CEISTEANNA I gCOMHAIR FREAGRA Ó BHÉAL
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH
QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

1. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the reason for the delay in introducing legislation to criminalise hate crime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [48026/19]

2. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his views on passport checks taking place on the Border at Garda checkpoints and on public transport; the reason for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [47532/19]

3. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a response will issue to the call from the Law Reform Commission for a change in the way consent is considered in rape trials; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [48027/19]

4. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of times the Garda air support unit has been used in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019; the reason for deployment; the cost involved for each deployment; and the areas from which funds where obtained. — Sean Sherlock. [47838/19]

5. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the fact that 35% of residents of direct provision centres have been there for more than three years will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47617/19]

CEISTEANNA EILE
OTHER QUESTIONS

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

6. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the roll out of community based CCTV schemes nationwide. — Thomas Byrne. [47678/19]

7. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the low uptake of legal advice under section 26(3) of the Civil Legal Aid Act 1995 (details supplied) has been investigated; the number of applications made in this regard each year since the enactment of the Act; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [47799/19]

8. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the way in which he plans to respond to the report by the Oireachtas Committee on Justice and Equality calling for reform of the family law system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47616/19]
9. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons that have been made wards of court since the passing of the Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Act 2015; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [47764/19]

10. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the operations in place by An Garda Síochána to deal with the issue of public and on-street drug dealing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [47675/19]

11. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will extend the right to work to all asylum seekers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [47834/19]

12. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the area of the budget of An Garda Síochána from which the estimated €15 to €18 million cost of the visits of the President and Vice-President of the United States of America will come from; the details of the expenditure in view of the high cost and the fact that the visits were of a short duration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [47533/19]

13. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to address the number of persons living in direct provision centres; his further plans to cease using hotels as emergency centres; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47798/19]

14. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the OPW has carried out a recent assessment of Carndonagh Court House, Carndonagh, County Donegal; if issues have been identified; his plans to remedy same; the timeframe involved; if the OPW will work with the Courts Service to ensure a temporary venue is made available in Carndonagh and that court sittings continue to be held in Carndonagh; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [47796/19]

15. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to revise harassment laws here taking into consideration the impact of cyberbullying on the mental health of a person; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [47527/19]

16. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the report by a person (details supplied) into the conduct of rape and sexual assault trials; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [47827/19]

17. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when the review of the investigation and prosecution of sexual offences due in December 2018 will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [47763/19]

18. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of asylum seekers that would be eligible to work under the programme available to them; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [47833/19]

19. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will respond to the call from the Law Reform Commission for a change in the way consent is considered in rape trials; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47613/19]

20. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent of proposed changes in the law to protect the integrity of wills and prevent unscrupulous third parties from inveigling themselves into the confidence of vulnerable persons for their own benefit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [47783/19]
21. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí in each of the Cork divisions; the number of retirements over the past year; the number of new trainees assigned to each Cork division in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [47802/19]

22. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the tender process for a direct provision centre in the western region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [47765/19]

23. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the specific investment his Department has made in the Garda fleet and personnel in the Cavan Monaghan Garda district in the past 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47586/19]

24. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 145 of 8 October 2019, the number of applications received, granted and refused, respectively, for labour market access permission; the number in employment; of those; the number residing in direct provision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [47762/19]

25. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if additional measures will be implemented on a cross-Border basis to tackle criminality following the 17th Annual Cross Border Conference on Organised Crime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [47760/19]


27. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the extent to which further consideration has been given to further reform the bail laws with particular reference to the need to tackle organised crime, deal with recidivism and protect the general public; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [47782/19]

28. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to reform the monitoring of sex offenders; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [47457/19]

29. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons convicted for possession of drugs in 2018 with a value in excess of €13,000; the number that received sentences of less than 1, 1 to 3, 3 to 5, 5 to 10 and more than 10 years respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [47676/19]

30. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the role of security forces in combating right-wing extremism here in view of recent incidences of violence and anti-immigrant sentiment in relation to the issue of direct provision here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [45773/19]

31. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when the commitment to admit 4,000 persons under the relocation and resettlement programmes will be met; the number of persons admitted to date; the number being accommodated in emergency accommodation and in emergency reception and orientation centres by length of stay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [47761/19]
32. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will report on the new operational model of An Garda Síochána; the breakdown of the divisional strength nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [47529/19]

33. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the steps he is taking to end overcrowding in prisons here. — Thomas P. Broughan. [47530/19]

34. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the plans of the OPW for new builds for Garda Stations in County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [47801/19]

35. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to establish a Garda insurance fraud unit to tackle insurance fraud. — Brian Stanley. [46266/19]

36. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the additional measures that will be implemented on a cross-Border basis following the 17th Annual Cross Border Conference on Organised Crime in terms of crime investigation and prevention which is of critical importance in the Border region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [47759/19]

37. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if his attention has been drawn to reports that only two gardaí were on patrol in Cork city in March 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [47835/19]

38. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the consultation and engagement that has taken place to date with the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport in relation to extending eligibility for a driver licence to asylum seekers. — Robert Troy. [47779/19]

39. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to tag sex offenders following their release from prison; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [47458/19]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA
QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

*40. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the British-Irish Council; when it last met; and the issues that were discussed. — Micheál Martin. [47906/19]

*41. To ask the Taoiseach the Cabinet committee at which public sector broadcasting is discussed. — Micheál Martin. [47907/19]

*42. To ask the Taoiseach the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47928/19]
*43. To ask the Taoiseach the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47954/19]

*44. To ask the Taoiseach the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; and the commencement and cessation dates in each case. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47971/19]

*45. To ask the Taoiseach the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48044/19]

*46. To ask the Taoiseach the duties and responsibilities of the political staff appointed by him. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [48048/19]

*47. To ask the Taoiseach the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48079/19]

*48. To ask the Taoiseach the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019. — Jack Chambers. [48197/19]

*49. To ask the Taoiseach the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014. — Barry Cowen. [48214/19]

*50. To ask the Taoiseach the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form. — Barry Cowen. [48253/19]

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

*51. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47918/19]

*52. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47944/19]

*53. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47961/19]
*54. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48034/19]

*55. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48069/19]

*56. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48121/19]

*57. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48187/19]

*58. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48204/19]

*59. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48243/19]

*60. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence if a new open recruitment campaign for the Army Reserve and Naval Service Reserve will commence early in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48264/19]

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

*61. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he has discussed the future of NATO with other European counterparts. — Micheál Martin. [47908/19]

*62. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if he will engage with the UK Government in order to resolve the ongoing dispute over the ownership of Lough Foyle in the context of the decision by the UK to withdraw from the London Fisheries Convention, effective upon Brexit. — Pearse Doherty. [47904/19]

*63. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47922/19]
*64. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Jim O’Callaghan. [47948/19]

*65. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Fiona O’Loughlin. [47965/19]

*66. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the position regarding Poland including EU efforts to ensure that European values and freedoms are adhered to such as freedom of press and the judiciary; if the proposed law to criminalise sex education in Poland was raised at the most recent EU Foreign Affairs Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Seán Haughey. [47989/19]

*67. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the position regarding Hungary and EU efforts to ensure that the actions by the Hungarian Government are in keeping with the expectations of an EU member state in terms of adhering to European values and ideals and upholding freedoms and rights; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Seán Haughey. [47990/19]

*68. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the situation in Bolivia; the position of the EU on same; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Seán Haughey. [47993/19]

*69. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on the recent violence in Gaza; the status of recent efforts at EU and international level to restart the Middle East peace process; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Seán Haughey. [47994/19]

*70. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the status of the situation in Venezuela; the position of Ireland on the ongoing political crisis; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Seán Haughey. [48025/19]

*71. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form.
— Shane Cassells. [48038/19]

*72. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form.
— Shane Cassells. [48073/19]

*73. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if an application for a passport by a person (details supplied) will be expedited due to extenuating circumstances; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Jack Chambers. [48112/19]

*74. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Barry Cowen. [48125/19]
*75. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48191/19]

*76. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48208/19]

*77. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48247/19]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*78. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to extend the legal framework for approved retirement funds to allow pension schemes to provide ARFs under the regulation of the Pensions Authority. — Michael McGrath. [47900/19]

*79. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to allow pension schemes approved by the Pensions Authority to offer retiring members of defined contribution schemes, scheme controlled ARFs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [47901/19]

*80. To ask the Minister for Finance the projected increase in the net contribution by Ireland each year to the EU from 2021 to 2027 in the event of Britain leaving the EU with a deal on 31 January 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [47905/19]

*81. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47921/19]

*82. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47947/19]

*83. To ask the Minister for Finance the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47964/19]

*84. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the fact that utility companies are adding VAT onto the total charge of consumption including the carbon tax indicating that VAT is being charged on the carbon tax itself; if this was the intention of the carbon tax when it was constituted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [47997/19]
*85. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding VRT delays in County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [47998/19]

*86. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48037/19]

*87. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48072/19]

*88. To ask the Minister for Finance the status on the creation of a housing fund under the remit of the National Treasury Management Agency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48084/19]

*89. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of the National Treasury Management Agency Special Purpose Vehicle to deliver additional social housing as part of mixed-tenure developments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48085/19]

*90. To ask the Minister for Finance if the interdepartmental report on pensions simplification has been referred to him for sign off; the date of proposed publication of the report; if there will be a consultation period subsequent to the publication; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [48110/19]

*91. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48124/19]

*92. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48190/19]

*93. To ask the Minister for Finance the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48207/19]

*94. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48246/19]

*95. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to meet with the new chief of the IMF and the new President of the European Central Bank (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48270/19]

*96. To ask the Minister for Finance the position and value of the escrow account for corporation tax due from a company (details supplied) pending the appeal to the EU General Court; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48271/19]
*97. To ask the Minister for Finance if he is making submissions to the EU institutions regarding amendments to the rules of the stability and growth pact; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48272/19]

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

*98. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form. — Barry Cowen. [48131/19]

*99. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47926/19]

*100. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47952/19]

*101. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47969/19]

*102. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform further to Parliamentary Question No.150 of 12 November 2019, if the question of the clear unfair anomaly between former public servants taking up employment again in the public sector against those that take up employment in the private sector will be addressed; his views on whether it is a positive disincentive for such persons, many of whose skills are still sought in the public sector, for them to take up employment there; his plans to address the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [47973/19]

*103. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if funding will be allocated to the OPW to provide extra parking spaces for cars, coaches and buses for visitors at the National Botanic Gardens, Dublin 9; if so, when work will commence in view of the fact there is no sufficient parking spaces to deal with the number of visitors parking during the peak season; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [47977/19]

*104. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if funding will be allocated to the OPW for the refurbishment of the canteen area, Coolock Garda station, Dublin 5; if so, when the work will commence in view of the fact the canteen area has not been refurbished in several years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [47978/19]

*105. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the acreage in each local authority area owned by the Office of Public Works; the portion of the land that are heritage sites; the portion
in use for public services; the portion that is vacant; the portion that is vacant and suitable for residential development; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48002/19]

*106. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the acreage of property owned by the OPW that has been transferred to local authorities for residential development in each year since 2015, by local authority in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48003/19]

*107. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the OPW has undertaken an audit of its property portfolio to assess the number of properties that would be suitable for residential development; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48004/19]

*108. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans to review the application of pension abatement for certain retired members of the Defence Forces that subsequently take up another role in the public service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48005/19]

*109. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48042/19]

*110. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48077/19]

*111. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform further to Parliamentary Question No. 146 of 12 November 2019, the amount spent in his Department on the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since February 2018 and November 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48114/19]

*112. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48212/19]

*113. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48251/19]

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

*114. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of steps to establish funding mechanisms for institutes of technology to support the development of its student accommodation capacity. — Darragh O’Brien. [48104/19]

*115. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to increase the upper age limits for school bus drivers beyond 70 years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [48111/19]
*116. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 251 of 5 November 2019, if he has explored the possibility of the provision of an ASD unit in the present location of the school in the event that the new school building is delayed due to planning appeals. — Catherine Martin. [47876/19]

*117. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills his plans to develop new primary and second-level schools in Midleton and east County Cork to respond to a growing population of primary school students and longer term projections in population growth for the future. — Pat Buckley. [47882/19]

*118. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47919/19]

*119. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his attention has been drawn to the difficult conditions under which staff and students are working and learning at a school (details supplied) in County Dublin; the steps he will take to move the school extension and refurbishment project beyond stage 2b as a matter of urgency especially in view of the recent withdrawal of the quantity surveyor and architect; if assurances will be given that the necessary work will continue without delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [47934/19]

*120. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47945/19]

*121. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47962/19]

*122. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a person (details supplied) will be cleared to return to teaching; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48000/19]

*123. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if students that cannot obtain a placement in a post-primary school (details supplied) in County Kerry will be made eligible for school transport to the next nearest post-primary school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [48019/19]

*124. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when a school (details supplied) will receive funding. — Barry Cowen. [48022/19]

*125. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48035/19]
*126. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if consideration will be given to providing additional school transport for a student (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [48055/19]

*127. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the estimated cost in 2020 if the ancillary grant increased by €7 per pupil; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [48061/19]

*128. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48070/19]

*129. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48122/19]

*130. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if consideration will be given to provide additional transport by Bus Éireann for students (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [48160/19]

*131. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48188/19]

*132. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48205/19]

*133. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if an application for the upgrading and provision of new facilities by a school (details supplied) will be progressed without further delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [48217/19]

*134. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48244/19]

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

*135. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 100 of 13 February 2019, if the case of the persons in County Mayo will be re-examined in view of the decision by the Court of Appeal to overturn as unworkable the High Court finding that applicants for citizenship must have unbroken residence here in the year before they apply; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [47897/19]

*136. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company
(details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47925/19]

*137. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [47951/19]

*138. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O'Loughlin. [47968/19]

*139. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of Garda cars, jeeps and motorcycles attached to the Garda Dublin north roads policing unit as of 31 December 2018 and 12 November 2019, in tabular form; if the number of Garda vehicles allocated to the unit has decreased over the past few years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [47979/19]

*140. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of times the National Traveller and Roma Inclusion Strategy Steering Group has meet in 2018 and to date 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [47995/19]

*141. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48041/19]

*142. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of outstanding bench warrants as of 14 November 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48047/19]

*143. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of Garda cars and vans attached to each Garda district in the Donegal Garda division as of 31 December 2018 and 11 November 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [48059/19]

*144. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons in the asylum process that were granted programme refugee status, convention refugee status, subsidiary protection, permission to remain under the International Protection Act 2015 and leave to remain under section B of the Immigration Act 1999 at first instance and final decision stage, respectively to date in 2019, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [48063/19]

*145. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48076/19]

*146. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if members of an authority (details supplied) are required to provide a tax clearance certificate under the Legal Services Regulation Act 2015 (as amended); if so, his views on same; his plans to take further action on the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [48113/19]
*147. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48128/19]

*148. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the strength of An Garda Síochána at the latest stage of audit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48163/19]

*149. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of gardaí available for duty in the past six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48165/19]

*150. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of women members of An Garda Síochána; the extent to which this number has fluctuated in the past five years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48166/19]

*151. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons male and female, respectively on bail in respect one or more offences and repeat offences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48167/19]

*152. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of persons listed as missing persons; the extent to which this number has fluctuated in the past six years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48168/19]

*153. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of vacancies for judges at District, Circuit or High Court level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48169/19]

*154. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the degree to which An Garda Síochána remains in contact with Europol and Interpol in the pursuit of organised crime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48170/19]

*155. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of prison places available nationally; the degree to which overcrowding exists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48171/19]

*156. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of unfilled promotional positions throughout An Garda Síochána; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48172/19]

*157. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48194/19]

*158. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48211/19]

*159. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the status of the ongoing delays for INIS appointments; the steps he is taking to address same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48219/19]
*160. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48250/19]

*161. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality his plans to proceed with the sale of alcohol Bill; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48268/19]

*162. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will report on recent reports from An Garda Síochána of increasing incidents of drivers driving under the influence of drugs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48269/19]

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

*163. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within her Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if her Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to her Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47914/19]

*164. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of staff in her Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47940/19]

*165. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in her Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47957/19]

*166. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by her Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48030/19]

*167. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of vacant posts at the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission; the length of time each has been vacant for; when the vacancies will be filled; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [48062/19]

*168. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of employees of her Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48065/19]

*169. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48117/19]
*170. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which she has identified job creation prospects likely to fill voids arising from Brexit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48161/19]

*171. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the extent to which innovation and technology continues to be a feature in the creation of new and replacement jobs in the future through innovation and technology; the degree to which she identified the full potential in this regard; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48162/19]

*172. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by her Department to date in 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48183/19]

*173. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of her Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48200/19]

*174. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in her Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48239/19]

*175. To ask the Minister for Health if pay restoration issues for section 39 organisation staff have now been fully resolved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48273/19]

*176. To ask the Minister for Health his plans in relation to a centre (details supplied) in County Dublin which has reported a funding shortfall of €7 million since 2012 due to the gap between funding from the nursing home support scheme and the significant costs of meeting the high dependency needs of persons living with dementia and has indicated it will need to close its day care facility at the end of 2019. — Catherine Martin. [47878/19]

*177. To ask the Minister for Health when additional respite services will be provided (details supplied) in counties Cavan and Monaghan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [47885/19]

*178. To ask the Minister for Health when funding will become available to a person (details supplied) in County Carlow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [47886/19]

*179. To ask the Minister for Health the number of dietitians there should be in place per head of population in each CHO under Sláinte Care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47894/19]

*180. To ask the Minister for Health the average waiting times for homecare package applications in County Kildare; the number of open homecare package applications being considered in the area; the number of individual homecare packages being provided in the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47895/19]
*181. To ask the Minister for Health if he will request the HSE PCRS to re-examine the case of a person (details supplied) who has been refused phased dispensing without explanation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [47898/19]

*182. To ask the Minister for Health the process by which the HSE PCRS sanctions or refuses phased dispensing for individual patients; if a registered medical doctor is consulted in either the decision or in the appeal; if an appeal is permitted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Lisa Chambers. [47899/19]

*183. To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47923/19]

*184. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting times for ENT appointments at Letterkenny University Hospital, County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [47931/19]

*185. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47949/19]

*186. To ask the Minister for Health the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47966/19]

*187. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be assessed by the HSE for further homecare hours. — Pat Deering. [47981/19]

*188. To ask the Minister for Health when a child (details supplied) in County Cork will receive an appointment to see a paediatric consultant rheumatologist at Our Lady’s Children’s Hospital, Crumlin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [47982/19]

*189. To ask the Minister for Health the infection control measures in place in nursing and residential homes to prevent and tackle flu outbreaks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [47985/19]

*190. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE monitors the number of nursing home patients public and private that have been vaccinated against flu; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [47986/19]

*191. To ask the Minister for Health if private hospitals have been asked to vaccinate staff against the flu; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Stephen Donnelly. [47987/19]

*192. To ask the Minister for Health the rationale for the decision of his Department to propose significant cuts to pharmacy fees from January 2020 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [48001/19]
*193. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in County Wexford awaiting a hearing aid for more than 6, 12, 24 and 36 months, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [48007/19]

*194. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide the capital funding required to complete the upgrades needed to maintain services at a resort (details supplied). — Mary Lou McDonald. [48016/19]

*195. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the quality of day services offered by the Sacred Heart Hospital, County Roscommon for elderly persons has diminished recently; the reason the length of time such persons are allowed to stay has shortened; the reason the number of vehicles used to transport persons to and from the hospital has been dropped to just one; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [48017/19]

*196. To ask the Minister for Health the measures he is taking to improve access to treatments for persons with multiple sclerosis here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48020/19]

*197. To ask the Minister for Health the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48039/19]

*198. To ask the Minister for Health the position in relation to the level of community and home supports that will be available for persons with dementia nationally in 2020; the position in relation to the recruitment of dementia advisors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48046/19]

*199. To ask the Minister for Health if a replacement has been hired to replace a person (details supplied) when they cease employment at the end of November 2019; and if not, the procedure in place to ensure sufferers of juvenile arthritis can still avail of pain relief, such as, lidocaine infusions. — Robert Troy. [48051/19]

*200. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a 30 hour a week homecare package available for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [48057/19]

*201. To ask the Minister for Health the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48074/19]

*202. To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48126/19]

*203. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) in County Donegal was not provided with ambulance transport back to the county following an operation in Galway University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [48155/19]
*204. To ask the Minister for Health if a bed will be provided in the woodville ward, St Joseph’s Community Hospital, County Donegal for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [48156/19]

*205. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal will be admitted into full-time residential care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [48157/19]

*206. To ask the Minister for Health if the rehabilitative training allowance for new entrants will be reinstated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [48158/19]

*207. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the inequality new entrants are encountering caused by the decision to cease the rehabilitative training allowance for new entrants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [48159/19]

*208. To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48192/19]

*209. To ask the Minister for Health the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48209/19]

*210. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons awaiting placement under the fair deal scheme as of 15 November 2019 or the latest date available; the average waiting time; the number of persons awaiting placement under the scheme by local health area in tabular form; and the length of time waiting. — Mary Butler. [48220/19]

*211. To ask the Minister for Health the number of home support hours being provided in each LHO area as of 15 November 2019 or the latest date available; the way in which this compares to target in each LHO for the same time period; the number of persons on the waiting list for home support hours in each LHO area; and the number waiting 0 to 3, 3 to 6, 6 to 12 and more than 12 months, respectively in tabular form. — Mary Butler. [48221/19]

*212. To ask the Minister for Health if correspondence (details supplied) will be reviewed; if his attention has been drawn to the gravity of this matter; if he will prevent the closure of the facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [48223/19]

*213. To ask the Minister for Health if the findings of the review of the HSE reimbursement and pricing decision-making process undertaken by a firm (details supplied) will be published; the date his Department received these findings; if his Department will be implementing recommendations received; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [48230/19]

*214. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the implementation of the HSE’s best-value biologics process; if the HSE has plans to review this process to drive greater adoption of the designated best-value biological drug; if the HSE will expand this programme to further therapy areas in which a biosimilar drug is available here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [48231/19]
*215. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the planned development of a national biosimilar medicines policy statement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [48232/19]

*216. To ask the Minister for Health if a case (details supplied) will be reviewed; if the matter will be investigated and referred to the HSE for reply; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [48233/19]

*217. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department and the HSE will review the funding being made available to an organisation (details supplied) who provide pre-school for children with intellectual disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [48237/19]

*218. To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48248/19]

*219. To ask the Minister for Health the staffing levels of midwives in HSE maternity units and hospitals; the number by which these staff numbers fall short or exceed the birthrate plus metric; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48260/19]

*220. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the availability of the new medicine trikafta for persons with cystic fibrosis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48261/19]

*221. To ask the Minister for Health his views on plans to regulate vaping; if he is considering an outright ban on the practice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48262/19]

*222. To ask the Minister for Health the response of his Department to a recent EPA study carried out for the HSE which highlights the relationship between poor air quality, breathing conditions such as asthma and hospital admissions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48263/19]

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

*223. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to deal with the current and ongoing information technology problems in the payments section of his Department which is leading to ongoing delays in relation to processing files which have already been inspected and awaiting payments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eugene Murphy. [47884/19]

*224. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the majority of forestry licences were taking 99 days plus prior to the introduction of the new appropriate assessment procedure (details supplied) when the licence process will be capable of delivering a sustainable work flow to the forest industry in view of the fact that the sector is facing significant redundancies in January 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [47887/19]

*225. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the necessary funding will be provided to complete the breakwater at Greencastle Harbour, County Donegal, a project that his Department previously funded to its current stage. — Pearse Doherty. [47902/19]
*226. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a funding application has been received from Bord Bia for the construction of a new sea survival centre at the National Fisheries College in Greencastle, County Donegal in 2020; and if the necessary funding as announced in 2016 will be provided. — Pearse Doherty. [47903/19]

*227. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47913/19]

*228. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the timeline for progress of beef taskforce meetings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [47932/19]

*229. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47939/19]

*230. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47956/19]

*231. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if, under the beef exceptional aid measure, some registered farm partnerships with more than two herd numbers can receive payments per partner while other registered farm partnerships are limited to one payment; if so, the reason therefor; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [48018/19]

*232. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the appeals process for the ANC scheme; when those in the appeals process will receive a decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [48024/19]

*233. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48029/19]

*234. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48064/19]

*235. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48116/19]

*236. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48182/19]
*237. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48199/19]

*238. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the breakdown of the 2018 organic farming scheme ranking and selection criteria; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [48216/19]

*239. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will intervene to speed up the process of ANC and basic payment scheme applications in circumstances in which land is selected for remote sensing, that is, satellite inspection; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that a large number of applicants are awaiting payment due to a delay in carrying out the inspections; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Declan Breathnach. [48218/19]

*240. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [48222/19]

*241. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an appeal (details supplied); if this process can be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [48234/19]

*242. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48238/19]

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

*243. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the aircraft carriers for which Ireland is the administrating member state under the ETS; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [48013/19]

*244. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if the carbon emissions of aircraft carriers registered here are included in the carbon emission total figures for the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [48014/19]

*245. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the annual carbon emissions of each of the aircraft carriers registered here in each of the years 2008 to 2017, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [48015/19]

*246. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the air carriers registered here that fall and do not fall under ETS in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [48050/19]

*247. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the details on the appointment of the Just Transition Commissioner; the remuneration involved; the term of the Commissioners contract; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [48258/19]
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*248. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to introduce supports or grants for small businesses to install electric vehicle charging points on their premises; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [47877/19]

*249. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47916/19]

*250. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to extend the REFIT PSO for biomass burning until 2023 alongside a new proposal for a PSO for bog rehabilitation; the way in which the proposed PSO will not duplicate bog rehabilitation that is required under the EPA licence at Edenderry; his views on whether such a PSO to be another form of carbon taxation levied on electricity customers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [47933/19]

*251. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47942/19]

*252. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47959/19]

*253. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48032/19]

*254. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the grants and supports available to homeowners that need to carry out deep retrofit work on their homes to complete multiple energy upgrades to achieve a BER A rating on the property; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [48052/19]

*255. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the estimated full-year cost of recruiting three extra whole-time equivalent petroleum exploration specialists in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [48060/19]

*256. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48067/19]

*257. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48119/19]
*258. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to extend high-speed fibre broadband to a household (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [48153/19]

*259. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if his Department has received an email from a person (details supplied) in County Donegal outlining the need for high-speed fibre broadband; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [48154/19]

*260. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48185/19]

*261. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48202/19]

*262. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will confirm that his Department has agreed to remove already connected premises from the intervention area of the National Broadband Plan. — Jack Chambers. [48227/19]

*263. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will confirm that further commitment agreements entered into in the intervention area of the National Broadband Plan would be in line with those set down in managing the high speed broadband map and the previous commitment agreements entered into by commercial operators.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48228/19]

*264. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he plans to add additional unbuilt premises to the intervention area of the National Broadband Plan; the reason these premises were not included in previous maps; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48229/19]

*265. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48241/19]

*266. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he has recently met the director general and or chairperson and board of RTÉ to discuss the financial situation of the company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48267/19]

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

*267. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport under the Marine Notice 42 of 2019, Council Directive 2017/159 on the implementation of the social partners agreement on the ILO work in fishing convention 2007, the person or body that formulates the training programme for a fisherman of minimum age and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O’Mahony. [48275/19]
268. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the owner or skipper is now responsible for mental health awareness and training in which the Marine Notice 42 of 2019, Council Directive 2017/159 on the implementation of the social partners agreement on the ILO work in fishing convention 2007 states that mental and physical wellbeing is fully protected and they have received adequate instruction; the person or body that decides what adequate training is; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Margaret Murphy O’Mahony. [48276/19]

269. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a feasibility study has been carried out into the prospect of a bypass road project for Castlemartyr, County Cork; if not, his plans to request such a study and to implement measures to address congestion in the town which has become a major problem with over half a million vehicles passing through Castlemartyr per month. — Pat Buckley. [47883/19]

270. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if there has been contact between him and the Marine Survey Office regarding the situation faced by a company (details supplied) in relation to regulations which will have a negative effect on tourism and the viability of off-shore islands; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [47889/19]

271. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if progress will be made resolving the licencing issues regarding horsedrawn carriages; and if he will take steps to resolve the issue for the benefit of tourist safety, public safety and respect for law abiding carriage operators. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [47890/19]

272. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the way in which the public consultations process conducted by BusConnects was advertised; if he is satisfied that enough consolations were conducted with communities within the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [47891/19]

273. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the statistics on incidents of anti-social behaviour on DART services, particularly in the evening times post rush hour; his views on whether more robust measures need to be taken in conjunction with the recent text message report system such as dedicated patrols and increased security; and the way in which he will ensure persons are able to travel on public transport free of intimidation and unease. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [47892/19]

274. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if there has been consultation in relation to addressing the chronic traffic issues on the M50 motorway; his views on whether the route is no longer fit for purpose as an original bypass for Dublin; his plans to consider an outer bypass such as the Leinster orbital route to tackle chronic congestion, remove cars from inner suburbs of Dublin adjacent to the M50 and improve quality of life for both commuters and residents. — Maureen O’Sullivan. [47893/19]

275. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47929/19]
*276. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47955/19]

*277. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47972/19]

*278. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will liaise with the Minister for Education and Skills regarding the need to give schools the ability to apply for sports capital grant funding for a type of development (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [47984/19]

*279. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the position in relation to an application under the large scale sport infrastructure fund by a club (details supplied); when he will announce the grant allocations under the fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [47999/19]

*280. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will report on his proposed appointments to the board of Transport Infrastructure Ireland; the skills and experience he is seeking; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48021/19]

*281. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [48045/19]

*282. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the air carriers registered here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [48049/19]

*283. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48080/19]

*284. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on whether it is acceptable for the National Transport Authority to repeatedly refuse to confirm a meeting with a cross party delegation of public representatives from the Inishowen peninsula, County Donegal to discuss their concerns regarding the changes to the public bus services from Inishowen to Letterkenny; and if he will encourage the NTA to do so at the earliest opportunity. — Pearse Doherty. [48107/19]

*285. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48132/19]

*286. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the targeted improvements to accessibility of public transport nationwide that will be completed by the end of each quarter in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [47911/19]
*287. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48198/19]

*288. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48215/19]

*289. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason for the repeated delays in finalising and commencing a small pilot urban bus project for Kilkenny city; the reason the NTA has not finalised fares and timetables after three years of planning; when the service will commence; and the lessons his Department and the NTA will learn from these delays to ensure that future projects are not held up in the same manner. — Thomas Pringle. [48236/19]

*290. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48254/19]

*291. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the amount of funding provided to the Irish Coastguard in each of the years 2016 to 2019, in tabular form; the budget allocation for same in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48265/19]

*292. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the findings of the research of the Road Safety Authority on speeding, Free Speed Study Survey Report 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48266/19]

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

*293. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within her Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if her Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to her Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47915/19]

*294. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of staff in her Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47941/19]

*295. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in her Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47958/19]

*296. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs if she will consider the funding allocation to a project (details supplied) in view of the growing demand for the services and the vital nature of the services provided in the local community; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [47996/19]
*297. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by her Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48031/19]

*298. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of employees of her Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48066/19]

*299. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of dedicated child support workers appointed on a local authority by local authority basis to assist homeless families; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48091/19]

*300. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48118/19]

*301. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by her Department to date in 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48184/19]

*302. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of her Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48201/19]

*303. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in her Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48240/19]

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

*304. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the processing of applications from County Kildare under the 2019 town and village renewal scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47896/19]

*305. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47927/19]

*306. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47953/19]
*307. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47970/19]

*308. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48043/19]

*309. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48078/19]

*310. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48130/19]

*311. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48196/19]

*312. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48213/19]

*313. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48252/19]

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

*314. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if the community employment scheme will be extended for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [47888/19]

*315. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if a decision has been made on an invalidity pension appeal by a person (details supplied) in County. Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [47930/19]

*316. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within her Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018, by grade; if her Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to her Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47920/19]
*317. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of staff in her Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47946/19]

*318. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in her Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47963/19]

*319. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the work-practice changes for clerical officers that were introduced in her Department in 2017; if clearly defined responsibilities and expected workloads were made available to the various staff grades; if workloads and responsibilities were assigned proportionally to the various grades; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [47976/19]

*320. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [47992/19]

*321. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will take steps to ensure that a carer’s allowance is restored to a person (details supplied); if same will now be addressed without delay; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [48006/19]

*322. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the way in which a decision was arrived at not to grant illness benefit in relation to claim submitted by a person (details supplied) in County Cork. — Sean Sherlock. [48023/19]

*323. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by her Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48036/19]

*324. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of employees of her Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48071/19]

*325. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the length of time her Department retains data on the route, time and date of journeys taken by individual public service travel pass users in view of the fact that the Secretary General of her Department acknowledged that data is retained at the Oireachtas Joint Committee of Public Accounts. — Paul Murphy. [48108/19]

*326. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48123/19]

*327. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by her Department to date in 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48189/19]
*328. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of her Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48206/19]

*329. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her views on a matter regarding community employment supervisors (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [48225/19]

*330. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an invalidity pension for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48235/19]

*331. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in her Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48245/19]

*332. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a widows pension will be approved for a person (details supplied). — John McGuinness. [48259/19]

*333. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within his Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if his Department has a contract with a mobile phone company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to his Department is next due to expire; and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47924/19]

*334. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the ongoing EU Commission and European Court of Justice legal action against the State for breaches of the urban waste water treatment directive. — Eoin Ó Broin. [47936/19]

*335. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of staff in his Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47950/19]

*336. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the political advisers used by Ministers and Ministers of State in his Department since the commencement of this Government; the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fiona O’Loughlin. [47967/19]

*337. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of complaints of bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48040/19]

*338. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of employees of his Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the
reason for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48075/19]

*339. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of staff currently engaged by the housing delivery office within his Department; and the number per annum since its inception; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48081/19]

*340. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of staff currently employed by the housing procurement within his Department; the number employed per annum since its inception; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48082/19]

*341. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the review of the tenant purchase scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48083/19]

*342. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of applications made since the introduction of the mortgage-to-rent scheme per annum in tabular form; the number of applications successfully granted since the introduction of the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48086/19]

*343. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the average turnaround time for a vacant property to be re-occupied on a local authority by local authority basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48087/19]

*344. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount of money issued to each local authority for vacant social housing property refurbishment on a local authority by local authority basis per annum since 2016; the number refurbished per annum since 2016 on a local authority by local authority basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48088/19]

*345. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status the cost rental pilot project schemes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48089/19]

*346. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the Re-Building Ireland commitment to holding a competition held to champion best practice, efficient and cost effective design to enable the delivery of high quality homes in sustainable communities at an affordable level. — Darragh O’Brien. [48090/19]

*347. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the budget and number of staff allocated to An Bord Pleanála per annum from 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48092/19]

*348. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the progress made to move towards enforcement of quality standards in rental accommodation on a regional basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48093/19]

*349. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the roll out of choice-based letting; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48094/19]
*350. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of sites under the land aggregation scheme; the number of strategic management plans put in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48095/19]

*351. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the Re-Building Ireland commitment to introduce an AHB innovation fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48096/19]

*352. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the Re-Building Ireland commitment to establish a dedicated one-stop-shop within the Housing Agency to support AHBs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48097/19]

*353. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the Re-Building Ireland commitment to bring forward pilot projects, beginning with Dublin City Council based on best practice and cost effectiveness taking a cross Departmental inter-agency approach to housing initiatives for older persons. — Darragh O’Brien. [48098/19]

*354. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the Re-Building Ireland commitment to create pilot competitions, focusing on three distinct areas of smart technologies in housing for older persons, adaptation of existing houses to meet the needs of older persons and life-time communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48099/19]

*355. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the total drawdown of housing adaptation grants per annum from 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48100/19]

*356. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government that status of the commission of an expert, independent review of capital and current funding for Traveller specific accommodation to date with regard to targets contained in the local authority Traveller accommodation programmes and actual units delivered; and the status of accommodation funded and funding provided for accommodation maintenance and other supports. — Darragh O’Brien. [48101/19]

*357. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government that status of the 15 to 20 key pathfinder sites with a proven capability to deliver a significant scaling-up of new homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48102/19]

*358. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government that status of the student housing officer funded by his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48103/19]

*359. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of steps to launch an assessment of scope for provision of additional student accommodation on local authority or other publicly-owned lands. — Darragh O’Brien. [48105/19]

*360. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the status of the national taking-in-charge initiative funding per annum from 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019. — Darragh O’Brien. [48106/19]
361. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48127/19]

362. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the supports made available to the owners of properties in which defective blockwork has been identified and in which the property in question is a non-principal private residence; if consideration has been given to providing relief from VAT and or other supports to owners of such properties with respect to the cost of carrying out remedial works; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [48180/19]

363. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount spent on bottled water and disposable coffee cups by his Department to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48193/19]

364. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of his Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48210/19]

365. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in his Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48249/19]

366. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if he will report on the decision regarding so-called strategic housing developments being submitted directly to An Bord Pleanála; if he will not terminate this practice at the end of 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48274/19]

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

367. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the number of occasions on which she or her officials met with a club (details supplied) between 9 August and 16 of October 2019, and the details of the said meetings. — Catherine Martin. [47879/19]

368. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the number of occasions on which she or her representatives met with stakeholders in animal welfare and conservation between 9 August and 16 of October 2019, (details supplied); and if the details of the said meetings will be provided. — Catherine Martin. [47880/19]

369. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the definition of the term areas unaffected in relation to designation of areas impacted by the RHD2 virus; if this is exclusively on a county basis; and if not, if there are other divisions of classification. — Catherine Martin. [47881/19]

370. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the amount spent on purchasing mobile phones for staff within her Department for work-related business in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by grade; if her Department has a contract with a mobile phone provider; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Martin. [47884/19]
company (details supplied) to supply mobile phones if needed; if so, the name of the company; the
date on which the contract for the supply of mobile phones to her Department is next due to expire;
and the robust steps taken to ensure that the costs incurred on work related phones are the best value
for the taxpayer. — Shane Cassells. [47917/19]

*371. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the number of staff in her
Department by gender and pay grade in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the
matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [47943/19]

*372. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the political advisers used by
Ministers and Ministers of State in her Department since the commencement of this Government;
the commencement and cessation dates in each case; and if she will make a statement on the matter.
— Fiona O’Loughlin. [47960/19]

*373. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the funding status from the
Rural Regeneration and Development Fund to refurbish a school (details supplied) in County Clare;
and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [47974/19]

*374. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if funding will be provided for
the refurbishment of a school (details supplied) in County Clare; and if she will make a statement
on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [47975/19]

*375. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht her views on a matter (details
supplied) in relation to the purchase of a property; and if she will make a statement on the matter.
— Brendan Griffin. [47980/19]

*376. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the status of an application by
a person (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [47983/19]

*377. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the number of complaints of
bullying and sexual harassment, respectively received by her Department in each of the years 2016
to 2018 and to date in 2019, in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48033/19]

*378. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the number of employees of
her Department that were dismissed in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date 2019; the reason
for the dismissal of each employee; the number of employees suspended in the same period; and
the reason for the suspension of each in tabular form. — Shane Cassells. [48068/19]

*379. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the amount spent on public
relations, promotion and advertising for the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project
Ireland 2040 since its publication in February 2018 by category (details supplied) in tabular form;
and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48120/19]

*380. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the date, subject of and attendees
of each meeting to date in 2019 she has attended with NGOs on the subject of biodiversity. — Jack
Chambers. [48181/19]

*381. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the amount spent on bottled
water and disposable coffee cups by her Department to date in 2019; and if she will make a statement
on the matter. — Jack Chambers. [48186/19]
*382. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the date of each review and revision of the material published under the publication scheme of her Department as outlined in section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48203/19]

*383. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht if funding will be provided to local authorities to assist with the maintenance of roadside hedges in view of health and safety concerns; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [48224/19]

*384. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the amount spent on public relations, promotion and advertising including multi-media in her Department in each of the years 2016 to 2018 and to date in 2019 (details supplied) in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48242/19]

CEISTEANNA, SEACHAS CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH, I gCOMHAIR FREAGRA O BHÉAL DÉARDAOIN, 21 SAMHAIN, 2019
QUESTIONS, OTHER THAN QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY, FOR ORAL ANSWER ON THURSDAY, 21 NOVEMBER, 2019

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

1. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the progress of the A5 project; the funding that will be made available for this project; when the funding will be made available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [47795/19]

2. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the funding allocated and drawn down to date on the M50 enhancing motorway operation services project; the status of the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [48179/19]

3. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has discussed the ownership of Rosslare Europort with his UK counterpart; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [47710/19]

4. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will introduce a funding programme for the local improvement scheme in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [48137/19]

5. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will provide a substantial increase in funding for the non-national roads network in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [48138/19]

6. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the NTA offers significantly higher salaries on average to external agency staff than it does to permanent members of staff; his views on whether this is appropriate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [48146/19]
7. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which he anticipates the tourism sector to expand in the coming year including the identification of new markets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48140/19]

8. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the extra carriages planned for 2021 will be provided for the northern line; the way in which the carriages will impact on frequency; if the existing platform infrastructure is capable of servicing extra carriages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [48150/19]

9. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the way in which the new regulation on the law of dangerous overtaking of cyclists will be enforced; the data being recorded on the matter to inform policy reviews; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [47909/19]

10. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will fund initiatives to make Halloween/Samhain an international attraction for tourist on an all-island basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jonathan O’Brien. [48176/19]

11. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the fact that a number of disability groups do not support and have reservations regarding the concept of a proposed new centre (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Collins. [48135/19]

12. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the Bonagee link road project in County Donegal; when the project will commence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [47794/19]

13. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on whether the sports capital funds allocated for 2019 are sufficient; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [48145/19]

14. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the policy he has to radically improve rural transport particularly for commuters from rural areas to the regional cities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [48009/19]

15. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the steps being taken to allow for greater safety for motorists turning on and off the N22 between Macroom and Ballincollig, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [48142/19]

16. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the works taking place in relation to Metrolink; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [48151/19]

17. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the planned greenway from Athlone Castle to Eyre Square, County Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [48011/19]

18. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans for future investment in the primary routes of County Meath. — Thomas Byrne. [48149/19]
19. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the progress in the review of the 233 bus service in County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [48141/19]

20. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on the creation of an all-island soccer league; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jonathan O’Brien. [48177/19]

21. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the disability community were not consulted by the NTA in relation to BusConnects which is in contravention with Article 4 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. — Joan Collins. [48136/19]

22. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when approval will be given to Iarnród Éireann to purchase new rolling stock in view of the critical shortage of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [48010/19]

23. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the urgent need for the provision of funding for necessary upgrade works of various facilities at Thomastown train station, County Kilkenny (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bobby Aylward. [47938/19]

24. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the consultations and plans for BusConnects for the H1, H2 and H3 spine routes, for D1, D2, D3, D4 and D5 branch spine routes and the 290 local route in an area (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [47912/19]

25. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when the rail carriages in storage will be brought into service; the manner in which this is likely to benefit commuters in north County Kildare and throughout the greater Dublin region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48139/19]

26. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the specific measures planned to assist hauliers in view of the higher operating costs and considerable negative impacts that Brexit will create for the industry. — Marc MacSharry. [48143/19]

27. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if the provision of a regular bus service from Portrane and Donabate, County Dublin to the city centre will be reviewed in order to ease the congestion and burden on the rail service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Ryan. [48152/19]

28. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the assessment being carried out on the impact of tourism of the additional hotels being built in Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jonathan O’Brien. [48173/19]

29. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if discussions have taken place within his Department on providing funding for extension of the railway line from Navan to Kingscourt, County Cavan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [46618/19]

30. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the progress made to date to legislate for the use of e-scooters in view of the fact that the public consultation period for the use of e-scooters has closed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [48178/19]
31. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to move beyond the steady State investment level in rail in the National Development Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [42624/19]

32. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of steps being taken to tackle overcrowding on commuter trains. — Robert Troy. [47781/19]

33. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the reason the PLUTO 2040, Planning Land Use and Transport - Outlook 2040 report has been delayed significantly; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jonathan O’Brien. [48175/19]

34. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if his attention has been drawn to the considerable capacity issues across the public transport system; and if he will take steps in the short to medium-term to address same. — Marc MacSharry. [48147/19]

35. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will consider funding for the extension of the M3 motorway to Cavan town and the East-West Link which are urgently needed in the north-east; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47712/19]

36. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans for the development of Ireland’s Hidden Heartlands; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [48012/19]

37. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has considered establishing a transport security unit to tackle widespread and dangerous antisocial behaviour on public transport and at public transport hubs. — Marc MacSharry. [48144/19]

38. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the response of his Department to the decisions in cases (details supplied) to find section 44(10) of the Road Traffic Act 2010 as amended by the Road Traffic Act 2016 incompatible with the Constitution; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [48134/19]

39. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of plans to reopen Killucan railway station. — Robert Troy. [47780/19]

40. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a sports capital grant programme will be provided each year to be paid in the same year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jonathan O’Brien. [48174/19]

41. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the percentage of disqualified drivers’ driver licences returned to the of the PO box address of the Road Safety Authority in 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas P. Broughan. [47910/19]

42. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans for future investment in the secondary routes of County Meath. — Thomas Byrne. [48148/19]

43. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to introduce regulations for motorised scooters and cycles in a forthcoming road traffic Bill. — Thomas P. Broughan. [47711/19]