Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

1. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the Resource Efficiency Action Plan for 2021 of his Department. — Cian O’Callaghan. [28338/21]

2. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the Resource Efficiency Action Plan for 2021 of his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [23896/21]

3. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the Resource Efficiency Action Plan for 2021 of his Department. — Bríd Smith. [26510/21]

4. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the Resource Efficiency Action Plan for 2021 of his Department. — Paul Murphy. [26513/21]

5. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the Resource Efficiency Action Plan for 2021 of his Department. — Mick Barry. [27889/21]

6. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the Resource Efficiency Action Plan for 2021 of his Department. — Alan Kelly. [27890/21]

7. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the role of his Department in Dublin’s north east inner-city initiative. — Mary Lou McDonald. [23898/21]

8. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the role of his Department in the north east inner city initiative. — Alan Kelly. [26503/21]

9. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the role of his Department in the north east inner city initiative. — Gary Gannon. [28387/21]

10. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his latest engagement with the social partners. — Cian O’Callaghan. [28339/21]

11. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his most recent engagements with the social partners. — Alan Kelly. [26235/21]

12. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent engagements with the social partners. — Mary Lou McDonald. [28066/21]

13. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his most recent engagements with the social partners. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29779/21]
14. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his most recent engagements with the social partners. — Paul Murphy. [29782/21]

15. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his most recent engagements with the social partners. — Bríd Smith. [29785/21]

16. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the Government Information Service. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25544/21]

17. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the Government Information Service. — Alan Kelly. [27891/21]

18. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the Government Information Service. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29780/21]

19. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the Government Information Service. — Paul Murphy. [29783/21]

20. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Reform Programme. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [28373/21]

21. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Reform Programme. — Paul Murphy. [28375/21]

22. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Reform Programme. — Mary Lou McDonald. [25953/21]

23. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Reform Programme. — Alan Kelly. [27892/21]

24. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Reform Programme. — Mick Barry. [29773/21]

25. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the international and European Union division of his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [28067/21]

26. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the EU and international division of his Department. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [26505/21]

27. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the EU and international division of his Department. — Bríd Smith. [26508/21]

28. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the EU and international division of his Department. — Paul Murphy. [26511/21]

29. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the EU and international division of his Department. — Gino Kenny. [26514/21]

30. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the international and European Union division of his Department. — Gary Gannon. [29412/21]
31. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the EU and international division of his Department. — Alan Kelly. [29456/21]

32. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the international and European Union division of his Department. — Mick Barry. [29772/21]

33. To ask the Taoiseach if legacy issues were discussed during his recent meeting with Prime Minister Johnson. — Brendan Smith. [27628/21]

34. To ask the Taoiseach if the need to implement in full the Stormont House Agreement was discussed during his recent meeting with Prime Minister Johnson. — Brendan Smith. [27629/21]

35. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent meeting with the British Prime Minister. — Mary Lou McDonald. [27635/21]

36. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent meeting with the UK Prime Minister. — Neale Richmond. [27647/21]

37. To ask the Taoiseach the outcome of discussions he has had with the British Prime Minister with regard to the impact of Brexit, the Northern Ireland Protocol and the degree to which all parties have seen possibilities for resolution of outstanding issues arising from Brexit. — Bernard J. Durkan. [27952/21]

38. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent meeting with the UK Prime Minister. — Alan Kelly. [29458/21]

39. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the statement of strategy of his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [27636/21]

40. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the statement of strategy of his Department. — Alan Kelly. [29457/21]

41. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the statement of strategy of his Department. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29781/21]

42. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the statement of strategy of his Department. — Paul Murphy. [29784/21]

43. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the statement of strategy of his Department. — Bríd Smith. [29786/21]

44. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Education last met; and when it will next meet. — Alan Kelly. [27895/21]

45. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Education last met, and when it will next meet. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [27951/21]

46. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Education last met; and when it will next meet. — Gary Gannon. [29413/21]
47. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Education will next meet. — Mary Lou McDonald. [29519/21]

48. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Education will next meet. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [29602/21]

49. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Covid-19 last met; and when it will next meet. — Alan Kelly. [27893/21]

50. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Covid-19 last met; and when the next meeting is planned. — Cathal Crowe. [29524/21]

51. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Covid-19 will next meet. — Mary Lou McDonald. [29520/21]

52. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Health last met; and when it will next meet. — Alan Kelly. [27894/21]

53. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Health last met; and when the next meeting is planned. — Cathal Crowe. [29522/21]

54. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the progress to date by his Department in its development of a well-being framework for Ireland. — Mary Lou McDonald. [28068/21]

55. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the most recent EU Council meeting. — Neale Richmond. [29414/21]

56. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the European Council. — Alan Kelly. [29775/21]

57. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economic Recovery and Investment last met; and when it will next meet. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [29463/21]

58. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economic Recovery and Investment last met; and when the next meeting is planned. — Cathal Crowe. [29523/21]

59. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economic Recovery and Investment will next meet. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [29604/21]

60. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on any engagements with the CSO with regard to the rescheduling of Census 2021. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [28374/21]

61. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on any engagements with the CSO with regard to the rescheduling of Census 2021. — Paul Murphy. [28376/21]

62. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on engagements he has had with the CSO with regard to the rescheduling of Census 2021. — Cian O’Callaghan. [29708/21]
CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH
QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

63. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his plans to increase funding and resourcing to the National Cyber Security Centre; when the capacity review of the centre will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [29408/21]

64. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his plans to expedite and provide a five year programme with expected completion dates for the roll-out of the National Broadband Plan to facilitate remote and blended working; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [29210/21]

65. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when the review of the north-south interconnector will be published; if he will request Eirgrid to halt all activities relating to the construction of the interconnector, including stopping procurement processes until such a time as the Government review into the project is undertaken and reports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [29409/21]

66. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the roll-out of the National Broadband Plan in Galway city and county; the number of premises in Galway city and county that are now connected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [29389/21]

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OTHER QUESTIONS

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

67. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he is satisfied that Ireland has the ability to prevent and overcome another cyber-attack given that Ireland currently ranks 26th on the 2017 GCI global cyber security index and ranks a medium to high 17th in the EU in a recent cybercrime vulnerability score; and his plans to improve cyber security. — Paul McAuliffe. [29460/21]

68. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the steps he has taken since he took the decision to abolish an agency (details supplied); and his plans regarding the lands, contracts and staff of the agency. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29386/21]

69. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the acceleration progress of the National Broadband Plan; the timeframe in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [29512/21]

70. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will consider expanding the better energy warmer homes scheme to include households that previously benefitted from insulation grants but do not meet the required BER rating; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [29207/21]
71. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of completed connections made by the National Broadband Plan in 2020 and to date in 2021. — Brian Stanley. [29371/21]

72. Chun a fhaic an Aire Comhshaoil, Aeráide agus Cumarsáide cad é an t-amlíne chun seirbhís leathanbhanda a chur ar fáil faoin bPlean Náisiúnta Leathanbhanda do Choláiste Oideas Gaeil i ngleann Cholm Cille, Contae Dhún na nGall; agus an ndéanfadh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Pearse Doherty. [29514/21]

73. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the work on the circular economy when completed will become a major spine of climate action planning and cross-Government implementation. — Richard Bruton. [29517/21]

74. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the Irish position in relation to extension of the emission trading system to new sectors and to the negotiation of a new effort to sharing target for member states as part of the new EU approach Fit for Fifty Five. — Richard Bruton. [29518/21]

75. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the measures he is taking to ensure that Ireland has the electricity grid infrastructure that will support the development of offshore wind off the west coast; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [29425/21]

76. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if there is a contingency plan to protect the network of rural post offices considering the recent warning by a union (details supplied) that up to 200 further post offices could close in the next 12 to 18 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [29466/21]

77. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the potential benefits for coastal communities of having offshore electricity infrastructure located in close proximity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [29374/21]

78. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the engagement he has had to date with the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage with regard to supporting and promoting efforts at the local government level on climate action, particularly in relation to County Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [29388/21]

79. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the efforts he is taking to address the long waiting list for SEAI warmer homes grant; the extent which Covid-19 has impacted on the waiting list for retrofitting of homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [29430/21]

80. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the studies that have been undertaken to assess the emissions, climate and humanitarian impact of imported gas vis-a-vis Ireland’s own offshore gas up to 2030; if undertaken, if he will publish same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [29411/21]

81. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the meetings or engagements he has had regarding the north-south interconnector to date in 2021. — Matt Carthy. [29380/21]
82. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the estimated number of schools that will be connected under the National Broadband Plan by the end of 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [29382/21]

83. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications further to Parliamentary Question No. 56 of 17 February 2021, the progress of the public consultation on the proposed deposit and return scheme and the planned introduction of the scheme in the third quarter of 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [29373/21]

84. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the roll-out of the national broadband plan in County Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [29416/21]

85. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the person or body that will carry out the announced review into the north-south interconnector; the expected cost of the review; if it will fully consider the option for undergrounding the project; and when he expects the review to be concluded. — Matt Carthy. [29379/21]

86. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the volume and type of grant applications under the circular economy innovation grant scheme which is €250,000 for 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [29401/21]

87. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his views on the recent conclusion of the Fiscal Advisory Council that climate action in Ireland will require a fundamental reorientation of the way the economy operates incurring heavy claims on Government resources and requiring careful planning; the costings that have been carried out in relation to the implementation of climate action measures in the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [29427/21]

88. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of broadband in Blarney, County Cork. — Thomas Gould. [29422/21]

89. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he has met the management, board and the staff of an agency (details supplied) since he took the decision to abolish the agency, scrap its future plans and lay off the workers in the agency. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29387/21]

90. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on the role his Department plays in ensuring that mineral exploration and mining in Ireland supports the economy and protects the national environment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [29431/21]

91. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the discussions he has had with stakeholders regarding the future use of West Offaly and Lough Ree power stations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [28803/21]

92. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his legislative plans to deal with the issues raised by the Data Protection Commissioner regarding the use of CCTV systems in the detection of illegal dumping and litter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [29375/21]
93. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of premises connected to date under the roll-out of the National Broadband scheme; the number of premises surveyed to date; when details of the projected roll-out area by area will be available for all premises covered by the scheme; the projected cost of the National Broadband scheme for the next 20 years; the projected completion date of roll-out; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [29203/21]

94. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the modelling being carried out by his Department to predict energy demand in future; the efforts that are ongoing to reduce energy demand across the State to ensure sustainable output of energy as Ireland moves towards renewable forms of electricity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [29428/21]

95. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the remote working strategy which intends on supporting 4,000 workers to continue working remotely will be accessible equally across the island given that there has been reports of a lapse of up to 18 months for the installation of fast speed internet in certain areas of the west coast; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [29465/21]

96. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will introduce at specific 100% grant for the retrofit scheme for first-time buyers of vacant properties to incentivise them to live in towns and villages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [29205/21]

97. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the National Broadband Plan in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [29461/21]

98. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if his attention has been drawn to four waste management facilities in a location (details supplied) which are surrounded by residential properties and sporting facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Gould. [29423/21]

99. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will introduce legislation to allow local authorities to use CCTV footage to prosecute illegal dumpers; if there are data protection concerns in relation to this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [29365/21]

100. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his plans to tackle illegal dumping; if he intends to amend current legislation to permit the use of anti-dumping CCTV; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [29406/21]

101. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of efforts to reduce the use of single-use plastic items such as cutlery, plates and straws in addition to expanded polystyrene containers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [29424/21]

102. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the meaning of just transition and climate justice in his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [29278/21]
103. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of premises that have been connected to broadband under the National Broadband Plan in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [29462/21]

104. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the degree to which he is engaged in the protection against cyber-attacks across all Departments and the bodies under their aegis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29384/21]

105. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will review the threshold on the level of grants available for deep retrofit of houses due to the exceptional rise in the cost of insulation over the past 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [29206/21]

106. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the analysis his Department has carried out to determine the amount of renewable energy that will be used by data centres by 2030; the efforts he is taking to ensure the sustainable use of renewable energy as more data centres come on stream; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [29429/21]

107. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on the analysis on the consultation on the proposed deposit and return scheme, the introduction of which is planned for quarter three of 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [29402/21]

108. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he plans to introduce a public service obligation payment for the post office network in order to protect this essential service and prevent further more closures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [29403/21]

109. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the role of Director of the National Cyber Security Centre has been filled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [29455/21]

110. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his views on the possibility of introducing a scheme that would provide funding to local community centres, sports centres and other such premises for rainwater harvesting systems; the research that has been carried by his Department into such systems; his views on whether funding or contributing to the funding of such systems would have a beneficial effect on water usage and the costs incurred by these organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [29390/21]

111. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the supports and funding available to local authorities for litter and cleansing measures in particular in 2021 to facilitate an outdoor summer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [29367/21]

112. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the way in which the Dublin and Dún Laoghaire coastal community will benefit from off-shore infrastructure such as windfarms; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [29368/21]

113. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he considers the current waiting lists for SEAI grants in counties Longford and Westmeath to be indicative of the
roll-out of the warmer homes scheme nationwide; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [29516/21]

114. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the energy security of the State in the context of meeting Ireland’s emissions targets under the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Bill 2021 and Just Transition; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [29410/21]

115. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if there are plans to introduce a disability waste waiver; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [29366/21]

116. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his views on the present viability of the post office network; the steps that will be taken to support the viability of rural post offices which are a vital component in regional towns and villages; the further steps he will take to encourage the Department of Finance to provide public service obligation supports to the existing post office network; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Shanahan. [27883/21]

117. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications further to Parliamentary Question No. 67 of 19 May 2021, if he will publish the Just Transition Commissioner’s latest report given the added importance of its timing as the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Bill 2021 progresses through the legislative stages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [29405/21]

118. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the details of the impact that data centres will have on electricity demand in Ireland over the next decade and the policy interventions planned as a result; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [28802/21]

119. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which his Department continues to meet targets in respect of the environment, climate and communications with particular reference to the ongoing progress in each sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29383/21]

120. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his plans to improve cyber security in Departments given the recent cyber-attack; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [29459/21]

121. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of homes that have undergone a deep retrofit in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if a target has been set on the number of homes to undergo a deep retrofit before the end of 2021 and over the course of the next three years. — Peadar Tóibín. [29378/21]

122. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if his attention has been drawn to the fact that businesses in rural Ireland that have access to slow basic broadband services are not being included in the National Broadband Plan despite their need for access to high speed broadband; the way he plans to address the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [29407/21]
123. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the actions he will take to accelerate the SEAI better energy warmer homes scheme to ensure delivery of improvements to households in receipt of fuel allowance and to reduce the current waiting time of two years for inspections; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [29208/21]

124. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the National Broadband Plan has missed any of the deadlines set out in the contract agreed with National Broadband Ireland. — Brian Stanley. [29372/21]

125. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the efforts he plans to make to promote the international phasing out of fracked gas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [29432/21]

126. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his plans to accelerate the broadband roll-out as committed to in the Programme for Government; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [29381/21]

127. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if Broadcasting Authority of Ireland funding was accessed for the production of a programme (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Chris Andrews. [29218/21]

128. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the sections and sectors of the National Broadband Plan roll-out that have been and will be accelerated under the review undertaken earlier in 2021 due to the greater demand in response to the changes in work patterns over the past year; the details of the effects of this acceleration in County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [29376/21]

129. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the expected increase in renewable energy generation in 2021; the expected increase between now and 2030; the actions being taken to achieve this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [29204/21]

130. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications 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]

131. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the reason he has not proceeded with a ban on the importation of fracked gas and has instead issued a policy statement citing the fact that the advice of the Attorney General is that a ban would be against EU law (details supplied). — Mark Ward. [29385/21]

**CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA**

**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER**

*Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.*

*132. To ask the Taoiseach his plans for the national day of commemoration in July 2021. — Patricia Ryan. [29067/21]*
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*133. To ask the Taoiseach the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29316/21]

*134. To ask the Taoiseach the reason the Central Statistics Office is no longer publishing annual statistics derived from marriage registrations which it gathers (details supplied). — Duncan Smith. [29349/21]

*135. To ask the Taoiseach the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29642/21]

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

*136. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 164 and 165 of 20 May 2021, the extent of contacts Irish officials have made with the officials or elected representatives in the US administration in relation to the drafting of a Bill that targets jurisdictions with inadequate enforcement of data protection law; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [29094/21]

*137. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 201 of 31 March 2021, the breakdown of the counties in which the reported breaches in employment law uncovered by the Workplace Relations Commission investigations took place in each of the years reported by number of breaches and by county in tabular form. — Louise O’Reilly. [29134/21]

*138. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if there is a protocol or instruction to employers to facilitate employees with time off in order to attend for Covid-19 vaccination; his views on reports of some employers insisting that employees must make the vaccine appointments at their own expense and that in some cases this is proving to act as a deterrent against getting vaccinated; his views on whether this is a dangerous practice; the steps he will take to ensure a proper protocol for employers in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [29150/21]

*139. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he has evaluated the scope of the successful exporting sectors to provide opportunities for redeployment of workers displaced by Covid-19; and if specific initiatives are being evolved to identify such opportunities and to develop programmes to support transition of workers to them. — Richard Bruton. [29188/21]

*140. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if a person (details supplied) will be advised in relation to matters raised in correspondence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [29201/21]

*141. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his Department will be taking on the advice offered by a person (details supplied); and his plans to make a statement in support of the workers and their families. — Paul Murphy. [29234/21]

*142. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29306/21]

*143. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the status of the Companies (Corporate Enforcement Authority) Bill 2018. — Paul Donnelly. [29332/21]
*144. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will consider establishing a direct helpline for small businesses navigating the reopening of the economy as the country emerges from the current pandemic; the additional supports he plans to introduce to assist small businesses transitioning out of level 5; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [29491/21]

*145. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment when the second phase of the small business assistance scheme for Covid will open. — Sean Sherlock. [29493/21]

*146. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29632/21]

*147. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if the IDA has employed an Israeli based business development consultant for a new office in Israel; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [29725/21]

*148. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the estimated amount it will cost to set up IDA office space in Israel; the estimated cost of this operation in the region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [29726/21]

*149. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the annual level in financial terms of import and export trade between Ireland and Israeli businesses in the occupied territories of Palestine in each of the years 2011 to 2020, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [29727/21]

*150. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if an employer will be required to pay an employee outstanding holiday entitlement even though the business was closed down and employees were in receipt of the pandemic unemployment payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [29728/21]

*151. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the grants in place to help businesses with the cost of restocking (detail supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [29748/21]

*152. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the consultants that have been commissioned to carry out an economic and sustainability impact assessment into the EU-Mercosur trade agreement; the amount that they will be paid for this work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — MattCarthy. [29760/21]

*153. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment when he expects that economic and sustainability impact assessment into the EU-Mercosur trade agreement to be completed; his plans release it to the public; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — MattCarthy. [29761/21]

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

*154. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on the implementation of the measures set out in the National Cyber Security Strategy. — Mary Lou McDonald. [29589/21]
*155. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will amend the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Bill 2021 to ring-fence targets for biogenic methane produced from agriculture; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [29211/21]

*156. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if his attention has been drawn to the serious concerns of the local community in the Inishowen peninsula, County Donegal at plans for gold mining in the area; and if he will not grant any permission for such mining to proceed. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [29123/21]

*157. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when effective and efficient high-speed broadband will be provided to a person (details supplied); his plans for upgrade of connection in this area given same is required for work and educational purposes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29138/21]

*158. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the guidelines of his Department for the erection of electricity infrastructure; the policy on establishing new pylon routes versus upgrading existing routes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [29196/21]

*159. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29307/21]

*160. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the obligations in respect of greenhouse gas reduction that have been set for public bodies; and the way delivery is being monitored. — Richard Bruton. [20337/21]

*161. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if there is a legislative barrier to local authorities using CCTV to prosecute illegal dumping; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29440/21]

*162. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his plans to ensure a glass collection service is made available throughout the State by all private domestic waste operators; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29446/21]

*163. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the budget allocation for the local authority anti-litter and anti-graffiti awareness grant scheme in each of the years 2019, 2020 and 2021, in tabular form. — Denise Mitchell. [29481/21]

*164. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of warmer homes applications awaiting survey in Cork city and county; the number of applications awaiting works in Cork city and county; the waiting time for new applicants for both surveying and works in Cork city and county; the number of companies engaged in surveying and works in Cork city and county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Collins. [29508/21]

*165. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the roll-out of the National Broadband Plan. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [29467/21]

*166. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the role his Department will play in the EU Recovery and Resilience Facility given the significant amount of funds ring-fenced for climate. — Eoin Ó Broin. [29557/21]
*167. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the estimated amount it will cost the State to fix the ransomware issue at the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [29581/21]

*168. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the amount of information that was taken from HSE by the cyber-attack; the amount to date it has retrieved from the ransomware attack; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [29582/21]

*169. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the current wage structure for the Director of the National Cyber Security Centre will be increased from €106,000-€127,000 per annum to the reported €220,000-€290,000 per annum and with benefits between €150,000-€200,000; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [29583/21]

*170. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his engagements with local authorities in relation to the roll-out of the National Broadband Plan specifically in relation to pole infrastructure and road opening licences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [23058/21]

*171. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29633/21]

*172. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the measures being taken to reduce the current long wait times for surveying and commencement of works under the warmer homes scheme, free energy upgrades for eligible homes; when applications under this scheme will be open for second-time applicants given that certain works are now available that were not available on their initial uptake of this scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [29682/21]

*173. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the engagement he has with National Broadband Ireland to escalate the roll-out of fibre broadband for areas in County Cork still awaiting on survey stage given that surveys are ongoing in certain areas in the County by National Broadband Ireland; the measures that are being taken to progress the roll-out given the commitment on remote working; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [29683/21]

*174. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he has responded to the legal proceedings brought by six young persons from Portugal against Ireland and 32 other countries in the European Court of Human Rights given the deadline of 27 May 2021; if he is supporting or contesting the case; his views on whether human rights are engaged by climate change; if he will expedite the publication of the State’s reply; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [29712/21]

*175. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the actions that will be taken to clear the backlog of SEAI applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [29753/21]

*176. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications further to Parliamentary Question No. 206 of 18 May 2021, if the BER criteria will be reviewed for accessing
the PV scheme given currently the grant is only available if a house is grade C or higher; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [29754/21]

*177. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the case of persons (details supplied) in County Cork will be expedited with regard to obtaining an Eircode given that they have been waiting a substantial period of time for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [29755/21]

*178. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which his Department continues to meet climate change targets in conjunction with the protection of the agri-food business; the main issues of conflict if any, that exist with his proposals for resolution; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29798/21]

*179. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which meeting carbon reduction targets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29799/21]

*180. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the main areas of environmental protection requirements deemed at present to be urgent; the action to date in hand or proposed to deal with any such issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29800/21]

*181. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which he and his Department have in hand further enhanced measures to ensure the protection of all Departments and bodies under their aegis from any cyber-attacks in the future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29801/21]

*182. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent of the shift away from fossil fuels for the generation of electricity; if this is in line with targets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29802/21]

*183. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which the national grid currently relies and draws on renewable energy as a percentage of total requirement; if he has specific new proposals in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29803/21]

*184. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which the national waste management plan continues to address the relevant issues with particular reference to reduction, reuse and recycle; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29804/21]

*185. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which the provision of broadband is progressing and in such a way as to enhance the competitiveness of the economy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29805/21]

*186. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the progress to date in reducing the collective dependency on plastic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29806/21]

*187. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which the broadband roll-out throughout the country has been expedited with a view to ensure
the availability of sufficient connectivity to enable the maximum number of citizens to work from home or from hubs where available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29807/21]

*188. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of broadband connection points installed in County Kildare to date in 2021; the number of points expected to be installed over the next 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29808/21]

*189. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which air quality continues to be monitored at various locations throughout the country; the trends identified in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29809/21]

*190. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of Ireland’s recycling targets for 2025 as detailed in the Packaging and Packaging Waste Directive; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [29816/21]

*191. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the details of the level of plastic recycling in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [29817/21]

*192. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the details of the total recycling in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [29818/21]

*193. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the amount of waste incinerated in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [29819/21]

*194. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the measures taken by his Department to ensure waste is recycled in an environmentally friendly method when exported from Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [29820/21]

*195. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the recruitment of a Director of the National Cyber Security Centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [29821/21]

*196. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will consider initiating the development of a circular economy roadmap for some of the key sectors under his policy area. — Richard Bruton. [28809/21]

*197. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the introduction of export tariffs for the export of solar energy to the national grid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [29853/21]

*198. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will seek increased resources for the SEAI to improve waiting times for the warmer homes scheme; the current average wait time from initial application to works being completed; the number of persons waiting for works to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [29854/21]
*199. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the efforts that have been undertaken by his Department to accelerate the roll-out of the National Broadband Plan; if he will outline the engagement that has taken place with National Broadband Ireland on accelerating the roll-out; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [29858/21]

*200. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of premises that will be connected to high-speed broadband under the National Broadband Plan; the number and percentage of these that have been surveyed for connection to date by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [29859/21]

*201. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if renewable electricity projects awarded RESS-1 contracts will be delivered by the end of 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [29862/21]

*202. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of successful prosecutions of drivers who have struck the Luas in each of the years 2018, 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021, including the offence which was prosecuted and the sentences that were handed down in tabular form. — Patrick Costello. [29649/21]

*203. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland is currently not fully processing local authority applications for the electric vehicle public charge point grant; when local authorities can expect to receive notice on the status of their applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [29814/21]

*204. To ask the Minister for Transport his views on the need to reform the SEAI electric car grant scheme to ensure those households that need the greatest financial help purchasing an electric car can do so; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [29404/21]

*205. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason the driver theory test service has not yet resumed (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [29092/21]

*206. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of a driver theory test application by a person (details supplied) which has been rescheduled six times in the past six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [29122/21]

*207. To ask the Minister for Transport when driver theory test centres will be reopened for persons due to sit their theory test; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [29129/21]

*208. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide assurances that a pending High Court decision will be awaited before there are further discussions or engagement in relation to CIÉ pensions. — Robert Troy. [29133/21]

*209. To ask the Minister for Transport if he has considered extending the validity of NCT certificates given that waiting times for appointments are now over three months in some areas (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [29142/21]
*210. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will await the outcome of the High Court application before engaging in further discussions in relation to the 1951 CIÉ pension scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [29149/21]

*211. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason a person (details supplied) has not yet received a tax disc. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [29159/21]

*212. To ask the Minister for Transport if the email addresses of his Department are being manned; and if so, when a person (details supplied) can expect to receive a reply to their query. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [29160/21]

*213. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of the allocation of the Mallow to Fermoy greenway project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [29161/21]

*214. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of the electrification of the Malahide to Drogheda rail line; the timetable for the work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [29162/21]

*215. To ask the Minister for Transport if he has consulted with the Minister for Health in respect of the use of antigen testing in the context of a Covid-19 mitigation measure in order to expediate the full resumption of the inbound and outbound transit from Irish airports; and if he has conducted a review of the most effective methods of testing in respect of travel that falls under his responsibility. — Catherine Murphy. [29163/21]

*216. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to inconsistencies in the way in which one cohort of persons are treated in respect of travel and the use of antigen testing (details supplied). — Catherine Murphy. [29164/21]

*217. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of a pension system (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [29166/21]

*218. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of an application for a driving test for by a person (details supplied) who requires a licence for work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [29259/21]

*219. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department has engaged with the European Commission as part of the ongoing review of the TEN-T core network with a view to having the Atlantic Economic Corridor restored to the network; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [29282/21]

*220. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of persons that notified the Road Safety Authority via patient advisory form of diagnosis of epilepsy in each of the years 2018, 2019 and 2020. — Neasa Hourigan. [29289/21]

*221. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of persons that renewed or applied for a licence on the basis of being 12-months epilepsy free or on the basis of an exceptional case in each of the years 2018, 2019 and 2020. — Neasa Hourigan. [29290/21]

*222. To ask the Minister for Transport if a private bus operator can operate on a route that Bus Éireann has decided to reduce its service on; if there is a process that must be adhered to; the body
that sanctions such a decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [29291/21]

*223. To ask the Minister for Transport the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29318/21]

*224. To ask the Minister for Transport when the ramp at platform 2, Thurles railway station, County Tipperary will be upgraded and reopened for public use; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [29321/21]

*225. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of tram sets operating on the Luas Red Line; the number, length and passenger capacity of type 401 and 402 trams operating on the line; the number of type 401 and 402 trams that have been lengthened; and the planned percentage increase in passenger capacity of trams operating on the Luas Red Line over the period 2021 to 2023. — Paul Donnelly. [29333/21]

*226. To ask the Minister for Transport if there are plans to increase the frequency of Dublin Connolly to Wexford from three services in each direction to four services in each direction at the weekends. — Paul Donnelly. [29334/21]

*227. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to support the aviation industry in the regions in order to ensure international connectivity for the regions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [29357/21]

*228. To ask the Minister for Transport when the safe routes to school programme will be rolled out; if schools in County Donegal will be selected for this programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [29360/21]

*229. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will expand incentives to purchase and or use electric bicycles to include persons that do not qualify for the bike to work scheme such as students, carers and so on; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29450/21]

*230. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will introduce incentives to purchase and or use electric bicycles to facilitate persons whose employer does not participate in the bike to work scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29451/21]

*231. To ask the Minister for Transport when he expects the large backlogs of both driver theory and practical tests to be cleared; if he will prioritise those that require a full licence for the purposes of employment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [29480/21]

*232. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of bus drivers recruited by Dublin Bus in each of the past three years in tabular form; and the annual salary range of bus drivers. — Denise Mitchell. [29482/21]

*233. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of train drivers recruited by Iarnród Éireann in each of the past three years; and the annual salary range of train drivers. — Denise Mitchell. [29483/21]

*234. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of wheelchair accessible taxi grants issued for the period March 2020 to May 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29535/21]
*235. To ask the Minister for Transport the cost of wheelchair accessible grants issued for the period March 2020 to May 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29536/21]

*236. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of wheelchair accessible taxi grants issued for the period March 2020 to May 2021 that were issued to persons who did not previously own a small public service vehicle licence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29537/21]

*237. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of wheelchair accessible taxi grants issued for the period March 2020 to May 2021 that were issued to persons changing from an existing saloon licence to a wheelchair accessible vehicle; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29538/21]

*238. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will designate the driver theory test as essential in order that it can open up for applicants. — Sean Sherlock. [29550/21]

*239. To ask the Minister for Transport if an applicant who had a physical driver theory test is able to swap it for an online theory test; and if he will approve the RSA online plan. — Sean Sherlock. [29551/21]

*240. To ask the Minister for Transport the reforms that have been made or that will be made to the LPSV licensing system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [29554/21]

*241. To ask the Minister for Transport if he has plans to introduce legislation on reforming the existing LPSV licensing system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [29555/21]

*242. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to consult with industry stakeholders regarding the reform of the existing LPSV licensing system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [29556/21]

*243. To ask the Minister for Transport the BusConnects and DART west proposals that are putting over 60 trees at risk along the Navan Road and in Martin Savage Park; if additional avenues will be taken to mitigate against cutting down the trees; if there are plans by the NTA to replace any trees lost in the proposals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29594/21]

*244. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29644/21]

*245. To ask the Minister for Transport if rapid antigen testing can be considered and put in place in order to accommodate the opening of international travel during the summer months. — Robert Troy. [29653/21]

*246. To ask the Minister for Transport if advice will be provided in relation to the case of a person (details supplied). — Jennifer Whitmore. [29713/21]

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*247. To ask the Minister for Transport the health restrictions, including vision requirements for persons applying for a bus or HGV driver licence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [29751/21]

*248. To ask the Minister for Transport when the reclassification of L5433 to a regional road and the reclassification of R444 to a minor road will commence. — Peter Burke. [29759/21]

*249. To ask the Minister for Transport if funding is being made available for a project (details supplied) that is urgently required; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [29837/21]

*250. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will make the preliminary business case for MetroLink and the outcomes of the feasibility studies in relation to MetroLink and the Review of the Transport Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area publicly available; if these studies were extended to include the feasibility of the MetroLink to come out as far as Firhouse and Ballycullen and connect on to Tallaght; the position regarding extending the MetroLink out to the Dublin southwest area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [29848/21]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*251. To ask the Minister for Finance if a review of the local property tax case of a person (details supplied) can be carried out. — Paul McAuliffe. [29547/21]

*252. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans for the employment wage subsidy scheme which is due to end on 30 June 2021 given that many businesses such as bars which have been closed for extensive periods will have just reopened when the scheme ends; his plans to provide additional supports to businesses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [29810/21]

*253. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will consider extending the help-to-buy scheme for all first-time buyers to include existing properties rather than exclusively for new builds. — Robert Troy. [29812/21]

*254. To ask the Minister for Finance the action he has taken to address ongoing issues regarding unlicensed mortgage providers; the protections that are in place for customers who have been affected by the unlicensed mortgage providers facilitating mortgages here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [29863/21]

*255. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 311 and 312 of 18 May 2021, the amount of IREF dividend withholding tax deducted for 2017, 2018 and 2019 in gross terms and in net terms after refunds in instances in which a person is entitled to receive a distribution without the deduction of DWT on account of a double taxation agreement. — Pearse Doherty. [29147/21]

*256. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 311 and 312 of 18 May 2021, the amount of IREF dividend withholding tax deducted for 2019 that was and was not attributable, respectively, to provisions under Finance Act 2017 that ended the exclusion from the IREF DWT of the distribution of capital gains on the disposal of assets which had been held for more than five years, which became effective from 1 January 2019. — Pearse Doherty. [29148/21]

*257. To ask the Minister for Finance the stamp duty that will apply to a development (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [29155/21]
*258. To ask the Minister for Finance the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29308/21]

*259. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on whether the failure to include private mortgage to rent providers in the exemption from an increase in stamp duty on bulk purchases in the recently passed financial resolution places the conclusion of up to 200 mortgage to rent transactions with home for life at risk of collapse; if so, the action he plans to take to avert this risk; and the timeline within which he plans to act. — Eoin Ó Broin. [29359/21]

*260. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost of the bike-to-work scheme in each year since it was introduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29452/21]

*261. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to the impact of the recently announced changes to stamp duty in respect of the bulk buying by investment funds of houses on organisations active in the mortgage to rent sector (details supplied) and that are in the process of purchasing homes under the mortgage to rent scheme in order to lease back to distressed homeowners; if he has been in contact with the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage with regard to identifying a way in which such organisations may be exempted from the new stamp duty regime under certain circumstances and informed by the way in which approved housing bodies have been exempted under the new system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [29479/21]

*262. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will reduce the levy on private health insurance given the already exorbitant cost of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Chris Andrews. [29507/21]

*263. To ask the Minister for Finance the details of the uptake of the stay and spend scheme to date; if he plans to reintroduce a similar scheme to incentivise domestic travel and spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [29531/21]

*264. To ask the Minister for Finance if he plans to reinstate a system such as the one parent family tax credit to provide tax credits for parents who are co-parenting (details supplied); if consideration has been given to the many different approaches to sharing parenting responsibilities and the financial implications of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [29539/21]

*265. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of persons who received the one parent family tax credit in 2013; and the number who received the single person child carer credit from its introduction and in subsequent years until 2021, by year in tabular form. — Claire Kerrane. [29540/21]

*266. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of tax that has been waived, exempted and forgiven by the Exchequer through residential property tax reliefs inclusive of construction, purchasing, leasing, renting and other related reliefs in each of the years 2018 to 2020 and to date in 2021. — Sean Sherlock. [29548/21]

*267. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will consider the introduction of a VAT rebate for static mobile home owners who have had to pay full fees for 2020 and 2021 despite not having access to their mobile homes for significant periods during that time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [29580/21]
*268. To ask the Minister for Finance if it is possible to reclaim VAT on a garden sensory room under the Value Added Tax (Refund of Tax) (No 15) Order 1981; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [29598/21]

*269. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29634/21]

*270. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of meetings he or the Minister for State with responsibility for Financial Services, Credit Unions and Insurance have held with insurers and underwriters since 1 June 2020 regarding professional indemnity insurance for construction professions and construction-related professions with particular reference to fire safety concerns and the withdrawal of underwriters from the market. — Pearse Doherty. [29654/21]

*271. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will respond and advise on the serious concerns raised by a person (details supplied) in respect of their struggle to secure insurance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [29722/21]

*272. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 2 of 25 May 2021, his views on whether the WRC’s code of practice in the understanding of quality employment, for example, the code of practice on the right to disconnect, should be included as a condition of availing of the tax credit; and his further views on whether the payment of the living wage should be a condition for availing of the tax credit. — Paul Murphy. [29763/21]

*273. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform when a retirement pension and gratuity will be paid to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [29283/21]

*274. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans for more flexible conditions and working from home arrangements in the public service following the mass roll-out of the vaccine. — Mairéad Farrell. [29299/21]

*275. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29313/21]

*276. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if consultation was undertaken with private car park operators at national monuments to provide free parking in concert with free access to OPW heritage sites. — Seán Crowe. [29336/21]

*277. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the expenditure and personnel headcount of the Office of Public Works by county and NUTS3 region in each of the past five years in tabular form; his views on whether there is a balanced spread across regions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Shanahan. [29497/21]

*278. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the specific location, purpose, county, NUTS3 region and cost of completed land acquisitions undertaken or supported by the Office of Public Works by county and NUTS3 region in each of the past five years. — Matt Shanahan. [29498/21]
*279. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the schedule of each project, the description and funding that has been implemented under final review or completed in the south-east NUTS3 region under the Ireland 2040 campaign; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Shanahan. [29499/21]

*280. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his views on a matter (details supplied); and his plans with an organisation regarding same. — Pa Daly. [29529/21]

*281. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29639/21]

*282. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will update the 1979 public sector circular governing the Reserve Defence Forces to allow leave in instances such as aid to civil power; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29678/21]

*283. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if the OPW will provide funding to assist with the prevention of coastal erosion at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [29723/21]

*284. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will provide details of the recent works to reduce the risk of flooding carried out on the banks of the River Maine at a location (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [29762/21]

Chun an Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán: To the Minister for Tourism, Culture; Arts; Gaeltacht; Sport and Media.

*285. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will give consideration to addressing the malicious dissemination of flashing images as part of the online safety and media regulation Bill; if her attention has been drawn to the campaign by a company (details supplied) to have this provision included; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [29874/21]

*286. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the funding available to local authorities for the national day of commemoration in July 2021. — Patricia Ryan. [29067/21]

*287. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the status of an application by Cork County Council in partnership with a club (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [29135/21]

*288. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the status of the planned transition of the National Symphony Orchestra to the National Concert Hall; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe O’Brien. [29143/21]

*289. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if her attention has been drawn to a matter (details supplied) in relation to outdoor cinemas. — Sean Sherlock. [29195/21]
*290. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltacht, Spóirt agus Meán i bhfianaise an ceadúnas doibhasróthraithe shloigéisc atá ag Údarás na Gaeltachta do Chuan na Beirtrí Buí agus Cuan Chill Chiaráin i gConamara a bheith in ainm an Údaráis le dhá bhliain anuas, cén pleant oibre atá curtha i bhfeidhm agus cé na hacmhainní atá a gcur ar fáil le hathbhheochan a dhéanamh ar thionscal na hiascaireachta shloigéisc sa cheantar; agus an ndéanfaidh sí rátas ina thaobh. — Mairéad Farrell. [29200/21]

*291. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the details of all meetings she has had with her officials to deal with the future of the circus industry here; the details of support provided to the sector; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [29251/21]

*292. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when she expects to announce the awards under the sports capital scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [29252/21]

*293. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the nature of the data breaches experienced by her Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29317/21]

*294. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she has spoken formally with her UK counterpart to date in 2021. — Paul Donnelly. [29330/21]

*295. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if a stadium (details supplied) is considered an enclosed stadium under the current Covid-19 restrictions; if spectators are currently allowed watch sports taking place in this facility; if not, when they will be allowed; and the number to be allowed. — Chris Andrews. [29358/21]

*296. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when the music entertainment business assistance scheme will open for applications. — Sean Sherlock. [29494/21]

*297. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when the night-time economy taskforce will present its final report. — Sean Sherlock. [29495/21]

*298. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the initiatives that have been undertaken by her Department to develop sustainable tourism practices on offshore islands; the consultation that has taken place between her Department and island communities on the development of island tourism; the role Fáilte Ireland and Údarás na Gaeltachta play in developing and marketing sustainable island tourism; and the research that has been undertaken by her Department on ensuring tourism is developed sustainably. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29545/21]

*299. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the consideration being given to allowing fully vaccinated persons dining indoors in restaurants and cafés during the summer; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [29588/21]

*300. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if a copy of a report (details supplied) has been published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [29590/21]

*301. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the funding allocated to an association (details supplied) since 2017 to date; the conditions attached to this funding; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [29591/21]
*302. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the funding issued to an association (details supplied) under the Covid sport resilience fund in 2020 and 2021; the conditions attached to this funding; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [29592/21]

*303. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the situation regarding eligibility by guesthouse and bed and breakfast owners for grant aid for outdoor seating to facilitate summer dining in a Covid-19 context; if she will waive the requirement for a VAT registration number in such circumstances given that many of these operators are very small seasonal businesses and are not registered for VAT; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [29599/21]

*304. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the number of protected disclosures made to her Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29643/21]

*305. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will investigate the case of drive in movies (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [29709/21]

*306. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will advise on a matter raised in correspondence (details supplied). — David Cullinane. [29731/21]

*307. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media her views on the call for critical changes to the Online Safety and Media Regulation Bill 2019 to include the naming and establishing of an online safety commissioner and amending the Bill to include an individual complaints’ mechanism; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marian Harkin. [29732/21]

*308. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when the plan for a return of spectators to sports grounds will be published; the trial event that will be held; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Chris Andrews. [29747/21]

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

*309. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps he is taking to fulfil the Programme for Government commitment to ensure that environmental marine conservation and pollution control measures are protected in bilateral relations. — Holly Cairns. [29864/21]

*310. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will deliver a 100% MICA redress scheme. — Patricia Ryan. [29057/21]

*311. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of Rebuilding Ireland home loan applications submitted and approved, respectively by quarter, month and local authority in 2020 and to date in 2021 in tabular form. — Thomas Gould. [29119/21]

*312. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has considered implementing a daily sample testing of the Dublin Bay area bathing waters to ensure the waters are safe; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [29151/21]
*313. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the position in relation to procurement for local authorities; if they have discretion in relation to using their own suppliers for stationery supplies and other such services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [29167/21]

*314. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the circumstances under which a person can access HAP in cases in which they are not on a local authority housing list. — Sorca Clarke. [29194/21]

*315. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if there is a national policy to support downsizing domestic residences as family size decreases once children have left the family home; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [29197/21]

*316. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if consideration has been given to devising new guidelines for the construction of structures in the back gardens of residences for the purpose of home offices in view of the changes that have already happened and are likely to occur in the development of home working options; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [29198/21]

*317. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if legislation will be amended to allow Irish Water to take over estates with builder-built wastewater treatment systems; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [29245/21]

*318. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on the No End in Sight report from the Ombudsman for Children; the recommendations he will be making to all local authorities based on its findings and recommendations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [29256/21]

*319. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he plans to provide additional funding to local authorities under the housing adaption grants in order to support older persons and persons with a disability remaining at home; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [29284/21]

*320. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29311/21]

*321. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the details of statistical information in relation to a scheme (details supplied) will be provided in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [29325/21]

*322. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the backlog in homeless HAP payments is causing warnings and threats of eviction to tenants from landlords and causing anxiety to those who already have experience of homelessness and do not wish to return to that scenario again as in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29326/21]

*323. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount provided by his Department to Tipperary Council in 2020 in respect of housing supports (details supplied). — Mattie McGrath. [29352/21]
*324. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of the regeneration plan for St. Patrick’s Park, Rathangan, County Kildare; the timeline for completion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29439/21]

*325. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of persons on the housing list in each local authority area; the expected wait time for new entrants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29441/21]

*326. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 408 of 29 September 2020, if the external validation group process relating to the fire service has begun; when it is expected to report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29442/21]

*327. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will establish a constitutional convention to enshrine the right to housing in the Constitution. — Patricia Ryan. [29443/21]

*328. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of sites that have been provided under the serviced sites scheme in each county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29453/21]

*329. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to the impact of the recently announced changes to stamp duty in respect of the bulk buying by investment funds of houses, on organisations active in the mortgage to rent sector (details supplied) and that are in the process of purchasing homes under the mortgage to rent scheme in order to lease back to distressed homeowners; if he has been in contact with the Minister for Finance with regard to identifying a way in which such organisations may be exempted from the new stamp duty regime under certain circumstances and informed by the way in which approved housing bodies have been exempted under the new system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [29478/21]

*330. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of station officer positions in the retained fire service that are vacant by county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Mythen. [29502/21]

*331. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of junior officer rank of driver or mechanic positions that are vacant in the retained fire service by county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Mythen. [29503/21]

*332. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his Department is currently considering applications or initiatives to develop new national parks; the process in place to support and facilitate such initiatives; the criteria that exists for being designated a national park; and his policy on developing new national parks. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29542/21]

*333. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 62 of 4 November 2020, the number of sluice gates open and closed by the ESB and Waterways Ireland; and the number of boards removed at Meelick Weir and Athlone for May 2021 and the corresponding water level reference point north of each location, in tabular form. — Denis Naughten. [29549/21]
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*334. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will increase the housing assistance payment caps in County Kerry given the significant increase in rents; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [29553/21]

*335. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the local authorities that have a social inclusion unit or officer; the social inclusion training that is provided by his Department to local authorities to meet the aims and objectives of the Roadmap for Social Inclusion 2020-2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29593/21]

*336. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29637/21]

*337. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if the construction of an access roadway to a telecommunications antennae which is exempted development requires planning permission; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [29645/21]

*338. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of educational liaison officers appointed to each of the national parks to work with schools since June 2020 to date in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [29647/21]

*339. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of private, social and affordable houses built in each of the years 2005 to 2020, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [29685/21]

*340. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of private, social and affordable houses built in each of the years 1995 to 2005, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [29710/21]

*341. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if documents (details supplied) will be provided for 2017 to 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [29714/21]

*342. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide correspondence, commissioned third party reports, research studies or other policy documents produced by or for the NPWS on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [29715/21]

*343. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide copies of deer management plans for each of the national parks for 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [29716/21]

*344. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the basis for his anticipation of receiving applications in respect of the Burren, Glendalough, Passage Tomb Landscapes of Sligo, Royal Sites and Valentia Cable Station for inclusion on the Tentative list for UNESCO World Heritage status. — Michael McNamara. [29764/21]

*345. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the preparatory works carried out by his Department with local authorities in respect of the applications in respect of the Burren, Glendalough, Passage Tomb Landscapes of Sligo, Royal Sites and Valentia Cable Station...
to be included on the Tentative list for UNESCO World Heritage status. — Michael McNamara. [29765/21]

*346. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the basis for not anticipating an application in early monastic sites other than Glendalough for inclusion on the Tentative list for UNESCO World Heritage status. — Michael McNamara. [29766/21]

*347. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount paid from the Exchequer to Irish Water, that is, current and capital each year since its inception up to the end of 2020; the provision in the estimate for 2021 for Irish Water; the estimated provision of funding over the next five years to allow it deal with the critical under investment in public water and wastewater services in the past; if Irish Water has confirmed to him that it has the necessary approvals from the Commission for Regulation of Utilities to allow it to proceed with its investment plans; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [29797/21]

*348. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to the fact that there is a lack of planning enforcement officers in Cork City Council; if the Council has sought additional funding for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [29822/21]

*349. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of properties brought back into use by Galway County Council through the buy and renew, repair and lease and the Housing Agency Fund in tabular form. — Claire Kerrane. [29844/21]

*350. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of HAP properties inspected in County Galway by Galway County Council in 2018, 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form. — Claire Kerrane. [29845/21]

*351. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on the fact that to date since the regulations were introduced Galway City Council has only received five planning applications for change of use for short-term letting and that staff appointed by his Department to deal with short-term letting have not yet been appointed as following a recruitment process, no suitable candidates were available to take up a two-year contract; and his further views on whether there is a need for greater resources in this area to support stretched staff in council planning departments. — Gary Gannon. [29850/21]

*352. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps he is taking to fulfil the Programme for Government commitment to develop comprehensive legislation for the identification, designation and management of marine protected areas in Irish territorial waters; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [29865/21]

*353. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps he is taking to fulfil the Programme for Government commitment to examine the establishment of an offshore maritime area as Ireland’s seventh national park; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [29866/21]

Chun an Aire Gnóthaí Eachtracha: To the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

*354. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the steps being taken to normalise the common travel area. — Robert Troy. [29650/21]
*355. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the issues discussed at the recent European Council; if the interception of a flight (details supplied) over the air space of Belarus was discussed; and if so, the outcome of such discussions. — Brendan Smith. [29032/21]

*356. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs when the Government will honour its commitment in the Programme for Government to recognise the state of Palestine. — Patricia Ryan. [29065/21]

*357. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the reason his Department and the Department of Defence approved the landing and presence of a US Navy helicopter at Casement Aerodrome, Baldonnel on 13 May 2021 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [29146/21]

*358. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs 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); and if he will furnish details of any enquires his Department has made to the US Senate or any other relevant body regarding the potential impact this could have on Ireland. — Patrick Costello. [29156/21]

*359. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if his Department will have the planned additional scholarships for the College of Europe designed to put Irish persons in a position to win posts in the European institutions in place for the coming academic year. — Richard Bruton. [29165/21]

*360. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29309/21]

*361. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the assistance that has been provided to the family of a person (details supplied) who died in Thailand. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29320/21]

*362. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if EU-Singapore ties were discussed at the most recent EU Foreign Affairs meeting. — Denise Mitchell. [29485/21]

*363. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs his plans to have working holiday authorisations with the United Arab Emirates and South Africa. — Denise Mitchell. [29486/21]

*364. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29635/21]

*365. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if Irish citizens who reside here but work in Northern Ireland and have been vaccinated as part of the system in Northern Ireland will be in a position to apply for an EU Covid-19 digital green certificate when it is introduced here in cases of; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [29756/21]

*366. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the status of an application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [29828/21]

Chun an Aire Cosanta: To the Minister for Defence.

*367. To ask the Minister for Defence the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29304/21]
*368. To ask the Minister for Defence if his Department or the Defence Forces are preparing a national strategy for military mobility; if so, if such a strategy will be presented to the PESCO Military Mobility Project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [29340/21]

*369. To ask the Minister for Defence his views on whether it is appropriate for Ireland to be involved in an observer capacity in view of the public statements by the Dutch head of the PESCO Military Mobility Project, that this is an important boost for EU NATO co-operation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [29341/21]

*370. To ask the Minister for Defence further to Parliamentary Question No. 450 of 18 May 2021, if he will provide a further breakdown in origin for the outstanding Defence Forces Workplace Relations Commission complaints; if he will provide a complete breakdown of the 28 WRC complaints by origin per service, that is, Army, Naval Service and Air Corps in tabular form; and if he will provide a breakdown and further details regarding the other category. — Catherine Murphy. [29475/21]

*371. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of vacancies by rank in the military police; if a recruitment campaign for same will occur in quarter 3 2021. — Denise Mitchell. [29488/21]

*372. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29630/21]

*373. To ask the Minister for Defence if upgrades will be made the Defence Forces internal IT systems in view of the cyber attack; the funding being made available; the headcount of personnel being dedicated to defence IT cyber defence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29669/21]

*374. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of Defence Forces personnel vaccinated; the hierarchy of defence personnel to be vaccinated; if the roll-out is dependent on HSE staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29670/21]

*375. To ask the Minister for Defence the status of the purchasing of dedicated troop carriers for the Air Corps; the expected costs and timeline involved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29671/21]

*376. To ask the Minister for Defence if all documents and data on serving and retired personnel is held in digitised or paper form; if this is GDPR compliant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29672/21]

*377. To ask the Minister for Defence the expenditure on Defence Forces food in 2019 and 2020; the starting income and other allowances for Defence Forces chefs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29673/21]

*378. To ask the Minister for Defence the current and capital funding dedicated to the Army Ranger Wing and Naval Service divers in 2019 and 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29674/21]

*379. To ask the Minister for Defence the cost of purchasing petrol and diesel for Defence Forces vehicles in 2019 and 2020; the number of electric vehicles; the number of electric vehicle
charging points in Defence Forces installations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29675/21]

*380. To ask the Minister for Defence the estimated cost of providing tech pay to defence personnel in the CIS corps in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29676/21]

*381. To ask the Minister for Defence if there will be a recruitment competition aimed at attracting skillsets such as cyber security, statisticians and data analysts in the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29677/21]

*382. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of courses cancelled or postponed in 2020 and to date in 2021 due to Covid-19; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29679/21]

*383. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of Permanent Defence Forces personnel who have applied to re-enlist to date; the number reinducted by rank; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29680/21]

*384. To ask the Minister for Defence the status of all Naval Service ships currently not at sea; the reason they are not at sea; when they will be ready to be deployed once again; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29681/21]

Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

*385. To ask the Minister for Education the number of transport places that were made available for children to take part in the summer education programme for children with complex needs in 2020; the number of children to avail of transport during the programme for children with complex needs in 2020; the cost of transport for the programme for children with complex needs in 2020; the proportion of this which was spent on direct transport; the proportion of this which was spent on transport grants; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [29477/21]

*386. To ask the Minister for Education the provisions she is taking to increase special class capacity in County Wexford for specific learning disability reading for the 2021-2022 academic year; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [29090/21]

*387. To ask the Minister for Education if she will ensure that the 124 special schools open for the 2021 July provision; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [29091/21]

*388. To ask the Minister for Education the consultation process required when an application for amalgamation of schools has been made; and if there is a statutory duty in this regard. — Thomas Gould. [29121/21]

*389. To ask the Minister for Education if efforts will be made to ensure inclusivity and visibility of breastfeeding families in school textbooks and curricula; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe O’Brien. [29124/21]

*390. To ask the Minister for Education if a policy is in place to ensure that in areas in which new schools are needed that the facilities of existing schools do not become neglected which could lead to an undesirable migration to the newer schools with the more modern facilities as in the case
of Howth, Dublin 13 planning area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [29157/21]

*391. To ask the Minister for Education the status of contacts with a school (details supplied) in respect of the need for a new building programme at the school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [29189/21]

*392. To ask the Minister for Education her plans for an unused site at (details supplied) which was previously used for temporary accommodation; if her attention has been drawn to the local interest in relation to the matter; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [29190/21]

*393. To ask the Minister for Education the status of an application to the emergency works scheme by a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [29239/21]

*394. To ask the Minister for Education if secondary school principals have the authority to remove a subject from the school syllabus for leaving certificate if there are less than ten students willing to participate in that subject; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [29240/21]

*395. To ask the Minister for Education the options available to fifth year students whose school refuses to offer them their subjects of choice for the leaving certificate thus affecting their career path and future when there is a dedicated teacher in the school already teaching the subject; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [29241/21]

*396. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to a matter regarding a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [29243/21]

*397. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to a matter regarding a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [29244/21]

*398. To ask the Minister for Education if a school (details supplied) has accepted its offer of temporary accommodation for September 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [29247/21]

*399. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the case of a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [29248/21]

*400. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the case of a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [29249/21]

*401. To ask the Minister for Education if consideration will be given to seizures as a result of epilepsy prior to or during State examinations being included in the scheme of reasonable accommodations at certificate examinations; if exam candidates who suffered a seizure will be given the opportunity to re-sit any impacted exams with the same exam cycle; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [29285/21]
*402. To ask the Minister for Education the status of and the time schedule planned for the completion of a school (details supplied) in County Dublin. — Gino Kenny. [29295/21]

*403. To ask the Minister for Education the funding options available for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [29297/21]

*404. To ask the Minister for Education the nature of the data breaches experienced by her Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29305/21]

*405. To ask the Minister for Education the position regarding an application by a school (details supplied); if design approval for this building project will be approved shortly; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [29339/21]

*406. To ask the Minister for Education the estimated cost of a reduction of one at all points of the staffing schedule for primary schools from September 2022; and the net number of teaching posts involved in view of her Department’s predictions of a continuing fall in primary school enrolments. — Aodhán Ó Riordáin. [29342/21]

*407. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to reduce class sizes in primary schools in Budget 2022 in view of the finding in the Statistical Bulletin of July 2020 of her Department that there has been little change in average class size in primary schools over the past 20 years and her public comments in support of further reducing class sizes. — Aodhán Ó Riordáin. [29343/21]

*408. To ask the Minister for Education the estimated annual cost of providing on an ongoing basis release time for administrative and management purposes of one day per week for each teaching principal of a primary school; her plans to bring this about as standard in view of the increased workload and demands on principal teachers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aodhán Ó Riordáin. [29344/21]

*409. To ask the Minister for Education if she will address a matter (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [29469/21]

*410. To ask the Minister for Education the number of transport places that were made available for children to take part in the Summer Education Programme 2020; the number of children to avail of transport during the programme; the cost of transport for same; the proportion of this which was spent on direct transport; the proportion of this which was spent on transport grants; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [29476/21]

*411. To ask the Minister for Education the amount spent to date on the refurbishment of a school (details supplied); when this project will move to the next phase of works; and the estimated total cost of this project. — Denise Mitchell. [29484/21]

*412. To ask the Minister for Education if she will review the decision to refuse additional special education teaching supports in mainstream classes on the grounds of exceptional circumstances for a school (details supplied) in view of the increased number of students who are in need of additional supports; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [29501/21]

*413. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the approved extension for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [29506/21]
*414. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the repairs needed to the roof of a school (details supplied); and when it will be fixed. — Paul Murphy. [29510/21]

*415. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 463 of 18 May 2021, if the site is located in the Booterstown-Blackrock school planning area as voted on during the patronage process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [29530/21]

*416. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the important work on the issue of period poverty carried out by the youth advisory panel with the Ombudsman for Children; if she will acknowledge the indignity experienced by young persons who cannot afford appropriate period products every month and the statement made by the UN Committee on Rights of the Child’s General comment No. 20 (2016) on implementation of the rights of the child during adolescence; if she will take steps to ensure that all public buildings including schools are equipped to provide free period products; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [29577/21]

*417. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide a home-based programme for eligible children and young persons who cannot avail of the 2021 summer provision scheme in a local school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [29586/21]

*418. To ask the Minister for Education the dates a school is allowed to run the 2021 summer provision scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [29587/21]

*419. To ask the Minister for Education the funds returned unspent to the Exchequer from her Department’s budget in each of the years 2017 to 2020, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [29597/21]

*420. To ask the Minister for Education the funds returned unspent to the Exchequer from her Department and the NCSE assistive technology grant budget in each of the years 2017 to 2020, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [29605/21]

*421. To ask the Minister for Education the number of full-time visiting teachers for the visually impaired by region in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [29606/21]

*422. To ask the Minister for Education if an accurate costing will be provided for the expansion of the visiting teacher service by five full-time posts; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [29607/21]

*423. To ask the Minister for Education the number of protected disclosures made to her Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29631/21]

*424. To ask the Minister for Education the number of posts of responsibility which would be needed in primary schools to restore posts at the level which pertained prior to the moratorium; the estimated number of posts which were lost through the moratorium; the number that have been restored to date; and the estimated cost of full restoration to the pre-moratorium level for the school year 2021-2022. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [29657/21]

*425. To ask the Minister for Education the estimated cost to restore the standard capitation rate for pupils in primary schools to €200 which was the rate in 2010 prior to cuts; and her views
on whether this is a diminishing cost in view of the falling enrolments in primary schools. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [29658/21]

*426. To ask the Minister for Education the assistance available to a student with severe colour vision deficiency to assist with their junior certificate; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29667/21]

*427. To ask the Minister for Education the assistance available to a student with severe colour vision deficiency to assist with their junior certificate; if the severity of their colour deficiency is taken into account; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [29668/21]

*428. To ask the Minister for Education if she will ensure that urgent consideration is given to the request by a school (details supplied) in respect of a teaching allocation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [29711/21]

*429. To ask the Minister for Education if school caretakers employed by school boards in receipt of grant aid from her Department in recognised primary and post-primary schools that are pregnant are also encouraged to adhere to guidance (details supplied); and if not, if the necessary changes will be made to allow for same. — Catherine Murphy. [29724/21]

*430. To ask the Minister for Education if she has received a request from a school (details supplied) to increase the number of places in the school given the shortage of school places in its catchment area; the consideration being given to this request; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [29758/21]

*431. To ask the Minister for Education if there are or have ever been plans for a primary school on or adjacent to the site known as Abeline Lodge, Newtownpark Avenue, Blackrock, County Dublin; and the details of any investigatory work, including exploratory documents, drawings or meetings undertaken by her Department in this regard. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [29794/21]

*432. To ask the Minister for Education if it was the intention of her Department to award land on or adjacent to the site known as Abeline Lodge, Newtownpark Avenue, Blackrock, County Dublin to the winner of the 2018 primary school plebiscite; if that site was offered for this purpose; if that intention has since changed or such offer retracted; and the grounds upon which such decisions were made. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [29795/21]

*433. To ask the Minister for Education if lands on or adjacent to the site known as Abeline Lodge, Newtownpark Avenue, Blackrock, County Dublin have been deemed unsuitable for the building of a primary school; and if so, if there are no current or future plans for a primary school to be built on the lands. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [29796/21]

*434. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 994 of 21 April 2021, if the child (details supplied) is eligible for school transport. — Sean Sherlock. [29811/21]

*435. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 551 of 10 March 2021, if there has been further progress in advancing a much needed building project at a school (details supplied) in view of the concerns of the wider school community regarding delays in having this much needed additional and upgraded accommodation provided; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [29829/21]
*436. To ask the Minister for Education the estimated costs of establishing and running the supply panels for primary and special schools in the school year 2020-2021; and her views on retaining this important staffing support in the 2021-2022 school year to ensure that pupils are taught by qualified teachers in the event of teacher absence in a school. — Gary Gannon. [29846/21]

*437. To ask the Minister for Education if there is funding available to primary and post-primary schools to purchase sensory room equipment for children with additional needs including autism and Down syndrome; and if not, her plans to provide adequate funding to schools in the future (details supplied). — Gary Gannon. [29847/21]

*438. To ask the Minister for Education the progress made and timelines for the provision of a permanent building for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [29849/21]

*439. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the project for a school building to replace the prefabs that have been used for several years by a school (details supplied); and if building work will commence in June 2021 as planned. — Paul Murphy. [29855/21]

*440. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the permanent site for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [29856/21]

*441. To ask the Minister for Education the status of clearing the backlog of delays on assessments for special needs children; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [29857/21]

Chun an Aire Coimirce Sóisialaí: To the Minister for Social Protection.

*442. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if there are plans to review the changes in pension eligibility and contribution rules introduced in 2012; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [29145/21]

*443. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if all payments and arrears due to a person (details supplied) will be expedited. — John McGuinness. [29180/21]

*444. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the partial capacity benefit will be examined in the situation of a diagnosis of RRMS (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [29182/21]

*445. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if an application for an exceptional needs payment to cover funeral expenses for their spouse will be reconsidered in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29242/21]

*446. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will publish a report (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [29257/21]

*447. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her views on extending the employment of all persons in the community employment programme until at least 31 December 2021 given the difficulty in replacing persons during the Covid-19 pandemic; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [29258/21]
*448. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the income limits will be reviewed for carer’s allowance applicants; when these limits were reviewed most recently; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [29280/21]

*449. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if consideration is being given to automatically awarding a free travel pass to persons that lose their driver licence entitlement for one year due to seizures as a result of epilepsy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [29286/21]

*450. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her plans to ensure persons that lose their driver licence due to a diagnosis of epilepsy or breakthrough seizures are provided automatic access to a free travel pass; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [29288/21]

*451. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the case of a person (details supplied) will be reviewed. — Paul McAuliffe. [29294/21]

*452. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of a working family payment application by a person (details supplied). — Paul McAuliffe. [29296/21]

*453. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the nature of the data breaches experienced by her Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29315/21]

*454. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the amount provided by her Department to Tipperary County Council in 2020 in respect of rent supplement. — Mattie McGrath. [29353/21]

*455. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the cost, number of recipients and number of applicants of the island allowance in each of the years 2010 to 2020, by offshore island. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29354/21]

*456. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the expected increase in total annual cost of the island allowance resulting from the increase to €20 announced in Budget 2021; and if she will provide a copy of any documented analysis conducted by her Department before making the decision to increase the allowance. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29355/21]

*457. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of persons that have availed of employability services in the State in 2020 and to date in 2021, by county in tabular form. — Claire Kerrane. [29532/21]

*458. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the measures in place to support persons with disabilities with employment and employability services; the way additional needs of persons with disabilities will be incorporated into the forthcoming tender for employment services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [29533/21]

*459. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a decision will be made in relation to an application by a person (details supplied) for a carer’s allowance in view of the fact that it has been marked urgent; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [29576/21]

*460. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of an appeal by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [29584/21]
461. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the funds returned unspent to the Exchequer from her Department’s budget in each of the years 2017 to 2020, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [29595/21]

462. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to the current status of the Cost of Disability Report; the timeline for the publican of same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [29596/21]

463. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of protected disclosures made to her Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29641/21]

464. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of the publication of a report (details supplied) given that there is a mounting concern that the delay in publishing the report will negatively impact its consideration and inclusion in Budget 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [29717/21]

465. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of recipients of the short-time work support jobseeker’s benefit in 2021; and the number of recipients by county and month in tabular form. — Claire Kerrane. [29720/21]

466. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of recipients of the short-time work support jobseeker’s benefit in 2021; and the number of recipients per employment sector or industry by month in tabular form. — Claire Kerrane. [29721/21]

467. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the process for a person to claim a jobseeker’s payment in which they are laid off for one day at a time over a period of months with very little notice in circumstances in which the person is working shift work on a 3 day 12 hour shift pattern and 1 day off represents a third of their working week; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [29852/21]

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

468. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his views on the poll carried out by a group (details supplied) showing that access to period products is still an issue in some direct provision centres. — Eoin Ó Broin. [29117/21]

469. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the way he plans to safeguard against the possibility that some direct provision centres are invoicing his Department for costs but could still be charging residents under the point system. — Eoin Ó Broin. [29118/21]

470. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of data breaches in Tusla in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Sean Sherlock. [29130/21]

471. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the steps he will take to ensure the preservation of confidential files maintained by Tusla in view of the recent cyber-attack perpetrated on the HSE and Tusla; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [29131/21]
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*472. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the status of the review into structures of county childcare committees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [29132/21]

*473. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he considered a report (details supplied); if he has taken action in response to the report to ensure that children born through assisted human reproduction have their rights ensured; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [29141/21]

*474. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his views on the No End in Sight report from the Ombudsman for Children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [29254/21]

*475. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 179 of 12 May 2021, the outstanding issues that need to be resolved before the State can proceed to ratify the Second Optional Protocol on the UNCRC which includes the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Collins. [29281/21]

*476. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29303/21]

*477. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the crèche facilities that are available for a child (details supplied) who is on the autism spectrum level 1 given their parents have been unable to source a placement to meet the needs of the child. — Chris Andrews. [29356/21]

*478. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he has been appraised of the challenges facing communities with underage antisocial behaviour in locations (details supplied); if funding will be made available under UBU your place-your space to work with marginalised, disadvantaged or vulnerable young persons in these communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29470/21]

*479. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of legal cases that have been brought against Tusla by county in each of the past ten years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29624/21]

*480. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of persons who have reported Tusla or Tusla’s alleged conduct to the Ombudsman for Children by county in each of the past ten years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29625/21]

*481. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29629/21]

*482. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the date when Tusla began to transfer its files to digital format; the number of files on children and families that are held digitally; the date of advertising for the role of a national digital security director or equivalent and the subsequent filling of same; the date of advertising for a national data security director or equivalent and the subsequent filling of same; the number of other digital security and data managers that have been deemed necessary in the management of this sensitive information; when these posts were advertised and filled; the number who have been appointed to date; the
number who are currently in situ in relation the digital files of Tusla given the extreme sensitivity of the information Tusla holds on children and families; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [29823/21]

*483. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of Tusla employees who are still using HSE email addresses; the reason the roles are carried out by these staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [29824/21]

*484. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the reason seven years after its establishment, Tusla is still not fully decoupled from the HSE; if achieving this decoupling is a priority for his Department; his views on whether the process has been too slow; the date for decoupling to be achieved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [29825/21]

*485. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his views on whether the ongoing connection of the Tusla and the HSE systems has put the acutely sensitive data on children and families at unnecessary risk; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [29826/21]

*486. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if the HSE or Tusla is responsible for the holding and security of the data held given the interconnectedness of Tusla and the HSE, seven years after the establishment of Tusla; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [29827/21]

*487. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of research personnel in enterprise; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [29183/21]

*488. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of annual enrolments for master and PhD courses for the most recent year available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [29184/21]

*489. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science when Ireland will become a participating member of CERN; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [29185/21]

*490. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he plans to extend the funding for innovative approaches to reskilling for the opportunities that are evolving in many manufacturing sectors due to technology evolution; and his views on whether the post-Covid-19 reopening would be an ideal opportunity for such schemes as displaced workers seek new outlets. — Richard Bruton. [29186/21]

*491. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if there is scope for more public private partnership in the design of upskilling courses to meet rapidly changing skill needs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [29187/21]
*492. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the estimated cost of widening access to student assistance fund supports for students that have exceeded four years of their PhD; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [29298/21]

*493. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29310/21]

*494. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the licensing of construction workers Bill. — Paul Donnelly. [29331/21]

*495. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if a detailed schedule will be provided with regard to the €966 million provided in capital funding across the higher education sector in each of the years 2008 to 2019; the institution, location, description or purpose and quantum of funding provided in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Shanahan. [29500/21]

*496. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29636/21]

*497. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the average cost per springboard+ place created; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [29830/21]

*498. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the full list of courses approved for springboard+ for each year since 2011; the number of participants on each course in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [29831/21]

*499. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of springboard+ enrolments in 2020 and 2021, by course; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [29832/21]

*500. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if springboard+ will proceed as part of the ESF programme post-2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [29833/21]

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

*501. To ask the Minister for Justice the plans that have been put in place in conjunction with An Garda Síochána to manage the increase in public disorder in communities along the Grand Canal, Dublin; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Chris Andrews. [29120/21]

*502. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí by rank and district in each of the Cork county and city divisions that have retired in 2021; the number that are expected to retire; the number that have given notice of their intention to resign later in 2021, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [29158/21]
*503. To ask the Minister for Justice the progress to date in the determination of an application for naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); when it is planned to bring the application to a conclusion; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29253/21]

*504. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of an application for naturalisation by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [29260/21]

*505. To ask the Minister for Justice the nature of the data breaches experienced by her Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29312/21]

*506. To ask the Minister for Justice if all interview rooms in each Garda station within DMR are all video and audio recorded; and if not, the estimated cost of installing video and audio recording facilities in each interview room in each Garda station within DMR. — Paul Donnelly. [29327/21]

*507. To ask the Minister for Justice if a new contract to supply new unmarked Garda vehicles has been put out to tender. — Paul Donnelly. [29328/21]

*508. To ask the Minister for Justice if funding has been secured for the purchase of additional dogs for the Garda dog unit in 2021; and if funding has been secured for the purchase of additional horses for the Garda mounted unit in 2021. — Paul Donnelly. [29329/21]

*509. To ask the Minister for Justice if prisoners in Mountjoy Prison are disallowed from writing and receiving letters due to Covid-19 restrictions; if they are on 23-hour lock up as a result of same; if family members are allowed to bring personal items for prisoners; if counselling and rehabilitation services are suspended; when normal services will resume; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29335/21]

*510. To ask the Minister for Justice the way a prisoner can apply for enhanced remission; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29346/21]

*511. To ask the Minister for Justice when counselling services will be reinstated for prisoners; the way rehabilitation services are accessed prior to release; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29347/21]

*512. To ask the Minister for Justice if her attention has been drawn to groups providing advocacy services to prisoners currently serving sentences; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [29348/21]

*513. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of Garda stations and the number of gardaí in each station in County Kildare on 1 June 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29438/21]

*514. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent to which restorative justice is used in Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29444/21]

*515. To ask the Minister for Justice the amount that has been seized by the Criminal Assets Bureau since it was established in 1996, in tabular form. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29471/21]

*516. To ask the Minister for Justice if her attention has been drawn to the serious level of drug related intimidation in Dublin; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29472/21]
*517. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of incidents of drug related intimation that were reported to An Garda Síochána in the Dublin metropolitan area in each year since 2019, in tabular form. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29473/21]

*518. To ask the Minister for Justice the amount of revenue generated through the issuing of Garda age identity cards in each of the years 2018 to 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form. — Denise Mitchell. [29487/21]

*519. To ask the Minister for Justice the progress to date in the determination of an application for residency status and eligibility for naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); when the application will be brought to a conclusion; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29505/21]

*520. To ask the Minister for Justice the progress to date in the determination of eligibility for long-term residency and naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29509/21]

*521. To ask the Minister for Justice her views on a matter (details supplied); and her plans with an organisation regarding same. — Pa Daly. [29528/21]

*522. To ask the Minister for Justice the party that will bear the costs for the barrister training recommended by the O’Malley report. — Pa Daly. [29527/21]

*523. To ask the Minister for Justice if a person who has applied for citizenship (details supplied) will be allowed to travel to another part of Europe to take up a job opportunity; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [29552/21]

*524. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of the investigation of a protected disclosure made by a person (details supplied); the details of the investigation; if a decision has been made in relation to the investigation; and if the details of the investigation and the decision made will be made available to the person in question and publicly. — Peadar Tóibín. [29627/21]

*525. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of protected disclosures made to her Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29638/21]

*526. To ask the Minister for Justice the progress to date in considering applications to regularise status in the case of persons (details supplied); if all documentation requested has now been received; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [29656/21]

*527. To ask the Minister for Justice if Irish citizens who reside here but work in Northern Ireland and have been vaccinated as part of the system in Northern Ireland will be in a position to apply for an EU Covid-19 digital green certificate when it is introduced here in cases of; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [29757/21]

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

*528. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if an extension of time will be granted to those participants in the GLAS scheme who are due to have wild bird cover sown before 31 May 2021 as a result of recent weather conditions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [29128/21]
*529. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 1042 of 18 May 2021, the obstacles that cause the large discrepancy between 1,937ha approved and 675ha planted; if there is a solution that could improve these statistics; the obstacles that result in a carryover of 4,500 approved hectares; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [29235/21]

*530. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 709 of 18 May 2021, if he will provide clarification (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [29238/21]

*531. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the nature of the data breaches experienced by his Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29302/21]

*532. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of Coillte felling applications received in March 2021. — Sean Sherlock. [29350/21]

*533. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when Coillte’s felling applications went into the Forest Service in March 2021; the number of these applications that had site specific information, that is, a harvesting plan and a replanting plan included relevant to those sites and as of 14 May 2021; and the number of these applications that had site specific information, that is, harvesting plan and replanting plan included at this stage. — Sean Sherlock. [29351/21]

*534. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 987 of 24 November 2020, if he has evidence of such endorsement (details supplied). — Mattie McGrath. [29433/21]

*535. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 996 of 11 May 2021, if the single farm payment is attached to the land in cases in which force majeure does not apply (details supplied). — Mattie McGrath. [29434/21]

*536. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 997 of 11 May 2021, the reason payment entitlements under the single payments scheme were not attached to specific land in cases in which the land in question is specific (details supplied). — Mattie McGrath. [29435/21]

*537. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 997 of 11 May 2021, the reason payment entitlements under the single payments scheme were not attached to specific land in cases in which the land in question is specific (details supplied). — Mattie McGrath. [29436/21]

*538. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the single farm payment belongs on the land of the lessor in circumstances (details supplied); and if he can interfere with a lease contract freely entered into and decide that the value of the single payment data is the property of the lessee in spite of the contract. — Mattie McGrath. [29437/21]

*539. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he will take to minimise the impact of the eco-scheme on farmers basic payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29447/21]

*540. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he will take to phase out of long-term leasing of entitlements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29448/21]
*541. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide significant funding to assist the revival of Ireland’s sugar beet industry; his plan for the restarting of a traditionally very important industry here; the actions he has already taken to facilitate the return of sugar production to Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [29449/21]

*542. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the position with regard to correspondence (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [29474/21]

*543. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the capital works in Howth harbour are currently fully or partially funded by his Department; the estimated cost of each capital works project; and when each project will be completed in tabular form. — Denise Mitchell. [29489/21]

*544. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will clarify the reply to Parliamentary Question No. 65 of 20 May 2021 (details supplied); the way in which the average figure of six pups per litter has been arrived at in the absence of an exact figure for the number of pups born; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brid Smith. [29490/21]

*545. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the issues raised by the fishers as part of their protest in Cork on 26 May 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [29585/21]

*546. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of protected disclosures made to his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29628/21]

*547. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 1043 of 17 February 2021, if the requested information has been compiled and is available. — MattCarthy. [29684/21]

*548. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason journeys to continental Europe involving unweaned calves are being authorised by his Department given the calves cannot be fed during transit which is in direct contravention of point 1.4(a) Chapter V of EU Regulation 1/2005 that states unweaned calves must be fed after a maximum of 19 hours; the steps he will take to bring the live export sector in line with legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [29752/21]

*549. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will address a matter regarding the case of a person (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [29813/21]

*550. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if funding is being made available for a project (details supplied) that is urgently required; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [29835/21]

*551. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will consider and advise on a regular payment scheme to support the whitefish and shellfish sectors in order to counteract the huge loss of revenue brought about by a significant drop in market value of their catch due to 15 months of Covid-19 restrictions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [29851/21]
Chun an Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail: To the Minister for Rural and Community Development.

*552. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if a request for CSP funding in the name of a group (details supplied) will be reviewed as a matter of urgency; and if the funding requested will be approved given the significance of the project to the local community and the enormous contribution being made by volunteers. — John McGuinness. [29127/21]

*553. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the nature of the data breaches experienced by her Department since 2018. — Peadar Tóibín. [29314/21]

*554. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if there is an application for a library (details supplied) with her Department. — Sean Sherlock. [29541/21]

*555. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the progress that has been made on the proposal in the 1996 Strategic Framework for Offshore Islands to establish an island product marketing group. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29543/21]

*556. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the work that has been done on an all-Ireland basis to ensure the reliance of County Donegal offshore island communities on their nearest city of Derry to meet their economic and social needs is addressed through regional cross-Border planning; if she or her predecessors raised this issue at the North-South Ministerial Council; and if research has been conducted on the negative impact of partition on the economic life and provision of services to offshore island communities and the way this can be addressed. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [29546/21]

*557. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of protected disclosures made to her Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [29640/21]

*558. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the legal basis and advice available to her Department detailing the requirement to make the awarding of the contract for the Social Inclusion Community Activation Programme subject to a public competitive tendering process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [29646/21]

*559. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development her plans to support private property owners to convert vacant properties to digital hubs to facilitate remote and blended working; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [29209/21]
2. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide a list of the membership of the National Security Committee; and when it last met. — Alan Kelly. [29776/21]

3. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the status of the National Risk Assessment for 2021. — Alan Kelly. [29777/21]