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Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

*1. To ask the Taoiseach further to Parliamentary Question No. 6 of 23 July 2019, the way in which and or procedure in which the 1911 census records were released early; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40741/19]

*2. To ask the Taoiseach if he has met or spoken with the DUP Leader Ms Arlene Foster since 2 October 2019; if the EU response to alternative suggestion by the UK Government to the backstop was discussed; and if the Northern Assembly will be restored before 21 October 2019. — Micheál Martin. [40812/19]

*3. To ask the Taoiseach if he has discussed the reaction from business groups in Northern Ireland to the latest suggestions from the UK Government on custom checks with the leader of the DUP; and her reaction to same. — Micheál Martin. [40813/19]

*4. To ask the Taoiseach the Cabinet committee which covers policy on direct provision centres; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [40819/19]

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

*5. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the reason for the lowering of the age limit for entry to cadetships from 28 to 26; the research and consideration undertaken prior to making the change; the decision making process he and his Department followed in agreeing to the proposal by the military authorities to bring the age down to 26; the consideration given to the talent pool of graduates and non-graduates between 26 to 28 years of age that the change disqualifies from entering cadetships (details supplied); if he is considering reverting the upper age limit for cadetships to 28 years of age which is considered best practice across many European states; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [40784/19]

*6. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of females that joined the Army, Air Corps and Naval Service in 2018 and to-date in 2019; the number of females that are in training for the Army, Air Corps and Naval Service as at 30 September 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40926/19]

*7. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the policy for the disposal of Civil Defence uniforms; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [40937/19]

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

*8. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he has jurisdiction of the inner six mile zone around Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40623/19]

*9. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he has spoken to or met with his UK counterparts or other EU counterparts since the UK Government submitted its written alternative suggestions to the backstop to the EU; his views on whether it is a final offer; and his further views on whether if the Prime Minister is determined to scrap the backstop. — Micheál Martin. [40811/19]

*10. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if an extension will be applied for and granted to the withdrawal of the UK from the European Union if it is not possible to negotiate or agree a Brexit deal at the EU Council meeting in October 2019 in view of the European Union (Withdrawal) (No. 2) Act 2019 (details supplied); and if the EU is planning for all scenarios. — Micheál Martin. [40814/19]

*11. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if the written alternative arrangements from the UK in relation to the withdrawal of the UK from the European Union are a breach of agreement between the two Governments in December 2017; and his views on whether the Good Friday Agreement is also breached by same. — Micheál Martin. [40815/19]

*12. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the steps he has taken to reach the 0.7% ODA/GNI investment commitment with respect to the overseas development aid budget in advance of Budget 2020, as set out in the international development policy of Ireland in order to achieve sustainable development goals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [41128/19]

*13. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will report on his latest meeting with Mr. Michel Barnier; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40520/19]

*14. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will report on the latest engagement by him and his officials with the European Commission in relation to the need for and location of checks in the event of a no-deal Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40521/19]

*15. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views regarding the citizenship of persons (details supplied) and their desire to remain within a country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40658/19]

*16. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of a passport application in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [40669/19]

*17. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade when Ireland will sign an International Treaty on Business and Human Rights; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [40675/19]

*18. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the situation in Yemen; the recent steps taken by the EU and the international community to address the ongoing instability; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [40767/19]

*19. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on recent developments in Hong Kong; if this matter has been discussed formally at EU level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [40768/19]

*20. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the implementation of the recommendations in the report on addressing barriers faced by returning Irish emigrants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [40769/19]

*21. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the situation in Venezuela; the EU's response to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [40770/19]

*22. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the position in relation to recent riots in Hong Kong concerning proposed extradition legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [40795/19]

*23. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the estimated cost in 2020 of recruiting three additional full-time architects for his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40921/19]

*24. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if there has been a change in policy with regard to the working holiday visa agreement between Ireland and the United States; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [40993/19]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*25. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of applications made by agri-food businesses to register for an economic operators registration and identification number which the Revenue Commissioners have identified traded with the UK in 2018; and the number of letters written by the Revenue Commissioners to agri-food businesses urging them to register for such a customs number which will be required to continue trading with the UK post Brexit by county in tabular form. — Robert Troy. [40671/19]

*26. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of applications made by SME businesses to register for an economic operators registration and identification number which the Revenue Commissioners have identified traded with the UK in 2018; and the number of letters written by the Revenue Commissioners to SME businesses urging them to register for such a customs number which will be required to continue trading with the UK post Brexit by county in tabular form. — Robert Troy. [40672/19]

*27. To ask the Minister for Finance if officials have been requested to assess the technological options for the Border separate to and in the absence of custom checks for certain goods. — Micheál Martin. [40816/19]

*28. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of companies that do not have an EORI number; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40514/19]

*29. To ask the Minister for Finance if the systems put in place by the Revenue Commissioners to deal with Brexit and the potential for a no-deal Brexit have been tried and tested by external experts to ensure they are capable of dealing with the additional volume of paper work and customs declarations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40515/19]

*30. To ask the Minister for Finance the position regarding the Revenue Commissioners treatment of health foods; if his attention has been drawn to the impact of an alteration on small business owners here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40558/19]

*31. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason tax relief on a mortgage for a person (details supplied) was not permitted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40632/19]

*32. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of requests invoking mutual agreement procedures received; the total amount of the profit adjustment involved; the tax involved; the number of cases agreed; the basis of agreement that is withdrawn, agreed in full, agreed in part; the tax cost, if it has been refunded or offset; the balance of cases open; and the amount of tax involved in those cases, which remain open in each of the years 2010 to 2018 and to date in 2019. — Joan Burton. [40659/19]

*33. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of requests invoking mutual agreement procedures received by country in each of the years 2010 to 2018 inclusive and to date in 2019. — Joan Burton. [40660/19]

*34. To ask the Minister for Finance the percentage of agri-food businesses that do not have an EORI number; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40663/19]

*35. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of applications made by businesses to register for an economic operators registration and identification which the Revenue Commissioners have identified traded with the UK in 2018; the number of businesses that have obtained a number and not obtained a number respectively by sector; and the number of letters written by the Revenue Commissioners to businesses urging them to register for such a customs number which will be required to continue trading with the UK post-Brexit by county in tabular form. — Robert Troy. [40670/19]

*36. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason some third level education courses that are eligible for tax relief have a €1,500 disregard in respect of amounts spent on fees which is not eligible for tax relief; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [40676/19]

*37. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated amount that would be raised if discretionary tax reliefs were available only at the standard rate; the discretionary tax reliefs, the cost of each and the estimated saving in tabular form; his views on whether there would be advantages in pursuing this model in the future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [40692/19]

*38. To ask the Minister for Finance if arrangements can be made for the late collection of income tax by way of deferred payments in the case of a person (details supplied); if cognisance can be taken of the fact that they are in receipt of a social welfare payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [40701/19]

*39. To ask the Minister for Finance the value of the dormant accounts fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40726/19]

*40. To ask the Minister for Finance if he has liaised with credit unions and their representative bodies regarding concerns regarding the impact changes to the industry funding levy will have on local credit unions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [40809/19]

*41. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to an inequity in the way in which recoupments of overpayments made to staff is handled; if he will review this matter with revenue officials (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40810/19]

*42. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of expressions of interest received by county for the home building finance Ireland lending scheme; the number of completed applications; the number of successful and unsuccessful applications; the amount of funding offered in loans; the number of units that will be built with funding that has been committed to by county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [40853/19]

*43. To ask the Minister for Finance the key aspects of the central bank (amendment) Bill referenced in the legislative programme; if the Bill will be published in draft form; the likely timing of the publication of the draft; the likely timing of the initiation of the Bill in the Houses of the Oireachtas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Deasy. [40854/19]

*44. To ask the Minister for Finance the maximum prison sentence for the crime of tobacco smuggling; the number of maximum prison sentences that have been imposed for tobacco smuggling in the past five years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [40878/19]

*45. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to the findings of the Tobacco Products Research Survey 2018 carried out by the Revenue Commissioners that the percentage of illegal roll your own tobacco products has more than doubled in the past two years rising from 9% in 2016 to 21% in 2018; the action he will take to address this increase in the illegal trade of roll your own tobacco; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [40879/19]

*46. To ask the Minister for Finance if assurances are in place that life insurance companies based in the UK will honour their policies in the event of a no-deal Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [40909/19]

*47. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the restoration of the VAT rate to 9% to improve competitiveness in view of the fact this is the highest rate of VAT on tourist accommodation in the EU; the Brexit effects on British visitors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40910/19]

*48. To ask the Minister for Finance the rank of Ireland in the EU in terms of the level of motor insurance and business insurance costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40914/19]

*49. To ask the Minister for Finance if split mortgages are considered non-performing loans even when all payments have been made on time and in full; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [41025/19]

*50. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on whether split mortgages should be sold to venture capitalist funds among tranches of non-performing loans even when all payments have been met on time and in full; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [41026/19]

*51. To ask the Minister for Finance if the State will be able to recoup the €3.9 million costs associated with setting up an escrow account in 2018 in relation to a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [41042/19]

*52. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated loss of revenue since 2016 due to the reduction in new car sales; the corresponding increase in imported second-hand vehicles; the measures he plans to take to protect the motor trade and its substantial employment level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [41100/19]

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

*53. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the date by which all the necessary Brexit infrastructure is expected to be completed by the Office of Public Works by port and airport in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40664/19]

*54. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform further to Parliamentary Question No. 87 of 19 September 2019, the person or body to which the Office of Public Works applied for a licence to carry out the works in question; the person or body that made the appropriate assessment screening determination of no likely significant effects; the location the licence application for the works in question may be viewed by the public; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40688/19]

*55. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if a follow-up meeting between his Department, OPW officials, local Oireachtas members and a committee (details supplied) in County Donegal is being planned to discuss a major capital flood mitigation project; if so, when such a meeting will take place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [40763/19]

*56. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the Office of Public Works has received an application from an organisation (details supplied) to provide a day care centre in an OPW building; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [40831/19]

*57. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform when he plans to achieve full pay equality for teachers that joined the public service since 2011; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [40891/19]

*58. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the OPW will agree to purchase land beside Tubbercurry Garda station, in County Sligo in order to enable the station to be expanded due to size constraints; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [40948/19]

*59. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the progress that has been made in the planned flood relief scheme for the Castleconnell area of County Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [41006/19]

*60. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform further to Parliamentary Question No. 215 of 6 September 2019, if the project brief for the procurement of engineering and environmental consultants for the Limerick city and environs flood relief scheme has been submitted to the OPW; if not, when it will be submitted; when subsequent consultation will commence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [41043/19]

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

*61. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the accumulated surplus sums held by Bus Éireann in respect of the school transport scheme in each of the years 2016 to 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40685/19]

*62. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the revenue raised by Bus Éireann in respect of the school transport scheme in the past three years to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40686/19]

*63. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason a person (details supplied) has had their shared access to a SNA withdrawn for the 2019/2020 school year in view of the fact that they still have a recommendation for one; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [40513/19]

*64. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a matter in relation to school bus escorts will be addressed (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [40534/19]

*65. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if consideration will be given to the issues raised in correspondence (details supplied) concerning the need to increase investment in primary education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [40544/19]

*66. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if consideration is being given to increase the amount of time being spent in schools on social, personal and health education curriculum in view of increasing anxiety and stress being reported among children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [40545/19]

*67. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if consideration is being given to expanding the role of behavioural support teachers across secondary and primary schools; if costings have been done for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [40546/19]

*68. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on a matter regarding a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [40547/19]

*69. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to delays in granting home tuition supports; the reason home tuition hours have not been sanctioned; when this issue will be addressed; and his plans to insure such delays do not reoccur in the future. — Bríd Smith. [40552/19]

*70. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the supports he plans to put in place for teachers and parents of children affected by recent delays in the sanctioning of home tuition hours; and his plans in this area for the coming period. — Bríd Smith. [40553/19]

*71. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of hours and amount of funding allocated for home tuition hours for children with ASD and others in each of the years 2010 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Bríd Smith. [40554/19]

*72. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when his Department will provide the Ombudsman for Children with a detailed measurement of routes and mileage of the distance between Quin and Ennis, County Clare and Quin and Tulla, County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [40565/19]

*73. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to a situation in relation to school secretaries (details supplied); if the matter will be resolved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [40572/19]

*74. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to recognise large primary schools and extend the allocation of posts (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [40602/19]

*75. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason a major school building project (details supplied) is stuck at stage 2b detailed design since December 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Declan Breathnach. [40611/19]

*76. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the expected costs that accrue to schools for using external accountants or auditors; and if he has allocated additional funding to schools to insure compliance with in relation to the provision of the Education Act 1998, that all accounts of schools are properly audit or certified. — Bríd Smith. [40625/19]

*77. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of schools which have failed to submit their accounts to the FSSU in line with the provision of the Education Act 1998 section 18; if alternative arrangements have been considered for the certification of school accounts in view of the costs associated with hiring external auditors or accountants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [40626/19]

*78. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [40638/19]

*79. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to restore and or increase capitation grants for primary schools in 2019 and 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40652/19]

*80. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress he has made to date on reducing primary school class sizes to match an EU average of 20 pupils per teacher; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40653/19]

*81. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to restore and or increase capitation grants for primary schools in 2019 and 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40661/19]

*82. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a person (details supplied) will be reinstated to their position as a career guidance councillor in view of the fact the Teaching Council regulations do not prevent them from being appointed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [40668/19]

*83. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding the pre-tender stage of a project (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [40674/19]

*84. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on a matter (details supplied) regarding investment in primary education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [40679/19]

*85. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the clerical officer transfer of a person (details supplied) under the mobility scheme will be possible; and if there is a timeline for same. — Thomas Byrne. [40687/19]

*86. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if sanction will be granted to a school (details supplied) to proceed to tender for a three classroom extension, which has already been approved by his Department under the devolved grant process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [40693/19]

*87. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to address sexual harassment of staff in higher education institutions; the work programme of the new Centre of Excellence for Gender Equality to address same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [40697/19]

*88. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the details of investment (details supplied) in Cork since 2011; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [40702/19]

*89. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to review in-school management posts in primary schools with a view to revising upwards the provision of posts for schools with more than 45 teachers (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [40733/19]

*90. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason a person (details supplied) was informed that the review of the ex-gratia scheme is separate from the report that has to be sent back to the Council Of Europe on its implementation of the European Court of Human Rights judgement in a case which may take several months to complete in view of the fact that the ruling on this was that the ex-gratia scheme was not separate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [40737/19]

*91. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if funding will be allocated to increase ASD units in a school (details supplied) in south County Kildare. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [40746/19]

*92. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to redeploy secondary school teachers between Dublin and County Kildare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [40750/19]

*93. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount spent on improving the health and safety standards of each school impacted by the structural review of schools constructed by a company (details supplied); the estimated costs for the remaining schools to have work carried out; and the area from which his Department has obtained the monies expended; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [40751/19]

*94. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if new builds and planned expansions to schools will be put on hold as a result of unexpected structural review costs in 2019; if plans will be put on hold; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [40752/19]

*95. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the details of each school built by a company (details supplied) in the past ten years; the cost initially budgeted for each; the amount the project cost upon completion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [40753/19]

*96. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of early behavioural disability units in County Tipperary primary schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [40758/19]

*97. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress that has been made to date to improve the recognition of the role of a special needs assistant; the future plans to strengthen the recognition of the role and the resources that will be made available to acknowledge the need for improved holiday and illness entitlements in the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [40766/19]

*98. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the planning position in regard to the new post-primary school for south Drogheda; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [40800/19]

*99. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of payments made under an ex-gratia scheme instituted on foot of a judgement (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [40806/19]

*100. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if payments have been made to 13 applicants whose application for a payment from the ex-gratia scheme was previously refused by the SCA on the sole ground that they failed to furnish evidence of a prior complaint. — Thomas Byrne. [40807/19]

*101. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the meaning of special core status for history; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [40822/19]

*102. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans for pupils that are at school or that started school in 2018 in the context of history becoming a core subject. — Thomas Byrne. [40823/19]

*103. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the meaning of special core status changed for history before his announcement in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [40824/19]

*104. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if all matters in relation to the contracts for sale for the purchase of a site for a school (details supplied) have been signed and finalised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [40830/19]

*105. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the development of a new school building for a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [40882/19]

*106. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will request his Department to speed up the payment of wages to teachers that participate in home tuition; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [40887/19]

*107. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost in 2020 if the 100% maintenance adjacent rate was increased from €1,215 to €1,350 and the non-adjacent 100% maintenance grant was increased from €3,025 to €3,325; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40927/19]

*108. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the details of all bilateral meetings to date in 2019 that he has had with his EU counterparts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40928/19]

*109. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding the reduction of the primary school class size ratio here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40934/19]

*110. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding the level of the capitation grant awarded to schools here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40935/19]

*111. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if secondary schools have access to NEPS over weekends; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [40973/19]

*112. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress of the implementation task force on guidance counsellors; and they reason no guidance counsellors are members of the task force. — Thomas Byrne. [40995/19]

*113. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a party (details supplied) will have the power of veto over the master plan compiled by his Department to provide a permanent home for the North Wicklow Educate Together secondary school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [40999/19]

*114. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the appropriate person to contact in his Department regarding a document (details supplied) in respect of a family that has children with special needs in different schools and have difficulty in taking their children to and from school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [41005/19]

*115. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the steps he has taken to review the workings of the school transport system, in particular the system for the allocation of concessionary tickets; his plans to seek funding in Budget 2020 in order to restore general scheme parameters with a particular focus on rule determining eligibility to the pre-2011 system; if he will investigate the possibility of amending the current eligibility criteria (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [41032/19]

*116. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 191 of 1 October 2019, if it will be ensured that a premises (details supplied) complies with all fire safety standards before being used to accommodate secondary school students. — Stephen Donnelly. [41044/19]

*117. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of medium-term, temporary and long-term accommodation for educate together south city Cork. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [41046/19]

*118. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he has reviewed the demand for secondary school spaces in an area (details supplied) in view of the exclusion by Meath and Louth ETB of students attending schools in County Meath but living in Dublin from access to a college; if he satisfied that there are adequate secondary school places in the area to meet existing demand and cater for the large new housing estate which is being built in the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [41088/19]

*119. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of schools that require works to be undertaken to remove pyrite from some or all of the school buildings or grounds; the details of the schools and their locations; if they are primary or secondary schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [41089/19]

*120. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of legal action being taken as a result of a number of school buildings being contaminated with pyrite; if remediation works in the schools is dependent on the completion of this legal action; when this legal action will be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [41090/19]

*121. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount his Department has paid out to schools to monitor and undertake short-term repair works to deal with the consequences of pyrite contamination in their buildings; the details of same by school; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that some schools are bearing these expenses themselves; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [41091/19]

*122. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the details of primary schools in an area in Cork (details supplied). — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [41119/19]

*123. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the details of secondary schools in an area in Cork (details supplied). — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [41120/19]

*124. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his views on a matter (details supplied) regarding a school in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [41121/19]

*125. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the way in which a special needs school applies for a roll number; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [41122/19]

*126. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when works will take place to ensure the protection of children attending a school (details supplied). — Martin Ferris. [41125/19]

*127. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to provide extra support for teaching principals in primary schools in view of the increase in responsibilities, reports and paperwork that must be handled by teaching principals to date and the long hours involved in dealing with this work; the position regarding the possibility of allocating one release day per week to teaching principals; if he has investigated the possibility of creating a national cluster of panels in order to cover this release time, to ensure consistency of curriculum delivery and safeguard the educational experiences and outcomes of pupils; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [41131/19]

*128. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position with regard to a review of options for standardised testing in order that clear information is provided to teachers and parents. — Thomas Byrne. [41138/19]

*129. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position with regard to the commencement of fitness to teach provisions of the Teaching Council Act. — Thomas Byrne. [41139/19]

*130. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position with regard to additional funding provided for continuous professional development for teachers since February 2016. — Thomas Byrne. [41140/19]

*131. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position with regard to the development of a mechanism to recognise a person's practical work experience and expertise in order to enable them to take on an apprenticeship. — Thomas Byrne. [41141/19]

*132. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the outcome of works at schools (details supplied); if these works are consistent with those announced under the Prefab Replacement Programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [41142/19]

*133. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress of refurbishment works at Dundalk IT. — Thomas Byrne. [41143/19]

*134. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress of fitting out the building works at a college (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [41144/19]

*135. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress of refurbishment works at a campus (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [41145/19]

*136. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress of a building (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [41146/19]

*137. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress of the expansion of a campus (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [41147/19]

*138. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the progress of a recreation department (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [41148/19]

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

*139. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the review his Department is conducting into the effectiveness of the Incitement to Hatred Act 1989; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Hildegard Naughton. [40543/19]

*140. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the establishment of the sentencing guidelines and information committee; and when he expects draft sentencing guidelines to be published. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [40583/19]

*141. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when he will make contact with a person in respect of the recommendation from his Department that the person (details supplied) will be given a refugee declaration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [40643/19]

*142. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when he will make contact with a person in respect of the recommendation from his Department that the person (details supplied) will be given a refugee declaration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [40644/19]

*143. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the basis upon which a person (details supplied) was granted temporary release from prison in circumstances in which they had only served six years of a life sentence for murder; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [40647/19]

*144. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a person (details supplied) who was granted a stamp 4 visa status based on the naturalisation of their parent as an Irish citizen is eligible to reside away from the residence of their parent on a temporary basis without affecting the visa status granted to them (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [40655/19]

*145. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 320 of 2 July 2019, the number granted labour market access permission and that reside in direct provision; the number of self-employed returns and employed returns since the same date; the number of persons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40700/19]

*146. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí in County Kildare in each of the years 2011 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [40712/19]

*147. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will consider the need of wards and families for a link and or liaison and or position on the steering group regarding the process of the establishment of decision support service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40717/19]

*148. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if An Garda Síochána Working Group has published its national strategy to deal with assaults against the person; if not, when the strategy will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [40745/19]

*149. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of refugees staying in a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [40747/19]

*150. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of refugees staying in a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [40748/19]

*151. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for a visa; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [40749/19]

*152. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will provide the costs incurred to date in respect of a consultancy regarding the reorganisation of his Department (details supplied); the number of staff by grade that were reassigned to new roles as part of the Departmental reform; the number of disputes and or appeals by staff regarding their reassignments within his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40829/19]

*153. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of asylum seekers that have been returned from Ireland to Zimbabwe in each of the years 2016 to 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [40836/19]

*154. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if correspondence regarding the proposed move of a person (details supplied) will be reviewed; if the person can remain in County Monaghan in view of their attachment and involvement in the Carrickmacross area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [40855/19]

*155. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the results to date of the National Disability Inclusion Strategy recommendation 4.49 to increase the public sector employment target of persons with disabilities from 3% to 6% by each Department. — Colm Brophy. [40896/19]

*156. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to address the number of persons living in direct provision centres nationally; his further plans to cease using hotels as emergency centres; the procedures for residents of these centres to make complaints against operators; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40908/19]

*157. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the remuneration package for each chief executive officer of State or semi-State organisations under the aegis of his Department; the changes made to such remuneration in the past three years; the remuneration package for each acting CEO if such exists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jonathan O'Brien. [40912/19]

*158. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated cost in 2020 if the budget for the Garda Criminal Assets Bureau increased by 20%; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40923/19]

*159. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the estimated cost in 2020 if the budget for the Garda National Drugs and Organised Crime Bureau increased by 20%; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40924/19]

*160. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to improve and expand the existing community text alert scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40985/19]

*161. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of applications made for community based CCTV systems; the number that have been funded, installed and now operational; the locations of all such CCTV systems; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41016/19]

*162. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the way in which he plans to address the recent report by the Human Rights Agency of European Union that Ireland has a disturbing problem with racism and discrimination against migrants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41017/19]

*163. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of guns seized by An Garda Síochána in each of the years 2010 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41023/19]

*164. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will address areas of concern with respect to the Judicial Council Act 2019 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [41132/19]

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

*165. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she has requested the office of the Chief Scientific Advisor on occasions to advise the Government; and if so, when and the matters on which they were sought. — Sean Sherlock. [40892/19]

*166. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the goods exported to the United States of America that will be subject to higher tariffs in October 2019 and in the near future; the scale of the increase; the quantity and value of exports to the United States in 2018 and to date in 2019; the potential impact on the economy here; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [41102/19]

*167. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the latest data on the funding available through her Department for Brexit related supports and initiatives; the funding that has been drawn down to date in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40518/19]

*168. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the latest data on the percentage of exporters with a Brexit plan in place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40519/19]

*169. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she is satisfied that there are adequate obligations on the receiver appointed in respect of residential properties to maximise the value of assets being sold on the open market; her plans to strengthen the law in this area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [40542/19]

*170. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of meetings she and her two immediate predecessors had with the national SME envoy of Ireland in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 by date in tabular form. — Robert Troy. [40715/19]

*171. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of meetings of the advisory group for small business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form; and if he or Minister of State in his Department chaired and attended each such meeting. — Robert Troy. [40716/19]

*172. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if the work permit regime will be reviewed to make it easier for non-EU nationals to work as home carers employed directly or indirectly by the HSE in view of the difficulties in recruiting home carers; if these workers can be re-classified for this purpose; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [40834/19]

*173. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of a work permit application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [40844/19]

*174. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of a work permit application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [40845/19]

*175. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount of funding her Department provided Science Foundation Ireland in 2017, 2018 and 2019, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40925/19]

*176. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if a copy of all correspondence between her office and the IDA from 2016 to 1 October 2019 will be provided. — Alan Kelly. [40969/19]

*177. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if a copy of all correspondence between the Office of the Secretary General of her Department and the IDA from 2016 to 1 October 2019 will be provided. — Alan Kelly. [40970/19]

*178. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if a copy of all correspondence between her office and Enterprise Ireland from 2016 to 1 October 2019 will be provided. — Alan Kelly. [40971/19]

*179. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if a copy of all correspondence between the Office of the Secretary General of her Department and Enterprise Ireland from 2016 to 1 October 2019 will be provided. — Alan Kelly. [40972/19]

*180. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of businesses by county that have applied for working capital under the Brexit loan scheme; the number of such businesses that have been sanctioned financing to date; and the total value. — Pat Casey. [40986/19]

*181. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of food businesses by county that have applied for working capital under the Brexit loan scheme which opened in March 2018 up until the end of quarter three 2019; the number of such businesses that have been sanctioned financing to date; and the value of same. — Pat Casey. [41038/19]

*182. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the financial supports for businesses that will be introduced for actions targeted for the enterprise sector in the Climate Action Plan 2019. — Robert Troy. [28457/19]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*183. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) has not received the pension increments for 2019 as promised in line with the national wage agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [40731/19]

*184. To ask the Minister for Health the reason some former HSE staff have still not received their pension increments as promised in line with the national wage agreement for 2018 and 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [40734/19]

*185. To ask the Minister for Health when an approved home support package will be put in place for a person (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [40511/19]

*186. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) can retroactively gain access to the CervicalCheck audit by the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists despite

previously turning down the option to be part of the review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [40512/19]

*187. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be called for an appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [40523/19]

*188. To ask the Minister for Health if the governance review of the drugs approval process as set out under Sláintecare work stream 2 has commenced; if so, the date on which it commenced; if not, the date on which it will commence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [40528/19]

*189. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a process for relevant stakeholders to feed into the drugs approval process review; if so, the nature of the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [40529/19]

*190. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to take steps to increase the speed of access and improve the rate of availability of medicines here in view of the fact that Ireland ranks 19th out of 29 European countries for speed of access to new medicine and 16th for rate of availability of new medicines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [40530/19]

*191. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated spend on medicines in 2019, in tabular form. — Michael McGrath. [40531/19]

*192. To ask the Minister for Health if funding in the region of €18 million will be provided towards community supports and homecare for persons with dementia as identified by an organisation (details supplied) in its pre-budget submission; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [40533/19]

*193. To ask the Minister for Health the number of private firms providing homecare services nationwide; the position in relation to the regulation of these firms; the number that are regulated; the number of regulated and unregulated firms being paid for service provision by the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [40537/19]

*194. To ask the Minister for Health the start date for the new endocrinologist for the paediatric diabetes service in Cork University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [40538/19]

*195. To ask the Minister for Health the management plans in place to help almost 100 teenagers transition into adult diabetes services at Cork University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [40539/19]

*196. To ask the Minister for Health the status of full-time residential care for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [40541/19]

*197. To ask the Minister for Health the annual cost of prescription diabetes medications as a percentage of the annual cost of prescription medications including the blood testing strips to the HSE in each of the past three years and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [40548/19]

*198. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be fitted with a pain pump permanently; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [40557/19]

*199. To ask the Minister for Health if an issue raised in correspondence by a person (details supplied) will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [40566/19]

*200. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1262 of 6 September 2019, if the requested information will be provided to the parent who has been unable to obtain a reply from the service provider; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [40573/19]

*201. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 460 of 2 July 2019, if he will meet the families that have been impacted by the misreading of scans at University Hospital Kerry in view of his commitment at the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Health on 22 May 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [40584/19]

*202. To ask the Minister for Health if additional funding to help subsidise IVF treatment for couples will be provided in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [40585/19]

*203. To ask the Minister for Health the reason promised funding to help subsidise IVF treatment has not been delivered to date in 2019; his plans to provide enhanced care and aid to persons seeking the treatment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [40586/19]

*204. To ask the Minister for Health the causes of the delay in the commencement of Parts 2 and 3 of the Children and Family Relationships Act 2015 until May 2020; if he will consider an earlier commencement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [40593/19]

*205. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the rollout of the PrEP programme by the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [40594/19]

*206. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the assisted human reproduction Bill; his plans to bring the legislation before the Houses of the Oireachtas in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [40595/19]

*207. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that since the publication of the three year implementation framework for the neurorehabilitation strategy in February 2019, the HSE group responsible for its implementation has only met on one occasion and the flagship project for this framework in CHOs 6 and 7 is now at a complete standstill due to the lack of funding to implement it. — Louise O'Reilly. [40596/19]

*208. To ask the Minister for Health if screening for pregnant women to include a screening for the diagnosis of cytomegalovirus will be extended; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [40601/19]

*209. To ask the Minister for Health the weighting percentages to be used as part of the upcoming HSE FreeStyle Libre review decision making process that will be given to criteria (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [40605/19]

*210. To ask the Minister for Health if the reimbursement dataset for the FreeStyle Libre device will specifically cover only current HSE funded users of FreeStyle Libre; if not, if the HTA review will compare total blood glucose strip usage spend year on year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [40606/19]

*211. To ask the Minister for Health the amount paid to private occupational therapists by the HSE to deal with assessment of needs backlogs by county; the amount paid to each private occupational therapy operator; and the number of children seen by each operator in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Sean Sherlock. [40607/19]

*212. To ask the Minister for Health if a matter raised in correspondence by a person (details supplied) will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [40609/19]

*213. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 108 of 29 May 2019, if the locum diabetic paediatrician planned for recruitment for July 2019 has commenced; if not, the reason therefor; when the matter will be corrected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [40627/19]

*214. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the plan by the HSE for the transfer of 100 adolescents to adult diabetic services in the near future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Micheál Martin. [40628/19]

*215. To ask the Minister for Health when the new 20-bed south east palliative care unit at University Hospital Waterford will be fully commissioned and operational; the reason for the delay in opening the facility to patients in view of the fact that it was officially handed over to the HSE almost six months ago; and if the delay in opening the unit has been caused by cost overruns associated with the national children's hospital project. — John Deasy. [40633/19]

*216. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the considerable financial contribution made towards the new south east palliative care unit at University Hospital Waterford by a company (details supplied) through public fundraising over the past three decades; and if his attention has been further drawn to the disappointment expressed by its directors at the failure to open this facility to date and their expectation that it may not be operational until mid-2020. — John Deasy. [40634/19]

*217. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department has received an indicative budget for the specific staffing and operational costs associated with the full-time utilisation of the new south east palliative care unit at University Hospital Waterford; the provision that has been or will be made to meet the funding requirement by the HSE; and when the necessary allocation will be forthcoming to allow recruitment of staff to take place. — John Deasy. [40635/19]

*218. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the recruitment requirement for the new south east palliative care unit was not advertised in parallel with the Dunmore wing construction project at University Hospital Waterford in view of the complexities involved in securing appropriately qualified staff. — John Deasy. [40636/19]

*219. To ask the Minister for Health his plans for the introduction of safe access zones around facilities that provide for the termination of pregnancies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [40639/19]

*220. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the availability of palliative care here by LHOs in tabular form; the recommended locations for palliative care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40645/19]

*221. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding paediatric palliative care in County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40646/19]

*222. To ask the Minister for Health the number of medical cards as of 30 September 2019; the number of general practitioner cards on the same date; and the number for each type of card issued on a discretionary basis on that date. — Stephen Donnelly. [40651/19]

*223. To ask the Minister for Health if works on the Grange and Drumcliffe primary health centres in County Sligo will be progressing together; the estimated completion time of both; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [40654/19]

*224. To ask the Minister for Health the reason IV drips are not being administered to patients when required in community hospitals (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [40656/19]

*225. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the €1 million special fund announced for in-vitro fertilisation treatment for couples unable to conceive; when the fund will be made available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [40657/19]

*226. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which the continuity of medical devices will be affected in a no-deal Brexit; the steps that have been put in place if such a scenario occurs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40667/19]

*227. To ask the Minister for Health the principles and procedures applied in risk rating persons that are waiting for the provision of home support services for older people; the number of persons that have been rated high risk, medium risk and low risk since 1 May 2019 by CHO area and remain on the waiting list and are not in receipt of the service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [40673/19]

*228. To ask the Minister for Health if an investigation is ongoing regarding the lack of access to palliative care in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40689/19]

*229. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) was unable to access palliative care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40690/19]

*230. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce a replacement for the transport grant for disabled drivers which was abolished five years ago; if so, the timeframe for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [40696/19]

*231. To ask the Minister for Health if additional funding will be ensured for dementia services provided by county in the health spending estimates for 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [40699/19]

*232. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a discretionary medical card for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [40703/19]

*233. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact women attending the Rotunda Hospital for a colposcopy are waiting fifteen weeks for colposcopy results; if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that a private hospital (details supplied) provides colposcopy results within 10 to 20 business days; the action he is taking to ensure all women receive colposcopy results within 20 working days; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [40708/19]

*234. To ask the Minister for Health if a homecare package for a person (details supplied) will be approved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [40710/19]

*235. To ask the Minister for Health if a matter (details supplied) in relation to speech and language and occupational therapy for children will be investigated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [40719/19]

*236. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of child psychology services at Celbridge CAMHS unit; if there is now a full time permanent post holder in place; if there is provision for a second psychologist to be appointed to deal with the growing waiting lists (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [40720/19]

*237. To ask the Minister for Health if he will instruct the National Treatment Purchase Fund and the National Maternity Hospital, Holles Street, to address the technical issues which have resulted in no official gynaecology waiting list data being provided by the NTPF in its monthly waiting list data publications to date in 2019. — Louise O'Reilly. [40725/19]

*238. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) is waiting for an operation in view of the fact their pre op was carried out five months ago; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [40727/19]

*239. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting for oral maxilla facial services at Beaumont Hospital, Dublin 9 as of 30 September 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [40729/19]

*240. To ask the Minister for Health the expected date for the commencement of consultations on the future of services in Portlaoise Hospital. — Brian Stanley. [40735/19]

*241. To ask the Minister for Health when a diabetes community care nurse will be allocated to County Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [40738/19]

*242. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for a domiciliary care allowance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dessie Ellis. [40740/19]

*243. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [40742/19]

*244. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider purchasing an upright MRI scanner here and failing that if he will allow patients in need of an upright MRI scan to travel to the UK and reclaim the full cost under the treatment abroad scheme which currently does not cover it as it is only available in a private clinic in the UK; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [40744/19]

*245. To ask the Minister for Health the number of treatment options available for persons with drug addiction problems; and the number of persons availing of each in 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — John Curran. [40754/19]

*246. To ask the Minister for Health the number of residential places available for the treatment of persons with drug addiction problems by local health office area in tabular form. — John Curran. [40755/19]

*247. To ask the Minister for Health the payments made to pharmacists and general practitioners for methadone treatment in each of the years 2015 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — John Curran. [40756/19]

*248. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children diagnosed with early behaviour disability in County Tipperary in the past five years in tabular form; the number of children in County Tipperary on a waiting list to be assessed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [40757/19]

*249. To ask the Minister for Health if a medical card application by a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [40759/19]

*250. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal can expect to receive an appointment at St James's Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [40760/19]

*251. To ask the Minister for Health when respite service provision will resume for a person (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [40764/19]

*252. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) has not received the home help they were granted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [40765/19]

*253. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) is waiting so long for a MRI scan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [40771/19]

*254. To ask the Minister for Health when an application for the nursing home support scheme will be expedited for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [40772/19]

*255. To ask the Minister for Health the laboratories from which the 221 cases in relation to Cervical Check of misdiagnosed smears came by laboratory, by year in tabular form. — Bríd Smith. [40777/19]

*256. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment for an official diagnosis will be expedited for a child (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [40785/19]

*257. To ask the Minister for Health the budget for pharmacists (details supplied) in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [40786/19]

*258. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which a patient here can obtain a test for malignant hyperthermia; if the test is not available here if a person can access this treatment in another country and be refunded here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [40788/19]

*259. To ask the Minister for Health the length of time a person (details supplied) will have to wait for an appointment with a service (details supplied). — Maurice Quinlivan. [40791/19]

*260. To ask the Minister for Health the length of time a person (details supplied) will have to wait for an assessment at St. Gabriel's, Limerick. — Maurice Quinlivan. [40792/19]

*261. To ask the Minister for Health if he will ensure that the HSE continues to provide the flu vaccination jab free of charge to home carer's employed directly or indirectly by the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [40797/19]

*262. To ask the Minister for Health when he will lift the limitation period on all Thalidomide claims; when the Irish State will acknowledge the wrongdoing and damage caused by thalidomide; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [40798/19]

*263. To ask the Minister for Health the work his officials are undertaking to liaise with thalidomide survivors; if he will address their concerns; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [40799/19]

*264. To ask the Minister for Health if assistance is available to a family (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [40801/19]

*265. To ask the Minister for Health if the rehabilitation training allowance will be reinstated for new entrants; if his attention has been drawn to the significant difficulty that this decision is causing for new entrants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [40803/19]

*266. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment for a person (details supplied) in County Cork will be expedited. — Kevin O'Keeffe. [40828/19]

*267. To ask the Minister for Health if an independent investigation into gynaecology services in Letterkenny General Hospital will be launched; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [40835/19]

*268. To ask the Minister for Health if a copy of all NPHDB and CHPP minutes for 2018 and 2019 in relation to the new National Children's Hospital will be provided. — Alan Kelly. [40837/19]

*269. To ask the Minister for Health the reason for the delay in commencing the employment of successful applicants in various posts in the HSE; if applicants for positions nationwide have been contacted by the HSE to explain the reason the appointment process has ceased; if it is policy to impose an embargo on all such positions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [40838/19]

*270. To ask the Minister for Health if an early appointment will be arranged for a person (details supplied) with the occupational therapy primary care paediatric service in County Kilkenny; the reason for the delay; the steps he is taking to resolve the issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [40840/19]

*271. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding certainty of sufficient funding for supported care homes to enable the continuation of the provision of cost efficient care for residents; if he will consider a 50% increase of current funding levels for supported care homes in advance of Budget 2020 to meet urgent needs such as annually increasing energy costs, depreciation costs which have never previously been covered (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [40841/19]

*272. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the significant savings supported care homes contribute to the State and the Department of Social Protection through non-payment of fuel and living alone allowances and household benefits package and the provision of cost effective care; his views on the inspection of supported care homes in accordance with standards suitable to the homes and the possible establishment of a group consisting of HIQA, representatives of the supported care homes and the HSE with the purpose of constructing suitable inspection guidelines within the next six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [40842/19]

*273. To ask the Minister for Health the progress being made in introducing a thorough newborn screening programme in order to provide lifesaving essential early diagnoses of conditions such as MLD; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40856/19]

*274. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 423 of 1 October 2019, if the specific question asked will be addressed; if differences in the way in which different pension products and funds are assessed, both in terms of income and capital as part of the financial assessment of an application under the nursing home support scheme will be set out with particular regard to the treatment of an approved retirement fund of a private annuity pension or a public service pension; his plans to make changes in this area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [40885/19]

*275. To ask the Minister for Health if capital funding will be allocated to upgrade Cliffony health centre and Carrigans day care centre in County Sligo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [40888/19]

*276. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which a person can create an official awareness day in order to have recognition for a disease (details supplied) here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40894/19]

*277. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding cuts to the rostered hours of home help sector workers within the Health Service Executive CHO Area 5; the position regarding deficits which may occur between the 39 hours contracted and the eventual hours allotted and rostered; the protocol in place by which such shortfalls of hours are monitored and analysed and the utilisation of private operators in this respect; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [40897/19]

*278. To ask the Minister for Health the disability services within the Sláintecare plan; when multi-annual funding will commence for the disability sector; the individual planning pathway for those currently in the disability sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [40941/19]

*279. To ask the Minister for Health the status of plans to develop a management information system within the disability sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [40942/19]

*280. To ask the Minister for Health if funding is ringfenced for the disability sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [40943/19]

*281. To ask the Minister for Health if the system of therapeutic hypothermia for newborn babies in the health service takes into account the need for a baby to reach the correct low temperature of 33.5 degrees celsius before cooling can commence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [40949/19]

*282. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 463 to 466 of 2 July 2019, if a matter of hours would ensure that a baby would get the critical therapeutic hypothermia care they need for the treatment to be effective (details supplied). — Louise O'Reilly. [40950/19]

*283. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 463 to 466 of 2 July 2019, his views on the stated response time of a matter of hours in view of the finding in a document (details supplied). — Louise O'Reilly. [40951/19]

*284. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 463, 464, 465 and 466 of 2 July 2019, his views on whether time is a huge factor for treatment and whether medical outcomes would improve if an ambulance from a more local depot was dispatched to carry out the transfer (details supplied). — Louise O'Reilly. [40952/19]

*285. To ask the Minister for Health his views on whether there is a regional imbalance in therapeutic hypothermia cooling centres nationwide. — Louise O'Reilly. [40953/19]

*286. To ask the Minister for Health the plans in place for psychiatry staffing services in Kilcock health centre to provide counselling services to young persons based in Kilcock, Maynooth and Leixlip that require psychological assistance (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40954/19]

*287. To ask the Minister for Health the number of young persons and teenagers awaiting psychologist intervention services in the County Kildare area; the wait time for each district; the number of staff providing services in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40955/19]

*288. To ask the Minister for Health if he will undertake an urgent review of the allocation of mental health services to young persons; the areas in which gaps in provision of services exist by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40956/19]

*289. To ask the Minister for Health the status of plans to introduce expanded newborn screening; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40987/19]

*290. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in County Wicklow on waiting lists for home support hours. — Pat Casey. [40988/19]

*291. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment for a person (details supplied) in County Cork will be expedited. — Kevin O'Keeffe. [40990/19]

*292. To ask the Minister for Health his views on a matter (details supplied) in relation to medical cards for cancer patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [40991/19]

*293. To ask the Minister for Health the status of nursing home support scheme and national placement list for a person (details supplied). — Dara Calleary. [40992/19]

*294. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be admitted to hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [41001/19]

*295. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider the opening of a drug treatment centre in north County Dublin in view of the increased population of the area and an increase in the number of persons seeking help for drug addiction. — Louise O'Reilly. [41013/19]

*296. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of a primary care centre in Lucan, County Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41014/19]

*297. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to review the decision not to provide a catch-up programme for the HPV free vaccine for boys; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41015/19]

*298. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons by county that received drug treatment; the types of treatments received that is detox, residential rehab, methadone, counselling and so on in each of the years 2010 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41022/19]

*299. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be allocated to carry out research involving the Central Statistics Office in order to establish the unmet need for personal assistance services for wheelchair users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [41024/19]

*300. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated amount it would cost for pay restoration for workers employed by section 39 organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [41027/19]

*301. To ask the Minister for Health if he is considering allowing for the establishment of dental hygiene practices; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [41028/19]

*302. To ask the Minister for Health If further funding for staffing at a service (details supplied) under a programme will be provided; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that this rural centre is further from hospitals specialising in this treatment; if correspondence will be reviewed in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [41031/19]

*303. To ask the Minister for Health if the review of the pricing system for long-term residential care facilities as recommended within the review of the fair deal scheme will be published; if an independent appeals mechanism within the fair deal scheme to provide third party recourse for nursing home providers that fail to agree a fee with the NTPF and in an effort to bring greater transparency to the fair deal pricing mechanism will be introduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [41037/19]

*304. To ask the Minister for Health if the age restriction will be removed in respect of FreeStyle Libre device in order that it is available to all persons with type 1 diabetes; the weighting percentages to be used in the decision making process in respect of the Health Technology Assessment by the HSE that will be given to factors (details supplied); if the reimbursement dataset will specifically cover only current HSE funded users of the FreeStyle Libre device; if not, if the Health Technology

Assessment review will compare total blood glucose strip usage spend year on year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [41045/19]

*305. To ask the Minister for Health the reason his Department deny the existence of the email sent by a person (details supplied) on 27 March 2019 to the Office of the Taoiseach in relation to speaking notes on the CervicalCheck delay in the results of tests crisis; and the reason his Department refused to release it to a journalist under the Freedom of Information Act 2014. — Peadar Tóibín. [41052/19]

*306. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Cork will be seen by a consultant psychiatrist at St Columcille's Hospital, Loughlinstown; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [41054/19]

*307. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the transfer of a person (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [41056/19]

*308. To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacant consultant positions, temporary and full time in Galway University Hospital; when such positions will be filled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41058/19]

*309. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons awaiting placement under the fair deal scheme at the end of September 2019; the average wait time; the length of time waiting by local health area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41059/19]

*310. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the refurbishment works at Kanturk Community Hospital, Kanturk, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [41072/19]

*311. To ask the Minister for Health if the annual National Sepsis Report will be published as a matter of urgency; if not, the reason for the delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [41081/19]

*312. To ask the Minister for Health the weighting percentages to be used as part of the upcoming HSE FreeStyle Libre review decision making process that will be given to criteria (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [41086/19]

*313. To ask the Minister for Health if the reimbursement dataset specifically will cover only current HSE funded users of the FreeStyle Libre device; if not, if the Health Technology Assessment review will compare total blood glucose strip usage spend year on year. — Catherine Martin. [41087/19]

*314. To ask the Minister for Health when additional resources will be provided to reduce delays in providing assessments and follow-up services for children in counties Cavan and Monaghan under the assessment of needs requirements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [41106/19]

*315. To ask the Minister for Health if a pre-Budget 2020 submission made by an organisation (details supplied) in respect of the need to improve resources for dementia care will be given consideration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [41108/19]

*316. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 807 of 6 September 2019, if he will request that the children's health Ireland monthly update reports on scoliosis related surgeries and waiting lists will include the number of patients under 16 transitioned to MMUH for first OPD spinal review appointment; the number of patients from the surgery list of Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin referred to MMUH; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [41118/19]

*317. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to meet patient demand and reduce public eye care waiting lists, which are growing year on year with waiting times of up to two years now standard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [41133/19]

*318. To ask the Minister for Health if a service for a person (details supplied) will be reinstated. — Kevin O'Keeffe. [41151/19]

*319. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of child psychology services across all of north County Kildare; the vacant posts at locations and the timeline within which they are planned to be filled; if there are temporary leave absences and attendant plans to recruit a temporary replacement to fill such gaps; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O'Rourke. [41152/19]

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

*320. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will examine the possibility of vaccinating hares to protect them from the deadly RHD2 virus which has been detected in a number of counties. — Jackie Cahill. [40681/19]

*321. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to implement the provision in the agriculture motion adopted by Dáil Éireann on 26 September 2019 to implement the recommendation to the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Agriculture, Food and the Marine by the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission of 28 May 2019 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [40780/19]

*322. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to implement the provision in the agriculture motion adopted by Dáil Éireann on 26 September 2019 to request the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission under section 10(4) of the Competition and Consumer Protection Act 2014 to carry out a market study and analysis on the nature and scale of consumer and beef farmer issues in the beef market and make recommendations, as appropriate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [40781/19]

*323. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the funding for Brexit related initiatives available from his Department; the funding that has been drawn down to date in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40522/19]

*324. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on correspondence (details supplied) regarding the BEAM scheme and the eligibility of farmers that had animals sent for slaughter to plants located in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [40524/19]

*325. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of persons selected for remote sensing eligibility inspection that submitted applications to the 2019 basic payment scheme and or the 2019 areas of natural constraint scheme; the timeline for issuing payments under

both schemes to those that have been selected for such inspections; the reason such inspections are yet to take place in some instances in view of the fact the deadline for the schemes was in May 2019; if he has explored carrying out such inspections in the period immediately after such scheme deadlines in order to ensure that payments are not delayed till late autumn; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [40525/19]

*326. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the first instalment of an ANC payment will issue to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [40550/19]

*327. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if an area aid payment for a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [40551/19]

*328. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when an application will be processed for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Breen. [40556/19]

*329. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if mussel seed fishing will be granted in Cromane, County Kerry (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [40560/19]

*330. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Breen. [40570/19]

*331. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the relevant document will be reviewed in order that only one importer is recorded in one transaction to protect the GDPR rights of each importer in relation to the movements of livestock manures and the way in which they are recorded; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [40574/19]

*332. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 2102 to 2107 of 23 July 2019, the most recent figure for the number of positions that remain to be filled in a hard Brexit scenario as provided in his correspondence (details supplied). — Charlie McConalogue. [40588/19]

*333. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated amount of mussel seed available for fishing in the waters of the State in each of the years 2016 to 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40612/19]

*334. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the location of mussel seed beds; the specific restrictions that apply in each area, such as the closed fishery in a location (details supplied) or other impediments to the fishing or transportation of mussel seed such as the detection of parasites; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40613/19]

*335. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of mussel seed fished here in each of the years 2016 to 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40614/19]

*336. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated amount of mussel seed available for fishing in waters in Northern Ireland in each of the years 2016 to 2018 according to his Departmental advice or records; the amount fished in each of those years; if his attention has

been drawn to restrictions that apply to the beds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40615/19]

*337. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total allocation of mussel seed by him in 2018, by aquaculture sites located here excluding the Foyle area, Northern Ireland, and the Foyle area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40616/19]

*338. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the definition of the joint management of mussel stocks; if it is still in operation; the legislative basis for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40617/19]

*339. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the restrictions on the amount of mussel seed allocated to aquaculture farms in Northern Ireland that can be fished in Irish waters; the process by which such allocation is controlled; if it is linked to the total available mussel seed resource in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40618/19]

*340. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he or his officials has an input into the way in which the relevant authority in Northern Ireland limits the total amount of mussel seed allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40619/19]

*341. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a vessel from the UK and Northern Ireland needs to hold an allocation of mussel seed given by him to an aquaculture site here in order to fish legally under the Sea Fisheries (Amendment) Act 2019; if such a vessel will be permitted to fish an allocation of mussel seed given to it by an authority in Northern Ireland in the territorial waters of the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40620/19]

*342. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a vessel from the UK and Northern Ireland will be permitted to fish an allocation of mussel seed given to it by an authority in another part of the UK such as Wales to fish mussel seed in the territorial waters of the State under the Sea Fisheries (Amendment) Act 2019; if a fishing vessel owned by a Welsh company will meet the criteria of owned and operated in Northern Ireland to fish an allocation under the 2019 Act; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40621/19]

*343. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the basis for an effective pooling of the mussel seed resource of the State in a system of joint management with a state that has no mussel seed resource in relation to a judgement (details supplied); the basis in law for a process which facilitates alienation of Irish mussel seed resource to the benefit of aquaculture sites in the UK; if he has sought the advice of the Attorney General on the matter; and if not, his plans to do so; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40622/19]

*344. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the definition of the term owned and operated in Northern Ireland in relation to fishing vessels; the way in which is it defined in Irish law; if the Sea Fisheries Protection Authority and the Naval Service will take responsibility to ensure foreign vessels are licensed in accordance with EU regulations as adopted by the control authorities for Irish vessels in cases in which foreign vessels are operating in the territorial waters of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [40624/19]

*345. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if there are concerns regarding food imports in the event of a no-deal Brexit; if so, if his Department has identified certain food

products that may be vulnerable in such a scenario; if mitigation plans have been drawn up for such a scenario; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40666/19]

*346. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for the greater use of dairy futures markets as a tool to allow farmers to hedge against volatile prices. — Jackie Cahill. [40682/19]

*347. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of recent CAP reform discussions at recent EU Agriculture Council meetings with respect to current European tools for price intervention in the dairy sector; and if a potential review of intervention prices which should reflect average production costs was discussed. — Jackie Cahill. [40683/19]

*348. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an application by a company (details supplied); the nature of the process; if all stakeholders are consulted on the application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [40691/19]

*349. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a castle (details supplied) should charge for parking for wheelchair users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40695/19]

*350. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if all overdue farm payments dating back to 2013 will issue to a person (details supplied); and if the matter will be expedited. — John McGuinness. [40728/19]

*351. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to implement the provision in the agriculture motion adopted by Dáil Éireann on 26 September 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [40779/19]

*352. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to implement the provision in the agriculture motion adopted by Dáil Éireann on 26 September 2019 to ensure that his Department convenes a cross-sector implementation group to establish a publicly owned and controlled national beef supply blockchain; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [40782/19]

*353. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the project of roll out of the new areas of natural constraint; the way a land owner can make an application for inclusion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [40802/19]

*354. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a BPS payment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [40804/19]

*355. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to change regulations on spreading chicken slurry here; if the same chicken slurry can be imported under current guidelines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [40843/19]

*356. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 1374 of 6 September 2019, the breakdown of the herdowners that purchased cattle in a mart and then slaughtered them within 30 days of the sale in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by category (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [40857/19]

*357. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the injunctions taken against farmers by a company (details supplied) will be officially lifted in view of the fact protesters have stepped away from all factory gates; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [40858/19]

*358. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if an investigation has been initiated into allegations of breaches of greyhound welfare as highlighted in the media (details supplied); the stage the investigation is at; the actions that have been identified from the investigation; and the enforcement actions and prosecutions that have resulted from same. — Róisín Shortall. [40884/19]

*359. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the most recent proposals put forward at the EU Agriculture Council in relation to the need to ensure there is no reduction in funding for CAP post-2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40915/19]

*360. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated full year cost of purchasing six extra trained food detector dogs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40919/19]

*361. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of times in 2018 and to date in 2019 he has met with the CEO and or equivalent from each state agency under the remit of his Department in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40920/19]

*362. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he is considering reopening the organic farm scheme to new entrants for specific commodity sectors that are in deficit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [40994/19]

*363. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason a person (details supplied) has not received a headage payment; the steps that can be taken to rectify the problem; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [41002/19]

*364. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an application by a company (details supplied); the nature of the process; if all stakeholders are consulted on the application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [41030/19]

*365. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of the expenditure relating to a promotional trip by An Bord Bia to China in May 2019; the name of private sector companies included on the trip; the number of persons that travelled from each company; if the companies contributed to the cost of the trip; if so, the details of same in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [41057/19]

*366. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the announcement by the United States of America that it will begin applying WTO tariffs on certain EU goods beginning 18 October 2019 which will result in tariffs on Irish exports of butter, cheese, milk, yoghurt, pork and liqueurs; the discussions he has had with the US authorities, other Member States and the Commission in this regard to ensure that this does not take place; the discussions with Irish companies that will be impacted by these tariffs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [41150/19]

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

*367. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to introduce an allowance to offset the increase in bin charges as per pay by weight scheme that was introduced for adults with incontinence and are dependent on social welfare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [40527/19]

*368. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the position regarding the large amount of fish being reported as being unrecognisable as normal fish (details supplied) in the north east; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [40597/19]

*369. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the way in which the process of appropriate certification from a professional engineer works in terms of Inland Fisheries Ireland instream enhancement works; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [40576/19]

*370. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when the process of appropriate certification from a professional engineer works in terms of Inland Fisheries Ireland instream enhancement works became part of policy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [40577/19]

*371. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the reason the instream enhancement project carried out in Trim, County Meath in September 2018 by the OPW in connection with the local Inland Fisheries Ireland eastern region Drogheda section and supervised by the Trim anglers did not require planning from the local authority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [40578/19]

*372. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his views on whether it is best practice for Inland Fisheries Ireland technical instream supervision for the OPW to be carried out by members of a local angling club; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [40579/19]

*373. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will consider making instream design and delivery services to the OPW a priority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [40580/19]

*374. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the steps he will take to address the concerns of the EPA regarding the rising levels of pollution and the failure to meet health-related guidelines in this area as set out by the World Health Organisation; his views on the recent EPA report which states that air pollution is responsible for an estimated 1,180 premature deaths each year; his strategy to address the serious public health issue of rising levels of pollution; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [40603/19]

*375. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his strategy for dealing with rising levels of nitrogen dioxide caused by transport emissions in urban areas and the serious risk it poses to public health; his views on the progressive steps that several EU countries and cities are taking to address emissions by making public transport free to encourage persons to use private vehicles less; if he will consider same in the near future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [40604/19]

*376. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to introduce a refuse waiver for persons with disabilities; the specific GDPR obstacles present in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [40608/19]

*377. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he or his officials have examined proposals to give the Commission for Regulation of Utilities additional powers to ensure that savings in gas and electricity prices are passed on to customers; if he will provide an overview of the current regulatory framework for both wholesale and retail energy markets; the national and EU legislation in this area; and if there are proposed EU regulations being discussed to regulate gas and electricity prices for consumers. — Robert Troy. [40677/19]

*378. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he or his officials examined proposals to empower the Commission for Regulation of Utilities by the use of price caps for gas and electricity prices as other jurisdictions have availed of; and the details of such work ongoing in this area. — Robert Troy. [40678/19]

*379. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the date for his forthcoming meeting with the Chief Executives of the ESB and Bord na Móna to set out a future direction for a power station (details supplied) following the refusal of planning by An Bord Pleanála; when he last held a meeting with each chief executive on the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [40783/19]

*380. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will report on the challenge to the map of the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [40789/19]

*381. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will report on the state aid issues which have been raised with regard to the National Broadband Plan; if these issues are related to the provision of a subsidy in an area in which a commercial service is in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [40790/19]

*382. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the grants available to service station owners nationally to enable them to develop high speed 100 kwh electric car fast charging points at their service stations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [40796/19]

*383. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of an SEAI deep retrofit scheme application by persons (details supplied); when approval will issue for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [40825/19]

*384. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of the 302 applications to the SEAI deep retrofit scheme 2019 after it was reopened; when these applicants can expect approval for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O'Brien. [40826/19]

*385. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when he plans to conduct a full review of energy security here; if this will include a new energy white paper; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [40881/19]

*386. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he is planning to confirm plans with the European Commission this week to build gas import terminals

here as a project of common interest that would allow the importing of fracked gas from the United States of America. — Eugene Murphy. [40904/19]

*387. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to quell health concerns regarding 5G roll out; the actions he will take to ensure that information is provided on the health impact of 5G roll out here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40933/19]

*388. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the date by end of 2019 he expects the first RESS auction to open for applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41008/19]

*389. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his views on whether the regulatory framework including network development, operation and delivery plans for connecting renewable energy sources are adequate to deliver on the 2030 70% renewable electricity ambition and therefore reducing the cost of fines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41009/19]

*390. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the percentage of revenue received from the income gained from the auction of allowances the units which are used for emission's trading (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41010/19]

*391. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he is planning to confirm plans with the European Commission this week to build gas import terminals here as a project of common interest that would allow the importing of fracked gas from the United States of America. — Pat Casey. [41035/19]

*392. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the status of the roll out of the National Broadband Plan at a location (details supplied); if broadband will be connected in the context of the number of houses in the area that have already been connected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marcella Corcoran Kennedy. [41036/19]

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

*393. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of contingency plans at Dublin Port in the event of a hard Brexit; if the systems that have been put in place to deal with Brexit at the Port have been subject to testing by external experts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40516/19]

*394. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the capacity at Dublin Port for trucks in the event of a no-deal Brexit and trucks are subsequently subject to checks and so on; his views on whether capacity is sufficient; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40517/19]

*395. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason vehicles that are more than 15 years old and are deemed road worthy do not qualify for the rural transport scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40564/19]

*396. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to recent social media videos (details supplied); if he has contacted Luas regarding the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jonathan O'Brien. [40567/19]

*397. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the procedure by which a holder of a British driver licence will be able to obtain an Irish licence if they seek to obtain one after 31 October 2019 in the context of a hard Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jonathan O'Brien. [40568/19]

*398. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the lack of capacity to cater for all commuters to avail of some early morning services on the NX route from Navan, County Meath will be reviewed with Bus Éireann; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [40649/19]

*399. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if all the necessary infrastructure will be in place and be ready to be operationalised at Rosslare Port on 31 October 2019 in the event of a no-deal Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [40665/19]

*400. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the case of a person (details supplied); the number of taxis affected by this issue; and the persons or bodies which will be held responsible for same. — Joan Collins. [40684/19]

*401. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the level of funding that has been provided to Transport Infrastructure Ireland to undertake noise abatement measures in relation to the M50; his plans for noise abatement in terms of barriers or other measures to offer protection against noise pollution to communities living adjacent to the M50; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [40698/19]

*402. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the mitigation measures his Department is putting in place to offset the health and safety risks posed by over 7,000 vehicles which utilise the N24 to drive through Tipperary town every day (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [40705/19]

*403. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the capital expenditure of his Department from 1 January to 31 August 2019 under the heading of B8.1 Smarter Travel/Sustainable Urban Transport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [40732/19]

*404. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the National Transport Authority is considering the introduction of a dedicated bus service under the LocalLink brand to service the route between Glenties and Donegal town in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [40761/19]

*405. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has received a formal request from officials in Donegal County Council to meet with the view to discussing the proposed TEN-T Priority Route Improvement Project, specifically the Ballybofey, Stranorlar Bypass component of the scheme; if so, when he is likely to be in a position to facilitate such a meeting; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [40762/19]

*406. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of an application for sports capital by a club (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [40886/19]

*407. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when he last met formally with the Chairperson and or Chief Executive Officer of Iarnród Éireann; when he will next meet formally with the Chairperson and or Chief Executive Officer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40917/19]

*408. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the concerns of residents of Blessington, County Wicklow that BusConnects by itself will not provide adequate public transport capacity for the area; his plans to improve public transport in the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40936/19]

*409. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of an application by a club (details supplied) for a sport capital grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [41003/19]

*410. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on the challenging operating environment the haulage sector faces in particular the unprecedented challenges posed by Brexit; the steps he has taken to protect the industry from daily fuel increases (details supplied); the steps he will take to ensure fuel costs for HGVs do not increase significantly as a result of measures implemented through Budget 2020; his plans to recalibrate the diesel rebate scheme in order to track the variations in fuel more accurately in line with rebate levels operated in similar schemes elsewhere in Europe; if an additional carbon tax or increase in diesel excise is introduced in Budget 2020, if an additional amount will be rebated to the licensed haulage sector through the diesel rebate scheme in addition to the proposed recalibration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [41033/19]

*411. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if an aircraft (details supplied) was authorised to carry weapons or munitions or other military goods through Shannon Airport on 30 September 2019; if searches were carried out on this aircraft while at Shannon Airport to ensure that it was in compliance with international laws on neutrality; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [41034/19]

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

*412. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the position with regard to increasing the mandatory school age to 17 years. — Thomas Byrne. [41136/19]

*413. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the status of the provision of a new school completion strategy. — Thomas Byrne. [41137/19]

*414. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the funding available for a family resource centre (details supplied) for a homework club; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [40540/19]

*415. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of mandated reports filed with Tusla in 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019; the number that were investigated; the number that were finalised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40589/19]

*416. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the funding provided to a charity (details supplied) in 2017, 2018, and to date in 2019; the reporting arrangements in place with the charity; the waiting times for a child to be seen in 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40599/19]

*417. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs when a decision in relation to the allocation of five additional workers to the domestic violence sector in Galway city and county will be made; the reason the decision has been delayed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40711/19]

*418. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs her views on a matter (details supplied) in relation to the purchase of land; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [40901/19]

*419. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the estimated cost in 2020 if the budget for domestic, sexual and gender-based violence services increased by 10%; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [40918/19]

*420. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the 113 crèche facilities operating with conditions attached to their registration in north Dublin and all 120 facilities in north eastern areas of Dublin; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Rock. [41041/19]

*421. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs when the child abuse substantiation procedures of Tusla referenced by the Departmental EAG 3rd Interim Report will be made public; the way in which the process and procedures of making a retrospective disclosure will work; the way in which they are managed by Tusla; the way in which services that support adults coming forward will be assisted; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41061/19]

*422. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the point at which in the social work assessment of a retrospective disclosure details of the allegation are shared with the person suspected of the alleged abuse; if the process is consistent with the General Data Protection Regulation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41062/19]

*423. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs further to Parliamentary Question No. 847 of 11 June 2019, her views on whether the organisation (details supplied) is now compliant with Tusla regulations and obligations in respect of child safeguarding and reporting; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41063/19]

*424. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of creches classed as critical, high, medium and low on risk on the Tusla rating system; the region of the inspectorate in which they are located in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41064/19]

*425. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the way in which the 595 early years services with conditions are classified as critical, high, medium or low risk on the Tusla rating system in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41065/19]

*426. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the timeframe for inspection reports to be published on the inspection reports section of the Tusla website (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41066/19]

*427. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if her attention has been drawn to the fact that an early years provider (details supplied) who has been prosecuted for operation without registration is allowed continue to operate other creches; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41067/19]

*428. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the frequency with which the Tusla Early Years Inspectorate Enforcement document is updated; when it was last updated; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41068/19]

*429. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of creches her Department or Tusla are aware of that are operating without registration; the location of such creches; the length of time they have been in operation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41069/19]

*430. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the frequency of visits by Tusla inspectors to a given creche, that is, every 12, 18, and 24 months; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41070/19]

*431. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of Tusla registered creches by county in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41071/19]

*432. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of psychotherapists directly employed by Tusla by LHO. — Catherine Martin. [41094/19]

*433. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of play therapists and child art psychotherapists directly employed by Tusla by LHO. — Catherine Martin. [41095/19]

*434. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of referrals to outside therapeutic services not including CAMHS by Tusla in 2018 by LHO. — Catherine Martin. [41096/19]

*435. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the amount spent by Tusla on external therapeutic services in 2017, 2018 and in Q1 and Q2 of 2019 combined. — Catherine Martin. [41097/19]

*436. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of adoption declarations made in each of the past four years. — Catherine Martin. [41098/19]

*437. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of adoptions that have taken place in 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019. — Catherine Martin. [41099/19]

*438. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if an application by a person (details supplied) will be reviewed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [41124/19]

*439. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she will investigate the possibility of increasing investment in youth work in advance of Budget 2020 to enable youth organisations to deliver enhanced youth work services to support young persons in County Kilkenny; if she will consider increasing the 2% allocation of overall funding within her Department to support youth work services through Budget 2020; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [41129/19]

*440. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she will consider increasing the funding allocation to the youth service grant scheme which supports 30 voluntary youth organisations to

deliver mainstream youth work and to support local youth groups, branches and units through Budget 2020; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [41130/19]

*441. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if consideration will be given to Budget 2020 submission by an organisation (details supplied) in respect of the provision of childcare and the structures for the delivery of same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [41134/19]

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

*442. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if there are plans for a 2020 town and village renewal scheme; if so, when details will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [40808/19]

*443. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the percentage of expenditure that a local authority must outlay on an approved project (details supplied) before allocated funding and interim payments can be drawn down from his Department; when this accounting rule was introduced for capital funded rural schemes; if it was via regulation or departmental circular; and the level of project expenditure carried out by a local authority balancing payments that can be drawn down from allocated funding for an approved project. — Dara Calleary. [40929/19]

*444. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if he has considered allocating ring-fenced funding to tidy towns committees in view of the recent tidy towns results; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41018/19]

*445. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the reason only three projects in County Cork were approved funding under the recent Clár 2019 measure 1 and 2 allocation; the reason County Cork received just 3% of the total national allocation; the further reason no funding was allocated to projects in north County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [41073/19]

*446. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the reason a Clár funding application by Cork County Council for a playground in Kanturk, County Cork was unsuccessful; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [41074/19]

*447. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the reason a Clár funding application by Cork County Council for a playground in Lyre, County Cork was unsuccessful; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [41075/19]

*448. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the reason a Clár funding application by Cork County Council for a playground in Millstreet, County Cork was unsuccessful; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [41076/19]

*449. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the reason a Clár funding application by Cork County Council for speed safety signs and road markings in Knocknagree, County Cork was unsuccessful; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [41077/19]

*450. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the drawdown for Leader funding in Galway in 2017, 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41078/19]

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

*451. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a reapplication for a domiciliary care allowance for a person (details supplied). — Tom Neville. [40526/19]

*452. 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) in County Donegal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [40535/19]

*453. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the criteria for the partial capacity payment will be amended to allow persons in receipt of the payment to avail of training, education and upskilling opportunities similar to those in receipt of the jobseeker's payment or disability allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [40536/19]

*454. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a domiciliary care allowance for a person (details supplied); when a decision is expected; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [40563/19]

*455. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision on a disability allowance application by a person (details supplied) will issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [40575/19]

*456. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if paid PRSI contributions are credited to the PRSI record of a person following confirmation of payment of PRS; if not, PRSI payments are recognised in cases in which an agreement has been put in place between a person and the Revenue Commissioners to clear outstanding tax and PRSI obligations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [40582/19]

*457. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a free travel pass will issue to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [40598/19]

*458. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if he will address a matter regarding the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [40600/19]

*459. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her plans for social welfare payments for persons obliged to retire at 65 years of age as the State pension age increases to 67 years of age and over. — Pat Deering. [40610/19]

*460. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of persons referred to Turas Nua and Seetec for JobPath to date; the number of persons to date that have gained employment through the JobPath service; the number of persons that have been employed for over

a year on JobPath; the number employed after two years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [40629/19]

*461. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when an invalidity pension payment will issue to a person (details supplied); and the amount of arrears due. — Tom Neville. [40630/19]

*462. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will include partial capacity benefit as a qualifying payment for springboard courses; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40640/19]

*463. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she has considered the benefits for persons with mental health issues to use partial capacity benefit and springboard courses to improve their mental health and employability; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40641/19]

*464. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when arrears will issue in the case of a person (details supplied). — Tom Neville. [40648/19]

*465. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a domiciliary care allowance for a person (details supplied); and when a decision will be made in relation to same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [40662/19]

*466. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of the working family payment for a person (details supplied); when a decision will be made; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [40694/19]

*467. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will meet with this Deputy and a person (details supplied) to discuss older workers and community employment schemes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [40714/19]

*468. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if there is an effective efficient and fair distribution of funds by the Citizens Information Board to various MABS companies to ensure that counties such as County Clare are not disadvantaged; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Harty. [40718/19]

*469. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the position regarding CP 116 and IORP II; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [40724/19]

*470. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the progress on the changes to calculating PRSI entitlements for the State pension (contributory); and the effects of the changes. — Brian Stanley. [40743/19]

*471. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the contingency in place in the event of a crash out and or no-deal Brexit in respect of contracts in place with a service provider engaged by her Department (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40805/19]

*472. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the number of hours will be increased that can be worked by home carers employed directly or indirectly by the HSE in respect of the various means tested schemes including the carers allowance in view of the

difficulties being experienced recruiting sufficient home carers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [40833/19]

*473. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of applications received over the past five years and the number of grants awarded for the workplace adaptation grant; and the amount of funding given to the grant in the same period by county in tabular form. — Colm Brophy. [40895/19]

*474. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a UK record for a pension application by a person (details supplied) will be expedited; the status of the application; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [40903/19]

*475. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason for the delays issuing a decision on the review of an invalidity pension application by a person (details supplied) which commenced over two months ago; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [40911/19]

*476. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 650 of 2 July 2019, if the necessary documentation required has been received in the relevant section in order to facilitate payment of rent support; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [40916/19]

*477. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a decision has been made on a carer's allowance application by a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [40939/19]

*478. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the position regarding the provision of a pension scheme for community employment scheme supervisors; when the issue will be resolved; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40940/19]

*479. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a decision has been made on an application for a disability allowance by a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [40944/19]

*480. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of the interdepartmental review of community employment schemes; when the review is expected to be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40945/19]

*481. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if PPS numbers will not be issued to adults resident here for the purpose of changing a driver licence from Northern Ireland to an Irish driver licence; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [40967/19]

*482. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 159 of 29 May 2019, the progress 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. [40968/19]

*483. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her views on a matter (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [40981/19]

*484. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a companion pass will be reinstated in respect of a person (details supplied) in County Kerry following the submission of comprehensive medical evidence outlining the requirement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [40982/19]

*485. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a working family payment application by a person (details supplied); when a decision will be made; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [40984/19]

*486. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will be made on an application by a person (details supplied) for a disability allowance qualified adult pertaining to the spouse of the applicant; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [40989/19]

*487. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an application by a person (details supplied) for a carer’s allowance will be processed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [41011/19]

*488. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a decision has been made on an application by a person (details supplied) for a carer’s allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [41029/19]

*489. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the steps she will take to ensure that a person (details supplied) does not need to attend Turas Nua appointments; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [41040/19]

*490. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if an illness benefit for a person (details supplied) will issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [41051/19]

*491. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the way in which and the area from which the €2.5 million additional funding announced in Budget 2019 for the materials budget of community employment schemes has been spent; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [41055/19]

*492. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the estimated amount it would cost to roll out the school meals programme to all primary and secondary schools here; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [41060/19]

*493. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her views on a matter (details supplied) regarding changes to the old age pension; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [41149/19]

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

*494. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will consider extending the slurry spreading deadline to 30 October 2019 in view of adverse weather conditions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [40680/19]

*495. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if Irish Water is no longer installing domestic water meters; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [40549/19]

*496. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of approved housing bodies that have tier 1 certified body status; the number given tier 1 certified body status in the past year; and the number awarded certified body status in the past year (details supplied). — Eoin Ó Broin. [40555/19]

*497. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of progress made by the steering group to recommend ways to improve the fish passage at Parteen and Ardnacrusha on the River Shannon; the consultation process it is engaging in; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [40571/19]

*498. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of approved housing bodies that have tier 1 certified body status. — Louise O'Reilly. [40590/19]

*499. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of approved housing bodies given tier 1 certified body status in the past year. — Louise O'Reilly. [40591/19]

*500. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of approved housing bodies awarded a certified body status in the past year (details supplied). — Louise O'Reilly. [40592/19]

*501. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of private houses that local authorities are renting and subletting as social housing by local authority; the annual cost of renting these houses in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by local authority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [40631/19]

*502. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding the retirement age of retained firefighters; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [40637/19]

*503. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if his Department has Part V targets for 2019, 2020 and 2021; and if so, the details of the targets for each of the years referenced. — Eoin Ó Broin. [40704/19]

*504. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will include an ethnic identifier in the pathway accommodation and support system to include Travellers. — Eoin Ó Broin. [40713/19]

*505. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount of funding allocated to each local authority in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 for housing adaptation grants in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [40721/19]

*506. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount of funding drawn down by each local authority in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 for housing adaptation grants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [40722/19]

*507. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if the steering group for the separation of Irish Water from a group (details supplied) has presented proposals regarding the

way in which the separation should occur; the number of times the steering group has met regarding the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [40723/19]

*508. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason there is building of expensive private homes on public lands at a location (details supplied) in view of the fact the existing cost rental mode of building being piloted at another location could provide affordable and secure public homes to low and middle income earners in Dublin city; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [40736/19]

*509. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government when planned changes to qualification requirements for the tenant purchase scheme will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [40778/19]

*510. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the review of the 2006 wind energy development guidelines; when the review will be completed and the new guidelines published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [40827/19]

*511. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if progress has been made on the establishment of a national electoral commission, as recommended to oversee the conduct of elections; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O’Rourke. [40846/19]

*512. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to change the legislation establishing the PRTB that only allows an appeal to the courts on a point of law; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [40852/19]

*513. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of the fire station capital plan and the need to upgrade many fire stations such as Baltinglass; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40907/19]

*514. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount allocated to the Local Government Fund in each of the years 2010 to 2018 and to date in 2019; the composition of the fund by income from motor tax, income from the Exchequer and the local property tax in tabular form. — Dara Calleary. [40930/19]

*515. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if there are grants for water well drilling for domestic houses. — Pat Casey. [40946/19]

*516. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the roll out of the affordable housing scheme and serviced sites fund; the number of housing schemes approved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Casey. [40947/19]

*517. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if consideration has been given to the establishment of an on-line voter registration system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O’Rourke. [40983/19]

*518. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the average processing time for approving HAP applications; if his attention has been drawn to delays in processing new HAP tenancy applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [41000/19]

*519. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if local authorities will be required to bring new housing stock which they acquire from now on up to BER B2 standard; if so, if his Department will repay to local authorities the cost of necessary works; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [41004/19]

*520. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of persons on each housing waiting list by local authority that are wheelchair users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [41012/19]

*521. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to address the report by the National Oversight and Audit Commission that revealed that eight of 31 city and county councils failed to meet their minimum standards for inspecting new buildings (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41019/19]

*522. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government his plans to address the report by the National Oversight and Audit Commissions that revealed low levels of inspection of rental properties (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [41021/19]

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

*523. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the engagement she or her officials have had on a centre (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [40650/19]

*524. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 260 and 261 of 19 September 2019, the specific case her Department considered an application for an activity requiring consent; and if a copy of the recommendations will be provided to the local group. — Shane Cassells. [40581/19]

*525. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if he has received correspondence from an organisation (details supplied); and if funding will be provided for an upgrade of the facilities. — Dara Calleary. [40642/19]

*526. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the funding allocated to the music capital scheme in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019; the amount actually spent under this scheme in each of the years 2016 to 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [40730/19]

*527. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the further information requested from Bord na Móna in respect of a case in which a person (details supplied) has endured ongoing delays receiving arrears under the turf cutting compensation scheme in view of the fact that the person was informed that the assessment was completed and successful and that payments would be backdated to 2011; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [40739/19]

*528. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if she has established a consultative committee to agree a programme of action in relation to the seagull problem in certain urban areas; the work programme of this committee; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [40793/19]

*529. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if she and her officials are examining proposals in relation to a meaningful compensation scheme for farmers affected by designated land; the process involved; the recent meetings with farmer representatives; the timetable for actions in this area; and the status of recent talks with stakeholders on issues (details supplied). — Jackie Cahill. [40883/19]

*530. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the details of her visit to the Irish Arts Centre in New York on 11 January 2019; and if there will be a follow-up on the visit. — Alan Kelly. [40974/19]

*531. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the status of proposals to ban a substance (details supplied); and her views in relation to same. — Peter Burke. [41079/19]

*532. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht her plans to suspend the open season order for hares in view of the recent outbreak of rabbit haemorrhagic disease RHD2 which has been found in at least six counties in approximately 12 rabbits and two hares; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [41093/19]

*533. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the plans in place for Budget 2020 in relation to Irish language and Gaeltacht investment (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [41123/19]

*534. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht further to that the open seasons order in relation to hares his views on the use of terriers or canine breeds other than beagles, harriers or greyhounds to be involved in the hunting of hares. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [41153/19]

*535. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht further to the open seasons order in relation to hares his views on the hunting of hares by way of regulated coursing at the same location and townland multiple times in the same season. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [41154/19]

*536. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if a pre-coursing report as per directive 1 of A Summary of Directives, Instructions and Guidance notes issued by The Executive Committee of the Irish Coursing Club and control stewards' report as per directive 11 were made following all regulated park and open coursing events that took place either under the terms of the netting licence or open season order during the 2018-2019 season; and if she will provide a list of all events for which reports were made and the reason if any that a particular report was not made. — Maureen O'Sullivan. [41155/19]

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QUESTIONS, OTHER THAN QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY, FOR ORAL
ANSWER ON WEDNESDAY, 9 OCTOBER, 2019**

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

1. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the timeline for implementation of each of the 14 recommendations made by the Personal Injuries Commission regarding personal injury awards. — Robert Troy. [41110/19]

2. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the most recent update on regional IDA site visits per county and vacant IDA properties nationwide; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [41111/19]

3. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when successful projects under the 2019 Regional Enterprise Development Fund will be announced; if shovel ready projects will be prioritised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [41114/19]

4. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to introduce additional measures to assist small and medium enterprises in the Border region to deal with the adverse impacts of Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [41084/19]

5. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to introduce specific programmes to assist small and medium enterprises in the Border region, which are heavily dependent on Britain as an export market, to deal with the adverse impacts of Brexit and help protect employment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [41085/19]

6. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps the enterprise agencies are taking to support job creation in counties Westmeath and Longford; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [41007/19]

7. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she has spoken to her German counterpart in relation to the Mercosur agreement. — Michael Moynihan. [30008/19]

8. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the details of consultation her Department or agencies under the remit of her Department may have had or research they may have undertaken on the matter of impediments to women working in business or becoming entrepreneurs; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [41105/19]

9. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps Enterprise Ireland and the IDA are taking to drive job creation in County Sligo; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [40774/19]

10. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to streamline the application process for work permits; the actions being taken to reduce the processing time; the number of applications received to date in 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [40821/19]

11. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the progress being made under the IDA Regional Property Programme in terms of developing landing space to attract FDI to County Sligo; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [40773/19]

12. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount remaining in existing funds allocated by her Department to various schemes to assist companies to prepare for Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O'Sullivan. [40871/19]

13. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she will bring forward proposals to encourage remote working amongst businesses; her views on the way in which remote working can support regional development nationally and in County Clare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [40962/19]

14. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her plans to address the issue of unemployment and the need for further investment in the south east; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [40776/19]

15. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of new jobs created by the IDA in 2018; the percentage of these jobs which were outside Dublin; the efforts being made to increase IDA employment in County Carlow; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [40966/19]

16. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if local enterprises offices have seen a decrease in assistance for entrepreneurial activities in the lead-up to Brexit and the potential threats to the economy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [40863/19]

17. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which she expects to capitalise on job opportunities arising as a result of regional or global policy changes with particular reference to ensuring that exporters have ready access to alternative markets in the event of displacement for whatever reason; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [41083/19]

18. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when she will publish the full ODCE report into the collapse of the trial of a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [41112/19]

19. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when successful projects under the 2019 Regional Enterprise Development Fund will be announced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [40866/19]

20. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation when the new SME and entrepreneurship strategy will be published; the planned areas of focus; the impact the strategy will have on regional development; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [40963/19]

21. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she will report on the performance of exports in 2019; her views on the reported decrease in exports during the second quarter of May and June 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [40865/19]

22. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps being taken to reduce the employment permit application processing time. — Robert Troy. [41113/19]

23. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she will report on the study by the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission into the insurance industry, including brokers; when the study will be published; the parameters of the study; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [40864/19]

24. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation her views on the administration of the INAB; the correspondence and or discussions her Department has had with the INAB in 2018 and or 2019; the correspondence and or discussions she has had with other Departments regarding the board; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [40867/19]

25. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which she remains satisfied regarding adequacy of investment in job creation through the medium enterprise and innovation, with particular reference to the need to avail of new opportunities to offset anticipated losses through Brexit; the degree to which regional investment in such job creation remains integrally part policy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [41082/19]

26. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the progress in strengthening the operation of the office of the Director of Corporate Enforcement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [40873/19]

27. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the role her Department has played in the Mercosur and Ireland-US trade deals; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [37382/19]

28. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the measures being put in place to assist businesses that may experience unanticipated breaks in their supply chain as a result of a possible hard Brexit despite their best efforts to address these issues in advance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [40872/19]

29. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the details of each State infrastructure project that is in development or is due for completion in 2019 in which it is in excess of the budget assigned to the project for its current stage to date. — Peadar Tóibín. [39522/19]

30. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the supports she is putting in place to help support businesses through Brexit both nationally and in Border counties; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [40960/19]

31. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of new jobs created by the IDA in 2018; the percentage of these jobs which were outside Dublin; the efforts being made to increase IDA employment in County Louth; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [40961/19]

32. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of applications received under the 2019 Regional Enterprise Development Fund; when she plans to announce successful applicants; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [40964/19]

33. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if she formally submitted a request or is preparing to submit a request at EU level to revise State aid rules as set out in Regulation (EU) No 1407/2013 to protect exposed enterprises and exporters here from Brexit. — Robert Troy. [41109/19]

34. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of persons currently on work permits and attached to a singular employer and or sector; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [38877/19]

35. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the steps she is taking to support small businesses in north western areas of County Cork; the way in which she plans to address the challenges they are facing; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [41126/19]

36. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the status of the various schemes offered to assist businesses in preparing for Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [41127/19]

37. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if her Department or the IDA have held meetings or had interactions with business or company regarding the possibility of multinationals providing housing in cities here; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [41104/19]