. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the progress being made and the associated timeframe regarding the introduction of a total contribution pension scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [23012/19]

9. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of the proposed expansion of the net eligibility for those self-employed that account for 14% of workers; her views on whether self-employed persons should contribute more in view of the differential between the 4% self-employed rate and the combined 14.95% for PAYE employees; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [22916/19]

10. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of children in poverty; the steps she is taking to tackle the problem; if she has held discussions with the Department of Children and Youth Affairs to address the reported capacity problem within the childcare sector which is regarded as a key driver of childhood poverty; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [22917/19]

11. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the level of bureaucracy involved in the annual forms that applicants for farm assist are required to fill out and return will be reviewed; if the level of information required on an annual basis will be reduced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [22789/19]

12. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of her plans to introduce an auto-enrolment pension system; the progress made to date in this regard, in particular changes she is considering to the straw-man proposal and the proposed date for introduction; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [22986/19]

13. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason the new national action plan for social inclusion has not been published; the definitive date for its publication; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [22985/19]

14. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will take the necessary steps to ensure a speedy processing of appeals in respect of various payments administered by her Department with a view to the elimination of hardship; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23015/19]

15. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when the last review of carer’s allowance took place; if she will consider reviewing the criteria in place particularly in relation to the 15 hour rule and the means test in order to make it easier for carers to qualify; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [23006/19]

16. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will review the hearing aid grant available under the treatment benefit fund in view of the health inequality when it comes to the affordability of hearing aids for those without a medical card; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [23004/19]

17. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she has examined the negative social effects of the method of assessing capital for means testing purposes for those in receipt of disability allowance; if she is satisfied that this is not acting as a poverty trap; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [22848/19]

18. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the steps she is taking to further tackle long-term unemployment; her views on the recent CSO labour force survey report; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [23045/19]

19. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when discussions will commence with the relevant bodies to bring in a sectoral employment order to ensure that tips in cash and credit cards from customers to employees across the industry go directly to the employee; and when same will be introduced. — Joan Collins. [22792/19]

20. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will make specific provision in order to ensure that persons whose welfare payments come under periodic review do not suffer a loss of another vital payment such as rent support or carer’s allowance until such time that a final decision has been made; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [23014/19]

21. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans in relation to the future of the local employment service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [23003/19]

22. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of her plans to re-examine the situation for women that lost out on a full State pension (contributory) due to

leaving the workforce to raise children; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [22821/19]

23. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when the review process into those persons affected by the 2012 changes to the State pension (contributory) will be completed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [23040/19]

24. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the processing times for carer's allowance and carer's benefit applications; the reason for the backlog of applications; her plans to address same; if additional staff will be allocated in order to clear same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [22790/19]

25. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of pensioners in counties Longford and Westmeath that will be positively affected by the change in pension rules for persons that took time out of the workforce to care for dependents; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [22784/19]

26. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the progress being made to introduce an auto-enrolment pension scheme; the timeframe for the development and introduction of such a scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [23013/19]

27. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason the file of a person (details supplied) has not yet been received from the carer's allowance section two months later; when it is expected that the carer's allowance section will forward the file; the length of time it will then take for a decision on the appeal once the file is received; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [22785/19]

28. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will consent to the publication on the full final report of the investigation by the Data Protection Commission into the public services card following the comments by the Deputy Commissioner at the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Justice and Equality on 3 April 2019 that the DPC has no objection to the publication and that it is the legal position of the DPC that the Commission must get the permission of her Department to publish the report; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Wallace. [22994/19]

29. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of the hot school meals scheme pilot project; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [23046/19]

30. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to address the delays in processing reviews for social welfare payments, including carer's allowance, disability allowance and domiciliary care allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [22786/19]

31. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she has had an engagement with JobPath providers in relation to extending referrals beyond 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [23005/19]

32. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of the new parental leave scheme due to commence in November 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [23043/19]

33. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason a person (details supplied) does not meet the qualifying criteria for a full rate of pension. — Joan Collins. [22791/19]

34. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her views on youth unemployment figures remaining in double digits despite a number of initiatives and schemes to support young persons in training and employment; if she is considering new measures or schemes for 2020; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [22788/19]

35. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the consideration that has been given to women, young persons and minorities earning below €20,000 as part of her plans to introduce pension auto-enrolment; if auto-enrolment for this cohort will be considered with the option to opt-out; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [22915/19]

36. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans to ensure representative organisations of retired workers can have access to forums that will decide or discuss their pension entitlements and benefits; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [20566/19]

37. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of reviews which have been completed into those persons affected by the 2012 changes to the State pension (contributory); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [23041/19]

38. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons that availed of paternity benefit both nationally and in County Limerick since its introduction in September 2016; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [23044/19]

39. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will address a matter regarding issues arising with the back to education allowance in relation to adult education (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [23042/19]

