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Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

1. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of his Department in preparing a formal commemorative event for all those who lost their lives during the struggle for independence as recommended by the expert advisory group. — Alan Kelly. [34838/21]

2. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of his Department in preparing a formal commemorative event for all those who lost their lives during the struggle for independence as recommended by the expert advisory group. — Catherine Murphy. [37251/21]

3. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the parliamentary liaison unit. — Alan Kelly. [36198/21]

4. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the parliamentary liaison unit of his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [36336/21]

5. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the parliamentary liaison unit of his Department. — Mick Barry. [37671/21]

6. To ask the Taoiseach the status of work of the parliamentary liaison unit of his Department. — Dara Calleary. [37702/21]

7. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the parliamentary liaison unit of his Department. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [37713/21]

8. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the parliamentary liaison unit of his Department. — Paul Murphy. [37716/21]

9. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the parliamentary liaison unit of his Department. — Bríd Smith. [37719/21]

10. To ask the Taoiseach the membership and terms of reference of the Covid-19 Oversight Group chaired by the Secretary General of his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [36222/21]

11. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Covid-19 will next meet. — Mick Barry. [36303/21]

12. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Covid-19 will next meet. — Alan Kelly. [37567/21]

13. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Covid-19 will next meet. — Mick Barry. [37672/21]

14. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Covid-19 is next due to meet. — Dara Calleary. [37703/21]

15. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Covid-19 will be meeting next. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [37706/21]

16. To ask the Taoiseach the membership and terms of reference of the Covid-19 Oversight Group chaired by the Secretary General of his Department. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [37714/21]

17. To ask the Taoiseach the membership and terms of reference of the Covid-19 Oversight Group chaired by the Secretary General of his Department. — Paul Murphy. [37717/21]

18. To ask the Taoiseach the membership and terms of reference of the Covid-19 Oversight Group chaired by the Secretary General of his Department. — Bríd Smith. [37720/21]

19. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee dealing with justice issues will next meet. — Mick Barry. [36304/21]

20. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee dealing with justice issues will next meet. — Catherine Murphy. [37252/21]

21. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee dealing with justice issues will next meet. — Gary Gannon. [37467/21]

22. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee dealing with justice issues will next meet. — Alan Kelly. [37570/21]

23. To ask the Taoiseach the Cabinet Committee that oversees justice and policing issues; and when it is due to meet next. — James Lawless. [37871/21]

24. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee that deals with justice and policing issues will next meet. — Brendan Smith. [38076/21]

25. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council an independent statutory agency operating under the aegis of his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [36335/21]

26. To ask the Taoiseach the status of the work of the National Economic and Social Council in 2021. — Dara Calleary. [37704/21]

27. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council an independent statutory agency operating under the aegis of his Department. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [37715/21]

28. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council an independent statutory agency operating under the aegis of his Department. — Paul Murphy. [37718/21]

29. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council an independent statutory agency operating under the aegis of his Department. — Bríd Smith. [37721/21]

30. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council. — Barry Cowen. [38080/21]

31. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the economic division of his Department. — Alan Kelly. [37568/21]

32. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the economic policy and Brexit preparedness unit of his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [37541/21]

CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

33. To ask the Minister for Health the level of overcrowding in hospitals; his plans to expand hospital capacity in the coming months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [37545/21]

34. To ask the Minister for Health the current capacity of the Covid-19 test, trace and isolate system; the number of contact tracers that are presently in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [37673/21]

35. To ask the Minister for Health when the disability capacity review report will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [28331/21]

36. To ask the Minister for Health if he will initiate an immediate public enquiry into the handling of Covid-19 by the Government and NPHET including an immediate investigation into the nursing home deaths; if there will be an independent external audit of the advice from NPHET and its modelling by an external team of auditors who are not otherwise engaged by the State; the rationale for Ireland's position as an outlier in Europe in relation to the level of restrictions on hospitality and antigen testing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [38064/21]

37. To ask the Minister for Health the details of the financial cost of the Covid-19 vaccination roll-out in Ireland; the details of the indemnity given to pharmaceutical companies with regard to the Covid-19 vaccines including the estimated cost of same; his plans to introduce a Covid-19 vaccine compensation scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [38065/21]

CEISTEANNA EILE OTHER QUESTIONS

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

38. To ask the Minister for Health the details in relation to the funding and supports that will be made available for family addiction services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [37742/21]

39. To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which the Naas General Hospital extension project is being provided for in the capital budget in the current year; when the project will progress to the next developmental stages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [37598/21]

40. To ask the Minister for Health his plans for a roll-out of midwifery led units across Ireland in line with the National Maternity Strategy. — Niamh Smyth. [37476/21]

41. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the medicinal cannabis access programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [28321/21]

42. To ask the Minister for Health if he will liaise with the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth in the best interest of the child to urgently examine the lack of electronic records at St. Louise's Unit, Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Crumlin, for those children who have reported sexual abuse and are waiting months for specialist interview regarding same; and if the delay in providing the number on the lists to members of Dáil Eireann will be examined (details supplied). — Réada Cronin. [43078/20]

43. To ask the Minister for Health the reason funding was not provided for a service (details supplied) to ensure that it is fully staffed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [28726/21]

44. To ask the Minister for Health when respite care services will recommence in their full capacity; when services provided in locations (details supplied) in County Donegal will recommence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [28645/21]

45. To ask the Minister for Health the plans in place to deal with the waiting lists for ASD assessments in County Wexford. — Johnny Mythen. [28071/21]

46. To ask the Minister for Health if he will support a child (details supplied) in obtaining urgent and life-changing surgery as soon as possible. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [27631/21]

47. To ask the Minister for Health the additional intensive care unit capacity, beds and trained personnel that has been put in place since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [37683/21]

48. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide funding to ensure a service (details supplied) is fully staffed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [28725/21]

49. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a detailed update on the discussions with a group (details supplied) with regard to the ownership and management of the new national maternity hospital; if he has considered any other sites for this hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [37722/21]

50. To ask the Minister for Health when sunosi which is manufactured in Ireland and is available in Northern Ireland and other EU countries will be made available here; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that this drug has been proven to be very beneficial in the treatment of narcolepsy (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [35087/21]

51. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the review of the Health (Regulation of Termination of Pregnancy) Act 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [28069/21]

52. To ask the Minister for Health the number of homecare support hours being provided in counties Longford and Westmeath in 2021; the way this compares to 2020; the number of persons currently waiting for homecare in each county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Flaherty. [37728/21]

53. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision and waiting lists of homecare packages and home help hours in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [37740/21]

54. To ask the Minister for Health the measures his Department is considering implementing to support those who may suffer medium or long-term after-effects of Covid-19 commonly referred to as long Covid given that the health effects impact on a wide range of aspects of daily life including increased medical needs. — Seán Crowe. [25421/21]

55. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the safe access to termination of pregnancy Bill. — Holly Cairns. [37739/21]

56. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 430 of 13 May 2021, if the second operating theatre in Merlin Park University Hospital on which construction is due to be completed by end-2021 will also begin to carry out surgical operations by end-2021; if not, when it will be fully fitted out and operational; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [28719/21]

57. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a report on the implementation of the consultant-led public health model in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [37663/21]

58. To ask the Minister for Health the number of claims made to the CervicalCheck Tribunal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [28326/21]

59. To ask the Minister for Health when the group home for persons with physical and sensory disabilities at Carrickmacross, County Monaghan will be operational; and the reason the home will be operated by a private company rather than directly by the HSE. — Matt Carthy. [28460/21]

60. To ask the Minister for Health the number of homecare support hours being provided in counties Sligo, Leitrim and Donegal in 2021; the way this compares to 2020; the number of persons currently waiting for homecare in each county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [37733/21]

61. To ask the Minister for Health his latest assessment of trends in the use of illegal drugs in Dublin city and county; and the success of strategies in place. — Richard Bruton. [28089/21]

62. To ask the Minister for Health 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]

63. To ask the Minister for Health the plans and development of the new community hospital to be located in the grounds of St. Flannan's College, Ennis, County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [28314/21]

64. To ask the Minister for Health the measures being taken to mitigate the impact of the cyber-attack on UL Hospital Group services; the impact of the attack on the UL Hospital Group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kieran O'Donnell. [28658/21]

65. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons currently in intensive care units with Covid-19 who have the delta variant of the virus. — Peadar Tóibín. [37675/21]

66. To ask the Minister for Health the action being taken to reduce waiting times for assessments of need under the Disability Act 2005; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [37504/21]

67. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the report by the Mental Health Commission (details supplied) that states the highest number of applications to involuntarily detain persons that came from An Garda Síochána; the training that is in place; the interaction his Department has had with the Department of Justice on this issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [36579/21]

68. To ask the Minister for Health the consideration that is being taken in relation to the extension of a service (details supplied) to be a seven-day service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [36281/21]

69. To ask the Minister for Health the specific timeline for the installation of a public MRI scanner facility at Wexford General Hospital (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [37686/21]

70. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a comprehensive report into the progress in obtaining surge capacity in private mental health facilities as agreed by the passing in Dáil Éireann of the Mental Health Surge Capacity motion. — Mark Ward. [28332/21]

71. To ask the Minister for Health his plans in relation to financial, service-based schemes to provide for the growing needs of community mental health and to ensure that Covid-19 crisis and emergency mental health teams are better resourced going forward in view of the fact that mental health support services were inundated pre-pandemic and that there are studies providing evidence that public mental health has suffered further throughout the pandemic. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [23887/21]

72. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the appointment of a full-time consultant to the medical assessment unit of Nenagh Hospital as a matter of priority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [28444/21]

73. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the €100 per week special payment agreed for student nurses; if all arrears accrued since September 2020 have been paid; and the further steps he will take to recognise the contribution of both student nurses and all other front-line staff to the Covid-19 pandemic. — Steven Matthews. [37734/21]

74. To ask the Minister for Health if he will review the proposed provisions of the Assisted Human Reproduction Bill 2019 to incorporate the recommendations of the Special Rapporteur on Child Protection; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [37682/21]

75. To ask the Minister for Health if it is planned to allow mixing of Covid-19 vaccines in first and second doses as happens in other European countries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Flaherty. [37729/21]

76. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce a primary healthcare centre at a location (details supplied) in County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [37711/21]

77. To ask the Minister for Health the actions he has taken to ensure that children born through either domestic or international surrogacy have their rights ensured from the perspective of the best interests of the child; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [36215/21]

78. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to increase the provision of respite care places for persons with an intellectual disability in the CHO2 health area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25444/21]

79. To ask the Minister for Health the reason so few of pharmacists in the Dublin 6W and Dublin 24 areas are administering a vaccine (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [37547/21]

80. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that medical card patients are struggling to find dentists in north County Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O’Reilly. [28324/21]

81. To ask the Minister for Health the steps being taken to resolve the problems with the medical card for the dental treatment services scheme in counties Laois and Offaly. — Brian Stanley. [27791/21]

82. To ask the Minister for Health when kaftrio for cystic fibrosis patients 12 years and older will be approved in Ireland (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Collins. [37588/21]

83. To ask the Minister for Health if the process for hearing aids under audiology will be reviewed in view of the long delays in County Kerry (details supplied). — Danny Healy-Rae. [37823/21]

84. To ask the Minister for Health the known impact of the cyberattack on the HSE and his Department on medical procedures, tests and operations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [28168/21]

85. To ask the Minister for Health the timeline for the full resumption of respite services in County Galway which have been severely impacted by Covid-19 restrictions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [37581/21]

86. To ask the Minister for Health if he will introduce cost effective rapid antigen testing at local pharmacy level to protect against and contain Covid-19 at the earliest possible opportunity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [37685/21]

87. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the review of the Health (Regulation of Termination of Pregnancy) Act 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [28327/21]

88. To ask the Minister for Health when there was last a review of the dental treatment services scheme (details supplied). — Danny Healy-Rae. [37822/21]

89. To ask the Minister for Health the considerations in giving Covid-19 vaccines available to the 15 to 17-year-old age group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [37585/21]

90. To ask the Minister for Health the supports he is providing to reduce waiting times for inpatient and day case procedures and outpatient appointments in the Midland Regional Hospital in Tullamore; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [37667/21]

91. To ask the Minister for Health his views on restoring public dental services in Listowel, County Kerry and providing an additional orthodontist in the area. — Pa Daly. [37677/21]

92. To ask the Minister for Health if it will be ensured that a drug manufactured by a company (details supplied) will be included in the cannabis access programme; if he will report on the operation of this programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37664/21]

93. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the mixing of non-mRNA and mRNA vaccines for first and second doses being permitted in other EU jurisdictions; his views on whether such a practice would be appropriate under any circumstances in Ireland; the advice he has received from NIAC and NPHE in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [37735/21]

94. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the way the objectives of the Smile agus Sláinte policy are currently being met by the dental treatment services scheme within County Kerry. — Pa Daly. [37678/21]

95. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of a replacement general practitioner service for Kiltimagh, County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [37539/21]

96. To ask the Minister for Health the supports his Department is considering implementing to support those who have suffered negative reactions to the Covid-19 vaccines such as vaccine-induced prothrombotic immune thrombocytopenia. — Seán Crowe. [25420/21]

97. To ask the Minister for Health the number of applications on hand for full-time residential care in the CHO2 region for persons with intellectual disabilities; the additional resources it is planned to make available to meet the demand for these places; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [25443/21]

98. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the medical cannabis access programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [28328/21]

99. To ask the Minister for Health the status of waiting list for elective surgery in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [37741/21]

100. To ask the Minister for Health the current status of primary care centre developments in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [37540/21]

101. To ask the Minister for Health if he or persons in his Department have been in communication with a group (details supplied); and if he read the group's document on Covid-19. — Paul Murphy. [1492/21]

102. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the Finglas primary care centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [22868/21]

103. To ask the Minister for Health the advice NPHET has provided to him on ventilation, particularly air purifiers, in combatting Covid-19; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [37596/21]

104. To ask the Minister for Health when the HSE property review group will approve the proposed extension for Castlebar primary care centre; and the additional services this extension will provide. — Alan Dillon. [28424/21]

105. To ask the Minister for Health when Covid-19 vaccinations will be provided to those aged 12 to 16 years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [37669/21]

106. To ask the Minister for Health the number of recommendations of the Scally scoping inquiry into the CervicalCheck screening programme that have been implemented; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [37595/21]

107. To ask the Minister for Health when services in general and specifically for a person (details supplied) will commence. — Joan Collins. [37584/21]

108. To ask the Minister for Health when a catch-up programme will commence for the HPV vaccine for secondary school students due to missed vaccines during the Covid-19 pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [37592/21]

109. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons by age group and gender treated for gambling addiction in 2020; if the pandemic has exacerbated problem gambling; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [28323/21]

110. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the rights of disabled persons in receipt of a personal assistance service to take part in politics, policy and lobbying despite the fact that personal assistants may be funded through section 39 organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [28225/21]

111. To ask the Minister for Health the additional services that will be delivered to Monaghan Hospital in 2021 and 2022. — Matt Carthy. [28459/21]

112. To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which the Covid-19 pandemic has had a negative impact on the provision of cancer care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [37730/21]

113. To ask the Minister for Health the progress to date on identifying a site for the new elective hospital for Cork included in the Sláintecare Implementation Strategy and Action Plan 2021-2023; if consideration will be given to the site at St. Stephen's Hospital, Sarsfield Court, Glanmire, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [28574/21]

114. To ask the Minister for Health if epidiolex will be approved for funding by the HSE drug reimbursement programme as a matter of urgency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [28445/21]

115. To ask the Minister for Health his plans for the expansion of the air ambulance service based at Custume Barracks, Athlone; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [27789/21]

116. To ask the Minister for Health the number of homecare support hours being provided in counties Laois and Offaly in 2021; the way this compares to 2020; the number of persons currently waiting for homecare in each county at the moment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [37666/21]

117. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the Covid-19 PCR testing system in Ireland is set to a higher cycle than is widely recommended; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [37684/21]

118. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the national children's hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [37594/21]

119. To ask the Minister for Health the details of his latest efforts to progress the issue of the need for the new national maternity hospital to be in State ownership; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [37587/21]

120. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who have been mandatory hotel quarantined since its introduction; the number who have developed the virus when in quarantine; and the number who left the quarantine without a PCR clearance or before the full complement of quarantined days. — Joan Collins. [37591/21]

121. To ask the Minister for Health the number of homecare support hours being provided in counties Carlow and Kilkenny in 2021; the way this compares to 2020; the number of persons currently waiting for homecare in each county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [37731/21]

122. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to address the crisis in the dental treatment services scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [28322/21]

123. To ask the Minister for Health if additional orthopaedic capacity will be provided in 2021 to reduce waiting lists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [28577/21]

124. To ask the Minister for Health the plans in place to deal with the issues regarding general practitioner services in the New Ross, County Wexford. — Johnny Mythen. [28072/21]

125. To ask the Minister for Health the status of his plans to establish exclusion zones around medical facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [28070/21]

126. To ask the Minister for Health the role of genomic medicine in Ireland; his plans for a national genomics strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [27790/21]

127. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the actions that are being taken to address the current waiting time of 4.5 to 5 years for orthodontic treatment in CHO7; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [28644/21]

128. To ask the Minister for Health if additional orthopaedic capacity will be provided at an early date in view of increasing waiting lists for adult and paediatric orthopaedic surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [28578/21]

129. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the use of rapid antigen testing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [37743/21]

130. To ask the Minister for Health if the new elective hospital for Cork included in the Sláintecare Implementation Strategy and Action Plan 2021-2023 will consist of both an inpatient and an outpatient facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [28573/21]

131. To ask the Minister for Health if approval can be given to reopen the respite services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O'Sullivan. [37583/21]

132. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the resumption of daycare services for older persons. — Cormac Devlin. [37507/21]

133. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the construction of the new children's hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [37732/21]

134. To ask the Minister for Health the reason persons in County Cavan have to travel 40 to 50 kilometres to receive the Covid-19 vaccine in Navan, County Meath instead of attending the vaccine centre in County Cavan that is located 8 to 10 kilometres from their home. — Niamh Smyth. [37475/21]

135. To ask the Minister for Health the steps his Department has taken to ensure the easing of maternity restrictions is being implemented in Midland Regional Hospital, Mullingar. — Sorca Clarke. [37736/21]

136. To ask the Minister for Health the number of new medical cards that have been issued to date in 2021 in the Carlow Kilkenny local health office area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [37520/21]

137. To ask the Minister for Health the action being taken to address long waiting times for hospital appointments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [37519/21]

138. To ask the Minister for Health when children under 18 years of age will be vaccinated against Covid-19; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [37593/21]

139. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on progress in relation to the establishment of a digital green certificate to facilitate international travel for EU and Irish citizens, residents and their families who want to travel to another EU country and who have been vaccinated, tested or have recovered from Covid-19; the position in relation to this proposal; if he will recommend that Ireland embraces this initiative in full when finalised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [22870/21]

140. To ask the Minister for Health the type of financial supports being provided to organisations such as an association (details supplied) in County Mayo; if there are plans to develop a funding plan to create capacity to address emergency and future care needs; if there are plans to introduce adequate multi-annual budgets provided as well as capital funding and funding for transport and therapy supports; the steps being taken to increase funding for children's respite provision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [36255/21]

141. To ask the Minister for Health the number of homecare support hours being provided in County Kildare in 2021; the way this compares to 2020; the number of persons currently waiting for homecare in the county to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [37668/21]

142. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to modernise and integrate the IT infrastructure of the HSE and his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [37544/21]

143. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the reinstatement of ShannonDoc services in County Clare, specifically in Ennistymon, Kilrush, Killaloe and Shannon, areas geographically challenged in their own right (details supplied). — Violet-Anne Wynne. [23060/21]

144. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to address the crisis in the dental treatment services scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [28329/21]

145. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to address the serious deficiencies in the provision of women's health across a range of services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [28446/21]

146. To ask the Minister for Health the efforts he has carried out to ensure universal application of the lifting of restrictions for partners attending the birth of their child in maternity hospitals is in fact applied to all hospitals across the country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [37586/21]

147. To ask the Minister for Health the action being taken to reduce waiting times for essential therapies such as speech and language, occupational therapy and physiotherapy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [37505/21]

148. To ask the Minister for Health the supports he is providing to reduce waiting times for inpatient and day case procedures and outpatient appointments in St. Vincent's Hospital, Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [37681/21]

149. To ask the Minister for Health the plans and measures that will be put in place to support training, recruitment and retention of the healthcare professionals necessary to build capacity across the whole health service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [37725/21]

150. To ask the Minister for Health the number of permanent residential places in homes, healthcare facilities and any other settings; the number of these places for persons with mental health conditions; and the number that are vacant at this time. — Joan Collins. [37590/21]

151. To ask the Minister for Health the status of roll-out of the Covid-19 vaccination programme in counties Limerick and Tipperary; the number vaccinated to date for the first and second dose, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kieran O'Donnell. [28659/21]

152. To ask the Minister for Health if a framework for discussion has been drawn up for the citizens' assembly on drugs; and if this will be published. — Thomas Gould. [13257/21]

153. To ask the Minister for Health if the planned establishment of three new specialist eating disorder teams includes a team for CHO5; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [37687/21]

154. To ask the Minister for Health if HIQA stipulations that all elderly residents in care centres should have a personal space around their bed of 7.4 square metres will result in the loss of any beds at St. Josephs' Hospital, Ennis. — Cathal Crowe. [28428/21]

155. To ask the Minister for Health if consideration will be given to paying student travel allowances paid to students on placement from a student's address given that colleges are teaching online and many students have not rented accommodation close to colleges in 2020. — Thomas Gould. [43214/20]

156. To ask the Minister for Health the way the locations will be chosen for a disadvantaged area in which a special health strategy will be implemented; the method which will be adopted in those areas to maximise the impact on health inequalities; and when the first such programme will be put in place. — Richard Bruton. [28088/21]

157. To ask the Minister for Health if all persons in the 60 to 69 cohort that received a first dose of a vaccine (details supplied) will have received the second by 19 July 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [37546/21]

158. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the progress in implementing the 2018 National Clinical Programme for Eating Disorders in particular its proposal to establish 16 specialist hubs in five years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37665/21]

159. To ask the Minister for Health when cancer services will be restored to full pre-Covid-19 capacity in the State. — Peadar Tóibín. [37676/21]

160. To ask the Minister for Health the action he will take to ensure that persons who suffered narcolepsy after receiving the pandemrix vaccine will receive appropriate compensation without the need for drawn out conflict with the State. — Paul Murphy. [28316/21]

161. To ask the Minister for Health when information will be provided on the review into the Health (Regulation of Termination of Pregnancy) Act 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [28222/21]

162. To ask the Minister for Health if the recent lifting on restrictions in the UK will have an impact on quarantine requirements for persons travelling to or from the UK from Ireland. — Sorca Clarke. [37737/21]

163. To ask the Minister for Health when he will introduce legislation for a recommended standard Covid-19 ventilation system for all indoor activities. — Joan Collins. [37589/21]

164. To ask the Minister for Health if there is on-site capacity at University Maternity Hospital Limerick for bloods to be tested on a 24/7 basis. — Cathal Crowe. [28429/21]

165. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the actions that are being taken to address the current waiting times for children's services in CHO7 such as speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, physiotherapy and psychology services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [28643/21]

166. To ask the Minister for Health if it will be ensured that full services are maintained for all service users of an organisation (details supplied) and a commitment made to the provision of the same suite of services being made available to all the users who utilised this service prior to the pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O'Sullivan. [37582/21]

167. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to ensure that all maternity hospitals put in place safe procedures for nominated support partners to attend for all stages of labour including the induction of labour and early labour. — Holly Cairns. [37738/21]

168. To ask the Minister for Health the provisions in place for medical card patients who cannot access urgent dental treatment due to the refusal of dentists in counties Laois and Offaly to work under the dental treatment services scheme. — Brian Stanley. [27792/21]

169. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which pay parity claims of medical scientists are being progressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [19939/21]

170. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the Covid-19 vaccination roll-out programme. — Cormac Devlin. [37506/21]

171. To ask the Minister for Health the current and expected position in regard to the proposed location of the new national maternity hospital; the extent to which all issues of concern have been addressed and resolved to date; if any further matters are outstanding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [37597/21]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA
QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

*172. To ask the Taoiseach the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016. — Holly Cairns. [37301/21]

*173. To ask the Taoiseach when he will publish his diary for quarter 2 of 2021 on the website of his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [37374/21]

*174. To ask the Taoiseach if the Central Statistics Office has documented the number of non-Irish nationals usually resident in Ireland; and if so, the latest figures available for same in decreasing order in tabular form. — Barry Cowen. [37502/21]

*175. To ask the Taoiseach the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37818/21]

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

*176. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment when the remaining funding for the online retail scheme will be assigned (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [37205/21]

*177. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37291/21]

*178. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 159 of 15 June 2021, the reason an organisation (details supplied) as the reporting organisation representing the four Ghanaian nationals and the four Ghanaian nationals themselves were not informed of his Department's decision not to proceed with a civil case against their former employers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37342/21]

*179. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 159 of 15 June 2021, the reason he omitted to make reference to a separate criminal proceeding that were initiated by his Department against the former employer of the four Ghanaians that was about to be heard in the District Court on or around the time of his reply on 15 June 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37343/21]

*180. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of times he and his predecessors have initiated civil proceedings under section 2B of the Employment Permits Act 2003 on behalf of foreign nationals to whom that section applies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37344/21]

*181. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 159 of 15 June 2021, the reason the investigation was not concluded within the two year limitation period imposed by section 2B(6) of the Employment Permits Act 2003; the reason neither the complainants nor the referring organisation were informed of the decision not to initiate civil proceedings against the former employer or of the reason for the decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37349/21]

*182. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 159 of 15 June 2021, the reason the then pending criminal case listed for hearing on 17 June 2021 was omitted from the response; the reason the four Ghanaian nationals and the referring organisation were not informed of this hearing by the Workplace Relations Commission or his Department and called as witnesses; the precise circumstances in which the charges were dismissed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37350/21]

*183. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his Department is issuing work permits for non-EEA residents who resided in the State since 2019 or earlier; if this is the case for non-EEA residents who entered the State from 2020 onwards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [37365/21]

*184. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his Department is accepting work permit applications from employers for non-EEA residents who have been in the State since 2019 or earlier; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [37366/21]

*185. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of copies of Slating a roof - SR 82 2017 - Code of Practice that were issued in 2018, 2019 and 2020, in tabular form; the revenue collected for each of those years from the codes of practice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [37392/21]

*186. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if the proposed consultation which followed the amendment proposed by the Government on the Industrial Relations (Provisions in Respect of Pension Entitlements of Retired Workers) Bill 2021 will include the pensioners groups that currently feel locked out of the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [37557/21]

*187. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of licences in category 5, telecommunications and information security, issued in respect of Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates as outlined in the 2016 and 2019 overviews of the Control of Exports Act 2008; if he is satisfied that the issuing of these licences does not contribute to the ongoing war in Yemen and the pro-democracy demonstrations in Bahrain in 2011 through the arms trade; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [37559/21]

*188. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of Workplace Relations Commission staff employed in Cork city and county by role in March 2020 and to date in tabular form. — Thomas Gould. [37771/21]

*189. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37808/21]

*190. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his office has received correspondence regarding a company (details supplied); and if so, when a response will be issued. — Louise O'Reilly. [37860/21]

*191. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the current and potential future business supports available to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [38028/21]

*192. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the progress made towards action 50 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38039/21]

*193. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide his response to a call for a TRIPS waiver of Covid-19 vaccines and treatments from a group (details supplied). — Holly Cairns. [38040/21]

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

*194. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his views on the request from some inshore fishermen in Ireland that they would cooperate with the Marine Institute and other relevant authorities in conducting surveys on the abundance of wild salmon around the coast (details supplied). — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [37638/21]

*195. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when the burning of peat briquettes will cease. — Robert Troy. [37173/21]

*196. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when a location (details supplied) will avail of high-speed broadband. — Robert Troy. [37194/21]

*197. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37292/21]

*198. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of broadband roll-out to Adelaide Street, Dún Laoghaire (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [37361/21]

*199. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which the electricity demand, current and projected has been factored into critical infrastructure planning; the assessments and reports that have been prepared and published in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [37379/21]

*200. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when he expects grants under the circular economy innovation grant scheme to be awarded; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [37381/21]

*201. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications further to Parliamentary Question No. 202 of 15 June 2021, the amount allocated to each local authority from the €5 million additional funding for litter prevention and cleaning announced on 5 May 2021. — Holly Cairns. [37416/21]

*202. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the estimated cost of missing the target for the roll-out of high-speed rural broadband in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37417/21]

*203. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the Climate Action Advisory Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37419/21]

*204. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when the 2020 annual transition statement will be published as required by section 14(1) of the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act 2015; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37420/21]

*205. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if his Department will commission an independent regulatory impact assessment that considers the return to retail model alongside the digital deposit and return scheme model; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [37493/21]

*206. 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 in a location (details supplied); 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. [37498/21]

*207. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when fibre connection for broadband will be available for a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [37647/21]

*208. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the roll-out of the National Broadband Plan. — Thomas Gould. [37767/21]

*209. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when he will respond to correspondence issued to him on 22 February 2021 in relation to a matter (details supplied) given that it relates to a community awaiting his response. — Claire Kerrane. [37785/21]

*210. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37809/21]

*211. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will restore the membership of the board of Inland Fisheries Ireland to its full membership; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [37824/21]

*212. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the plans of Inland Fisheries Ireland to promote Ireland as an angling destination for anglers abroad in 2021 and in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [37825/21]

*213. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will lift the restrictions on peat harvesting for 2021 to avoid a shortage of supply in 2021 and reduce the further importation of peat from abroad; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marian Harkin. [37986/21]

*214. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will introduce a fair and workable licensing system to allow for the phasing out of horticultural peat harvesting while ensuring there is a secure supply of growing media in order that the sustainable horticultural sector is not jeopardised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marian Harkin. [37987/21]

*215. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if it will be ensured that peatlands are harvested in such a way that they are in the best possible condition for a planned and structured restoration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marian Harkin. [37988/21]

*216. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the energy security review of Ireland's electricity and natural gas systems; when he expects the review to be completed; his plans to publish the final report and recommendations of the review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [37990/21]

*217. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if energy generation projects which state that they intend to apply to the renewable energy support scheme have obligations to comply with the scheme in terms of community engagement and or support from the local community at the planning stage; if a partnership with a relevant sustainable energy community which is a key component of the definition of a community-led project should be identified at the planning stage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [38012/21]

*218. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will give consideration to satellite broadband grants for those at the later stages of the National Broadband Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [38029/21]

*219. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will consider establishing the National Cyber Security Centre on a statutory basis. — Holly Cairns. [38041/21]

*220. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the amount and breakdown of funding provided to the National Cyber Security Centre annually since 2015. — Holly Cairns. [38042/21]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*221. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to the risk to persons who use marijuana for medicinal reasons testing positive for the drug at roadside Garda drug checkpoints even though they may not have consumed the drug for several days; if a dispensation will be considered for those who consume the drug for medicinal reasons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [37694/21]

*222. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated cost of doubling the electric vehicle charging network; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [37891/21]

*223. To ask the Minister for Transport if supports can be given to a group (details supplied) to secure and fund a permanent building for the group. — Thomas Gould. [37203/21]

*224. To ask the Minister for Transport the measures he is taking to reduce the barriers to entry into the profession of commercial driving; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that there are many fully qualified licensed drivers with a C, D or CE licence that could drive right now but they are excluded from doing so for hire and reward due to the fact that their driver CPC card is out of date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [37267/21]

*225. To ask the Minister for Transport the measures he is taking to prioritise driver CPC testing for essential workers given the acute shortage of haulage drivers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [37268/21]

*226. To ask the Minister for Transport his views on the way in which articulated lorry drivers with sight in only one eye are only learning that their licence can no longer be renewed given the passing of legislation in recent years (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [37285/21]

*227. To ask the Minister for Transport the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37303/21]

*228. To ask the Minister for Transport further to Parliamentary Question No. 154 of 15 June 2021, the outcome of these referrals to his Department (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37339/21]

*229. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of the Finglas to Killester cycle route with a breakdown of funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37363/21]

*230. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of the Glasnevin to Clontarf road cycle scheme cycle route with a breakdown of funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37364/21]

*231. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of persons waiting on a driver test in the Dublin 15 area in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [37400/21]

*232. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of an extension to initial basic training certificates for motorcyclists due to Covid-19; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37437/21]

*233. To ask the Minister for Transport the last full year and the percentage of all motor tax payments that were paid in instalments versus those which were paid upfront in full; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [37522/21]

*234. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount that is raised from the higher rates of motor tax for those that choose to pay in instalments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [37523/21]

*235. To ask the Minister for Transport the measures that are being taken to ensure that there is no high-risk level of contracting Covid-19 for passengers using the Luas; the way it will be ensured that there is no overcrowding given that the number of trams has been reduced; the sanitation requirements that must be met; and the way these standards are regulated. — Paul Murphy. [37536/21]

*236. To ask the Minister for Transport if the theory test for a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Collins. [37607/21]

*237. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated full year cost of recruiting three additional full-time senior railway accident investigators for his Department in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [37610/21]

*238. To ask the Minister for Transport if the theory test for a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Collins. [37625/21]

*239. To ask the Minister for Transport the position regarding the proposal submitted to his Department by the RSA seeking a further extension of initial basic training certificates; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [37628/21]

*240. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason a person (details supplied) is waiting so long for a driver theory test; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [37653/21]

*241. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of persons waiting to take the driver theory test on 2 June 2021, by county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [37700/21]

*242. To ask the Minister for Transport the specific actions he has taken to address the deficiencies in the provision of the driver theory test; if his Department has met the company involved in delivering the test to discuss the problems; the sanctions his Department plans to take for the poor delivery of the contract; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [37701/21]

*243. To ask the Minister for Transport if an updated timeline will be provided for the M20 project. — Thomas Gould. [37768/21]

*244. To ask the Minister for Transport if assurance can be given that no existing bus route will be terminated due to Cork BusConnects. — Thomas Gould. [37769/21]

*245. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to bring a bus service to Whitechurch, County Cork. — Thomas Gould. [37770/21]

*246. To ask the Minister for Transport if a driver test can be offered to a person (details supplied) as a matter of urgency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [37793/21]

*247. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will consider taking into account vehicle width as an assessment point for car and or road tax (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [37795/21]

*248. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37820/21]

*249. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason for the discrepancy between the ticketing system for Dublin transport and transport systems in other cities such as Galway; the reason fare capping, Leap 90 discount and monthly or annual tickets are only available to commuters in Dublin or those whose employers who take part in the tax saver scheme; the further reason weekly tickets are not accepted across all Galway city transport providers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [37847/21]

*250. To ask the Minister for Transport the counties that operate demand responsive services on the LocalLink scheme; the counties that do not or have recently stopped providing demand responsive services on the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [37853/21]

*251. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to extend the EU Digital COVID Certificate to those who are living in or vaccinated in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [37859/21]

*252. To ask the Minister for Transport if the exact details of the way the domestic vaccination pass for travel from 19 July 2021 can be obtained by prospective travellers; when public notices

will be issued in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [37890/21]

*253. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount spent on LocalLink services in each of the years since 2015, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [37892/21]

*254. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of persons on waiting lists for driver tests by test centre in Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37967/21]

*255. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount spent on the Luas to Finglas extension to date; the future funding expectations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37968/21]

*256. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount spent to date on BusConnects; the future budget projections; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37969/21]

*257. To ask the Minister for Transport when the review into the performance of the Marine Casualty Investigation Board carried out by a person (details supplied) will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [38025/21]

*258. To ask the Minister for Transport the situation in relation to EU Digital COVID Certificate for Irish citizens vaccinated in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [38026/21]

*259. To ask the Minister for Transport the proof of vaccination that will be required in terms of the EU Digital COVID Certificate for Irish citizens vaccinated in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [38027/21]

*260. To ask the Minister for Transport the progress made towards action 100 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38096/21]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*261. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to extend the help to buy scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37207/21]

*262. To ask the Minister for Finance the length of time a person who has been approved for the help to buy scheme has before the tax rebate expires given the delay in construction due to Covid-19 earlier in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37208/21]

*263. To ask the Minister for Finance if the wage subsidy scheme will be tapered to allow for businesses that record varying profits which may take them just under the expected 30% reduction in turnover; and the outcome for businesses that record a 29% reduction at the end of the period with regards to the scheme. — Mark Ward. [37219/21]

*264. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason shipments which have been routed orange at customs which means they have been stopped for document inspection are taking up to three weeks to be cleared which is causing hardship to small businesses which have already paid the very high costs of excise on the sale of goods; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [37241/21]

*265. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to the recent collapse of an unregulated trust (details supplied); if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that brokers involved with an organisation sold investment policies in the trust to domestic savers in Ireland in September 2019, despite the BBC having reported in May 2019 that the trust was a scam and without advising those savers that the trust was unregulated; his views on whether more regulations are required in this area to prevent brokers for knowingly or negligently mis-selling in return for high commission such unregulated and high-risk investment policies in such a trust to Irish domestic savers who lost their savings when the trust collapsed; if he will introduce any necessary amendments to the relevant legislation to render any brokers who engage in activity as described as liable either on grounds of deception, negligence or failure to conduct due diligence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [37265/21]

*266. To ask the Minister for Finance the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37293/21]

*267. To ask the Minister for Finance when the public consultation process on the OECD corporation tax proposals will commence; the terms of reference for the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [37318/21]

*268. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason the help to buy scheme only applies to new builds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [37371/21]

*269. To ask the Minister for Finance when the Revenue Commissioners will have the valuation process finalised in relation to local property tax reforms; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37529/21]

*270. To ask the Minister for Finance when the Revenue Commissioners will be able to quantify the monetary value of new builds by local authority in relation to local property tax reforms; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37530/21]

*271. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will provide clarity in relation to the way his Department recognises cohabiting couples (details supplied); his views on whether this is a serious inconsistency in the system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Shanahan. [37549/21]

*272. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to the fact that persons will lose their no-claims car insurance bonus if a third party makes a claim for a relatively small amount against them, for example, for a scratch, resulting in the insured party paying thousands of euro extra on their premium each year; his plans to address this problem; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [37571/21]

*273. To ask the Minister for Finance if lifetime loans offered to senior citizens can be regulated in order that they can be capped or the recipient can have the option to pay off the loan within their lifetime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [37576/21]

*274. To ask the Minister for Finance if it is likely that the help to buy scheme will be extended into 2022; and if not, if it will cease on 31 December 2021. — Alan Kelly. [37629/21]

*275. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 177 of 6 July 2021, if a standalone list will be provided of all publicly controlled market operators that are included in

the Register of Public Sector Bodies in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [37630/21]

*276. To ask the Minister for Finance the debt held by each of the publicly controlled market operators in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [37631/21]

*277. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of REITs operating in the Irish market; and the number of properties held by these REITs. — Peadar Tóibín. [37633/21]

*278. To ask the Minister for Finance if homeowners in County Clare who have confirmed cases of pyrite in the structure of their homes are exempt from paying the local property tax; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [37642/21]

*279. To ask the Minister for Finance if being part of a pyrite remediation scheme is a criterion for exemption for payment of the local property tax; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [37643/21]

*280. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will outline the reduction in the rates of the universal social charge; the changes to the relevant income bands; the estimated cost to the Exchequer for these changes for each year from 2014 to 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [37648/21]

*281. To ask the Minister for Finance when a proper appeals process will be put in place in relation to the disabled drivers and passengers scheme; when appeals will resume; when regional appeals will take place in order that disabled persons from all over the country do not have to travel to Dún Laoghaire to have an appeal hearing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [37777/21]

*282. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37810/21]

*283. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will clarify the position of deemed disposal being applied to distributing investment funds, for example, on exchange traded funds; if the deemed disposal and exit tax from such funds results in double taxation on the same dividend; if an analysis has taken place on this issue with a view to improving conditions for small personal investors and savers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [37963/21]

*284. To ask the Minister for Finance if his Department has considered extending the employment wage subsidy scheme to the owners of private childcare crèches; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [37992/21]

*285. To ask the Minister for Finance the date and the way in which changes to the local property tax system will be introduced. — Catherine Murphy. [38014/21]

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

*286. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans to allocate Tusla the required additional expenditure necessary to fund posts for those working in section 39 organisations

in order to achieve pay parity and pay restoration following the award achieved by HSE section 39 organisations at the WRC; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [37181/21]

*287. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform when the public will be informed of the action they need to take to obtain an EU Digital COVID Certificate; if these will take a paper or digital format; the issuing authority for the certificates; the way the public can upload their data to a certificate; if the technology to enable the Certificate in Ireland will be fully operational on or before 19 July 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [37240/21]

*288. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37298/21]

*289. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the capital budget allocation for heritage sites under the remit of the OPW in each of the years of 2018 to 2021, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [37608/21]

*290. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37815/21]

*291. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if there is a delay in concluding reviews of civil service pensions as in the case of a person (details supplied) for which the review commenced at the end of 2020 but has not yet concluded. — Richard Bruton. [37894/21]

*292. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the progress made towards action 24 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38085/21]

*293. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the progress made towards action 25 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38086/21]

*294. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the completion of the flood relief scheme in Bantry, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [38087/21]

*295. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the completion of the flood relief scheme in Skibbereen, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [38088/21]

*296. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the completion of the flood relief scheme in Bandon, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [38089/21]

*297. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the completion of the flood relief scheme in Clonakilty, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [38090/21]

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

*298. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media her plans to scale up and increase attendances at outdoor sports and cultural events following the recent successful pilot live events: when an updated plan will be published for July, August and September 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [37201/21]

*299. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if her Department has reviewed the recent large-scale pilot events; if she will support increasing the attendance at provincial stadia following successful pilot events at Croke Park; her plans to allow for customised capacity suitable for each venue versus a universal approach; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [37202/21]

*300. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if there is specific funding of advice on funding streams for a project by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Collins. [37271/21]

*301. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media further to Parliamentary Question No. 329 of 10 March 2021, if Sport Ireland has commenced the recruitment process for its new CEO; if not, the reason; when it will commence; if the Public Appointments Service will have a role in the recruitment of the new CEO; if the position of the incumbent CEO will be once again extended for a further period as has become the practice using Covid-19 and other reasons as cover; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [37286/21]

*302. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the details of the social impact assessments carried out by her Department and public bodies and agencies under her remit since 1 January 2016; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37302/21]

*303. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if musicians and bands are being refused access to the music entertainment business assistance scheme if they do not operate exclusively in the commercial live entertainment industry; if so, the details of same; and if she will reconsider this restriction given the vast majority of live musicians also seek to generate income from non-live music activities such as recording. — Eoin Ó Broin. [37357/21]

*304. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the reason an organisation (details supplied) has received no response or acknowledgement to its submission in January 2021 for funding for the refurbishment of an arena. — John Lahart. [37373/21]

*305. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the conditions under which hospitality venues are permitted to have musicians play outside acoustically; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37427/21]

*306. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will initiate a dialogue with the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine in order to make available or release or both, Land Commission records in the context of the Decade of Centenaries events and themes for the period 2019 to 2023; if steps will be taken to make the pre-1922 records available; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [37451/21]

*307. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the number of successful large-scale sports infrastructure fund projects that have now drawn down funds for project completion by local authority in tabular form. — Barry Cowen. [37521/21]

*308. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán an bhfuil an comhfhreagras faighte aici ó Choiste Mhná Tí Thír Chonaill an 11 Meitheamh 2021; an bhfuil freagra tugtha don ghrúpa sin; an bhfuil an tAire Stáit sásta cruinniú a eagrú leis an ngrúpa sin; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Pearse Doherty. [37537/21]

*309. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the funding that has been allocated for wheelchair accessibility on walking trails in 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021, respectively; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [37606/21]

*310. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the dates in 2021 she has spoken with either the chairperson and or director of the Irish Museum of Modern Art; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [37615/21]

*311. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán cá mhéad talún neamhfhorbartha atá ag Údarás na Gaeltachta; cá mhéad talún neamhfhorbartha atá ag a Roinn sa Ghaeltacht; na háiteanna ina bhfuil an talamh sin suite; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [37654/21]

*312. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the number of legal cases brought against her Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37819/21]

*313. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the process by which applicants for the music and entertainment business assistance scheme can appeal a rejection of their application; if her attention has been drawn to situations in which an appeal found that an application should not have been rejected but asked the applicant to recommence their application from the start once again rather than granting them the funding they had been incorrectly denied; and her views on the fairness or unfairness of such an appeals process to musicians and entertainers who have been waiting for funding for months. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [37977/21]

*314. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media further to Parliamentary Question No. 59 of 22 June 2021 and a letter from this Deputy on 26 June 2021, when she will provide the minutes of the meetings of and research considered by the Return to Live Events Working Group. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [37978/21]

*315. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide the minutes of the meeting held between her Department and representatives of the events industry on 2 September 2020; if the application process for the live performance support scheme was discussed at this meeting; if those in attendance were given the opportunity to shape the application process; and the steps taken to ensure those in attendance were not given an added advantage in seeking and obtaining funding under the scheme compared to others not at the meeting. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [37979/21]

*316. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán cén dáta a thug a Roinn comhairle do choláistí samhraidh gan éarlaisí a ghlacadh don bhliain 2021; cén fáth gur thug sí comhairle gan éarlaisí a ghlacadh in ainneoin go raibh a Roinn den tuairim go réachtálfaí na coláistí i mbliana suas go dtí an 7 Bealtaine 2021; an raibh a Roinn ag iarraidh

go bhfanfadh coláistí go dtí an samhradh chun éarlaisí a ghlacadh don samhradh sin; ar thug a Roinn aon treoir faoi conas déileáil leis na héarlaisí a ghlacadh sular thug sí an chomhairle gan iad a ghlacadh; agus an bhfuil comhairle ag a Roinn do choláistí samhraidh faoi éarlaisí a ghlacadh don bhliain 2022. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [37981/21]

*317. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide details of projected expenditure from the fund announced of €2.2 million to support eligible Gaeltacht families who normally provide accommodation for summer college students by county; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [37997/21]

*318. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media her plans to implement measures to address the staff shortage crisis in the hospitality sector; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [38021/21]

*319. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when indoor group fitness training will be permitted in premises in which social distancing can be facilitated; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [38024/21]

*320. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the progress made towards action 75 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38092/21]

*321. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the progress made towards action 76 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38093/21]

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

*322. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will be setting up an interdepartmental group to coordinate each Department’s response to MICA in County Donegal in view of the impact on State-funded buildings or if this will be a matter for each individual Department as evidenced by the proactive response by the Department of Education in funding the cost of testing in schools; if he will acknowledge this positive move by the Department of Education; and the steps that have been taken by other Departments to follow this lead. — Joe McHugh. [37998/21]

*323. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will introduce changes to baselines in respect of the local property tax; if he will continue to use an equalisation fund; and the way in which he proposes that that self-fund aspect will be determined. — Catherine Murphy. [38020/21]

*324. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if under the European Union (Construction Products) Regulations 2013 (SI No.225 of 2013) each of the building control authorities have been designated by the State as the principal market surveillance authorities for construction products that fall within the scope of the CPR within their administrative areas; and the efforts that have been made by his Department over the past eight years to ensure that all local authorities receiving reports of mica or pyrite defective products were investigating the relevant quarries under their jurisdiction and that they were adequately resourced to meet their investigative and market surveillance responsibilities. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [37192/21]

*325. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide a date for the Citizens' Assembly on Biodiversity Loss before the Dáil summer recess; and if his Department will ensure that points (details supplied) will be considered on the agenda. — Paul Murphy. [37234/21]

*326. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if court ordered maintenance payments are included in the income assessment for social housing and HAP eligibility. — Eoin Ó Broin. [37242/21]

*327. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37296/21]

*328. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the Departmental planning that is in place to provide grant support to first-time buyers to purchase second hand property; the reason second hand property is not being funded given the undersupply of available family homes and the large amount of vacant property available in towns and villages that is suitable for renovation to deliver a new home; if funding is being ringfenced to promote an initiative to bring this property back into habitable use; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Shanahan. [37356/21]

*329. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of the housing project at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37358/21]

*330. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of the housing project at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37359/21]

*331. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of sites (detail supplied) in the Ballymun local area plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37360/21]

*332. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if consideration is being given to the need to set a date for the citizens' assembly on biodiversity loss before 16 July 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [37372/21]

*333. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of approved applicants for housing adaptation grants in each priority group in each local authority area in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [37376/21]

*334. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount of funding available to each local authority for housing adaptation grants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [37377/21]

*335. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of persons employed in the fire service in each of the years 2015 to 2020 and to date in 2021. — Sean Sherlock. [37435/21]

*336. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when the repair and leasing scheme was introduced; the number of approvals each year since the scheme was introduced;

the number of applicants who have received payment under the scheme each year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [37449/21]

*337. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if small landlords dependent on income from their rented property have protection in the event of the tenants paying no rent and overholding the property; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [37460/21]

*338. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of urban areas with a population of over 10,000 that currently have wastewater treatment plants with a lack of capacity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [37560/21]

*339. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of urban areas with a population of over 5,000 that are restricted from constructing new housing units due to a lack of capacity in the local wastewater treatment plant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [37561/21]

*340. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of urban areas that lie within a 10-kilometre distance of the River Shannon that do not have a wastewater treatment plant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [37563/21]

*341. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of urban areas that lie within a 10 kilometre distance of the river Shannon that regularly experience a lack of capacity in the wastewater treatment plant; the areas that must discharge raw sewage into the local waterways to compensate for this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [37564/21]

*342. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will report on the pyrite remediation scheme that encompasses counties Mayo and Donegal and has not as of yet included County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [37599/21]

*343. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will acknowledge the submission from the local authority in County Clare that conclusively outlined the presence of pyrite and the prevalence of defective blocks in the random samples across the county. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [37600/21]

*344. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the reason homeowners in County Clare affected by the pyrite issue and who have organised themselves into a group (details supplied) have not been included in the recent local property tax exemption that has only included homeowners in counties Mayo and Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [37601/21]

*345. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the direction that has been given by his Department to Clare County Council in respect of the homeowners affected by the pyrite issue; if further information will be provided on the new report that has been requested; the projected timeline for completion of the report; and the level of work required to complete the report. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [37602/21]

*346. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the engagement his Department has undertaken to date with a group (details supplied); if there is a proposed meeting in the near future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [37603/21]

*347. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will include a representative from a group (details supplied) in further discussions concerning the pyrite remediation scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [37604/21]

*348. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the reason the minutes from the four consultative committees established by his predecessor held between 14 June 2019 and 4 April 2020 to examine the impacts of urban seagull colonies on communities and make recommendations have not been published by his Department given that the publication of minutes was promised in a letter to persons who are members of the committee by his predecessor on 15 February 2019 a promise that influenced persons to join the same; and when the minutes will be published. — Louise O'Reilly. [37617/21]

*349. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the reason the first interim report and the minority report by the consultative committee established by his predecessor in June 2019 to examine the impacts of urban seagull colonies on communities and make recommendations and the recommendations as submitted to him and his Department on 17 April 2020 and 20 April 2020 respectively, have not been published; and when they will be published. — Louise O'Reilly. [37618/21]

*350. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the reason the recommendations of the consultative committee established by his predecessor in June 2019 to examine the impacts of urban seagull colonies on communities and make recommendations in the context of both the 2020-2021 and the 2021-2022 State-wide General Derogation Declaration in the interests of public health and safety under Article 9.1.a of the 1979 birds directive, directly pertinent to the declarations are not being implemented; and when they will be implemented. — Louise O'Reilly. [37619/21]

*351. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the specific expert advices that were received from independent Irish and UK experts in wildlife ecology (details supplied) by the consultative committee established by his predecessor in June 2019 to examine the impacts of urban seagull colonies on communities and make recommendations; if he considered such advice towards informing his opinion regarding control of wild bird species, particularly urban seagulls when he signed the 2021-2022 State-wide General Declaration on 30 April 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [37620/21]

*352. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of persons working in the Land Registry in each of the past five years in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [37621/21]

*353. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of persons working from home in the Land Registry since 30 March 2020 per week in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [37622/21]

*354. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of persons working in the office of the Land Registry since 30 March 2020 per week in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [37623/21]

*355. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if a full and comprehensive response will be provided as to the reason a dealing which is in the Land Registry since June 2017 has not been processed in view of the difficulties which this is causing for the applicant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [37627/21]

*356. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of housing agencies that are registered in Ireland; if all of these housing agencies are not-for-profit; and the number of employees within this sector. — Peadar Tóibín. [37636/21]

*357. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if there were any circumstances in which the culling of seals has been permitted by his Department in Irish waters and the EEZ over recent years. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [37640/21]

*358. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will clarify the process for disposing of the rubble from homes that are demolished due to MICA or pyrite in their concrete blocks; and if he will provide an assurance that no quarry that manufactured these blocks will be used for this purpose. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [37644/21]

*359. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of housing projects which will be affected by the Planning and Development (Amendment) (No.3) Bill 2021 if enacted; the number of housing units which will benefit from an extension of time for completion in the context of the disruption and delay compounded by the continuing uncertainties associated with the Covid 19 pandemic; if he will consider extending the proposed two-year additional period for completion of projects to three years; if he has assessed the number of projects and housing units that would be assisted by a three-year extension rather than a two-year one and give those details; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [37708/21]

*360. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if local authorities retain 100% of the local property tax paid by them in regard to social housing. — Thomas Gould. [37764/21]

*361. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to a situation in which persons who have been given rent breaks during the Covid-19 pandemic are now being asked to pay this rent back incrementally at an increased rate due to rent increases in the interim period. — Thomas Gould. [37765/21]

*362. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37813/21]

*363. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the assistance his Department can provide to tenants who have been given notice to quit by their landlord but are unable to find alternative accommodation due to lack of available housing stock; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marian Harkin. [37895/21]

*364. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if the recent fires such as that on Howth Hill requires any rethinking of protection measures or the provision of resources to contain such instances when they occur. — Richard Bruton. [37896/21]

*365. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of long-term lease and Part V lease approvals granted to date in 2021; the number of units in each approval;

the local authority in which each approval was granted; the average annual cost of the lease in each development; and the average length of the lease in each development. — Eoin Ó Broin. [37991/21]

*366. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has received communication and a submission or application from Limerick City and County Council to be included in the block pyrite scheme; if he will review a report (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [37993/21]

*367. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he plans to review the National Planning Framework Implementation Roadmap and the Housing Supply Target Methodology for Development Planning, Guidelines for Planning Authorities 2020 in view of the permanent changes being brought about to lifestyles due to Covid-19 and its impact on spatial planning; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [38015/21]

*368. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he plans to review the Guidance Note on Core Strategies, November 2010 in view of the permanent changes being brought about to lifestyles due to Covid-19 and its impact on spatial planning; when he plans to do this in view of the fact that most county and city plans will be adopted in the next two years and the effect up-to-date guidance could have on these plans; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [38016/21]

*369. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the progress made towards action 29 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38062/21]

*370. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps he is taking to ensure derelict buildings are inspected for risk of collapse; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [38063/21]

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

*371. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if consideration has been given to the way in which Irish citizens who have been vaccinated in other jurisdictions will be able to register for the EU Digital COVID Certificate in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [37190/21]

*372. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if his Department has entered into an international agreement with the United Kingdom that allows the British Royal Air Force to enter Irish airspace and carry out military operations within Irish sovereign airspace and over the territory of the Republic of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [37232/21]

*373. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs when a passport will issue to a person (details supplied) in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [37238/21]

*374. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the status of a passport application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [37249/21]

*375. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the status of a passport application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [37250/21]

*376. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37294/21]

*377. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the approximate number of passport applications left to process to fully clear the Covid-19 backlog; the speed with which he expects foreign birth registrations to resume; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [37368/21]

*378. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he has made representations to his Nigerian counterparts concerning the ongoing campaign of violence against Christians in the Middle Belt region of Nigeria that is continuing unabated with many observers describing it as genocide in view of the fact that over 1,400 Christians are estimated to have been murdered to date in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [37462/21]

*379. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if Ireland supports the imposition of EU Magnitsky style sanctions on persons who are complicit in human rights violations; if such sanctions have been imposed by Ireland to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [37558/21]

*380. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if his attention has been drawn to the recent attack on the offices of the organisers of Tbilisi Pride; if the safety and security of LGBTQ+ persons in Georgia has been discussed by the EU Council of Ministers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [37574/21]

*381. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if there are delays with regard to the processing of passport applications particularly in respect of applications for passports for children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [37789/21]

*382. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37811/21]

*383. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs his assessment of the situation in Bahrain (details supplied). — Seán Haughey. [37829/21]

*384. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will address the case of a person (details supplied) who has had a passport application rejected due to the fact that they did not include a copy of a driving licence in their application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [37957/21]

*385. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the amount spent on Irish citizens and Irish communities abroad; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37973/21]

*386. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the number of passports that have been issued to date in 2021; the average wait time for a new passport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37974/21]

*387. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the actions he is taking in response to the ongoing Israel-Palestinian violence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [38044/21]

*388. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the details of the human rights violations that he has raised with the EU Global Human Rights Sanctions Regime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [38045/21]

*389. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the details of the human rights violations that he has raised at the EU and UN since taking office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [38046/21]

*390. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he has held discussions to date with the US administration regarding the need for the United States of America to sign up to and come under the jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court; if not, the reason for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38060/21]

Chun an Aire Cosanta: To the Minister for Defence.

*391. To ask the Minister for Defence the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37289/21]

*392. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of applications received for first time enlistment in the Army, Air Corps and the Naval Service, respectively in 2020 and to date in 2021; the number of such applications that were successful and resulted in enlistment; the number of those that enlisted in the Defence Forces and have since left; the reasons for such departures; the number of those that applied for enlistment in 2020 and 2021 and were not successful; the reasons for such results in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [37517/21]

*393. To ask the Minister for Defence the estimated full year cost of increasing the number of personnel in the Army Reserve to 5,000 and the Naval Service Reserve to 500 personnel; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [37609/21]

*394. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37806/21]

Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

*395. To ask the Minister for Education if she will instruct the NCSE to contact a school (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [37168/21]

*396. To ask the Minister for Education if an organisation (details supplied) will be consulted as part of the stakeholder process engaged by the State Exams Commission following the meeting of the advisory group on planning for State examinations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [37172/21]

*397. To ask the Minister for Education if grant aid is available to schools (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37206/21]

*398. To ask the Minister for Education if Covid-19 guidelines to teaching staff will remain the same for autumn school reopening as prior to the summer holidays; if there will be additional requirements on school staff in respect of testing, vaccination or any other measures; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [37209/21]

*399. To ask the Minister for Education the Covid-19 guidelines in place for pregnant school staff; if she plans to amend these guidelines prior to the autumn school reopening; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [37210/21]

*400. To ask the Minister for Education the number of special schools and schools with special classes in the State, respectively; the number of students who attend special schools and schools with special classes, respectively; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [37244/21]

*401. To ask the Minister for Education the steps being taken to resolve the issue of medical cards not being accepted for payment on school transport routes due to the recent cyber-attack on the HSE; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [37254/21]

*402. To ask the Minister for Education if a person's (details supplied) seat is secured even though the school transport system will not accept a medical card as payment. — Sean Sherlock. [37255/21]

*403. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to make sufficient resources available in the budgetary process to improve pay and conditions for school secretaries and caretakers and for their hard work to be recognised (details supplied). — Mattie McGrath. [37260/21]

*404. To ask the Minister for Education the latest policy position regarding the provision of mixed use toilet facilities given the Design Guide for Sanitary Facilities SDG 02-06 in relation to the use of mixed sex toilets in new-build schools and retrofitting older schools (details supplied); the latest policy position her Department is pursuing regarding mixed toilets; her plans to safeguard facilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Shanahan. [37266/21]

*405. To ask the Minister for Education the details of the social impact assessments carried out by her Department and public bodies and agencies under her remit since 1 January 2016; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37290/21]

*406. To ask the Minister for Education the status of an SNA application and appeal by a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [37305/21]

*407. To ask the Minister for Education the number of applications for an exceptional review in relation to SNA allocations in 2021; the number of such applications that were rejected; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [37370/21]

*408. To ask the Minister for Education the status of and timeline for the commencement of building work on a school (details supplied). — Paul Donnelly. [37399/21]

*409. To ask the Minister for Education the supports and information made available to schools to deal with suspected and confirmed cases of domestic abuse; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37414/21]

*410. To ask the Minister for Education the number of schools which participated in the summer provision annually since 2015; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37415/21]

*411. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 334 of 29 June 2021, her views on the setting up of an official channel by her Department with trained persons employed by her Department who systematically visit schools in order to provide young persons with essential lifesaving skills (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [37459/21]

*412. To ask the Minister for Education her views on the new agricultural science syllabus now in place in secondary schools for the leaving certificate programme; if she considers it relevant, practical and of benefit to the learning outcomes of students; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [37463/21]

*413. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department can guarantee that schools will be provided with a CO2 monitor in each classroom given the need for safe ventilation; if the HEPA filters which are also required will be provided before schools reopen at the end of August 2021; and if her attention has been drawn to the fact that these measures are needed to ensure the safety of students and staff (details supplied). — Paul Murphy. [37501/21]

*414. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the site selection process relating to the proposed development of a new school building for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [37572/21]

*415. To ask the Minister for Education the average delivery timescale for a new school building under the design and build system from stage one of the process to completion and handover between 2016 and 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [37616/21]

*416. To ask the Minister for Education if there is funding available for early start classes in DEIS Gaelscoileanna. — Thomas Gould. [37649/21]

*417. To ask the Minister for Education if she plans to have calculated grades in 2022 as well as an examination in view of the enormous disruption to students school life in the senior cycle and in view of the two year nature of the leaving certificate course; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [37697/21]

*418. To ask the Minister for Education the number of children eligible for July provision in Cork; the number of applications received by her Department to date for children who have a tutor and the number of tutors registered with her Department for the programme. — Thomas Gould. [37766/21]

*419. To ask the Minister for Education the number of legal cases brought against her Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37807/21]

*420. To ask the Minister for Education the cost per annum to the Exchequer of keeping a child in the primary school system and the secondary system and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37842/21]

*421. To ask the Minister for Education the number of school buses owned by Bus Éireann that are used on the school transport scheme by the age of the vehicle in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [37858/21]

*422. To ask the Minister for Education the position regarding recent decisions not to allocate SNA support in 46 out of 47 applications made by schools in an area (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [37873/21]

*423. To ask the Minister for Education the consideration she has for mainstream schools with special classes managed by teaching principals (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [37886/21]

*424. To ask the Minister for Education if she will address the concerns raised in correspondence by a person (details supplied) regarding July provision; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Butler. [37893/21]

*425. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais cé a thug an bhreith pointí bónais don Lár-Oifig Iontrála a thabhairt do dhaltaí a dhéanann an mhatamaitic ag Ard-Leibhéal don Ardeistiméireacht; cén chomhairle nó taighde ar bunaíodh an bhreith sin, agus ar thug an Chomhairle Náisiúnta Curaclaim agus Measúnachta comhairle i leith na breithe sin; agus cén taighde atá déanta ar na himpleachtaí a bhí ag an mbreith sin. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [37980/21]

*426. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the new school building project at a school (details supplied) in County Meath; when work on the new school will commence; when it will be completed; if playing pitches will be included in the design; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [37982/21]

*427. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to examine the current July provision programme to examine whether it is fit for purpose; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [37985/21]

*428. To ask the Minister for Education the estimated cost in a full year if the Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs Act 2004 was fully commenced. — Róisín Shortall. [38031/21]

*429. To ask the Minister for Education the progress made towards action 36 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38036/21]

*430. To ask the Minister for Education the progress made towards action 40 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy (2017-2021). — Holly Cairns. [38037/21]

*431. To ask the Minister for Education the steps she is taking to address the shortage of school transport places across County Cork. — Holly Cairns. [38038/21]

*432. To ask the Minister for Education the current average class size in Irish primary schools; the estimated number of additional teachers that would be required to reduce that number by one in

the next year; the estimated cost of hiring these additional teachers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38056/21]

*433. To ask the Minister for Education the estimated cost of ensuring that all DEIS school students have access to a laptop or tablet; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38057/21]

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

*434. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to the issue of family carers who are in receipt of the lowest level of the pandemic unemployment payment who will cease to receive the payment from 7 September 2021 and will be unable to apply for jobseeker's allowance despite not having returned to their part-time work yet; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [37161/21]

*435. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if taxi drivers are to be allowed stay on the pandemic unemployment payment until February 2022; the way this will work in practice; if there will be a reduction in payments or some transition to a jobseeker's payment; the way this will work given the fact that taxi drivers are self-employed and not seeking a job; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [37169/21]

*436. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of a birth certificate application by a person (details supplied); and if the certificate will be issued urgently to enable the person to apply for a passport for the purposes of travel. — Eoin Ó Broin. [37204/21]

*437. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the entitlements that are available to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [37272/21]

*438. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if an application by a person (details supplied) will be expedited and approved. — John McGuinness. [37278/21]

*439. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the details of the social impact assessments carried out by her Department and public bodies and agencies under her remit since 1 January 2016; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37300/21]

*440. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of applications for domiciliary care allowance in each of the years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021, by county. — Peadar Tóibín. [37333/21]

*441. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of refusals for domiciliary care allowance in each of the years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021, by county. — Peadar Tóibín. [37334/21]

*442. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of refusals for domiciliary care allowance for children with autistic spectrum disorder in each of the years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021, by county. — Peadar Tóibín. [37335/21]

*443. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of domiciliary care applications refused on first application in each year since 2017, by county. — Peadar Tóibín. [37336/21]

*444. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of domiciliary care applicants who were successful in their applications when their initial refusal was reviewed in each of the years since 2017, by county. — Peadar Tóibín. [37337/21]

*445. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the percentage and number of successful domiciliary care applications who were successful after an oral review in each of the years since 2017, by county. — Peadar Tóibín. [37338/21]

*446. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the parents of children with disabilities and in receipt of a disability payment are excluded from the back to school clothing and footwear allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [37380/21]

*447. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a carer's allowance will be granted to a person (details supplied) following appeal. — Robert Troy. [37401/21]

*448. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the issues will be addressed in relation to exchange rates in the case of a person (details supplied); if the person would earn more money each week on the State pension instead of their Polish pension; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [37434/21]

*449. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of self-employed pension contributions made by a person (details supplied) from when they first entered the scheme to reaching pension age; if the contributions in this case are refundable; if additional contributions can be purchased at this stage with a view to qualification for State pension (contributory); if any or all PAYE contributions paid by them have been taken into account with a view to ascertaining whether a combination of both PAYE and self-employed contributions can be used to enhance their ability to qualify for the State pension (contributory); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [37450/21]

*450. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to difficulties in the registration of births in the civil registration service due to the handwriting of birth notifications from some maternity hospitals following the cyber-attack on the HSE; the steps she is taking to facilitate the registration of births while manual systems are being operated in maternity hospitals; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [37494/21]

*451. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 427 of 22 June 2021, if her Department has reviewed the recent ESRI report Covid-19 and the Irish Welfare System, particularly with regard to its estimated cost of increasing jobseeker's rates from €112.70 to €203, an amount of €159 million to €169 million in comparison with the estimated figure of €64.8 million; the way her Department arrived at the calculation for the estimated figures provided; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [37525/21]

*452. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated savings forthcoming rate changes to the pandemic unemployment payment will have with regard to moving the payment rates from a maximum of €350 per week to €300 per week in September 2021 to a maximum rate of €250 per week in November and then to a standard rate of €203 as of February 2022; the breakdown of the savings at each stage of rate change and for each rate in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [37526/21]

*453. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 1124 of 21 April 2021, if her Department has further considered extending short time work support jobseeker's

eligibility beyond 234 days for those with the required PRSI contributions in acknowledgement of the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on employment which has required many workers to receive this payment for longer than nine months; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [37527/21]

*454. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 1124 of 21 April 2021, the provision her Department plans to make for workers that have exhausted their short time work support or jobseeker's benefit eligibility as a result of pandemic related impact on their employment; the way those workers will be able to access income related supports such as maternity benefit and illness benefit moving forward; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [37528/21]

*455. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated cost of extending the working family payment to those without children; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [37532/21]

*456. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the measures that have been implemented by her Department with regard to enabling the safe return to work for workers that are currently in receipt of the pandemic unemployment payment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [37533/21]

*457. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the consideration that has been given to extending self-employed related income disregard of €120 per week in respect of the pandemic unemployment payment for PAYE workers to enable and encourage the safe return to work for workers that are currently in receipt of the payment; the estimated cost for such a proposal in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [37534/21]

*458. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide clarity in relation to the way her Department recognises cohabiting couples (details supplied); her views on whether this is a serious inconsistency in the system; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Shanahan. [37550/21]

*459. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when the birth of a child (details supplied) will be registered. — Sean Sherlock. [37573/21]

*460. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her views on whether it is discriminatory to place a ceiling on a minority of recipients of the deserted wives benefit 1992-1997; her further views on whether this allowance should be subject to inflationary rebalancing over the past 14 years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [37632/21]

*461. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of persons under 25 years of age currently on the pandemic unemployment payment in County Cork. — Thomas Gould. [37772/21]

*462. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of applications for the carer's allowance in County Cork in 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021, respectively; and the number of these that were refused. — Thomas Gould. [37773/21]

*463. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of domiciliary care allowance applications in County Cork in 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021 respectively; and the number of these that were refused. — Thomas Gould. [37774/21]

*464. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of legal cases brought against her Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37817/21]

*465. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the supports that will be made available to those working on short and freelance contracts in the arts and entertainment sector who cannot receive the pandemic unemployment payment as a result of being considered an employee and who cannot earn a sufficient income whilst their sector is so heavily affected by ongoing public health guidelines; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [37831/21]

*466. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if an appeal will be expedited for a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [37843/21]

*467. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason the password length for the MyGov ID is so short, that is, not longer than 16 characters (details supplied); if there is a plan to alter this length in order to improve user and systems' safety particularly in the context of the recent cyber-attack on the HSE; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37848/21]

*468. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will address a matter (details supplied) regarding child benefit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Kieran O'Donnell. [37857/21]

*469. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her plans to address a matter (details supplied) regarding carer's allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [37876/21]

*470. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to the fact that child benefit for children over the age of 16 will not be available to some persons from July until September 2021 and that there was no prior warning given about this to parents and guardians; the steps she is taking to address this; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [37976/21]

*471. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to instances of delays in paying a social protection support (details supplied); the number of persons impacted by same; and her plans to resolve the situation as a matter of priority. — Catherine Murphy. [38030/21]

*472. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 302 of 1 July 2021, the expected spend in 2020 on the wage subsidy scheme for persons with disabilities; and the additional funding needed in 2022 if the subsidy was raised to 55%, 60% and 65% of the national minimum wage, respectively. — Róisín Shortall. [38032/21]

*473. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated yield from increasing employers' PRSI on the balance of incomes over €100,000; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38048/21]

*474. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated cost of extending the fuel allowance payment period by one week; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38049/21]

*475. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated cost of an additional €1 in the weekly fuel allowance payment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38050/21]

*476. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated cost of increasing the qualified child increase for the over 12s by €1 per week; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38051/21]

*477. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated cost of increasing the qualified child increase for the under 12s by €1 per week; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38052/21]

*478. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated cost of one additional week of paternity benefit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38053/21]

*479. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated cost of one additional week of parent's benefit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38054/21]

*480. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will consider publishing an interim report compiled from a smaller portion of the replies from the full cost of disability report by a company (details supplied) in order to assist with making part of the research available prior to Budget 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38061/21]

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

*481. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the supports available for a person residing in direct provision who is suffering with mental health difficulties that make living in close proximity with other residents difficult for the person and to the other residents; and if more suitable accommodation can be secured in such cases. — Mark Ward. [37193/21]

*482. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the progress made towards action 104 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38043/21]

*483. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the progress made towards action 53 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38083/21]

*484. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the progress made towards action 104 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38097/21]

*485. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his views in relation to a document prepared by an organisation (details supplied) and submitted to Tusla; if he will provide a roadmap outlining the way he plans to bring about pay parity and pay restoration to those working in section 39 originations whose posts are funded by Tusla; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [37182/21]

*486. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he plans to review or amend the Covid-19 guidelines for childcare facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [37221/21]

*487. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37288/21]

*488. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his officials have reviewed the motion on personal assistance services for disabled persons which passed unanimously in Dáil Éireann on 19 November 2019; the measures that will be brought forward to progress these rights; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [28223/21]

*489. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the services currently available for those who have hearing loss in particular but not exclusively, access to hearing aids and lip reading services; if there is a cost implication for the service user; the planned expansion of services for those with hearing loss; if he will address the lack of lip reader tutor training in order to increase the amount of lip reader tutors; the measures he is taking to increase the number of lip reading classes nationally and in Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [37402/21]

*490. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the steps he is taking to establish dedicated refuge space for male victims and survivors of domestic abuse; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37408/21]

*491. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if there are plans to increase the funding available to national organisations within the remit of his Department; if additional funding pathways will be considered for an organisation (details supplied); the supports that will be put in place to assist childminders with any regulatory obligations resulting from the National Action Plan for Childminding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [37454/21]

*492. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of protection applicants who presented as unaccompanied minors that have been age-disputed and subjected to an assessment by Tusla since the commencement of the International Protection Act 2015; the number deemed as adults and placed into direct provision; and the number deemed minors and placed in the care of Tusla. — Joe O'Brien. [37477/21]

*493. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his attention or that of his Department has been drawn to reports of worms found in food served in Kinsale direct provision centre in County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [37485/21]

*494. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his attention or that of his Department has been drawn to reports of the deaths of persons in the Mosney direct provision centre in recent months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [37486/21]

*495. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the last time a HIQA inspection was carried out in each direct provision centre in the country in tabular form. — Peadar Tóibín. [37487/21]

*496. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his Department currently has contracts with a company (details supplied); if so, the purpose and nature of these contracts; the number of contracts with the company; the costs associated with same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [37488/21]

*497. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his attention or that of his Department has been drawn to reports of cockroach infestations in direct provision centres since he took office; and if so, if he will provide detail on these incidents. — Peadar Tóibín. [37489/21]

*498. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his attention or that of his Department has been drawn to reports or instances of mice or rat infestations in direct provision centres since he took office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [37490/21]

*499. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his attention or that of his Department has been drawn to reports or instances of hunger strikes in direct provision centres since he took office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [37491/21]

*500. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth further to correspondence he received from this Deputy (details supplied), if he will consider introducing a system whereby the number of deaths within the direct provision system is recorded and published on an annual basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [37492/21]

*501. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of persons that are currently resident in direct provision by nationality, age and gender in tabular form. — Barry Cowen. [37514/21]

*502. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if funding will be provided for a freephone line for men who are experiencing domestic abuse and coercive control; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [37787/21]

*503. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37805/21]

*504. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the current policy for Tusla employees in regard to protected time for breastfeeding; if the agency has plans in place in regard to adopting the HSE breastfeeding policy for the public service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [37830/21]

*505. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the details of the redress scheme for survivors of mother and baby homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [37850/21]

*506. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 1241 of 21 April 2021, the status of the investigation into the leak of the report of the Mother and Baby Homes Commission of Investigation; the details of any report received from the Secretary General of the Department of An Taoiseach to date; the enquiries made by him to establish the source of and the reason for the leak; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [37851/21]

*507. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the way in which the requirement for new regulations accords with the requirement to disapply national provisions to ensure that EU law is fully effective (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [37852/21]

*508. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the details of his engagement with Travellers, Mincéiri and Mincéir and their organisations in County Cork since taking office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [38034/21]

*509. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the progress made in the implementation of the access and inclusion model of supports for children with disabilities as outlined in the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38035/21]

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

*510. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the cost per annum to the Exchequer of keeping teenage and young adults in third-level education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37842/21]

*511. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the projected expenditure from the National Training Fund until 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [37195/21]

*512. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the criteria used to determine the six indicators for the higher education access route; his views on whether the rigid application of same can further exclude poor students; the numbers of applicants refused this term; and the breakdown of refusals by each indicator used (details supplied) in tabular form. — Bríd Smith. [37274/21]

*513. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will address a matter regarding students wanting to study medicine (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [37275/21]

*514. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37295/21]

*515. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his views on whether Youthreach is an independent autonomous form of education that works towards self-directed learning for students; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37352/21]

*516. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if the staff grade for Youthreach is pro-rata teacher grade; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37353/21]

*517. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will engage with a union (details supplied) in relation to co-ordinators and resource person grades in Youthreach being allowed to convert to pro-rata teacher grade; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37354/21]

*518. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his views on whether the co-ordinators workload in Youthreach is on a par with a principal's and that a resource person's workload is on a par with an assistant principals in second-level schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37355/21]

*519. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to cases in which students who were previously in receipt of the special rate threshold SUSI grant are now ineligible for the same grant funding in 2021 due to their receipt of the pandemic unemployment payment pushing them marginally over the income threshold; his views on whether this may lead to an increase in students pulling out of courses for financial reasons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [37398/21]

*520. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the supports and information made available to universities, colleges and other institutions and bodies under his remit to deal with suspected and confirmed cases of domestic abuse; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37422/21]

*521. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of SUSI recipients that have been moved from a non-adjacent maintenance rate in 2020-2021 academic year to an adjacent rate in 2021-2022 as a result of the SUSI altered systems and processes for measurement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [37531/21]

*522. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if the new €40 million north-south research programme will fund new PhD research projects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [37575/21]

*523. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to the fact that many Irish prospective students at UK universities have not yet received clarity on their eligibility to access UK home fees and tuition fee loans from UK universities for the forthcoming academic year; if he has engaged with his counterpart in the UK Government to advocate that this is clarified for Irish students as soon as possible given the particular relationship Ireland has with the UK under the Common Travel Agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe O'Brien. [37605/21]

*524. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if employers of apprentices receive any tax relief or incentives; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [37626/21]

*525. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount it costs to run the HEAR and DARE initiatives on an annual basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [37650/21]

*526. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount that has been allocated to fund the National Plan for Equity of Access to Higher Education 2021-2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [37651/21]

*527. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the European funds that contribute to higher and further education in Ireland; if any contribute towards improving access to further and or higher education opportunities for persons with disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [37652/21]

*528. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if SUSI qualification thresholds will be increased; the other initiatives he plans to assist students and their families meet the financial challenges of higher education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [37691/21]

*529. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if the SUSI deduction for holiday earnings earned outside of term time up to a maximum of €4,500 is being applied to students who received the pandemic unemployment payment instead as their employment was interrupted by the pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [37692/21]

*530. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to the fact that DCU has raised the cost of its post-primary teaching fees from €8,960 in 2020 to €9,700 for 2021-2022, which is having a huge impact on many students; the supports that are in place for students who find themselves in this position; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [37709/21]

*531. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to a campaign by an organisation (details supplied) amongst others in relation to the impact that the pandemic unemployment payment is having on SUSI grant applications given many students who would normally be in receipt of grant funding are no longer qualifying; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [37791/21]

*532. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to cases of students who have not moved address or college who have been informed in 2021 that they do not qualify for the SUSI non-adjacent rate due to a new method of calculating the distance to their home; his views on whether this will act as a barrier in returning to third-level education this academic year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [37792/21]

*533. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37812/21]

*534. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the costs associated with maintaining the National Training Fund advisory group; if the expenditure is taken from the Exchequer or the National Training Fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [37983/21]

*535. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the programmes co-financed by the European Social Fund; the percentage of co-financing; the

amount co-financed under each programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [37984/21]

*536. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the progress made towards action 42 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38047/21]

*537. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the estimated cost of reducing the third-level student contribution also known as the registration fee by €500; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38055/21]

*538. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the annual spend on the student maintenance grant; the estimated cost of increasing all rates by 10%; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38058/21]

*539. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the estimated cost of increasing the income thresholds for the student maintenance grant also known as the SUSI grant; the estimated cost of increasing all rates by 10%; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [38059/21]

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

*540. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will consider requesting the Garda Commissioner to allow members of An Garda Síochána who are suspended for alleged offences to at least do duties of a clerical nature in view of the fact that Garda resources are under pressure. — Willie O’Dea. [37167/21]

*541. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will propose an amendment to the Irish Nationality and Citizenship Act 1956 in order to provide for retrospective posthumous registration on the foreign birth register; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [37211/21]

*542. To ask the Minister for Justice the details of the social impact assessments carried out by her Department and public bodies and agencies under her remit since 1 January 2016; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37297/21]

*543. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 1135 of 15 June 2021, the breakdown by nationality of the 133 renewed approvals for the atypical work permit scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37340/21]

*544. To ask the Minister for Justice the breakdown by nationality of the atypical work permit approvals that expired without renewal from December 2019 to date. — Mick Barry. [37341/21]

*545. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of vessel owners since the atypical work permit scheme for non-EEA fishers commenced that have been barred from availing of the scheme arising from detected infringements on their part of the terms of the scheme or of the applicable rules of employment law; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37345/21]

*546. To ask the Minister for Justice if it is the policy of her Department to issue foreign nationals present in the State for five years on foot of permissions on stamp 1 conditions granted under the atypical working scheme for non-EEA crew in the Irish fishing fleet with permissions on stamp 4 conditions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [37351/21]

*547. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will advise on a matter raised in correspondence (details supplied); if permission will be granted; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [37362/21]

*548. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of an application for a stamp O visa by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [37367/21]

*549. To ask the Minister for Justice the progress to date in the determination of an application for citizenship in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [37403/21]

*550. To ask the Minister for Justice the steps she is taking to fulfil the Programme for Government commitment to develop the third National Strategy on Domestic, Sexual and Gender-Based Violence which will place a priority on prevention and reduction and will include a national preventative strategy. — Holly Cairns. [37409/21]

*551. To ask the Minister for Justice the steps she is taking to address financial coercion and financial exclusion faced by victims and survivors of domestic abuse; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37421/21]

*552. To ask the Minister for Justice the steps she is taking to fulfil the Programme for Government commitment to legislate to introduce domestic homicide reviews. — Holly Cairns. [37423/21]

*553. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will extend the definition of consent in law to emphasise that sexual coercion involves more than threats of and actual physical force. — Holly Cairns. [37424/21]

*554. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will introduce strict time limits for applications to adduce sexual experience evidence and ensure that legal counsel representing the complainant is not much less experienced than those representing the prosecution and defence in such cases for sexual assault and rape trials. — Holly Cairns. [37425/21]

*555. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will request that guidance for juries be developed as a priority to address rape myths ingrained and pre-existing biases, stereotypes and assumptions they may have, whether conscious or unconscious, preferably to be given at the start of a trial but with judicial discretion to repeat it when needed. — Holly Cairns. [37426/21]

*556. To ask the Minister for Justice if her attention has been drawn to the situation residents in a location (details supplied) are having with serious issues regarding the sale of drugs that may fall under the Criminal Justice (Psychoactive Substances) Act 2010; and the supports that are being provided to local gardaí to combat same. — Thomas Gould. [37441/21]

*557. To ask the Minister for Justice the reason for the delay in implementing all sections of the Judicial Council Act 2019; when she will sign commencement orders in relation to sections 3, 42, 50-51, 53-64, 67-84, 86 and 88 of the Act and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [37453/21]

*558. To ask the Minister for Justice the plan that has succeeded the Youth Justice Action Plan 2014-2018; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [37484/21]

*559. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of an application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [37551/21]

*560. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will address a matter regarding long stay visas (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Collins. [37552/21]

*561. To ask the Minister for Justice the estimated cost if 1,000 additional gardaí were recruited in each of the years 2022 to 2024, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [37612/21]

*562. To ask the Minister for Justice if funding will be provided for the purchase of high-powered jet skis for the Garda water unit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [37613/21]

*563. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of quad bikes, all-terrain vehicles, scramblers and similar types of vehicles seized by gardaí in each Garda division in 2020 and to date in 2021, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [37614/21]

*564. To ask the Minister for Justice if she has considered the report by an organisation (details supplied) relating to easements issued in May 2021; if she is considering on foot of this report extending section 38 of the Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2011 for another six years to enable the Law Reform Commission review the whole area of easements and their registration in view of the day to day experience since the commencement of the 2009 Act; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [37646/21]

*565. To ask the Minister for Justice if the Irish Prison Service has provided her with a report of an incident which took place in 2021 in Cloverhill Prison during which a male prison guard instructed a female solicitor to remove her underwear when her bra set off a metal detector when attending for a visit with a client on an urgent matter, and if she will meet with the solicitor to discuss the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [37748/21]

*566. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of applicants going through the accelerated process at the International Protections Office; the number going through the non-accelerated process; and the total number respectively in tabular form. — Thomas Gould. [37800/21]

*567. To ask the Minister for Justice the overall median waiting time for applications through the International Protections Office; and the median waiting time for accelerated and non-accelerated applications, respectively in tabular form. — Thomas Gould. [37801/21]

*568. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of applications to the new pre-clearance visa scheme that was introduced for UK nationals who came to Ireland after 31 December 2020 and wish to bring their non-EEA family members with them; the number of visas granted in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Gould. [37802/21]

*569. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of GSOC investigations launched in each of the past five years and to date in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [37803/21]

*570. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of legal cases brought against her Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37814/21]

*571. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will commission a review into the practices and policies within the Irish prison system which resulted in a male prison guard instructing a female solicitor to remove their underwear when their bra set off a metal detector in order for them to meet with their client on an urgent matter; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [37821/21]

*572. To ask the Minister for Justice the progress of a certificate of naturalisation for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [37828/21]

*573. To ask the Minister for Justice if the practices of visiting prisoners have been adjusted and improved in accordance with vaccination levels in the prison and general population given many have been without family visits since March 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37832/21]

*574. To ask the Minister for Justice if the Irish Prison Service can at this stage of the Covid-19 situation, allow solicitors see their clients in person as opposed to video link, particularly in complex cases and in which interpreters might be needed (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37833/21]

*575. To ask the Minister for Justice if the Irish Prison Service is producing prisoners for video link consultation with their solicitors on every occasion necessary; if not, the reason; her plans to address this; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37834/21]

*576. To ask the Minister for Justice the date and findings of the most recent studies done on prisoner literacy and numeracy in the State both when they arrive for the sentence and when they leave; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37835/21]

*577. To ask the Minister for Justice the cost per annum to the Exchequer of keeping a prisoner in the prison system; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37836/21]

*578. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of prisoners currently in the prison system; the number according to age group by decade in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37837/21]

*579. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of prisoners currently being treated for a mental health conditions; the number who began their sentence known to have a mental health condition; the number who have been assessed as needing psychological help and getting psychological help; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37838/21]

*580. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of psychologists employed by and also available to the State for the treatment of prisoners in tabular form in each of the past ten years; the number of prisoners referred to them in each of the past ten years in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37839/21]

*581. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of prisoners on anti-anxiety and anti-depressant or mood related medication; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37840/21]

*582. To ask the Minister for Justice the stated capacity of prisons and the current numbers incarcerated in same in tabular form in each of the past ten years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37841/21]

*583. To ask the Minister for Justice if her Department has been in contact with an organisation (details supplied) in relation to the treatment of women solicitors in the matter of removal of items of underwear in order to be admitted to a prison; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37845/21]

*584. To ask the Minister for Justice if non-solicitor female visitors to prisoners have been required to remove items of underwear in order to be admitted to the visit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [37846/21]

*585. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will review the upper threshold in respect of prizes that may be raffled by charitable, sporting and community organisations to allow for the rising valuation of new houses that may be raffled in such competitions; if so, if such a change will be accomplished by a statutory instrument; if not, if primary legislation would be required; if a different threshold could apply in respect of charitable, sporting and community organisations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [37855/21]

*586. To ask the Minister for Justice if an application by a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [37856/21]

*587. To ask the Minister for Justice the average processing time for probate in the past five years by year in tabular form. — Thomas Gould. [37887/21]

*588. To ask the Minister for Justice if her attention has been drawn to the fact that on the residential property price register website there are a number of properties registered in the wrong areas and thus not reflecting the true property prices in each locality; the steps that the Property Services Regulatory Authority (PSRA) has taken to ensure greater accuracy in the data on the register and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [37897/21]

*589. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 358 of 1 July 2021, the significant issues that have arisen in respect of inward prisoner transfers from the UK that necessitate additional legislation to the 1983 European Council Convention and existing 1995 Act. — Pa Daly. [37966/21]

*590. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will intervene on humanitarian grounds to ensure the safe passage of an Irish citizen's mother (details supplied) to Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [37994/21]

*591. To ask the Minister for Justice if senior Garda officers have indicated that they will not carry out investigations on behalf of the Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission as part of a protest which will also impact on the implementation of planned policing reforms; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [37995/21]

*592. To ask the Minister for Justice if it is planned to implement a 25% increase in the availability allowance for Garda superintendents which was recommended as part of a review in 2020; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [37996/21]

*593. To ask the Minister for Justice if her Department plans to amend the misuse of drugs regulations to provide clarity and legal certainty to civilian property exhibit management system roles in An Garda Síochána nationally with regard to their ability to control drugs or firearms; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [38022/21]

*594. To ask the Minister for Justice the progress made towards action 18 of the National Disability and Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021. — Holly Cairns. [38082/21]

*595. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will introduce statutory time limits for decisions on asylum applications. — Holly Cairns. [38084/21]

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

*596. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will call for a review of a case (details supplied) by an independent, impartial body in relation to the new evidence in connection with Horse Racing Ireland and the Irish Horseracing Regulatory Board published in the media on 5 July 2021. — Paul Murphy. [37518/21]

*597. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will establish Just Transition supports to protect jobs and businesses in the horticulture sector into the future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marian Harkin. [37989/21]

*598. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if eco scheme payments in the next CAP will be paid at a flat rate per eligible hectare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [37220/21]

*599. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 538 of 25 May 2021, the project manager of Project Woodland (details supplied) has stated that the Assistant Secretary is the project sponsor for Project Woodland; if he will explain the role of the project sponsor; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [37235/21]

*600. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 1199 of 15 June 2021, if the establishment of native woodlands on Bord na Móna bog will be included in the climate action afforestation targets of 8,000 hectares annually; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [37236/21]

*601. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 1200 of 15 June 2021, if Coillte felling licence requirements for 2021 were prioritised over private licences applications awaiting decisions from his Department since 2016, 2017 and 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [37237/21]

*602. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of greyhounds that were injured and died or were killed at tracks from 1 January 2021 to date; the names of the greyhounds; the cause of each injury and death; and the associated dates and track locations. — Joan Collins. [37243/21]

*603. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if concerns have been raised with him in relation to difficulties farmers are experiencing in reducing their herd to comply with the BEAM scheme; if a further extension into 2022 will be considered given the limitations Covid-19 has caused for farmers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [37269/21]

*604. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if flexibility will be given to a farmer (details supplied) who was unaware that they could seek a concession under the BEAM scheme given that they had been restricted due to TB and therefore has found it more difficult to

meet the conditions of the BEAM scheme with regard to reducing the herd. — Claire Kerrane. [37270/21]

*605. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of the social impact assessments carried out by his Department and public bodies and agencies under his remit since 1 January 2016; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37287/21]

*606. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 355 of 30 June 2021, if all current members of the CAP Consultative Committee were invited onto the Committee by him or his Department; the reason an organisation (details supplied) was not invited onto the Committee at the outset; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [37388/21]

*607. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 362 of 30 June 2021, the minimum level of annual afforestation necessary from 2021 to ensure the entire estate does not become a temporary source of carbon (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [37389/21]

*608. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 366 and 367 of 30 June 2021, the reason there is no representative from the forestry sector on the CAP Consultative Committee given that afforestation is clearly the largest opportunity in the land use sector to remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere; the way the afforestation opportunity in the sequestration of carbon possibly can be delivered upon in the next CAP given the knowledge regarding the last CAP and inter alia the drop in afforestation during the term of GLAS; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [37390/21]

*609. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 346 of 30 June 2021, the number of times the Forest Policy Group chaired by the Minister of State has discussed forestry and specifically afforestation in the context of the next CAP and membership of the CAP Consultative Committee; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [37391/21]

*610. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of an application for a PCS number by a company (details supplied). — Peter Fitzpatrick. [37393/21]

*611. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 505 and 506 of 1 July 2021, his plans to ensure better integration between the agri-environment schemes and the next forestry programme is achieved. — Michael Lowry. [37394/21]

*612. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 332, 333 and 334 of 30 June 2021, when he will instruct his Department to seek the necessary permissions in view of his reply that to make the submissions public his Department would first have to seek the permission of the consultees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [37395/21]

*613. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 335 of 30 June 2021, if it is planned to change the current definition of a forest as laid out in his answer (details supplied) in any new forestry regulations or in the proposed scheme to plant trees along rivers and watercourses to act as carbon sinks and interceptors of nutrients currently being prepared; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [37396/21]

*614. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 336 of 30 June 2021, if riparian planting and any new scheme including REAP to plant trees along rivers and watercourses to act as carbon sinks and interceptors of nutrients currently being prepared in which the size of the planting is less than 0.1 hectares in size cannot be accounted and reported under Ireland's international reporting requirements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [37397/21]

*615. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the consideration that was given to the environmental implications of a salmon farm which was recently granted a licence in Bantry Bay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37404/21]

*616. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on prohibition of salmon farming in Irish coastal waters; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37405/21]

*617. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of the environmental impact of fish farms on the Irish coast since 2014; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37406/21]

*618. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on applying for additional mackerel quota to support the hook and line fishery for vessels under 15 metres in length targeting mackerel on the basis that the fishery is of an artisanal or community nature; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37407/21]

*619. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department will prioritise private afforestation licences given Coillte has been issued its full allocation of felling licences for 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [37439/21]

*620. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the Minister of State for Land Use and Biodiversity supported the decision not to have the forestry industry represented on the CAP Consultative Committee; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [37440/21]

*621. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when a person (details supplied) can expect a decision on a forestry licence application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [37447/21]

*622. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will make available access to pre-1922 Land Commission records in view of their historical and cultural value to the citizens of the State. — Catherine Murphy. [37452/21]

*623. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the growth of sustainably managed commercial forestry in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [37515/21]

*624. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the planting of spruce for sustainably managed commercial forestry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [37516/21]

*625. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to proposals to prohibit the practice of providing halal meat; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [37535/21]

*626. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he is satisfied that all aspects and clauses in relation to governance, oversight, compliance and due diligence have been met in respect of Horse Sport Ireland's interests in a site (details supplied); if he has ever sought this information or information pertaining to other serious corporate governance responsibilities such as those covered by clause 10 of the service level agreement that exists between Horse Sport Ireland and his Department; and if he is satisfied that the service level agreement that has been agreed on has been and is functioning as intended. — Catherine Murphy. [37548/21]

*627. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the request from some inshore fishermen in Ireland that they would cooperate with the Marine Institute and other relevant authorities in conducting surveys on the abundance of spurdog or piked dogfish squalus acanthias around the coast (details supplied). — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [37637/21]

*628. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the efforts his Department and the relevant authorities are making to minimise either the illegal catch or bycatch of spurdog or piked dogfish squalus acanthias in Irish waters and the EEZ; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [37639/21]

*629. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if all EU states are subject to the same food safety regime when it comes to exporting brown crab to the Chinese market. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [37641/21]

*630. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the plans that are in place for Killybegs harbour to facilitate future demand in the offshore wind sector against a backdrop of tried and tested experience in this sector in facilitating onshore wind; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe McHugh. [37710/21]

*631. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the funding given to Cork City Council in respect of equine welfare management in the past five years in tabular form. — Thomas Gould. [37775/21]

*632. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of legal cases brought against his Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37804/21]

*633. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of cattle that were in the three townlands (details supplied) in County Clare during the years 2018, 2019 and 2020; if he will provide for each year the number of cattle on 1 January each year for each parish; the number of births registered each year for each parish; the number of cattle on 31 December of each year for each parish; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [37854/21]

*634. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a voluntary agreement was brought forward by a section or sections of the private sector using woodland carbon code as the basis for calculating sequestration rates; if that would preclude afforestation grant and premium support payment by his Department whilst accepting there is a distinct separation between the rights and value of carbon and the said grant support and also accepting the carbon accounting

and reporting must be clear to avoid double counting for reporting purposes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [37971/21]

*635. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 597 of 29 June 2021, his views on whether it is appropriate that a person who admitted significant animal neglect would continue in a role in which they have responsibilities in relation to overseeing animal welfare. — Paul Murphy. [37975/21]

*636. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding afforestation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [37999/21]

*637. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if information (details supplied) will be provided in relation to forestry applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [38000/21]

*638. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the upgrading of Dinish Pier, Castletownbere, County Cork; and when the upgrade is expected to be completed. — Holly Cairns. [38033/21]

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

*639. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when a review of measures relating to the control of dogs in Ireland will be published; and if this consultation document will also include questions on the restricted breeds of dogs. — Paul Donnelly. [37827/21]

*640. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the details of the social impact assessments carried out by her Department and public bodies and agencies under her remit since 1 January 2016; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37299/21]

*641. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the steps she is taking to fulfil the Programme for Government commitment to support the development of broadband connection points across the country and the development of digital hubs which can support remote working in as many of the connection points as possible; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [37418/21]

*642. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development her position on a proposed move of the dog control unit from her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [37438/21]

*643. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when a school (details supplied) can expect a decision on the CLÁR funding application in relation to an outdoor classroom and a biodiversity park; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [37688/21]

*644. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when the Charities Regulator first became aware of the alleged misappropriation of funds relating to an organisation (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [37798/21]

*645. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of legal cases brought against her Department in each of the past five years and to date in 2021; and if he will provide details on the nature of these cases. — Peadar Tóibín. [37816/21]

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QUESTIONS, OTHER THAN QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY, FOR ORAL
ANSWER ON WEDNESDAY, 14 JULY, 2021**

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

1. To ask the Taoiseach the membership and terms of reference of the North-East Inner-City Oversight Group chaired by the Secretary General of his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [37542/21]

2. To ask the Taoiseach the status of the investigation being carried out by the Secretary General of his Department into the leaking of details of the Mother and Baby Homes Commission of Investigation final report earlier in 2021. — Peadar Tóibín. [37869/21]