CHUN AN AIRE TALMHAÍOCHTA, BIA AGUS MARA: To the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

1. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department will carry out a comprehensive analysis of the impact of factory owned feedlots on the beef sector including their effect on prices and the environment. — Matt Carthy. [26906/21]

2. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department plans to review its handling of the outbreaks of Covid-19 in the meat processing industry over the past year with a view to improving preventative measures in the future. — Paul Murphy. [27379/21]

3. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to address the low number of applications to the organic farm scheme. — Matt Carthy. [26907/21]

4. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the sources and value of funding for the Results-Based Environmental Agri Pilot Project; if he will review the number of participants in view of the level demand in participation under the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [27253/21]

5. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the proposed reduction to farmer’s entitlement values to create the EU Eco Scheme Fund will be subject to internal convergence. — Marian Harkin. [26984/21]

CEISTEANNA EILE
OTHER QUESTIONS

CHUN AN AIRE TALMHAÍOCHTA, BIA AGUS MARA: To the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

6. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of hectares of new forestry planting targeted for 2021; the number of applications for felling licenses outstanding; and the expected timeframe to resolve the current backlog. — Matt Carthy. [26909/21]

7. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of convergence rates which will form part of the new Common Agricultural Policy in the trilogue negotiations. — Holly Cairns. [26918/21]
8. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the engagement he has had with the mushroom and horticultural sectors on the changes to the harvesting of horticultural peat; and the provisions he is preparing to support the sector. — Martin Browne. [27066/21]

9. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress to date of the Beef Taskforce; the timeline for the completion of commitments given to the Taskforce; the steps he is taking to implement the measures proposed by this Deputy and unanimously adopted by Dáil Éireann on 26 September 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [26493/21]

10. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the financial supports his Department provides to a club (details supplied); and if multiannual funding for this community service will be provided. — Mark Ward. [26949/21]

11. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has considered amending the sheep welfare scheme in the interests of ensuring animal welfare as a result of the continued depression in wool prices. — Sorca Clarke. [26927/21]

12. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of applications received for his results based environmental agri pilot programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [27011/21]

13. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the development of a new forestry strategy for Ireland as recommended in reports (details supplied); the timeline for the finalisation of the strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [26986/21]

14. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to introduce a financial support for the inshore fishing sector that have had to deal with a significant reduction in fish prices as a result of Covid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [26979/21]

15. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for banning mink fur farming; and the current population of mink in such farms in Ireland. — Paul Murphy. [27019/21]

16. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of his engagement with the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage concerning the request by associations (details supplied) for structures to enable developers to interact with inshore fishers concerning offshore renewable energy projects. — Holly Cairns. [26914/21]

17. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department will undertake a comprehensive analysis of feedlot figures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [27006/21]

18. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his proposals to support the mushroom industry and other horticultural sectors in view of ongoing challenges including accessibility of horticultural peat. — Matt Carthy. [26911/21]

19. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures that will be implemented to deal with the backlog in forestry felling and planting licences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [26987/21]
20. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason farmers in the organic farming scheme were excluded from the Rural Environmental-Agri Pilot Programme. — Holly Cairns. [26917/21]

21. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the sources of funding of the Results-Based Environment-Agri Pilot Project; if he will review the payment rates for the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [26494/21]

22. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if prior to March 2021 Coillte has been able to provide generic non-site specific harvest plans with their felling applications; if this has been accepted practice between Coillte and his Department; the number of applications submitted and processed in this manner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [27065/21]

23. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he plans to take in the next CAP to address the longstanding issues of the forgotten farmers. — Pearse Doherty. [27043/21]

24. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress that has been made with the granting of felling licences given that there has been a large backlog for years now; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [26516/21]

25. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if will he intervene in the milk price crisis in a company (details supplied) and facilitate proper discussions between the suppliers affected and the company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [26442/21]

26. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the recent introduction of dairy caps by a company (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Gould. [26931/21]

27. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress of the coastal townhall meetings; the status of the feedback received to date; the actions he plans to take to support coastal communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [27005/21]

28. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to address the concerns that have been raised in respect of the GAEC 2 proposals further to the adoption of a Private Members’ Motion on 22 April 2021. — Pearse Doherty. [27042/21]

29. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason cattle are routinely transported across long distances for slaughter. — Thomas Gould. [26932/21]

30. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the office of the food ombudsman will be given statutory power to enforce the Competition Acts for the protection of primary food producers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [27008/21]

31. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures being taken to assist family farms and to ensure their viability into the future; the new schemes that will be available for climate change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [27004/21]
32. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to review the current regulations for mechanical grading in beef factories; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [26491/21]

33. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of felling licences approved in each of the previous 12 months; the number of appeals and applications lodged within this timeline; the number of applications yet to be processed; the measures that are being taken to deal with the backlog; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [27003/21]

34. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department plans to conduct consultations with farmers, farming communities and relevant environmental stakeholder groups in relation to the sector’s role and contribution to meeting Ireland’s greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets under the EU Green Deal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [27013/21]

35. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the GAEC 2 proposal in the new CAP; if he will guarantee that this land continues to be viewed as eligible agricultural land under CAP; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [26495/21]

36. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if consideration will be given to making resources available in order that all farmers that have applied to the REAP scheme which opened in the past number of weeks for applications and had by its closing date 11,000 applications from farmers will be accepted into the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [27026/21]

37. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he remains satisfied that adequate alternative provision is being made for Irish exports abroad to compensate for any losses arising from Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [26973/21]

38. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the supports put in place for inshore fishers whose capacity to fish is restricted by the different stages of the preparation and construction of offshore renewable energy projects. — Holly Cairns. [26915/21]

39. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to the need for Irish agri-food processing companies to diversify from their dependence on the UK market in a post-Brexit era; his views on new market and value added opportunities for Irish food produce; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [26941/21]

40. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to introduce legislation to ensure primary producers are paid costs plus a margin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [27007/21]

41. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the position regarding proposals for uplands and commonage in the CAP negotiations; and if he will give an assurance to protect the income of hill farmers. — Dara Calleary. [27009/21]
42. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his proposals to support the mushroom and broader horticultural sectors in view of ongoing challenges as a result of Government policy pertaining to the sector. — Darren O’Rourke. [26925/21]

43. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the new market possibilities and value-added opportunities for Irish food producers in the post-Brexit era given the dependence of the Irish agri-food sector on the UK market; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [26783/21]

44. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which his Department continues to ensure the future of the agri-food sector in the aftermath of Brexit and notwithstanding carbon reduction targets; the degree to which he has identified opportunities for the meeting of such targets while minimising the impact on production; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [26974/21]

45. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the impact of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement on food exports to the UK; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [26467/21]

46. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the provision of pier and other coastal defence funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [26929/21]

47. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if an analysis has been carried out by his Department on the relationship between the value of entitlements and stocking density on livestock farms; if so, the result of this analysis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [26488/21]

48. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has a strategy to develop a biomass sector to provide farmers with another income stream; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [26924/21]

49. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the ongoing imposition of the four movement and 30-month rules by meat factories on primary producers; and the steps he will take to address such to ensure that farmers can receive a fair price for their produce. — Sorca Clarke. [26926/21]

50. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the work of his Department to promote trade diversification for Irish food exports post-Brexit to the rest of the EU; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [26466/21]

51. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department has considered the possible impacts of the further concentration of ownership of the meat processing industry here on small farmers. — Paul Murphy. [27017/21]

52. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the engagements he has had with other Departments to ensure that designations under the critically important EU Biodiversity Strategy 2030 will involve full consultation with farmers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [26943/21]
53. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the planned expansion of the dairy processing industry here. — Paul Murphy. [27015/21]

54. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the impact of Covid-19 on the processing of licence appeals in his Department. — Pa Daly. [26921/21]

55. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has considered the introduction of a ban on below cost selling in the beef sector; and if he plans to take action to address same to ensure that farmers can receive a fair price for their produce. — Brian Stanley. [26923/21]

56. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to allow flexibility in the implementation of the BEAM 5% nitrogen reduction criteria; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [26492/21]

57. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the involvement his Department has had with regard to the economic and sustainability impact assessment of the Mercosur trade agreement. — Mark Ward. [26981/21]

58. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the review of the potential demand in international markets for wool-based products; the terms of reference of the review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [26985/21]

59. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps his Department is undertaking to ensure that provisions for farm safety and farmer well-being are being incorporated into the formation of the next Common Agricultural Policy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [26784/21]

60. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to establish an independent regulator for the meat industry to address instability in the sector. — Paul Murphy. [27018/21]

61. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the actions being taken to deal with the long delays in granting felling licences. — Danny Healy-Rae. [26595/21]

62. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the BTB incidence rate among Irish herds in 2021; if he expects the annual incidence rate to rise again from 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [27012/21]

63. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if there are plans by his Department to bring a company (details supplied) and An Taisce together to identify issues of concern and deliver an outcome to progress this project without any further delay given the importance to the local economy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O’Connor. [26707/21]

64. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to improve the felling licence process here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [27010/21]

65. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 995 of 11 May 2021, the reason an organisation (details supplied) claims the information
requested is not available given its own website appears to contain the requested information, that is, the litter number per dog; if he will request the organisation to provide the information given its statutory obligation under section 26 of the Greyhound Racing Act 2019 to keep and provide such information; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [26976/21]

66. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress that has been made in creating a racing stud book to cater for the racing greyhound as per the objective set out in the Strategic Plan 2018 of the Irish Greyhound Board; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [26977/21]

67. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to ensure that as many eligible persons as possible that applied for the Rural Environmental-Agri Pilot Programme will be accepted on to the scheme. — Holly Cairns. [26916/21]

68. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the negotiations with his EU counterparts to secure a fair burden sharing of the fish quota loss that has arisen from the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [27056/21]

69. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated turnaround time in relation to applications for BEEP-S; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [26922/21]

70. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the cost to date of all Covid-19-related payments in his Department to individuals and corporate entities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [15409/21]

71. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of negotiations by his Department on accessing the South Korean market for Irish grass-fed beef produce; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [27027/21]

72. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he is satisfied that there is adequate processing capacity in the dairy sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [26975/21]

73. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he plans sanctioning the building of a deep-water pier in Ros a’ Mhíl soon in order that it can be built before the planning for the pier runs out in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [26489/21]

74. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the full State and EU funding that will be available to the fishing industry to implement the recommendation that will come from the Seafood Taskforce; and the estimated amount of funding available. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [27057/21]

CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH
QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

Chun an Aire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta: To the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research; Innovation and Science.

75. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if students who lost their jobs as a result of the pandemic will be pushed out of SUSI for accepting
the pandemic unemployment payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [27377/21]

76. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he plans to amend the earnings disregard for qualification for a SUSI grant to include support received by students who have received pandemic unemployment payment support as a consequence of the loss of a job during the Covid-19 pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [26777/21]

77. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to address the barriers facing students accessing graduate entry medicine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [27378/21]

78. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the work carried out by his Department to date to increase access for students with disabilities to postgraduate courses. — Gary Gannon. [27380/21]

79. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if counselling psychologists will be treated with equality to clinical psychologists (details supplied); and when the national psychology placement office will be set up. — Joan Collins. [27376/21]

CEISTEANNA EILE
OTHER QUESTIONS

Chun an Aire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta: To the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research; Innovation and Science.

80. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the measures in place or planned to improve access to further and higher education and training for learners with disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [26970/21]

81. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science further to Parliamentary Question No. 1484 of 24 March 2021, if his attention has been drawn to the shortfall in skilled mental health staff both here and internationally (details supplied) which is preventing the HSE from progressing the recruitment of clinicians for eating disorder teams; if he will raise this issue with the Higher Education Authority with a view to expanding the number of places available in this subject area in third-level institutions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [26944/21]

82. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he plans to provide ring-fenced funding for the provision of additional courses in third-level colleges in cases in which the tuition would be through the medium of Irish to ensure there will be sufficient persons available with third-level qualifications to meet the likely requirements of the Official Languages (Amendment) Bill 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25445/21]

83. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the reason third-level students here are required to pay the highest fees in the EU; his plans to address this inequality before the next academic year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [26990/21]
84. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the progress made by students participating in local training initiatives; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [26785/21]

85. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will provide an update on the roll-out of rapid antigen testing in third-level colleges which will facilitate the return of students to on-campus learning; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [26441/21]

86. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the Wexford campus for the Technological University of the South-East; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [26938/21]

87. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the extent to which he has advanced his proposals for the maximisation of achievement and the attainment of various targets identifiable through the mission statement of his Department; the degree to which the efforts to date are in consort with already identified requirements in the academic, technological, scientific and innovative areas with a view to ensuring the broadest and highest educational opportunities in order to better compete nationally and internationally for job placements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [26955/21]

88. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the measures in place to provide additional protection for those living in student-specific accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [26961/21]

89. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to improve the working conditions for PhD researchers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [26992/21]

90. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the plans in place for development at Letterkenny Institute of Technology; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [26714/21]

91. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the progress on ensuring broader access to third-level education for persons with intellectual disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [25560/21]

92. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to increase the funding for mental health supports for third-level students; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [26982/21]

93. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to differences in funding support for clinical psychologists doctoral training compared to educational psychologists and counselling psychologists; the way he plans to address the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [25447/21]

94. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the technological university for the south-east; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [26937/21]
95. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his views on whether limiting access to higher and further education is anachronistic; if he will consider establishing open access to third-level education for all; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [26996/21]

96. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the proposals he has to increase co-operation on an all-Ireland basis in the provision of further and higher education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [26957/21]

97. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the success to date of pre-apprenticeship courses in opening up opportunity to a wider range of possible participants. — Richard Bruton. [25559/21]

98. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science when the new technological university will be legally established to create Athlone and Limerick institute of technology; his views on the measures needed to ensure the towns of Thurles and Clonmel, County Tipperary will prosper as university towns; the regional assistance that will be needed to facilitate the new designations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [26136/21]

99. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the name he plans to apply to the new LIT and AIT technological university; the process undertaken by the project team; the consultation process to arrive at the proposed agreed name which he rejected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Flaherty. [26959/21]

100. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to clear the backlog of persons on waiting lists for off-the-job apprenticeship training; when he expects the backlog to be cleared; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [27000/21]

101. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if the SUSI grant disregard of €4,500 for students who did holiday work will be given for those students who were on the pandemic unemployment payment as there was no work since 2020 due to Covid-19 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [26517/21]

102. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the engagement he has had with third-level Institutions to ensure that 2020-2021 first-year students who have not attended their courses due to distance learning can have on-campus accommodation options available to them for next year given that they have not had the opportunity to make connections with their peers and seeking accommodation will be more difficult; the measures being taken to consider the ongoing mental health and well-being issues these students will continue to experience due to Covid-19; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [26994/21]

103. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to address an anomaly in the SUSI grant scheme in circumstances in which a student applies initially as a dependent of their parents but subsequently gains a council tenancy and lives independently of their family. — Brian Stanley. [26711/21]

104. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the progress regarding the implementation of the Framework for Consent in Higher Education Institutions: Safe, Respectful, Supportive and Positive: Ending Sexual Violence and Harassment in
Irish Higher Education Institutions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [26972/21]

105. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the way the safe-pass course has been delivered during Covid-19 restrictions; the roadmap for delivery as restrictions ease; if the cost to the participant has increased; and if so, if costs will be returned to pre-pandemic rates. — Mark Ward. [27046/21]

106. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if additional supports will be put in place for new technological universities which may have commenced during Covid-19, such as the Munster Technological University, to move to on-campus learning in the upcoming term if the circumstances surrounding Covid-19 allow for such a move; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [27029/21]

107. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the work he is undertaking with third-level institutions to ensure the full return to campus of students for the academic year 2021-2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O’Connor. [26712/21]

108. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his views on the situation in 2020 in which many students who sat the leaving certificate in previous years were pushed out of their CAO course preference due to grade inflation; and the steps he has taken to ensure that these students are not disadvantaged in accessing third-level in 2021. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [26940/21]

109. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to increase the rate of students in areas of high deprivation going onto third-level education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [26983/21]

110. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the review of the student grant scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [26945/21]

111. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the actions he plans to take to tackle the backlog of apprentices on waiting lists to access the State provided training they need to advance in their apprenticeship; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [27001/21]

112. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his role in the decision to grant technological university status to Athlone Institute of Technology and Limerick Institute of Technology; his plans for this new technology university, including their campus based in Ennis, County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [26133/21]

113. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science when the 18 new apprenticeship programmes will come on stream in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O’Connor. [26965/21]

114. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number and range of new apprenticeships; the number of further apprenticeships which are now in the pipeline; and if he has identified any barriers in the development of these new opportunities. — Richard Bruton. [25558/21]
115. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the application for a technological university for the south-east; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [26709/21]

116. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the supports he will make available to the Limerick Institute of Technology to develop its campus at Coonagh. — Cathal Crowe. [26718/21]

117. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if there has been an increase on the cost for participants in the safe pass course; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [27045/21]

118. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the roll-out of the Action Plan for Apprenticeship 2021-2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [26964/21]

119. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the most up-to-date information on the Connacht Ulster Alliance technological university application. — Marian Harkin. [26953/21]

120. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the Ulster Connacht Alliance application for technological university status; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [26991/21]

121. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the reform of the SUSI grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [26960/21]

122. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if alternative access schemes such as HEAR and DARE will also be reviewed further to the SUSI review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [27068/21]

123. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of his engagements with Dundalk Institute of Technology regarding technological university status; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [27002/21]

124. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to deal with the ongoing issues relating to pay and conditions of adult literacy tutors; and when nationally agreed if full-time contracts with incremental salary scale will be in place for these tutors following a recent Labour Court recommendation. — Marian Harkin. [26954/21]

125. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the Connacht-Ulster Alliance and it’s proposed application for technological university status for the west and north-west; if his Department had discussions regarding the application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [26939/21]

126. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will consider funding to support early career researchers in Ireland with disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [27067/21]
127. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to ensure third-level students can return fully to in-person learning and experiences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [25561/21]

128. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the cost to date of all Covid-19-related payments in his Department to individuals and corporate entities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [15409/21]

129. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the extent to which he remains satisfied that progress in expanding higher educational opportunities to date is sufficient to facilitate an upsurge in economic activity post-Covid-19 and as a result an increased need for third and fourth-level technical academic graduates; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [26956/21]

130. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the commitments in the Action Plan for Apprenticeship 2021-2025 to promote access in apprenticeship for traditionally under-represented groups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [26971/21]

131. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the measures in place or planned to provide an enhanced campus experience for third-level students for the 2021-2022 academic year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [26968/21]

132. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will review the criteria and income thresholds for SUSI grants to ensure that each family qualifying for the working family payment is deemed eligible for a fee and maintenance SUSI grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [26933/21]

133. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will consider a graduated special rate for SUSI grant applicants who have at least 365 days continuous Department of Social Protection payments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [26934/21]

134. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will provide an update on the SUSI review; if the new criteria for the scheme will be available to students making their applications in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [26440/21]

135. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the progress made under the National Adult Literacy Strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [26969/21]

136. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the action taken to deal with student accommodation providers that did not refund students and families for rental on accommodation for 2020 such as in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [26594/21]

137. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the supports that will be put in place for students returning to on-campus learning in the upcoming term; if the circumstances surrounding Covid-19 allow for such a move; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [27028/21]
138. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of apprenticeship trainees that have had their qualification completion delayed due to Covid-19 pandemic; the supports planned by his Department to assist with catch up for their apprentices; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [26782/21]

139. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the funding that has been made available to higher education institutions to complete mandated consent training for students; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [26780/21]

140. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if colleges of further and higher education in Northern Ireland can be considered as partners in the development of technological universities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [26958/21]

141. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to increase the number of places for health and social care professionals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [26708/21]

142. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the Programme for Government commitment to promote biodiversity initiatives across primary, post-primary and third-level sectors and ensure that schools, colleges and universities across the country play an active role in providing areas to promote biodiversity. — Patrick Costello. [26952/21]

143. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans are for a return to campus for third-level education for the 2021-2022 academic year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [26124/21]

144. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the analysis his Department has carried out or commissioned into the impact of Covid-19 restrictions on the further education sector particularly with regard to the reduction in participation across the sector since the onset of the pandemic; his plans to develop a strategy to address the impact of Covid-19 on engagement, retention and progression in the further education sector as recommended in a report (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [26999/21]

145. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he has met with UCC or MTU to discuss the possibility of locating a campus on the northside of Cork city. — Thomas Gould. [26935/21]

146. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if an anomaly in the SUSI grant scheme will be addressed in circumstances in which a student applies initially as a dependent of their parents but subsequently gets married during the period of their third-level education but is still assessed as a dependent of their parents. — Brian Stanley. [26710/21]

147. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the way the distances for adjacent and non-adjacent third-level SUSI grants are set; his plans for a review of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [26993/21]

148. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to the fact that many potential students are blocked from accessing affordable third-level education due to their immigration status such as unaccompanied minors,
children of immigrants working here and so on; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [26713/21]

149. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the work by his Department to extend the Erasmus plus programme to students in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [26125/21]

150. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science when the backlog of apprentices on the waiting list for off-the-job training will be cleared; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [26989/21]

151. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if consideration has been given in the recent review of the SUSI process to resolving the difficulties for SUSI applicants who are estranged from their parents; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [26787/21]

152. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he plans to increase the proportion of dedicated research funds that are provided annually towards blue skies research to ensure that Ireland attracts and retains top scientists in the country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25446/21]

153. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to update the SUSI review process and potentially increase the current income thresholds and eligibility criteria for grant applicants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [26786/21]

154. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the measures he is taking to address additional demand for university course places later in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [26946/21]

155. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of nursing and midwife places on undergraduate courses in the 2021-2022 academic year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [26988/21]

156. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to restore the SUSI adjacent distance payment to 50km; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [26781/21]

157. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to develop and support further and higher education in County Monaghan. — Matt Carthy. [27030/21]

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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Tánaiste agus Aire Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta: To the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment.

*158. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the status of his pledge to introduce a statutory sick pay scheme; when he will be publishing proposals on the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [27142/21]
*159. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the proposed directive on artificial intelligence and Digital Services Act would render Ireland the EU’s super enforcer of these new regulations for technology companies based here; his views on whether the current delays in enforcing GDPR decisions by the DPC will undermine the potential for further investment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [27181/21]

*160. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the US Senate is considering a draft Bill that targets jurisdictions with inadequate enforcement of data protection law (details supplied); his views on the situation; and if he regards the prospect of EU data export controls as a threat to the digital services sector. — Patrick Costello. [27184/21]

*161. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will report on the failure of a company (details supplied) to recognise a union and collectively bargain with it on issues of concern; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [27267/21]

*162. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27275/21]

*163. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the proposed directive on artificial intelligence and the Digital Services Act would render Ireland the EU’s super enforcer of these new regulations for technology companies based here; if he is concerned that the current delays in enforcing GDPR decisions by the Data Protection Commissioner will undermine the potential for further investment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [27322/21]

*164. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the US Senate is considering a draft Bill that targets jurisdictions with inadequate enforcement of data protection law (details supplied); his views on the situation; and her further views on whether the prospect of EU data export controls is a threat to the digital services sector. — Thomas Pringle. [27325/21]

*165. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the US Senate is considering a draft Bill that targets jurisdictions with inadequate enforcement of data protection law (details supplied); his views on the situation; and his further views on whether the prospect of EU data export controls is a threat to the digital services sector. — Thomas Pringle. [27328/21]

*166. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to his Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27337/21]

*167. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if any State or semi-State bodies which report to his Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data
they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [27355/21]

*Chun an Aire Comhshaoil, Aeráide agus Cumarsáide: To the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications.*

*168. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when an eircode can be provided to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [27197/21]

*169. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the steps his Department is taking to reduce the supply and demand of single-use plastics in Ireland; the plans being put in place by his Department to reduce supply and demand of single-use plastics over the next decade; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [27220/21]

*170. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the supports available via the SEAI to farmers for the purposes of introducing solar power to their farms; the total funding of these schemes and grants; the number of applications for such schemes and grants that have been received from farmers for each of the years 2016 to 202 and to date in 2021; the number of applications that were successful by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [27235/21]

*171. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27276/21]

*172. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will clarify the status of legislation to allow for the use of anti-dumping CCTV by local authorities. — Robert Troy. [27311/21]

*173. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if his Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to his Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27338/21]

*174. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if any State or semi-State bodies which report to his Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27356/21]

*175. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which Ireland compares with other EU and non-EU food producing countries in terms of carbon sequestration and meeting international objectives in respect of climate change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27383/21]

*176. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the total area in hectares of wetland including lakes and rivers throughout the country; the extent to which their
existence contributes to carbon reduction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27393/21]

*177. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which hedgerows, trees and non-arable agricultural land is used in calculation in respect of carbon levels and reduction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27400/21]

*178. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in his Department and the bodies under the aegis of his Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27597/21]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*179. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to the fact that Bus Éireann is reducing services on the 51 route Galway to Limerick and Cork which will remove the availability of public transport services for communities in Gort and across south County Galway; if he will take steps to restore these services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [27128/21]

*180. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated number of persons resident in the State that have a valid full driver licence or provisional licence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [27133/21]

*181. To ask the Minister for Transport if CIÉ will await the outcome of the High Court application made by the elected pension trustees before further engagement in relation to the 1951 pension scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [27150/21]

*182. To ask the Minister for Transport the steps being implemented to restore both the driver test and driver theory test schedules with respect to a case (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Shanahan. [27151/21]

*183. To ask the Minister for Transport the actions he is taking to address antisocial behaviour on public transport and in bus and rail stations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [27170/21]

*184. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of theory tests cancelled each Friday by email over the past 12 months and in particular on 7 May 2021; when these tests will be rescheduled; if there is a contact phone number and name for the public to use to have queries dealt with; if contact names and details of Road Safety Authority personnel are published on the RSA website and stationary; and his plans to clear the backlog. — John McGuinness. [27256/21]

*185. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason Bus Éireann has cancelled the overnight services on route 30 and X30 at 1:00 and 2:30 from Donegal and the 6:30, 8:00 services from Dublin to Donegal; the alternatives are available to persons instead of having to overnight in Dublin for appointments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [27265/21]

*186. To ask the Minister for Transport his engagements with CIÉ in respect of the failure by the company to honour its commitment to allow all active members of the 1951 superannuation scheme a vote on LCR22297. — Catherine Murphy. [27270/21]
*187. To ask the Minister for Transport if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27287/21]

*188. To ask the Minister for Transport the numbers of routes, the areas serviced and the operators that have informed the National Transport Authority of a plan to withdraw scheduled non-public service obligation funded services including those currently receiving funding as a result of the Covid-19 crisis since 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [27289/21]

*189. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of persons waiting to sit a car theory test by theory test centre; the number currently waiting to sit a practical driver test by driving test centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [27294/21]

*190. To ask the Minister for Transport the date on which car theory test centres will reopen given the impact this closure is having on persons that are trying to obtain a learner permits; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [27295/21]

*191. To ask the Minister for Transport the date on which practical driver tests will resume for non-essential workers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [27296/21]

*192. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to his Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27348/21]

*193. To ask the Minister for Transport if any State or semi-State bodies which report to his Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27367/21]

*194. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to allow full unrestricted air travel in order to safeguard jobs in Shannon Airport and the wider aviation industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [27415/21]

*195. To ask the Minister for Transport if he has engaged with the Minister for Finance in respect of the way in which companies can be encouraged to switch their vehicle fleets to hybrid and electric vehicles in the context of the climate action plan; and his plans to consider the way in which he can influence reform of the benefit in kind regime in the context of the uptake of greener vehicles ahead of the budget (details supplied). — Catherine Murphy. [27439/21]

*196. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in his Department and the bodies under the aegis of his Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27605/21]
Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*197. To ask the Minister for Finance the loans approved by HBFI for residential developments in the past 12 months; the number of units in each development in tabular form; the location of each development; the number of designated build-to-rent units included in the grant of planning permission in each development; if HBFI or officials in his Department were aware that the loan application had an advanced purchase agreement with an institutional investor in place for all or part of the development at the time the loan was approved; if so, the number of units included in such agreements; and the number of these units that were designated as build to rent in the planning grant. — Eoin Ó Broin. [27147/21]

*198. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Covid restrictions support scheme will be withdrawn from 17 May 2021 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [27159/21]

*199. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of homes classified as private housing that have been funded through Home Building Finance Ireland as at 31 December 2020. — Pearse Doherty. [27237/21]

*200. To ask the Minister for Finance the median price for which homes funded through Home Building Finance Ireland have been sold or purchased by year including 2020, in tabular form. — Pearse Doherty. [27238/21]

*201. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of homes funded through Home Building Finance Ireland that have been sold or purchased by including 2020 at values beginning from €100,000 at intervals of €50,000 for example, the number of homes funded through HBPI in 2018 with purchase price of between €400,000 and €450,00, in tabular form. — Pearse Doherty. [27239/21]

*202. To ask the Minister for Finance if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27277/21]

*203. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of applications for refunds of dividend withholding tax connected to the operation of real estate investment trusts and any other corporate bodies to which this is applicable since 2013; the amounts involved by year in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [27301/21]

*204. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Covid restrictions support scheme will be withdrawn from travel agencies on 17 May 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [27306/21]

*205. To ask the Minister for Finance if a double week of the Covid restrictions support scheme will be paid to travel agencies on the week commencing the 17 May 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [27307/21]

*206. To ask the Minister for Finance the length of time the Covid restrictions support scheme payment will remain in place for the travel agencies sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [27308/21]
*207. To ask the Minister for Finance if the status of the travel agency sector (details supplied) will be acknowledged; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [27309/21]

*208. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of developments in which all or a portion of units in that development are subject to forward purchase PRS sales that have been funded through the momentum fund; the total value of that funding; the number of such developments that have been approved funding through the fund; the name of each; the number of units in each development that are subject to forward purchase PRS sales; the name of the purchaser in each development; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [27331/21]

*209. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of developments in which all or a portion of units in that development are subject to forward purchase PRS sales that have been funded through Home Building Finance Ireland; the total value of that funding; the number of such developments that have been approved funding through Home Building Finance Ireland; the name of each; the number of units in each development that are subject to forward purchase PRS sales; the name of the purchaser in each development; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [27332/21]

*210. To ask the Minister for Finance if his Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to his Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27339/21]

*211. To ask the Minister for Finance if any State or semi-State bodies which report to his Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27357/21]

*212. To ask the Minister for Finance if an insurance company is permitted to withdraw flood cover from a claim in respect of a business that was never flooded and that it covered for a number of years such as in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [27431/21]

*213. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Covid restrictions support scheme will be available to travel agents once they reopen; if so, the length that it will be extended given the fact that the situation in relation to foreign travel remains unclear and further given that deposits received by travel agents when they do reopen will be passed on immediately leaving them unable to pay overheads and thus requiring ongoing Government supports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [27440/21]

*214. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will clarify an aspect of section 4 of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997 benefit-in-kind charges in the context of the action plan on climate change; the way in which BIK changes can incentivise companies to change the fleets of vehicles to hybrid and or electric in view of the fact that under the current policy 0% BIK exemption for electric vehicles will cease at the end of 2022 with no certainty if this will be extended; and if he will consider the example (details supplied). — Catherine Murphy. [27441/21]
*215. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in his Department and the bodies under the aegis of his Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27598/21]

*216. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the civil service mobility scheme has resumed; if not, when it is planned to resume; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [27244/21]

*217. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if it is planned to facilitate additional transfers via the civil service mobility scheme as a result of the scheme being paused due the Covid-19 pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [27245/21]

*218. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in his Department and the bodies under the aegis of his Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27246/21]

*219. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will confirm the way in which the recent recruitment process for the vacant position of Secretary General of his Department was advertised; the number of advertisements placed in publications and through social media; the number of applicants for the position; the number of international applicants; the number of persons on the interview board; the qualifications and gender of same; the number that reached the final interview; if the successful candidate was chosen from a final list of suitably qualified persons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [27262/21]

*220. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27283/21]

*221. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if his Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to his Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27344/21]

*222. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if any State or semi-State bodies which report to his Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27363/21]
*223. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27286/21]

*224. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if organisations that applied for stream 1 funding under the large scale sports infrastructure fund remain eligible for stream 2 funding even if their stream 2 funding applications were not submitted before the initial closing date of 17 April 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [27290/21]

*225. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media her views on the proposed funding model for the Dalymount Park project which includes 15 million from the large scale sports infrastructure fund; if a stream 2 application has been submitted for this amount; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [27291/21]

*226. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media her plans for a full independent audit of the finances and operation of Galway 2020; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [27312/21]

*227. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if her Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to her Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27347/21]

*228. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if any State or semi-State bodies which report to her Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27366/21]

*229. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in her Department and the bodies under the aegis of her Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27604/21]

*230. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total number and description if available of all animals and or birds deemed extinct or in danger thereof as identified by trends over the past thirty years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27390/21]
231. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the action taken to protect animals or birds deemed in danger of extinction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27391/21]

232. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the extent to which the numbers of landrail continue to be monitored throughout the country; if any revival is indicated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27392/21]

233. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the extent of areas throughout the country currently regarded as habitats for native and migratory game birds; the extent to which their habitats are protected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27395/21]

234. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the degree to which Irish game birds and songbirds deemed to be at risk of extinction continue to be monitored with a view to protection; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27396/21]

235. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the extent to which efforts are being made to protect the yellow hammer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27399/21]

236. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when the report of the working group established to examine the issues identified during the review of the use of horticultural peat will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [27138/21]

237. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if it will be ensured that the harvesting of horticultural peat can resume for the duration of 2021 in response to the rising prices and increased negative environmental impact of importing horticultural peat in place of a domestic source. — Matt Carthy. [27139/21]

238. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to the current efforts to obtain UNESCO world heritage status for the Rock of Cashel; the supports his Department plans to provide in relation to the bid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [27185/21]

239. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his Department has specific funding and staff responsible for securing UNESCO heritage status for historic sites in Ireland; if so, the budget for this work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [27186/21]

240. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if an application of the derelict sites levy monthly charge was suspended during the previous Covid-19 lockdowns and suspension of construction and related activities; if a person now levied for these periods can claim relief from these charges; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [27187/21]

241. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if a UK public service employee that applies for and receives a similar position in a local authority here is placed at the bottom of the local authority pay scale; if not, if their previous years of employment will be considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [27213/21]
*242. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the reason the service of a person (details supplied) is not taken into account on recognition for the relevant pay scale; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [27221/21]

*243. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 121 of 12 May 2021, the number of properties to date in rent pressure zones by local authority in respect of quarter 1 2021 data that have been identified as potentially in breach of short-term lettings regulations; the number of site inspections that have taken place; the number of change of use planning applications received; the number of warning letters issued (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [27247/21]

*244. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will outline the activity of the Land Development Agency from the date it was established to date in 2021 relative to the number of sites identified and acquired; the number of planning permissions granted or in the process and the overall cost of its operation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [27250/21]

*245. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27281/21]

*246. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to his Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27342/21]

*247. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if any State or semi-State bodies which report to his Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27361/21]

*248. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the full extent of the numbers of deer here including each separate breed; the most likely location or habitat; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27394/21]

*249. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if domestic abuse services will be classified as homeless providers in view of their provision of emergency accommodation for vulnerable persons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [27416/21]

*250. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in his Department and the bodies under the aegis of his Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27600/21]
Chun an Aire Gnóthaí Eachtracha: To the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

*251. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs further to Parliamentary Question No 521 of 28 April 2021, the discussions he has had with European and international partners in relation to the detention of a person (details supplied) by the National Investigation Agency of India for alleged Maoist links; his plans to call on the Indian Government to safeguard the health and well-being of the person and to call for the release of same; the discussions he has had with the Indian Government in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [27130/21]

*252. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the estimated number of persons resident in the State that have a valid passport or passport card; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [27134/21]

*253. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if a passport will be approved for a person (details supplied). — Pa Daly. [27154/21]

*254. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the status of a passport application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [27210/21]

*255. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27278/21]

*256. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if his Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to his Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27340/21]

*257. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if any State or semi-State bodies which report to his Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27358/21]

*258. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will raise with the authorities in India the detention of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [27434/21]

*259. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he has raised the need to appoint an ambassador to Ireland as soon as possible with the US Administration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [27435/21]

*260. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he has raised with the US Administration the appointment of a Special Envoy to Northern Ireland; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that recently senior members of the US Congress have written to President Biden in relation to the merit of such an appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [27436/21]
Chun an Aire Cosanta: To the Minister for Defence.

*261. To ask the Minister for Defence if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27273/21]

*262. To ask the Minister for Defence if his Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to his Departments IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27335/21]

*263. To ask the Minister for Defence if any State or semi-State bodies which report to his Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27353/21]

*264. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in his Department and the bodies under the aegis of his Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27595/21]

Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

*265. To ask the Minister for Education the amount that was designated to the summer provision programme in 2019 as compared to 2020, with reference to the predicted sum for the upcoming summer period of 2021, in tabular form. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [27297/21]

*266. To ask the Minister for Education if a person (details supplied) in County Kerry can avail of public transport; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [27120/21]

*267. To ask the Minister for Education the resources that she will put in place to support young children with disabilities in view of the fact that the NCSE has announced no further allocation of SNAs will be given for the academic year 2021-2022; if her attention has been drawn to the review process that can take place in September 2021 that can take three months which may result in children at certain years not attending preschool with their peers in late August 2021 and will be left behind due to the fact that child has a disability; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [27148/21]

*268. To ask the Minister for Education if the sale of a site (details supplied) to her Department is progressing; if there is an expected date by which the special class will be available for use by the school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [27152/21]

*269. To ask the Minister for Education the status of an application by a person (details supplied) to the primary payments section of her Department to have their service history as a teacher amended to include the years they spent as a substitute teacher; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [27202/21]
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*270. To ask the Minister for Education if consideration will be given to the inclusion of a farm safety section in the agricultural science curriculum at secondary school level; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [27224/21]

*271. To ask the Minister for Education if consideration will be given to the inclusion of a farm safety segment and presentation series for children at primary-school level; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [27225/21]

*272. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais an mbeidh dátaí na harteiste a chuireann ar an scrúdú Ard Teiste i mbliana agus a roghnaíonn an dá rogha idir gráid réamh-meatach agus an scrúdú a shuí in don an ceann is fearr de na torthaí a roghnú ábhar ar ábhar nó an mbeidh orthu rogha a dhéanamh idir an dá thoradh iomlán sa scrúdú iomlán; agus an ndéanfaidh sí rúiteas ina thaobh. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [27259/21]

*273. To ask the Minister for Education if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27274/21]

*274. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to her Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27336/21]

*275. To ask the Minister for Education if any State or semi-State bodies which report to her Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27354/21]

*276. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the project for the ASD class in a school (details supplied); the timeline for the completion of the assessment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Chris Andrews. [27369/21]

*277. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 341 of 13 May 2021, the number of incidental inspections that have been undertaken in schools since 16 April 2021. — Gary Gannon. [27442/21]

*278. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 341 of 13 May 2021, the consultation and communication that took place with stakeholders in education prior to 16 April 2021; the updated guidance which has been provided to schools to facilitate the inspectorate entering classrooms; her views on whether it is appropriate that an inspector may visit a number of schools in a single week; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [27443/21]

*279. To ask the Minister for Education the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in her Department and the bodies under the aegis of her Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27596/21]
*280. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the position regarding community employment supervisor pensions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [27129/21]

*281. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated number of persons resident in the State that have a valid public services card; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [27132/21]

*282. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will consider extending the back to work enterprise allowance for new business that have effectively very little trading time over two years due to Covid-19 restrictions. — Robert Troy. [27144/21]

*283. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the date section 68M(a) of the Social Welfare (Covid 19) (Amendment) Act 2020 came into effect. — Gino Kenny. [27203/21]

*284. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if an application for a carer’s allowance in the case of a person (details supplied) will be reviewed and approved as a matter of urgency. — John McGuinness. [27263/21]

*285. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27285/21]

*286. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of times and the schemes involved in which the Pension Authority issued a section 50 order under the Pensions Acts to reduce benefits to ensure a scheme stays within the minimum funding standard for defined benefit schemes since 2010. — Bríd Smith. [27288/21]

*287. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if an agreement is in place with Irish Rail to ensure that a free travel card will be accepted even if expired during Covid-19 restrictions on public services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [27292/21]

*288. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to her Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27346/21]

*289. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if any State or semi-State bodies which report to her Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27365/21]

*290. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the existing domestic violence emergency rent supplement will be established on a permanent basis to ensure that such support is available post-Covid-19; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [27375/21]
*291. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if an independent medical officer can assess the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27421/21]

*292. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of schools with DEIS status that applied for the hot school-meal scheme but were not included through the process of random selection; and the estimated cost of including these schools within the scheme. — Gary Gannon. [27444/21]

*293. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in her Department and the bodies under the aegis of her Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27603/21]

Chun an Aire Leanaí, Comhionannais, Míchumais, Lánpháirtíochta agus Óige: To the Minister for Children, Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth.

*294. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his plans to address the concerns of family resource centres that they will not have enough space to provide group activities given the impact of Covid-19; the assistance that will be provided to ensure they comply with all health and safety guidelines while continuing to be able to cater for service users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [27122/21]

*295. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his plans to provide for the additional demand for mental health services at family resource centres; if he plans to provide supports to expand these services in line with demand; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [27123/21]

*296. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his views on the way short-term funding for services provided by family resource centres such as counselling and therapy inhibits same from being able to guarantee long-term services; the way short-term funding of this nature can have an impact on the progress being made by persons availing of mental health supports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [27124/21]

*297. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27272/21]

*298. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when the decision support service will become operational; and the financial investment since the inception of the service. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [27298/21]

*299. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to his Departments IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27334/21]

*300. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if any State or semi-State bodies which report to his Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT
infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27352/21]

*301. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of youth workers excluding Garda youth diversion workers funded to work in the north County Dublin area in each of the past ten years; his plans to increase the number of youth workers in the area in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [27372/21]

Chun an Aire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta: To the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research; Innovation and Science.

*302. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of plans to reform the CAO system of access to third-level education; if plans will come on stream in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [26966/21]

*303. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of progress of the Cassells report with input from the European Commission; when the report will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [26967/21]

*304. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the demand for the skills to advance the programme for the hospitality sector; his plans to advance a similar project for those in the retail sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [26962/21]

*305. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the progress on funding for the further education and training sector under the current National Development Plan, part of Project Ireland 2040; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [26963/21]

*306. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans for the new technological university based in Athlone Institute of Technology and Limerick Institute of Technology and including their campus based in Ennis, County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [26134/21]

*307. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the extent to which extra provision is being made to extend and expand third and fourth-level education with particular reference to the ongoing requirements of the jobs market and the need to respond on a continuing basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [5975/21]

*308. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the additional provisions being made to ensure an adequate supply of graduates with appropriate qualifications in the sciences, innovation and research with particular reference to the need to enhance Ireland’s capabilities in these areas and to fill the posts currently required and likely to be required in the future given international progress in these areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [5976/21]
*309. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his Department has considered whether opportunities for lifelong learning should be built into the social insurance system. — Richard Bruton. [25554/21]

*310. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of students attending third-level education for the academic year 2020-2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [27135/21]

*311. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27279/21]

*312. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to his Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27341/21]

*313. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if any State or semi-State bodies which report to his Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27359/21]

*314. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the extent to which he proposes to facilitate the development of the sciences throughout the higher educational system with a view to the preparing of undergraduates for the competition that lies ahead with particular reference to job opportunities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27401/21]

*315. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the extent to which, through higher education he plans to use innovation as a means of advancing educational abilities and as a result, economic preparedness to meet the challenges of the modern educational and employment challenges; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27402/21]

*316. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the degree to which he plans to further the capabilities of graduates in respect of research with particular reference to the need to maximise Ireland’s capabilities in that field; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27403/21]

*317. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the extent to which he plans to make special provision to the advancement of the sciences with the higher educational system with a view to maximisation of opportunities for Irish graduates in order to enhance their opportunities against allcomers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27404/21]
*318. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the degree to which he continues to encourage the development of the sciences through higher education with a view to ensuring the availability of the highest possible number of scientists in the future and as a result, enhancing Ireland’s capability in that field; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27405/21]

*319. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans for an increase in student interest in the sciences through higher education; the extent to which this is manifesting itself; his hope for the future in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27406/21]

*320. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his Department has carried out an evaluation of the level of interest in the sciences at third and fourth-level; if he plans to incentivise interest in the area in the future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27407/21]

*321. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the degree to which higher education has embraced innovation as a means to enhance the cutting edge of higher education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27408/21]

*322. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the areas in respect of which he through higher education plans to include innovation as a means of enhancing capability and reputation globally of Irish graduates on the global stage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27409/21]

*323. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the extent to which the higher education system incorporates research as a means of further advancing the capabilities of Irish graduates using research as a basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27410/21]

*324. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the extent to which his Department continues to observe the qualifications of third and fourth-level graduates in respect of their ability to avail of and take-up employment opportunities as they become available here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27411/21]

*325. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he remains satisfied with the number of students at third and fourth-level pursuing academic or technical goals with a view to maximising the ability of Irish graduates in their respective fields; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27412/21]

*326. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the extent to which he expects third and fourth-level student numbers to increase at academic and technical level in the future in line with demand; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27413/21]

*327. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he remains satisfied with the number of students at third and fourth-level pursuing academic or technical goals with a view to maximising the ability of Irish graduates in their respective fields; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27414/21]
*328. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in his Department and the bodies under the aegis of his Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27599/21]

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

*329. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of age cards issued pursuant to the scheme established by the Intoxicating Liquor Act 1988 (Age Card) Regulations 2010 for each year since its establishment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [27136/21]

*330. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of plans to amend Article 41.3 of Bunreacht na hÉireann in order to recognise a wider range of families; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [27200/21]

*331. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will issue a renewed stamp 4 to a person (details supplied) awaiting a decision on an application for certificate of naturalisation whose previous stamp 4 was extended three months at a time when it expired on 21 May 2020, most recently up to the April 2021, but whose passport was not stamped to that effect in circumstances in which the person needs to leave the State for essential reasons. — Michael McNamara. [27209/21]

*332. To ask the Minister for Justice if the report of the inquiry into the adequacy of the An Garda Síochána investigations and disciplinary inquiries following the death of Mr. Patrick Nugent, which she received on 3 November 2020, will be shared with the family. — Michael McNamara. [27214/21]

*333. To ask the Minister for Justice when she will share the report of the inquiry into the adequacy of the An Garda Síochána investigations and disciplinary inquiries following the death of Mr. Patrick Nugent, which she received on 3 November 2020, with the Nugent family. — Michael McNamara. [27215/21]

*334. To ask the Minister for Justice if the report of the inquiry into the adequacy of the An Garda Síochána investigations and disciplinary inquiries following the death of Mr. Patrick Nugent, which she received on 3 November 2020, will be published. — Michael McNamara. [27216/21]

*335. To ask the Minister for Justice when she will publish the report of the inquiry into the adequacy of the An Garda Síochána investigations and disciplinary inquiries following the death of Mr. Patrick Nugent, which she received on 3 November 2020. — Michael McNamara. [27217/21]

*336. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will establish a dedicated transport division of An Garda Síochána; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [27230/21]

*337. To ask the Minister for Justice if a person from this State and serving a prison sentence in Northern Ireland can apply under the Transfer of Sentenced Persons Act 1995 to serve the prison sentence in this jurisdiction; the conditions under which such an application can be made; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [27251/21]

*338. To ask the Minister for Justice if a person who is Irish and lives ordinarily in Northern Ireland and is serving a prison sentence in Northern Ireland can apply under the Transfer of Sentenced Person Act 1995 to serve the prison sentence in this jurisdiction on the basis of their Irish citizenship; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [27252/21]
*339. To ask the Minister for Justice the details of each contract placed in each of the years 2015 to 2019 and up to November 2020 for works awarded to a company (details supplied) by the Prison Service other than for those services specifically provided for in the schedule at appendix 1, Requirements and Specifications of the Request for Tenders dated December 2013 as published by the Prison Service; and if she will provide a schedule of contracts that were awarded following a specific procurement and tender procedure for those works and contracts in which no procurement procedure or tender was issued. — Catherine Murphy. [27268/21]

*340. To ask the Minister for Justice if her attention has been drawn to any irregularities involving procurement issues within the estates and or building services divisions of the Prison Service unit: if so, the details, nature and extent of same. — Catherine Murphy. [27269/21]

*341. To ask the Minister for Justice if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27282/21]

*342. To ask the Minister for Justice if her Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to her Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27343/21]

*343. To ask the Minister for Justice if any State or semi-State bodies which report to her Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27362/21]

*344. To ask the Minister for Justice if the Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission produces information literature translated into various languages in order that persons from diverse ethnic backgrounds can understand their rights in this regard and in order that they can fully engage with GSOC should they need to do so; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [27370/21]

*345. To ask the Minister for Justice her plans to increase the recruitment of members of An Garda Síochána from diverse ethnic backgrounds including Traveller, Roma, black Irish; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [27371/21]

*346. To ask the Minister for Justice the reason for the delay with the Ballybofey-Stranorlar CCTV application which was supported by the Donegal joint policing committee in 2020. — Jim O’Callaghan. [27420/21]

*347. To ask the Minister for Justice if the fee of €950 for a naturalisation certificate can be waived for a person who has lived and paid tax in Ireland for 49 years and would be in difficulty paying the fee; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [27430/21]

*348. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in her Department and the bodies under the aegis of her Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27601/21]
*349. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way his Department plans to implement revised definitions of good agricultural environmental conditions or cross-compliance proposed for the next CAP programme ensuring that a flexible approach is adopted when implementing good agricultural environmental conditions at national level in order to minimise the impact on farmers and farm businesses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [27227/21]

*350. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the degree to which he remains satisfied that the agri-food business on the island of Ireland can prosper and grow notwithstanding the impact of Brexit; if he has identified particular issues for early attention and resolution; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [7377/21]

*351. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he remains satisfied regarding the availability of transportation and ready access to the European market for Irish food exports and that resolution in respect of any obstacles is in hand with particular reference to transport, customs and the meeting of delivery schedules; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [7378/21]

*352. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps taken by his Department to incentivise investment in farm safety measures and equipment given that farm incidents constitute a high proportion of the overall number of workplace accidents; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [1740/21]

*353. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if funding will be provided for the farmers whose fences have been burnt down recently as a result of the fire in Killarney National Park and who now have no feed for their animals. — Danny Healy-Rae. [23059/21]

*354. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide a schedule of additional animal welfare measures he and or his Department have put in place in respect of live exports of animals since 1 March 2020 to date in 2021; and if he will also provide an update in respect of the tracing of live exports from this State to other states in order to ensure animals are kept in the best condition and welfare possible on their journey. — Catherine Murphy. [27121/21]

*355. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding provided to pillar 2 schemes from the Exchequer and the amount co-funded by scheme for each of the years 2014 to 2020 and to date in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [27137/21]

*356. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 1255 of 31 March 2021, when the required frost recon scheme will be announced to support owners of woodlands affected by detrimental frost damage in May 2019 and 2020 and again in early May 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [27168/21]

*357. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when a decision will be made on a TAMS grant application by a person (details supplied) in County Cork. — Michael Creed. [27171/21]

*358. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if it is planned to exclude professional registered foresters from the scheme to plant trees along rivers and watercourses to act
as carbon sinks and interceptors of nutrients currently being prepared by the Minister of State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [27188/21]

*359. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if it is planned to get external expertise and registered foresters to assist his staff in developing the scheme to plant trees along rivers and watercourses to act as carbon sinks and interceptors of nutrients currently being prepared by the Minister of State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [27189/21]

*360. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to circular 5 of 2021, clarification regarding ash dieback scheme and planning permission; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [27190/21]

*361. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department was not aware of the issues in relation to planning permission when developing and ultimately issuing the RUS scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [27191/21]

*362. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if there are possible mechanisms in the Forestry Act 2014 that take account of the fact that the ash crops are either dying or dead and as such are not subject to the rules as laid out in circular 5/2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [27192/21]

*363. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to develop a process with the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage that takes account of the fact that ash trees are either dead or dying and rotted and that the process and procedure as laid out in circular 5 of 2021 does not take account of this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [27193/21]

*364. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to the fact that ash plantations subject to ash dieback, which are either dead or dying and rotting are now a very serious health and safety trap for owners, contractors and the public and the contents of circular 5 of 2021 in view of the performance of his Department in issuing approvals in the RUS scheme to date does nothing other than add to the health and safety issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [27194/21]

*365. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to revisit the existing academically excellent but operationally nonsensical and impractical RUS scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [27195/21]

*366. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department is on target to date to achieve the stated licensing output target of 4,500 licences; if not, he size of the delay in relation in achieving the target; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [27196/21]

*367. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will review an application under the young farmers scheme in the case of a person (details supplied) and reverse the decision taken given the circumstances of the case; and if the matter will be expedited. — John McGuinness. [27199/21]

*368. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an appeal by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [27204/21]
*369. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the location of entitlements leased by persons (details supplied); when the lease expired as neither the leasee or original owner of said entitlements are in possession of same at present; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [27206/21]

*370. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of the way his Department is pursuing new market opportunities for Irish food produce in view of the fact Irish agri-food companies need to diversify their independence on the UK market in a post-Brexit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [27223/21]

*371. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for a genuine farmer definition that must ensure that CAP payments are made to farmers that are actively farming which will be a requirement for all member states in the European Union under the next CAP programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [27226/21]

*372. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to ensure that capacity for green cert courses meets demand in 2021/2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [27233/21]

*373. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the role he has with regard to green cert courses overseen by Education and Training Boards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [27234/21]

*374. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the level of funding that is to be provided to the Strategic Banking Corporation of Ireland from his Department in 2021; if these funds relate to the extension of the agriculture cash flow support loan scheme or a different scheme; the total amount of new credit that will be available to borrowers to be drawn down; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [27241/21]

*375. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding provided by his Department to the Strategic Banking Corporation of Ireland for the purposes of loans to the agricultural sector and the resulting level of borrowings available to the sector by year and by scheme in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [27242/21]

*376. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress made with regard to a loan scheme under the SBCI targeted towards the agriculture sector with a value of €330 million; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [27243/21]

*377. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27271/21]

*378. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason the total forestry licences issued by his Department has declined in recent weeks; the reason the significant reduction in Coillte licences has not lead to an increase in the number of private licenses issued; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [27310/21]

*379. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to his Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001
Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Fergus O’Dowd. [27333/21]

*380. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if any State or semi-State bodies which report to his Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Fergus O’Dowd. [27351/21]

*381. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the case of a person (details supplied) will be examined; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Michael Healy-Rae. [27373/21]

*382. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which his Department continues to development the agri-food sector while at the same time ensuring compliance with carbon reduction targets; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Bernard J. Durkan. [27381/21]

*383. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total strength of the dairy herd at present; the extent of opportunities for advancement in the future while at the same time meeting carbon reduction targets; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Bernard J. Durkan. [27382/21]

*384. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if cognisance was taken of the extent to which the agri-food sector here has always been more compliant with carbon reduction objectives than most others; the way the policy will be incorporated in the future without damaging the agri-food sector while meeting targets; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Bernard J. Durkan. [27384/21]

*385. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the current strength of the beef herd; the extent to which he is satisfied in regard to its future and the attainment of international carbon reduction targets thereby achieving a fair and equitable coexistence and maintenance of employment; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Bernard J. Durkan. [27385/21]

*386. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which pig production is encouraged to continue on a sound footing with particular reference to its future and a living for pig producers; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Bernard J. Durkan. [27386/21]

*387. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which opportunities continue for the export of Irish lamb; the degree to which prospects remain good for the future; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Bernard J. Durkan. [27387/21]

*388. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he remains satisfied regarding the adequacy of the checking and authentication of the background of all food and food products with particular reference to the meat sector with a view to ensuring that all such imports are of the highest standard in terms of production, husbandry and hygiene; and if he will make a statement on the matter.
— Bernard J. Durkan. [27388/21]

*389. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent of various meat products, beef, lamb, pig meat and poultry imported in each of the past three years to date; if the
countries of origin have standards on par with the European Union; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27389/21]

*390. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the degree if any to which rare bovine herds or sheep flocks are protected or otherwise encouraged; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27397/21]

*391. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if grant support is available for agricultural underpasses and bridges in cases in which there are road safety concerns for animals, pedestrians and vehicles particularly given the fact that the setback distances from the edge of roadways has been increased to six metres; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27398/21]

*392. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the location and entitlements leased by a person (details supplied) who had entitlements leased from a person given that they are not shown on either their herd number or the owners identification number; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [27418/21]

*393. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in his Department and the bodies under the aegis of his Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27594/21]

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

*394. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the breakdown of local authority applications to her Department’s grant schemes since May 2019 to date in 2021, in tabular form; the reason for each funding application; the amount sought by each application; the amount awarded to each application; the successful or unsuccessful status of each application; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Browne. [27131/21]

*395. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if her Department under the CLÁR scheme or another scheme supports the provision of infrastructure and footpaths in a location (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [27143/21]

*396. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if it is her plan to increase the proposed funding of LIS roads and CLÁR projects in cases in which there are suitable projects on hand in local authorities at present; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [27264/21]

*397. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if a schedule will be provided of IT and email security costs incurred over the past five years to date; and the contractor engaged to deliver the services and or system. — Catherine Murphy. [27284/21]

*398. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if her Department is fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements, the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to her Department’s IT infrastructure including Article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 Annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27345/21]
*399. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if any State or semi-State bodies which report to her Department are fully compliant with GDPR EU requirements and the EU network and Information Security Directive and standards with respect to their IT infrastructure including article 29 of GDPR which requires that data processors access only the data they need for their task; if ISO 27001 annex 9 standards on privileged access are fully met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [27364/21]

*400. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of civil servant posts that were filled through open and internal panels, since April 2020, in her Department and the bodies under the aegis of her Department, by county and by month in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [27602/21]