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 his views on whether there is sufficient funding provided for maintenance and improvement of local and regional roads in particular; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [48417/19]

2. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the status of the upgrading of the northern commuter line; the details of the purchase of additional trains and carriages; when they will be operational; the long-term plans for the DART expansion on the route; and when such an expansion will be completed. — Jonathan O’Brien. [48277/19]

3. 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. — John Lahart. [48418/19]

4. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he has costed the introduction of fare-free public transport in view of the need to expand the use of public transport as part of actions against climate change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [48416/19]

5. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will liaise with the Minister for Justice and Equality and the Garda Commissioner with a view to funding and establishing a dedicated Garda transport unit to ensure the safety of bus, train and tram workers and passengers in view of the upsurge in antisocial behaviour on the public transport network (details supplied). — Joan Collins. [48419/19]

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

6. 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]
7. 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]

8. 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]

9. 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]

10. 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]

11. 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]

12. 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]

13. 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]

14. 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]

15. 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’Bien. [48176/19]

16. 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]

17. 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]

18. 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]
19. 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]

20. 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]

21. 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]

22. 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]

23. 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]

24. 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]

25. 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]

26. 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]

27. 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]

28. 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]

29. 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]

30. 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]
31. 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]

32. 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]

33. 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’Bien. [48173/19]

34. 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]

35. 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]

36. 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]

37. 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]

38. 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]

39. 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]

40. 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]

41. 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]

42. 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]

43. 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]

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

45. 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]

46. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the percentage of disqualified drivers’ driving licences returned to 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]

47. 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]

48. 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]

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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

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

*49. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48299/19]

*50. To ask the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence the details of the pilot retention scheme in the Air Corps announced in July 2019; the results to date; and the number of pilots and other grades in the Air Corps that resigned their commission and retired from the service since 4 July 2019. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [48397/19]

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

*51. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48303/19]

*52. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the nominated public authorities that can access the Passport Office data set; the sections within those public authorities that have accessed the data in the past year to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48400/19]
*53. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if nominated public bodies and An Garda Síochána have access on request to the data contained on a passport application form; if they have access to the data on the printed passport document; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48401/19]

*54. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the breakdown of the information requested by public authorities and An Garda Síochána from the Passport Office data set in the past year to date; the number of requests for access to data in the past year to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48402/19]

*55. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the process and procedures in place for handling data access requests from public authorities and An Garda Síochána; the way in which the data is requested and released; the decision maker in the context of deciding whether to release or refuse data requests from the bodies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48403/19]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*56. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48302/19]

*57. To ask the Minister for Finance the additional detection and support facilities made available to the Revenue Commissioners in view of the increased detection of illegal drugs being sent through the postal services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [48355/19]

*58. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of pre-budget submissions received by his Department in relation to Budget 2020; the number of these he read in full; the organisations to which they refer; the number summarised by officials for his information; the organisations to which they refer; the number of organisations his Department met following their submission; the procedure followed by his Department in relation to engaging with organisations when a submission is made; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [48394/19]

*59. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on whether separated and divorced persons that previously owned a share in a property should be treated as first-time buyers in terms of the tax code and mortgage rules when buying a home at some point in the future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48395/19]

*60. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Central Bank has been informed by a building society (details supplied) that an investigation has commenced on the overcharging of customers involving insurance products on their mortgage; if the Central Bank are undertaking its own investigation in relation to this; the number of customers believed to be involved at this stage; the amount overcharged; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48453/19]
Chun an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí agus Athchóirithe: To the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.

*61. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans for Loughcrew Cairns megalithic tombs in Oldcastle, County Meath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [48325/19]

*62. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48307/19]

*63. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans to provide appropriate accommodation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [48312/19]

*64. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of external quantity surveyors that are engaged by the OPW across each active and proposed capital projects and renovation and or restoration projects; the costs of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48316/19]

*65. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform when the public spending code will be updated; the details on the review aspect of capital projects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48460/19]

*66. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the financial shared service centre project; the amount spent on the project to date; the amount spent on consultants for the project by consultancy; if the EY report will be published; the expected cost to complete the project; the date the project was stalled; the date it is set to resume; the date it is expected to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48461/19]

*67. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the original budgeted cost of the financial shared service centre; the original expected completion date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48462/19]

*68. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform when he was first informed of the cost overruns in relation to the financial shared service centre project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48463/19]

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

*69. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if a request for additional accommodation by a school (details supplied) is being considered to alleviate demand for places in the 2020 school year. — Sean Sherlock. [48292/19]

*70. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48300/19]
*71. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the ASD unit for a school (details supplied); when works will commence; if the unit will be ready to open for the September 2020 intake; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O’Reilly. [48314/19]

*72. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position in relation to the new school development for a school (details supplied) in County Cork; when a new design team will be appointed due to the recent increase in the size of the school to a 16 classroom school with two special needs units; his views on whether the children and staff deserve a better environment than one that is split across two sites, that is not fit for purpose and lacks basic facilities such as adequate yard size, physical education facilities and a school hall; if he will personally intervene in the matter in view of the length of time the project has been in the system; his plans to ensure the project moves quickly to stage two; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48323/19]

*73. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 193 of 22 October 2019, if there is a timeline for the development and implementation of proposals following the comprehensive review of the special needs assistant scheme; and if so, when they can be expected. — Eoin Ó Broin. [48333/19]

*74. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding teachers payscales; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48342/19]

*75. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position regarding the possibility of having necessary works carried out at a school (details supplied); and the details of an assessment and survey of the school which was carried out by a technical team from his Department in April 2018. — Robert Troy. [48350/19]

*76. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of an application (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [48370/19]

*77. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills further to Parliamentary Question No. 342 of 8 April 2019, the breakdown of figures and include the initial tender price for supplying the TENRCS system; the status on the operation of the TENRCS system nationally; if the system has been shelved due to the fact it was not fit for purpose; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48373/19]

*78. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will address a matter regarding on-call counselling at second-level schools (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48374/19]

*79. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the measures his Department takes in order to ensure that courses undertaken at universities and institutes of technology remain relevant to the changing workforce trends here; if there is data available which identifies the number of students that gained full-time employment directly as a result of their institute qualification; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48375/19]

*80. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the way in which the implementation of the bullying policies of post-primary schools is monitored by his Department to ensure that the policies are implemented and followed through; the remedy available if a parent is concerned that
the various steps outlined in a policy are not taken; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Jan O’Sullivan. [48378/19]

*81. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the arrangements being put in place to accommodate 86 pupils that failed to obtain a place in a school (details supplied); when building will commence on the school extension; when the extension will be complete; the capacity the school will increase to following the completion of the extension; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48380/19]

*82. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the stages for the extension of a school (details supplied) from initiation including dates for each stage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48381/19]

*83. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when the new secondary school for Enfield, County Meath is expected to open; if the patronage has been decided; the catchment for the school; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48382/19]

*84. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the way in which pupils that have been turned down for a school place due to capacity issues and have accepted a place in another location can be reconsidered if a place becomes available in the original location; if such arrangements are school specific; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48383/19]

*85. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if the timeframe in which students with disabilities that are wheelchair users, visually impaired and hearing impaired could complete their degree course will be extended by at least one extra year without incurring extra costs or fees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brassil. [48385/19]

*86. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if his Department contacted ETBs to put a hold on SNA posts from 20 August to 15 November 2019; if so, the ETBs contacted; the number of posts for which the request was made; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [48386/19]

*87. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will report on the delivery of sample examination papers for the Irish junior certificate examination for 2020 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [48393/19]

*88. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will calculate a split in the figures to show the school transport net surplus profit for each year separately from the combined commercial and school net surplus deficit as reported in the Bus Éireann statutory accounts in the annual reports from 1997 to 2016 in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [48405/19]

*89. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the position of his Department with regard to the recommendations of an employment appeals tribunal on the use of summer holidays in the context of maternity leave; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [48406/19]

*90. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the amount spent on the promotion of the human capital initiative on 7 November 2019 and associated advertising campaigns in relation to the launch; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [48414/19]
*91. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the number of schools which have not opened in September 2019 due to a lack of enrolments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Byrne. [48415/19]

*92. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when permanent accommodation will be provided for a school (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [48434/19]

*93. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the reason enrolment caps were put in place at a school (details supplied). — Thomas Byrne. [48435/19]

*94. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills if he will take action to ensure a school building project (details supplied) which is at stage 2b progresses as quickly as possible; if the project will proceed to construction as a matter of urgency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [48451/19]

*95. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status of the application by Sligo Institute of Technology for university status; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48470/19]

*96. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the status and proposed timeline for funding of the construction of a new school building at a school (details supplied) in County Sligo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48471/19]

*97. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills when an assessment in respect of the current and projected needs of a primary school (details supplied) in County Kildare in order to determine the replacement of deficient facilities in terms of accommodation with a view to maximising the proposals in keeping with the current space requirement demographics and special needs with a view to addressing the issue at an early date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48497/19]

*98. To ask the Minister for Education and Skills the degree to which his Department is engaged with various school authorities in Kilcock, County Kildare with particular reference to fully identifying the needs at preschool, primary and post primary level in view of the current and rapidly expanding population; the extent to which existing schools are equipped to meet the challenges of the future and primary and second level; if his attention has been drawn to enrolment difficulties at either level; his proposals in response; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48498/19]

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

*99. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48306/19]

*100. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the nature of the consultation that an external company (details supplied) is providing outside of their primary remit regarding the reform and restructuring of his Department; if he is satisfied that the staff of the company have been appropriately vetted in order to undertake roles in information sensitive projects and cases in his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48310/19]
*101. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of times he has met with the Garda Commissioner and other Garda officials to discuss insurance reform since he became Minister; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48315/19]

*102. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 242 of 12 November 2019, if a retainer fee is due to each doctor on the established panel of nominated doctors that a Garda can visit fee free; if he will provide a schedule of retainer fees for the past five years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48326/19]

*103. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if the organisational structure and function of the National Office for the Prevention of Domestic, Sexual and Gender-based Violence, Cosc following its closure will be replaced. — Mary Lou McDonald. [48327/19]

*104. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will act on the instruction of the majority of Dáil Éireann who in a motion called on him to amend a person’s (details supplied) terms of reference for the scoping exercise into the death of a person. — Mary Lou McDonald. [48328/19]

*105. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the number of the 2,200 seizures of illegal drugs made by the Revenue Commissioners officials going through the postal service that have resulted in follow-up operations by An Garda Síochána; the number of persons charged with offences as a result of the operations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [48354/19]

*106. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if he will address a matter regarding citizenship in a case (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [48377/19]

*107. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality when legislation will be brought forward to resolve the High Court ruling that placed a ban on all travel for applicants for citizenship; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O’Reilly. [48387/19]

*108. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the steps being taken to expedite citizenship applications in view of the excessive delays faced by applicants. — Louise O’Reilly. [48388/19]

*109. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the steps he is taking to address the widespread and dangerous use of scramblers; the dates on which the inter-agency group on this issue met since the group’s inception; the outcome of its deliberations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [48422/19]

*110. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the timeline for the relocation of a Garda station from an older building which is now not fit for purpose to a new suitable location in Tubbercurry, County Sligo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48484/19]

*111. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if transfer from stamp 3 to stamp 4 is possible in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48487/19]

*112. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a join spouse visa will issue in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48488/19]
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*113. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the procedure to be followed in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48489/19]

*114. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality the position in regard to residency and stamp 4 in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48490/19]

*115. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if a person (details supplied) can have their visiting visa extended for a further period to support their sibling; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48491/19]

*116. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality further to the previous parliamentary questions wherein it was indicated in the case of a person (details supplied) was not identified by the information provided refers to them or another person; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48492/19]

*117. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if, in the case of a person (details supplied) who was the subject of legal proceedings overseas in respect of which they were found guilty when they were a student and is now anxious to ascertain the standing of the issue in terms of a criminal record; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48493/19]

*118. To ask the Minister for Justice and Equality if, in the case of a person (details supplied) their original appeal to the refugee tribunal on 15 April 2002 was adjudicated upon by a tribunal member that out of approximately 1,500 cases is not known to have awarded refugee or asylum status to anyone, if the decision arising therefrom can now be set aside on the bases of natural justice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48494/19]

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

*119. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the number of times she has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies she met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48295/19]

*120. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation if favourable consideration can be given to the issue of a work permit in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48503/19]

*121. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the date, location and purpose of each meeting she as Minister or a Minister of State in her Department attended with insurance companies, insurance brokers or representative bodies in the insurance industry in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [48520/19]

*122. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the percentage of persons in the labour force that have basic or above basic digital skills based on latest OECD business and SME data and other international data sources; the corresponding EU average rate; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [48521/19]
*123. To ask the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation the percentage of persons in employment that that have basic or above basic digital skills based on latest OECD business and SME data and other international data sources; the corresponding EU average rate; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [48522/19]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*124. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be transferred; the reason for the delay in same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [48278/19]

*125. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the development of inpatient capacity for mental health services within the Waterford and Wexford LHO; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [48283/19]

*126. To ask the Minister for Health when a position will be sanctioned in the case of a person (detail supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48293/19]

*127. To ask the Minister for Health the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48304/19]

*128. To ask the Minister for Health if the paediatric bone densitometry scanner at Temple Street Children’s University Hospital is open and sufficiently staffed; the regularity with which it is operational weekly; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O’Reilly. [48317/19]

*129. To ask the Minister for Health if the general practitioner contract for a practice (details supplied) in County Kerry will be readvertised; if the practice will be kept open; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [48320/19]

*130. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment for a person (details supplied) will be expedited. — Robert Troy. [48332/19]

*131. To ask the Minister for Health the average waiting time for patients to receive cardiac rehabilitation in Our Lady’s Hospital, Navan, County Meath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [48334/19]

*132. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients on the waiting list for cardiac rehabilitation in Our Lady’s Hospital, Navan, County Meath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Cassells. [48335/19]

*133. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding pharmacy fees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48340/19]

*134. To ask the Minister for Health his views on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [48341/19]

*135. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the reduction in available service hours at a centre (details supplied) for persons with an intellectual disability; if sufficient
funds will be provided to ensure full service is supplied to clients of the service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [48351/19]

*136. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 154 of 13 November 2019, if he will expedite his considerations and publish the report without further delay in view of the valproate response project of the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48352/19]

*137. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to make naloxone nasal spray available for use by personnel such as members of An Garda Síochána, the Fire Service and prison officers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [48356/19]

*138. To ask the Minister for Health the policy of his Department in relation to his plans to assist in the funding of the proposed transfer of the Rotunda Maternity Hospital to Blanchardstown, Dublin 15; if he has met with the board of management of the hospital regarding such a move; if his Department has conducted a population analysis of the Dublin 15 area and examined the expected future need for maternity services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [48357/19]

*139. To ask the Minister for Health if he has examined a report by a person (detail supplied) that warned that if overcrowding continues it is only a matter of time before more infectious outbreaks occur; his plans to address the issues raised in the report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [48358/19]

*140. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a surgery appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Timmy Dooley. [48359/19]

*141. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48364/19]

*142. To ask the Minister for Health his views on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [48366/19]

*143. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [48367/19]

*144. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [48368/19]

*145. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an appointment for a person (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [48369/19]

*146. To ask the Minister for Health if the case of persons (detail supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48376/19]

*147. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address concerns that Our Lady’s Children’s Hospital, Crumlin may lose its only consultant paediatric pain specialist that is also the only specialist here; if contingency plans have been put in place in the event that the consultant leaves in order that patients do not suffer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O’Reilly. [48389/19]
*148. To ask the Minister for Health if additional funding for the provision of health services will be provided to charity (details supplied). — Louise O’Reilly. [48390/19]

*149. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to agree a service level agreement for the provision of health services with a charity (details supplied). — Louise O’Reilly. [48391/19]

*150. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he will take regarding the situation in Milltown, County Kerry in which there is no general practitioner service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48392/19]

*151. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 368 of 16 April 2019, the additional funding his Department will provide towards the delayed digitalised registration system in the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland in addition to the contribution already made of €44,480; if the NMBI will be funding the remainder of the total project cost of €2,089,500 from nurses and midwives annual retention fees; the status of the expected new go-live date of the registration system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [48409/19]

*152. To ask the Minister for Health if he will take steps to ensure that a person (details supplied) is admitted for an appointment with the consultant rheumatologist at the Midland Regional Hospital, Tullamore without delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [48412/19]

*153. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he is taking to address the severe shortage of hospital consultants by which there are over 500 current vacancies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [48423/19]

*154. To ask the Minister for Health the total expenditure on the cross border directive since its inception; the organisations which are participating in the operation of the directive; the role of the HSE in operating this directive; the companies with which it is operating in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [48424/19]

*155. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive an appointment for hip surgery at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Navan, County Meath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [48430/19]

*156. To ask the Minister for Health the reason there is a continued delay in the access to medication for patients with multiple sclerosis in view of the fact that there are a new drugs recently available and accessible in other EU countries, for example, siponimod; the steps he will take to expedite access of such drugs for patients; and the timeframe for same. — Paul Murphy. [48467/19]

*157. To ask the Minister for Health the breakdown on the year-to-date distribution of the 2019 €75 million budget of the NTPF amongst each private and public hospital benefitting from same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [48457/19]

*158. To ask the Minister for Health the amounts paid to individual public hospitals receiving NTPF and other HSE funding for the purposes of insourcing and outsourcing of surgical procedures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [48458/19]
*159. To ask the Minister for Health the number and types of surgical procedures and treatments carried out to date in 2019 by each public and private hospital under the NTPF scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [48459/19]

*160. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider the lack of pump services available for adults with type 1 diabetes in Sligo University Hospital (details supplied); his plans to address same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48472/19]

*161. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider the recent figures of the rising number of persons that are waiting on trolleys in Sligo University Hospital; his plans to introduce more beds at the hospital in the short term; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48479/19]

*162. To ask the Minister for Health when the hospital will be permitted to obtain a new fixed cardio cath lab service to cover the north west region in view of the fact that the national review conducted to investigate the provision of the services here has not yet reported despite the timeline for its work to be completed being long overdue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48480/19]

*163. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to support voluntary groups that wish to install cardiac defibrillators in their towns and villages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48486/19]

*164. To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which diagnosis and treatment has progressed in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48495/19]

*165. To ask the Minister for Health the extent of the diagnosis and treatment to date in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48496/19]

*166. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the recruiting of a community geriatrician for County Kildare (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Heydon. [48523/19]

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

*167. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding social farming in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48372/19]

*168. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a farm payment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48279/19]

*169. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an animal welfare ex-gratia funding payment (details supplied). — Dara Calleary. [48281/19]

*170. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of new EU level proposals that will mandate the testing of cattle for TB every six months. — Charlie McConalogue. [48282/19]
*171. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the regulatory regime regarding the sale of dosing products for animals and the points of sale to obtain such products by farmers; if there has been a recent change by which such products can only be obtained from a veterinary practice; and if he has considered the additional burden and cost this may place on farmers obtaining such dosing products for their animals. — Charlie McConalogue. [48285/19]

*172. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the average time by weeks and months it took to process new applicants when the organic farming scheme was reopened for a brief period in November 2018 for 30 days; and the number of applicants that were informed whether they were eligible to join the scheme or not in each month after November 2018, in tabular form. — Charlie McConalogue. [48286/19]

*173. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the date by which Ireland formally must submit its final CAP strategic plan to the EU Commission; and if there will be increased demands on his Department in relation to administrating the new delivery model and the move to performance instead of compliance based approach as set out in the European Commission CAP proposals published in June 2018. — Charlie McConalogue. [48287/19]

*174. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department carried out an analysis on the new green architecture as set out in the new European Commission CAP proposals published in June 2018; and his views on this architecture and the new eco scheme proposed. — Charlie McConalogue. [48288/19]

*175. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48294/19]

*176. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason for the delay in farm payments for persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48319/19]

*177. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of new grading machines used as part of the recent trial at a company (details supplied) in operation across other European countries and the length of time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [48324/19]

*178. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a GLAS payment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48336/19]

*179. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of TB reactor animals in each of the years 2013 to 2018 and to date in 2019, by dairy cow, suckler cow, bull, steer or heifer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [48337/19]

*180. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if greyhounds require a licence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [48371/19]

*181. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way in which his Department deals with a farm TB breakdown when animals that have failed the skin test but pass both the blood
test and the post-mortem analysis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [48379/19]

*182. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the funding beef farm enterprises will exclusively receive in each scheme in 2019 both pillar one and two and schemes outside the RDP; the amount this funding equates to per animal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Deering. [48399/19]

*183. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 350 of 8 October 2019, the progress in relation to outstanding payments under the reps scheme in the case of a person (details supplied). — John McGuinness. [48450/19]

*184. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the factors taken into account by his Department when giving technical approval for an afforestation licence; the evaluation process used in respect of such an application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie Penrose. [48517/19]

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

*185. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the changes in the attribution of flights to Ireland that had previously been reported to another country in the scheme as mentioned on page 27 of the SEAI 2018 Report, Energy-Related CO2 Emissions in Ireland 2005-2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [48289/19]

*186. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the increase in aviation emissions by carbon tonne that occurred as a result of the changes in the attribution of flights to Ireland that had previously been reported to another country in the scheme as mentioned on page 27 of the SEAI 2018 Report, Energy-Related CO2 Emissions in Ireland 2005-2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [48290/19]

*187. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48297/19]

*188. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will provide time for a special debate in Dáil Éireann in advance of signing contracts in respect of the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48313/19]

*189. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his views on the future of the television licence fee system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Burton. [48344/19]

*190. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to contact and or follow-up the groups that made submissions to the mapping consultation that closed on 30 September 2019 in the context of the NBP and intervention areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48428/19]
*191. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will address a matter regarding state aid (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48436/19]

*192. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the material changes to the intervention area since the mapping exercise commenced; the number of premises added to the intervention area; the number of premises removed from the intervention area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48437/19]

*193. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment the breakdown of premises removed from the intervention area by operator type, that is, fixed line, cable, mobile, fixed wireless and so on; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48438/19]

*194. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if there has been a minimum number of premises for the project discussed and or set between his Department and a company (details supplied); if so, the figure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48439/19]

*195. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to sign off on the national broadband contract plan ahead of the current mapping exercise being completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48440/19]

*196. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if the NBP will be set as a fixed-cost project; if it is future-proofed to account for inflation, overruns and or unforeseen obstacles and or costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48441/19]

*197. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when construction will commence on providing fibre optic cable to the home; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48464/19]

*198. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment when the first home will be connected to fibre optic to the home broadband under the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48465/19]

*199. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will publish in full the European Commission state aid decision in relation to the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [48466/19]

*200. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to introduce new fast electric car chargers in the Sligo area; the grants he will make available for businesses to develop these chargers privately; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48475/19]

*201. To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to make additional electrical resources and capacity available off the grid network system to power fast electric chargers for service stations and other major destinations located in the northwest region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48476/19]
To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment if he will consider the recent reports by the EPA regarding inadequately treated sewage at treatment plants in counties Sligo, Leitrim and Donegal; his plans to grant funding to upgrade the system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48481/19]

To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to support local communities in rolling out the reverse vending recycling machine capabilities; his plans for such machines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48483/19]

To ask the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment his plans to support Local community groups to aim to protect natural sand dunes in areas such as Strandhill, County Sligo; the funding available to support same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48485/19]

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

To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to enhance the tourism experience in Kells, County Meath. — Thomas Byrne. [45283/19]

To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his views on the fact that cycling receives less than 2% of the €384 million increase in Budget 2020 in relation to the Climate Action Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Curran. [42159/19]

To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the funding allocated and the amount 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. [46891/19]

To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he is considering measures to ensure that in circumstances in which a person is found guilty of a penalty point offence, the correct number of penalty points are endorsed on their licence. — Marc MacSharry. [40157/19]

To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if discussions have taken place within his Department on providing funding for the east-west link road and rural roads in general; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [46619/19]

To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if he will provide feedback on applications (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [48284/19]

To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the cost to Bus Éireann of restoring the Dublin to Derry bus service on the previous basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jonathan O’Brien. [48291/19]

To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48309/19]
*213.* To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the measures he is taking to address the lack of parking at Sallins and Naas railway stations (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [48404/19]

*214.* To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport if a club (details supplied) is eligible to apply for sports capital funding or other funding from his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [48408/19]

*215.* To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the current and capital expenditures for land transport broken down into the various sub categories from 2016 to date; the ratio of public transport and active travel measures to private transport in the case of both capital and current expenditures in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [48432/19]

*216.* To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the number of taxi drivers operating illegally; the measures he is taking to follow up on such taxi drivers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [48452/19]

*217.* To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans to support the introduction of electric or hybrid buses, taxis and other PSVs in counties Sligo and Leitrim; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48477/19]

*218.* To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the timeline for the construction and funding of the eastern Garavogue Bridge in County Sligo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48478/19]

*219.* To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport his plans for improved tourism marketing in the north west region; the efforts made to attract more tourists above the Galway to Dublin line; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48482/19]

*220.* To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which it is expected to augment bus services for Kilcock, County Kildare in view of many requests; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48504/19]

*221.* To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport when rail carriages currently in storage will be redeployed to alleviate current overcrowding on the commuter rail service from Kilcock, Maynooth, Leixlip, Confey, Celbridge and Sallins with particular reference to identifying the most serious deficiencies in this regard with a view to early solution; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48505/19]

*222.* To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the timescale for the electrification of the commuter rail route Dublin to Confey, Leixlip, Maynooth and possibly Kilcock, County Kildare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48506/19]

*223.* To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the degree to which an examination has been undertaken of the commuter facilities from Dublin to Kilcock via Confey and Leixlip, County Kildare with a view to identifying shortfalls or deficiencies in the facilities which need to be addressed in the short and medium term; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48507/19]
*224. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which parking and other facilities are adequate and need to be provided respectively to serve the Sallins and Hazelhatch rail route to Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48508/19]

*225. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the up-to-date proposals in relation to the alleviation of traffic congestion on the M4 Kilcock to Dublin which is under capacity; if the extent of upgrading on the route has been agreed; if so, the likely timescale of its implementation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48509/19]

*226. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which a coordinated management plan in respect of road and rail services facilitating the north County Kildare commuter belt is ongoing or can be facilitated with a view to maximising all opportunities to improve quality and availability of the most effective and energy efficient methodology in terms of road and rail transport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48510/19]

*227. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the degree to which he expects new tourist markets to open up with particular reference to the use of historical sites, monuments and houses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48511/19]

*228. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which Ireland can be further developed as an attractive international conference location; if particular deficiencies in respect of required facilities in this regard have been identified and will be remedied; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48512/19]

*229. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the degree to which sporting tourism has been developed in cooperation with the various sporting or recreational organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48513/19]

*230. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the amount invested by way of capital grants or other financial assistance to providing and improving facilities the various sporting organisations nationally in the past five years to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48514/19]

*231. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the extent to which ongoing efforts continue to be made to encourage international sporting bodies to include Ireland in their list of locations for major events; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48515/19]

*232. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the degree to which he encourages overseas bodies to use Ireland as a base for their international conferences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48516/19]

*233. To ask the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport the degree to which the tourism sector is expected to grow in 2020 with consequent benefits to the economy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48524/19]

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

*234. To ask the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs the number of times she has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the
persons or bodies she met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48296/19]

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

*235. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48308/19]

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

*236. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the number of times she has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies she met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48301/19]

*237. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason there has been such a delay in publishing the new road map or national action plan for social inclusion; when it will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [48321/19]

*238. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will address a matter regarding the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48322/19]

*239. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of allowances for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48329/19]

*240. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of an application for a disability allowance in respect of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [48330/19]

*241. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the reason a person (details supplied) in County Cork is in receipt of a reduced rated of illness benefit. — Sean Sherlock. [48343/19]

*242. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the average monthly rent supplement payment for each quarter of 2019 to date; the average monthly rent supplement payment for each county; the number of recipients by county for each quarter of 2019 to date, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48347/19]

*243. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a carer’s allowance for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48360/19]
*244. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of a carer’s allowance for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [48362/19]

*245. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the plans in place for persons that have to retire at 65 years of age but cannot receive the pension until they are 67 years of age. — Dara Calleary. [48363/19]

*246. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 303 of 24 October 2019, the number of the women in receipt of the State pension (contributory) based on pre-September 2012 bands that are not in the highest band that would have qualified for a higher band if they could be assessed under the homemakers’ scheme or the home carers’ scheme; the number of the 23,822 women listed in the highest band of the current State pension (contributory) based on pre September 2012 bands that include the 10,808 women that fall within the invalidity saver cases; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jan O’Sullivan. [48384/19]

*247. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if parents of a child must be engaged in civil partnership and or married to avail of parent benefit (details supplied); if couples that cohabit are also entitled to parent benefit in respect of children they may have following the introduction of the scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48396/19]

*248. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 633 of 22 January 2019, if she will provide a further update in relation to the proposed changes of the pension scheme in 2020; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charlie McConalogue. [48398/19]

*249. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection if she will address a matter regarding the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [48407/19]

*250. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a decision will issue on an invalidity pension application by a person (details supplied) in view of the fact that the application was received by his Department on 1 March 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48410/19]

*251. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the status of illness benefit payments for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [48413/19]

*252. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection her views on the payment of the national minimum wage as recommended by the low pay commission with specific reference to legislation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [48425/19]

*253. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the efforts made to date to resolve the impasse regarding community employment supervisor and assistant supervisors pension claims; the extent to which her Department is in cooperation with the WRC on the matter; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [48429/19]
*254. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection when a contributory pension with adult dependent allowance including fuel allowance is likely to issue in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48499/19]

*255. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the extent to which rent allowance has been made payable to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48500/19]

*256. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the current entitlement in respect of illness benefit, alternative in the case of a person (details supplied) who may have exhausted their benefit entitlement but may qualify for alternative; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48501/19]

*257. To ask the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection the extent to which efforts are being made to facilitate exceptional needs payment or alternative in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [48502/19]

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

*258. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government if funding acquired locally during 2019 from the vacant site levy will be allowed to be spent by the county council that collected it; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48469/19]

*259. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of times he has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies he met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48305/19]

*260. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the reason local authority tenants cannot purchase Part V houses under the tenant purchase scheme; if there are exceptions; if this applies to those that were tenants prior to the introduction of the 2016 legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [48318/19]

*261. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of households that have left the housing assistance payment scheme per annum from 2015 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frank O’Rourke. [48339/19]

*262. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the average monthly housing assistance payment for each quarter of 2019 to date; the average monthly HAP payment for each county; the number of recipients by county for each quarter of 2019 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48345/19]

*263. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the number of households that have left the housing assistance payment scheme per annum from 2015 to 2018 and to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48346/19]

*264. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the average monthly rental accommodation scheme payments for each quarter of 2019 to date; the average monthly

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rental assistance scheme payment for each county; the number of recipients by county for each quarter of 2019 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48348/19]

*265. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the average monthly payment under the social housing current expenditure programme (leasing) for each quarter of 2019 to date; the average social housing current expenditure programme (leasing) for each county; the number of recipients by county for each quarter of 2019 to date in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darragh O’Brien. [48349/19]

*266. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the rights of the public in respect of access to details of new planning applications online; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that Dublin City Council frequently takes up to three weeks to put documents on their website thus greatly reducing the time for members of the public to make submissions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [48421/19]

*267. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of the affordable rental scheme which he and An Taoiseach launched in County Cork in recent days; the unit cost of developing these units with a breakdown of the site and build cost; the qualifying criteria for future tenants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [48426/19]

*268. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government further to Parliamentary Question No. 213 of 11 October 2018, when it will be possible to make online appeal submissions to An Bord Pleanála via its website as is the case with local authority planning applications; his views on whether this service will be available by the end of 2019 as he previously stated; if not, the reason for the slippage; his plans to address same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [48427/19]

*269. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount paid in each year since 2016 by each local authority on personal injury claims in tabular form; the mechanism by which personal injury claims are paid by local authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48454/19]

*270. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the amount paid out by each local authority in each year since 2016 on public liability insurance and for employers liability insurance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48455/19]

*271. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the details of the local government Part XI planning and public consultation process including the decision making responsibilities and the right of appeal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Neville. [48456/19]

*272. To ask the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government the progress report for east County Sligo and Cranmore invariant remaster plan; the funding drawn down to date; the planned timeline for its development; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McLoughlin. [48468/19]
Chun an Aire Cultúir, Oidhreachta agus Gaeltachta: To the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht.

*273. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the number of times she has met with insurance companies and Insurance Ireland since 1 January 2016; the date of each meeting; the persons or bodies she met with; the purpose of each meeting in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McGrath. [48298/19]

*274. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht the date on which her officials last inspected each area of the Malahide Estuary SAC (details supplied); her plans to conduct surveys in the SAC in the immediate future; if it is her Department or the local authority that holds the title to the lands in the area; if lands in the area are leased by groups and or clubs; if so, the terms and or duration of the lease; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [48353/19]

*275. To ask the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht her plans to roll out a scheme for small heritage towns with a population under 1,500; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [48365/19]