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

1. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the new measures included in Budget 2022 for suckler beef farmers, sheep farmers and farmers in areas of natural constraint. — Matt Carthy. [50847/21]

2. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the actions he is taking to address the Programme for Government commitment to ensure that inshore waters continue to be protected for smaller fishing vessels and recreational fishers and that pair trawling will be prohibited inside the six mile limit. — Holly Cairns. [51910/21]

3. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the projected number of new organic farmers for 2022; the additional funding that will be allocated to the organic farming scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [50848/21]

4. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way the labour force survey of the Irish fishing fleet being conducted by a company (details supplied) on behalf of Bord Iascaigh Mhara will capture data relating to migrant fishers, both documented and undocumented; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [51710/21]

5. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of applicants involved in the BDGP and BEEP-S schemes in 2020; the number that are taking part in the BDGP and BEEP-S schemes since their roll over into 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51911/21]

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6. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of bovine animals found to have failed the TB eradication test in each of the years 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021 in respect of the dairy herd and the beef herd; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51671/21]
7. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the banning of hare coursing given the cruel nature of the practice and the protected nature of the hare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [51711/21]

8. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to support hill farmers in the next CAP; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [51715/21]

9. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if an ash plantation is dead due to the ash dieback disease, if such a plantation requires a tree felling licence; the number of applications received and approved under the ash dieback RUS scheme since its launch; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [51250/21]

10. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the engagement he has had with Teagasc and other Ministers on the need for recognition of carbon removal on farms; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [49992/21]

11. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a report (details supplied) will examine the way Ireland can position itself to take advantage of the growing international trend to plant-based diets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [51527/21]

12. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the average value of each BPS entitlement per county in 2019 and 2020, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [51679/21]

13. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if trawlers over 18 metres in length are currently permitted to carry out fishing activities in Irish waters inside of the six nautical mile limit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [51539/21]

14. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for the future of the Beef Taskforce; and the consideration he has given to extending its remit in order to secure a fair price for beef farmers. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51705/21]

15. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of officials from his Department on secondment to Irish embassies; the breakdown by country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [51332/21]

16. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures that were introduced in Budget 2022 to support the organic sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [51436/21]

17. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if in relation to circular 5/2021, this means the silvicultural use of conifer species as a nurse species for broadleaf species is not allowable in the RUS; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [51246/21]

18. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for establishing a food ombudsman’s office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [51685/21]

19. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Agriculture and the Marine report on the Proposed Regulation of Veterinary Medicines in Ireland and the recommendations outlined in same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [50913/21]
20. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the organic farming scheme will be reopened for new entrants given the PFG 7.5% and the EU 25% targets for agriculture land under organic farming; the resources his Department is putting in place to drive achievement of the 7.5% target; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [51437/21]

21. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the proposals he intends to bring forward to increase the number of recognised female farmers as part of the CAP strategic plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [51083/21]

22. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for the €21 million announced in Budget 2022 to support organic farming; and the way this can be used to support organic farmers in County Carlow and nationwide. — Jennifer Murnane O’Connor. [51687/21]

23. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will introduce a single consent system for agri-forestry to cover planting, thinning and felling; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [50695/21]

24. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the wool feasibility study; when the final report will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [51540/21]

25. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his approach to implementing the next CAP; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [51686/21]

26. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when he will introduce legislation to establish an enforcement authority according to the Unfair Trading Practices Directive; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [51435/21]

27. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will engage with Coillte and other stakeholders in order that Cratloe Woods, County Clare can, in part, be designated a heritage forest and that the once famous plantation of native sessile oaks can be re-planted. — Cathal Crowe. [51251/21]

28. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress made in the research projects he has funded to explore alternatives to peat-based growing media for horticultural production; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O’Connor. [51688/21]

29. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the long-term plan for maize farmers impacted by EU Directive 2019/904; if an update will be provided on the sector’s efforts to develop alternative products; the new developments in respect of the value for cultivation and use trials for uncovered maize; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [51558/21]

30. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to specific concerns raised by Wicklow County Council in relation to the delay in awarding felling licences (details supplied); the steps he is taking to reduce wait times and specifically in relation to the ongoing concerns in County Wicklow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [51554/21]
31. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he remains satisfied that agricultural productions in the meat and dairy sectors will not be impaired by CAP or carbon reduction targets given that the agri-food sector produces food for up to ten times the native population; if adequate steps are being taken to ensure that all trees, hedgerows and wastelands are being fully enumerated in the context of ensuring maximum carbon sequestration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51651/21]

32. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when he will introduce legislation to establish an enforcement authority per the Unfair Trading Practices Directive. — Thomas Gould. [50911/21]

33. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the actions being taken to deal with the crisis in the forestry sector due to the felling licence delays. — Brian Stanley. [50694/21]

34. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the involvement of his Department in the land use review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [51487/21]

35. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the accounting methodology to be used for calculating emissions and removals from land use for the foreseeable future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [51631/21]

36. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he plans to commission an EIP scheme to support farmers in the operation of their farms in the Shannon Callows area given the growing challenges posed by increasing occurrence of flooding in this area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [51488/21]

37. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a dead tree or dead trees in either a farm or forest situation requires a tree felling licence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [51249/21]

38. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the considerations he has given to accelerate the adoption of LESS technology; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [51082/21]

39. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the redistributive measures he is proposing in the CAP strategic plan; and if he will bring this plan before the Houses of the Oireachtas for approval. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [51080/21]

40. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the Secretary General of his Department has followed through on their commitment at the recent Joint Oireachtas Committee on Agriculture to discuss the issue of the requirement for planning permission on dead and dying ash crops as outlined in circular 5/2021 with their counterpart in the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage; if the Act took into consideration the fact that many ash crops are either dead, dying or rotting; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [51247/21]

41. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to ongoing delays at Dublin Port relating to inspections by his Department; the measures he is taking to address same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [50767/21]
42. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to address the ongoing crisis in the horticulture and mushroom sectors due to peat shortages. — Matt Carthy. [50712/21]

43. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress to date in implementing measures to assist the mushroom and horticulture sector due to the serious difficulties that have arisen in sourcing horticultural peat; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [51712/21]

44. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for the €1.5 billion agri-environmental scheme that will be funded through the carbon tax; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [51713/21]

45. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when he will introduce legislation to establish an enforcement authority as per the Unfair Trading Practices Directive. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51704/21]

46. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the efforts his Department has taken to diversify the location for Ireland’s food exports to EU markets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [51331/21]

47. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of the measures for the organic sector in Budget 2022. — Martin Browne. [50771/21]

48. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of the working groups dealing with the national forestry policy group; the progress that has been made in streamlining the licensing process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [51683/21]

49. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the proposals he intends to bring forward to support young farmers as part of the CAP strategic plan. — Thomas Gould. [50912/21]

50. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures introduced in Budget 2022 to support the organic sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [51559/21]

51. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the additional details on the €80 million for farm investments through TAMS announced as part of Budget 2022; the specific supports for solar energy installation; the other supports that may be offered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [51684/21]

52. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress to date on the development of a deep-water pier in Ros a’ Mhíl, Contae na Gaillimhe particularly with the projected rapid growth of the offshore renewable energy industry off the west coast; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [50867/21]

53. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on whether a close to nature model of forestry is likely to be adopted as policy in the new forestry strategy currently being developed through Project Woodland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [51555/21]
54. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures that were introduced in Budget 2022 to support the organic sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [50768/21]

55. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has reviewed the proposals on the integration of forestry, tree planting, woodland creation, afforestation and woodland management into the CAP Strategic Plan as supplied by Forest Industries Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [51248/21]

56. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if farmers with existing tree plantations on their land-holdings will be allowed to count these in terms of carbon credits. — Cathal Crowe. [51252/21]

57. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason there was no new support measures provided to suckler beef farmers in Budget 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [50914/21]

58. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to support the recognition of carbon removal on farms; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [49991/21]

59. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to advance proposals that will encourage the development of anaerobic digestion on Irish farms. — Matt Carthy. [50716/21]

60. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way in which he will ensure optimum delivery of biodiversity restoration across all farms in Ireland given the declaration of a biodiversity crisis by Dáil Éireann in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [51526/21]

61. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will carry out a comprehensive analysis of the impact of factory owned feedlots on the beef sector including their effect on prices and the environment as a result of record kills in such facilities in 2021. — Matt Carthy. [50713/21]

62. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the level of engagement with farmers around the sector’s ability to sequester carbon and the challenges they face with climate change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [51707/21]

63. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the areas of Natura 2000 lands claimed in each county in 2019 and 2020, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [51678/21]

64. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of the measures for the forestry sector in Budget 2022; and the measures that will be taken to make the sector more attractive to new entrants. — Martin Browne. [50770/21]

65. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will review the 5% nitrogen reduction criteria for the beef exceptional aid measure scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [51490/21]
66. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the position regarding the Beef Taskforce; if he has received the report from the Beef Taskforce; when the report will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [51714/21]

67. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the prospects of the provision of a landing facility at Cromane, County Kerry following his recent visit; his views on the next steps in the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [51649/21]

68. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress made to date in progressing the CAP programme 2023-2027; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [50868/21]

69. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures he has taken to improve the welfare of animals over the past year; the plans he has to build on these improvements over the coming year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [51438/21]

70. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the full extent of any proposed afforestation throughout the country in the course of the next 12 months; if farmers can access appropriate funding to undertake climate change planting; if adequate provision is being made to encourage the plantation of appropriate species to maximise carbon sequestration and minimise the impact on agricultural production for the future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51650/21]

71. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will support the development of a hemp sector in Ireland on the basis of allowing farmers in that sector to utilise the entire crop produce. — Matt Carthy. [50715/21]

72. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the average BPS payment per county in 2019 and 2020, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [51680/21]

73. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the position in relation to research into the potential for wool to be used as insulation material; his views on whether the prospect deserves greater focus; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [51648/21]

74. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he is satisfied that Project Woodland is delivering on its mandate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [51630/21]

75. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the actions being taken to deal with the long delays in granting felling licences; and if his attention has been drawn to the effects the delays are having farmers, forest owners, forestry contractors, sawmills and wood processors and to the rural economy as a whole. — Michael Ring. [51489/21]

76. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if TAMS grant aid will be increased for the purchase of low emission slurry spreading machinery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [51706/21]
77. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of new hectares entered into afforestation to date in 2021; the projected number for the full year; and the projected number for 2022. — Matt Carthy. [50714/21]

78. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the consideration he has given to the additional costs to farmers on changes planned for January 2022 in that prescription will be required for worming products; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [51708/21]

CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH
QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

79. To ask the Minister for Justice when the results of the scoping exercise in relation to the death of a person (details supplied) will be made available to their family; and when the full commission of investigation will be established. — Martin Kenny. [51337/21]

80. To ask the Minister for Justice if she has engaged with the Garda Commissioner in respect of further issues regarding the appropriateness of the management and cancellation of computer-aided despatch incidents and 999 calls (details supplied); and if her Department has provided administrative assistance and or advice to Garda management on same to date in 2021. — Catherine Murphy. [51666/21]

CEISTEANNA EILE
OTHER QUESTIONS

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

81. To ask the Minister for Justice her views on and response to criticism by Garda superintendents of the proposed policing bill; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [51417/21]

82. To ask the Minister for Justice the progress to date with regard to the processing of visas including family reunification applications for Afghan nationals arising from the fall of the democratically elected government there; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51544/21]

83. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí currently assigned to stations in County Longford; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Flaherty. [51553/21]

84. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will consider changing the law to make expression of protest a defence to charges of criminal damage. — Paul Murphy. [51660/21]

85. To ask the Minister for Justice the rank and file of the positions that remain unfilled in County Louth within An Garda Síochána; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [51720/21]

86. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí assigned to the Donegal division in each of the years 2016 to 2020 and to date in 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [51723/21]
87. To ask the Minister for Justice the enhanced supports Budget 2022 will provide to tackle domestic, sexual and gender-based violence; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O’Connor. [51655/21]

88. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of citizenship applications outstanding for longer than 12 months; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [51504/21]

89. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will provide an update on the Drogheda implementation plan following the publication of the Geiran report earlier in 2021 with updated associated timelines; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [51513/21]

90. To ask the Minister for Justice if Budget 2022 provided for additional community Gardaí in Dublin; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [51091/21]

91. To ask the Minister for Justice if discussions are expected in the coming weeks with the Garda Commissioner in relation to the plans of An Garda Síochána to ensure a safe Halloween; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [51093/21]

92. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will put a mechanism in place within Garda stations whereby the victim of a violent crime would be notified of the release of the perpetrator from prison three months in advance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [51160/21]

93. To ask the Minister for Justice the progress to date in establishing a public enquiry into the death of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [51633/21]

94. To ask the Minister for Justice the details regarding the operation of the new Community Safety Innovation Fund; the types of projects that are expected to be supported through the fund; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [51094/21]

95. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí currently assigned to stations in County Carlow; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O’Connor. [51654/21]

96. To ask the Minister for Justice if her attention has been drawn to the need to clean and carry out minor repairs to the old courthouse façade in Wicklow town (details supplied); her views on whether this work can be prioritised in the coming months to coincide with the large investment in the town square; the position regarding the proposed return of court services to this building; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [51092/21]

97. To ask the Minister for Justice the steps she plans to take to combat antisocial behaviour and violent assaults in inner city areas of Dublin; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [51419/21]

98. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of antisocial behaviour orders issued in Cork to date in 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51548/21]

99. To ask the Minister for Justice the details of the proposed new community safety innovation fund; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [51676/21]
100. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of prisoners that have been granted a third remission on their sentences in the past year; the criteria for deciding same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [50869/21]

101. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of new gardaí that will be recruited in 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [51661/21]

102. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will consider introducing an amnesty to asylum seekers who are residents in the State over a specific period of time; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [51503/21]

103. To ask the Minister for Justice the position in relation to efforts to pardon a person (details supplied) who was wrongly hanged in 1895; if she will prioritise the continuation of the process already underway in order that the person will be pardoned; if closure can be given to their relatives; if she will provide an updated timeline regarding the future process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [51636/21]

104. To ask the Minister for Justice the increased funding being provided for victims under Budget 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [51677/21]

105. To ask the Minister for Justice the action being taken to ensure high visibility policing; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [51663/21]

106. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will consider allowing asylum seekers to be granted residency after a number of years in the system given the undue delays assessing applications; if she will consider the case of a family (details supplied) for leave to remain; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [51717/21]

107. To ask the Minister for Justice her plans to reform family law facilities outside of Dublin; and her plans in relation to family law facilities in regional towns and cities. — Pa Daly. [51079/21]

108. To ask the Minister for Justice the measures that can be introduced to deter boys and young men from engaging in gratuitous violent behaviour against others; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [51420/21]

109. To ask the Minister for Justice her plans to increase high visibility policing; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [51096/21]

110. To ask the Minister for Justice the details of the consideration given to the introduction to a specialised Garda public transport unit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [51088/21]

111. To ask the Minister for Justice if new initiatives to promote more recruitment and progression of women within An Garda Síochána are being undertaken. — Richard Bruton. [51159/21]

112. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of the implementation of the changes to the asylum process which were approved by the Government; the details of the delays in the implementation of same; the new timeframe for the implementation of the changes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [48971/21]
113. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will provide a progress report on the initiative for problematic use of scramblers and quad bikes in urban areas; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [51516/21]

114. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will consider allowing stamp 2 visa holders to work full-time to help certain sectors of the economy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [51507/21]

115. To ask the Minister for Justice the new measures her Department is taking in relation to cyber-security; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [51664/21]

116. To ask the Minister for Justice the resources and supports by Garda division in County Louth and nationally dedicated to combating drug crime; the percentage of the spend against the total policing spend in these areas; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [51721/21]

117. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will report on the assessment of the problem of persons not feeling safe in the city centre following her round of meetings; and if new initiatives are in development. — Richard Bruton. [51158/21]

118. To ask the Minister for Justice her plans for the scheme to regularise undocumented persons; when the scheme will be opened; if she will consider broadening the scheme to ensure all time living in Ireland will count towards eligibility to the scheme; if she will consider changes to citizenship law to allow for time being undocumented to count towards the residency condition for eligibility for citizenship; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [51716/21]

119. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 4 of 10 September 2020, the progress to date in publishing the Sex Offenders (Amendment) Bill 2018; when it will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [48279/21]

120. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of Garda civilian staff now supporting An Garda Síochána and enabling the redirection of Garda members to frontline services. — Emer Higgins. [51275/21]

121. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will address the need for Government to tackle gender-based violence and harassment in Irish society. — Alan Farrell. [51087/21]

122. To ask the Minister for Justice the capital expenditure measures Budget 2022 allocation for her Department contains; if she will provide the priorities in the area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [51078/21]

123. To ask the Minister for Justice if she is satisfied with the level of compliance by persons who are subject to the requirements of Part 2 of the Sex Offenders Act 2001; the number of breaches of these conditions recorded by An Garda Síochána in the past 12 months; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [48280/21]

124. To ask the Minister for Justice if her Department will consider a separate wing for 18- and 19-year-olds within Wheatfield Prison; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [51635/21]
125. To ask the Minister for Justice the initiatives being put in place to tackle rural crime; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [51427/21]

126. To ask the Minister for Justice her plans to regularise undocumented migrants in Ireland including those who have been issued a deportation order; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [51506/21]

127. To ask the Minister for Justice the steps she has taken to address the management and cancellation of computer-aided despatch incidents and 999 calls by An Garda Síochána as outlined by the Policing Authority; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [51719/21]

128. To ask the Minister for Justice the timeline for commencement and completion of works for the new Garda station for Macroom, County Cork; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [45581/21]

129. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent to which training and the updating of legislation continues to be made available to An Garda Síochána and that such activity and upgrading of training continues to remain an integral part of the curriculum; the extent to which promotional opportunities remain part of their employment; if training and working conditions remain adequate to meet the challenges of a modern police force; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51652/21]

130. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of her Department’s role in the roll-out of the scramblers initiative. — Thomas Gould. [50096/21]

131. To ask the Minister for Justice the actions that will be taken to address a concerning increase of antisocial behaviour in County Mayo; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [51418/21]

132. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí assigned to the drug squad in the Dublin south Garda division; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [51551/21]

133. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will provide additional details on the new community safety innovation fund outlined in Budget 2022; if she will provide examples of the type of projects that may be supported through the fund; if addressing antisocial behaviour in residential areas will be included in this fund; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [51682/21]

134. To ask the Minister for Justice the plans in place for the expansion of the Garda mountain bike unit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Flaherty. [51552/21]

135. To ask the Minister for Justice the intended allocation of the additional €10 million provided in Budget 2022 to significantly increase digital services in her Department; if consideration will be given to increased investment at a facility (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [51681/21]

136. To ask the Minister for Justice the details of supports and funding made available for domestic abuse supports in Budget 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [51634/21]
137. To ask the Minister for Justice the plans that are in place to reduce the number of drugs offences; the number of gardaí in County Tipperary currently assigned to drugs duty; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [51426/21]

138. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will provide details of the Garda budget for 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [51629/21]

139. To ask the Minister for Justice the way in which the extra €6.7 million in funding allocated in Budget 2022 to progress the provisions of the Youth Justice Strategy is likely to be invested; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [51095/21]

140. To ask the Minister for Justice her views on the two vacant seats to fill in the Data Protection Commission; her views on whether the filling of these seats would improve the efficiency of the Commission; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [47191/21]

141. To ask the Minister for Justice when the resumption and progression to decision on all naturalisation applications currently waitlisted will occur; when the return of original documentation is expected on these applications; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [51709/21]

142. To ask the Minister for Justice if her attention has been drawn to the fact that drug offences in Cork are rising; the drug squad numbers in the Cork division in each the years 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51549/21]

143. To ask the Minister for Justice the steps that will be taken to put protections in place for persons who are engaged in the legal system from possible harassment and abusive behaviour by judges; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [51656/21]

144. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will elaborate on the new community safety innovation fund and the type of projects that it is envisaged would be supported through the fund. — Emer Higgins. [51276/21]

145. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí that have been freed up from administrative duties in recent years in order to undertake frontline policing; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [51662/21]

146. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí currently assigned to Tallaght and Rathfarnham stations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [51550/21]

147. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent to which adequate resources remain available to An Garda Síochána to maximise the fight against organised crime and the activities of criminal gangs involved in drug trafficking; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51653/21]

148. To ask the Minister for Justice the details of the Afghan Admission Programme; when it is planned to open the programme to applications; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [51718/21]

149. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will provide an update in relation to a public inquiry into the death of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [51515/21]
150. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of Garda vehicles assigned to the Donegal division; the age profile of the vehicles; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [51722/21]

151. To ask the Minister for Justice the way it is envisaged the extra €6.7 million for the youth justice strategy will be invested; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51545/21]

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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

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

*152. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will consider an alleviation to the calculation of the average salary for the purpose of calculating severance packages to allow for a normal salary to be averaged as opposed to the actual reduced earnings which are currently being used and have been significantly lower for the past 19 months for some workers due to the Covid-19 pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [51878/21]

*153. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the status of the proposed right to request legislation; if the legislation will be enacted by the end of 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [51809/21]

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

*154. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the capacity that remains in the three remaining municipal landfill sites; when they are due to close; if extensions have been sought to EPA licences and or current planning applications and appeals; the alternative arrangements that are in place once they close; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [51742/21]

*155. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the regional waste management plans; the regions covered by the plans; if domestic waste generated in those regions is wholly disposed of within those regions; if not, the type of waste that is disposed of outside the region; the location of the waste disposed of and the volumes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [51743/21]

*156. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if eucalyptus is being used to fuel State-owned power stations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51748/21]

*157. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number and dates of oral Ministerial briefings provided by his officials on the roll out of National Broadband Plan in 2020 and 2021; the Ministers present at each meeting; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [51755/21]
*158. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the purpose for which the cumulative contents of brown bins is used; if the contents of brown bins could be processed and used to assist growers such as mushroom producers who may be reliant on imported peat; if the contents of brown bins are tested for the forever chemicals and PFAS; and if so, the levels at which they occur; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [51806/21]

*159. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide a detailed breakdown by percentage on the way he plans intends to achieve the target of delivering up to 80% of Ireland’s electricity from a combination of onshore and offshore renewable sources of electricity by 2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51867/21]

*160. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the discussions he has had with the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine in relation to the need to urgently develop marine facilities at Department of Agriculture, Food and Marine fisheries harbours to support the onshore and offshore energy business; the progress made to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [51963/21]

*161. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason information on the availability of DART lifts was not available online on the morning of 10 October 2021; the steps he is taking to ensure this information is always available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [51727/21]

*162. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason the recently upgraded lift at Seapoint station was out of service on the morning of 10 October 2021; the details of all replaced or upgraded DART station lifts which have been out of service within six months of these works taking place; the steps he will take to assist Irish Rail to ensure recently upgraded or replaced lifts are fully functional at all times; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [51728/21]

*163. To ask the Minister for Transport the current position regarding legislation to address the scourge of scramblers in communities, which is listed as priority legislation for publication and drafting in the Autumn Legislative Programme; the reason for the delay in producing this legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [51749/21]

*164. To ask the Minister for Transport if he has engaged with the National Transport Authority regarding the prevalence of illegal taxi operators; the nature of those discussions; if he has engaged with the NTA and An Garda Síochána to overcome the difficulties involved; if his attention has been drawn to the concerns of legal operators regarding the prevalence of this illegal activity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [51779/21]

*165. To ask the Minister for Transport if the announcement of half price public transport for 19 to 23 year olds will include all those in this age cohort across the country; the commencement date for the scheme; and his views on whether it is important that the scheme runs over the course of the academic year. — Gary Gannon. [51799/21]

*166. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department will give priority in the forthcoming all island rail review to a rail link between Derry and Letterkenny which are centres with a very high commuter interchange wiyi a rail link of quality that would enable further potential growth in the future on to the west of Ireland rather than light rail; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [51841/21]
*167. To ask the Minister for Transport if a person with a truck and bus licence from Ontario, Canada can exchange that licence for an equivalent Irish licence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [51871/21]

*168. To ask the Minister for Transport if there is a time-limit on the eSPV grant meaning that vehicles that are not delivered and registered as taxis before the end of the year will not be covered; if he will review this situation in view of the well-documented delay in vehicle delivery related to shortage of semi-conductors and so on; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [51875/21]

*169. To ask the Minister for Transport if it is planned to reduce the fares for commuter travel on Intercity trains for distances of less than 100km from origin; if it is planned to extend the range of the urban fringe rates on these lines and introduce them in cases in which they do not already exist on lines such as the Galway to Athlone line and the Galway to Limerick line; if it is planned to introduce LEAP cards for these journeys; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [51888/21]

*170. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide a plan with timescales for the development of phase two of the Limerick Northern Distributor Road; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [51895/21]

*171. To ask the Minister for Transport the criteria used by the NTA to award 10% of Dublin Bus routes to a company (details supplied); if he is satisfied that this represents value for money for the State; the weight given to labour costs in awarding these and any future tenders for service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51965/21]

*172. To ask the Minister for Transport if the Dublin Bus tender for the 10% of Dublin routes which were eventually awarded to a company (details supplied) was lower than the winning tender; the reason a tender which would have represented a saving for the State’s finances was rejected by the NTA; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51966/21]

*173. To ask the Minister for Transport the fines accumulated by a company (details supplied) and Dublin Bus for failures to reach performance targets by the NTA since such fines were introduced; the headings under which these fines were levied; if all such fines have been collected or imposed on the providers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51967/21]

*174. To ask the Minister for Transport if the same criteria and performance targets are the same for each provider in relation to fines imposed for performance failures by the NTA on service providers for public transport in Dublin; if there are different targets for different providers; if so, the rationale for this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51968/21]

*175. To ask the Minister for Transport the discussions between his Department, the NTA and a company (details supplied) in relation to the future of their services under the BusConnects programme, specifically the company’s announced plans for expansion of the depot facilities in Dublin and the resulting loss of car park spaces for its staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51969/21]
Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*176. To ask the Minister for Finance if matters raised by a person (details supplied) in relation to an allowance will receive a response; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [51804/21]

*177. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on reviewing the local property tax liability to make those in receipt of the old age pension exempt from paying local property tax due to their reduced income and financial inability to pay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [51754/21]

*178. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will provide an updated analysis on the forecasted losses or gains to the Exchequer arising from Ireland’s decision to sign up to Pillars One and Two of the OECD global corporation tax reform initiative; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [51757/21]

*179. To ask the Minister for Finance when his Department will publish the submissions made to the recent public consultation process on corporation tax reform; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [51758/21]

*180. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 130 of 12 October 2021, if he will clarify a series of matters in relation to bank branches (details supplied). — Catherine Murphy. [51778/21]

*181. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to the problems faced by the mobile sauna industry in accessing affordable public liability insurance; the actions he has taken in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [51817/21]

*182. To ask the Minister for Finance if VAT can be offset in tax returns in a case (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [51821/21]

*183. To ask the Minister for Finance if his Department will give direction to the Central Bank and banking institutions to recognise the capacity to pay rent of first-time buyers coupled with their history of paying rent as key eligibility criteria in securing a mortgage given the struggles being experienced by first-time buyers to save for a mortgage while also paying rent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [51900/21]

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

*184. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the events by community groups, both local and national, that have been granted use of Kilmainham Gaol by the OPW for the past five years. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [51783/21]

*185. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if it is normal practice for the Office of Public Works to provide premises or building space, rent free to private not-for-profit organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51869/21]

*186. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans for a building (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [51894/21]
*187. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform his plans to award 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 Workplace Relations Commission; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [51897/21]

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

*188. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the status of the review which is being conducted regarding the 2020 allocation of the large-scale sport infrastructure fund grant; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [51731/21]

*189. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if there is surplus grant funding available following a review of grant applications under the 2020 large-scale sports infrastructure fund; if this funding could be allocated to some of the applicants who applied for the scheme that were unsuccessful; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [51732/21]

*190. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the stage plans are at for the implementation of a national swimming strategy; the timeframe for same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [51733/21]

*191. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the status of an application by a club (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51787/21]

*192. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the way the figure of €25 million was reached to fund the pilot of a basic income guarantee scheme for artists. — Gary Gannon. [51798/21]

*193. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if Ireland’s bid to host the Americas Cup is still live; when a decision is expected on whether Ireland has been successful; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [51856/21]

*194. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the role her Department played in Ireland’s bid to host the 2024 America’s Cup; when the bid was made and conceived; the number of meetings within her Department that were held in preparing the bid documentation; and the external groups that were contacted as part of the process. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [51857/21]

*195. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the capital and current funding that has been allocated to sailing in Ireland for each of the past ten years; the clubs or locations that received same; if there is a growth in the number of persons involved in the sport; and the numbers. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [51985/21]
Chun an Aire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta: To the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

*196. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will consider exempting community and volunteer sports clubs from paying rates; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [51784/21]

*197. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his plans to suspend the local connection criteria for accessing emergency accommodation as the cold weather period approaches; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [51747/21]

*198. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will review the unintended consequences of the EWSS and the impact it has on those seeking mortgages (details supplied). — Joan Collins. [51763/21]

*199. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of single persons on Mayo County Council social housing list; the average waiting time for a single person to access long-term housing excluding emergency accommodation through Mayo County Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51837/21]

*200. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if there is any flexibility in relation to income limits for being accepted onto Mayo County Council social housing list in circumstances in which two older adults (details supplied) and their son are €60 approximately above the current limits but are being evicted from their privately rented accommodation in January 2022 and will struggle to find other accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51838/21]

*201. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of inspections carried out by local authorities in priority areas for action under the 2nd Cycle River Basin Management Plan 2018-2021 under the Local Authorities Water Programme; the number of non-compliance incidents registered; the number of enforcements and penalties issued; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [51851/21]

*202. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of inspections carried out by local authorities under the 4th Nitrates Action Programme in 2018, 2019 and 2020; the number of non-compliance incidents registered; the number of enforcements and penalties issued; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [51852/21]

*203. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the list of applications being considered by his Department relative to new roads infrastructure in County Kilkenny; the stage each application is at in the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [51860/21]

*204. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the plans that are in place to provide additional respite beds or houses for persons with a disability in Enniscorthy and throughout County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [51877/21]

*205. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of the extension of the defective concrete block scheme to County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [51899/21]
*206. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps he intends to take immediately to introduce a redesigned revenue equalisation funding model for local authorities in view of the serious anomalies that have been widely identified in the present system that leaves counties such as Galway significantly underfunded; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [51971/21]

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

*207. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if a passport will be expedited for a child (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51791/21]

Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

*208. To ask the Minister for Education the status of progress towards meeting the commitment in the Programme for Government to expand access to social innovation programmes to all post-primary schools; the progress to date in terms of the uptake of post primary schools and students of social innovation programmes and the new funding provided and future commitments to achieve this goal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [51735/21]

*209. To ask the Minister for Education the stage plans are at for the construction of a school building for a school (details supplied); the timeframe from construction to completion; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [51737/21]

*210. To ask the Minister for Education the stage plans are at for the construction of a new school building for a school (details supplied); the timeframe from construction to completion; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [51739/21]

*211. To ask the Minister for Education the stage plans are at for the construction of a school building for a school (details supplied); the timeframe from construction to completion; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [51740/21]

*212. To ask the Minister for Education if a teacher who accepted and signed a contract for a teaching position in December 2010 and started said position in January 2011 is eligible to be paid at the pre-1 January 2011 post-primary teacher’s pay scale as stated in circular 0040/2011 (details supplied). — Emer Higgins. [51752/21]

*213. To ask the Minister for Education the details of the process for securing a certificate of exemption from studying Irish at primary school level for a student (details supplied); the reason this certificate of exemption from studying Irish was refused; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [51761/21]

*214. To ask the Minister for Education the way she plans to address the shortage of school bus transport places; if the current 50% loading limit will be lifted after 22 October 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [51764/21]

*215. To ask the Minister for Education the number of the telephone helpline school principals should contact if they are experiencing difficulties accessing substitute teachers that she referred to in a radio programme (details supplied) on 13 October 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51794/21]
*216. To ask the Minister for Education if there has been no communication from representative bodies with her or her Department regarding issues with teacher substitution; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51795/21]

*217. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the fact that her last diary published is for October 2020, as of 15 October 2021; and the reason for the delay in publishing her diaries. — Gary Gannon. [51796/21]

*218. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide a list of the meetings she has held with representative bodies in the past three months; and the agenda items for each of these meetings. — Gary Gannon. [51797/21]

*219. To ask the Minister for Education the position regarding a site (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [51822/21]

*220. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to matters raised in correspondence by the principal of a school (details supplied) regarding the shortage of available substitute teachers; if she has engaged with the management of the school; the steps she is taking to address these shortages; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [51840/21]

*221. To ask the Minister for Education if he will confirm that the lost home tuition hours for a pupil who was sanctioned home tuition six weeks late (details supplied) can be reclaimed during the school year, with the said lost hours being utilised either over school holidays, out of school hours or at weekends; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51844/21]

*222. To ask the Minister for Education the steps a school should take in cases in which no substitute teacher can be sourced in view of the shortage of substitute teachers for schools. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51887/21]

*223. To ask the Minister for Education the total number of CO2 monitors planned to be delivered to schools; the number of CO2 monitors that have been distributed to primary and post-primary schools by county; the number that have been returned due to malfunction; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [51907/21]

*224. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the permanent build for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [51909/21]

*225. To ask the Minister for Education if arrangements can be made to facilitate a second-level school place for a person (details supplied); if such a place will cater for their learning difficulties; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51954/21]

*226. To ask the Minister for Education when circular no. 0010/2013 (details supplied) regarding applications for assistive technology will be updated given the significant technological advances that have occurred over the past eight years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51957/21]

*227. To ask the Minister for Education the process for applications for assistive technology under circular no. 0010/2013 (details supplied); the average wait time from start of application to the time a student receives the assistive technology applied for; and the number of successful applications as a percentage of all applications for the past five years. — Gary Gannon. [51958/21]
*228. To ask the Minister for Education the reason for the delays in assistive technology applications of nine months or longer in some cases; the reason application timelines vary between SENO geographic areas; her plans to ensure a more consistent approach and reduction in wait times; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51959/21]

*229. To ask the Minister for Education if there are plans to provide funding to schools to be able to provide sensory rooms or in cases in which space is restricted, sensory hubs to allow children in mainstream classes with AENs, access to this necessary resource; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51960/21]

*230. To ask the Minister for Education her plans for a new secondary school for the Marino and Drumcondra area of Dublin to cater to the growing population of primary students who are currently in educate together or other non-denominational schools and would like to continue with secular education; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51961/21]

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

*231. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will consider extending or renewing receipt of the back to work enterprise allowance to new enterprises that received the payment just prior to the implementation of Covid-19 restrictions which forced them to close, thereby substantially impacting on the two-year eligibility criteria for the allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51760/21]

*232. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the funding has been approved to implement the 2008 Labour Court recommendation relating to the provision of a pension scheme for community employment supervisors and assistant supervisors; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [51790/21]

*233. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of an oral hearing for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51734/21]

*234. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the amount awarded through the exceptional needs payment could be increased in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51753/21]

*235. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the eligibility for the fuel allowance in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51780/21]

*236. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when the 2008 Labour Court recommendation relating to the provision of a pension scheme for community employment supervisors and assistant supervisors will be implemented; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [51789/21]

*237. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the rates of daily expenses allowance for those who are in direct provision has been increased by €5 per week as part of the announcements of the increases in core social welfare rates for Budget 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51792/21]
*238. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if planning of the potential for a cost of disability payment has taken place which would support persons with specific additional costs which they encounter as a result of disability. — Richard Bruton. [51816/21]

*239. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of a birth registration application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [51824/21]

*240. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of recipients of farm and fish assist at present by region; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [51885/21]

*241. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if an exceptional needs payment can be made in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51953/21]

*242. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if cognisance will be taken of the protracted period of homelessness in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51955/21]

*243. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will address a series of matters in relation to a case (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [51970/21]

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

*244. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if a matter will be addressed in relation to preschool accommodation for a school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [51736/21]

*245. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 648 of 10 March 2021, the position regarding the matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [51776/21]

*246. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the funding from Budget 2022 that is being allocated to developing women’s refuges across the country; the current number of women’s refuges per county; the funding for each county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [51814/21]

*247. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the breakdown of the measures that will be supported by the allocation of €28 million in Budget 2022 to implement reforms set out in the White Paper to End Direct Provision and to Establish a New International Protection Support Service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51868/21]

*248. 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. [51898/21]
Chun an Aire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta: To the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research; Innovation and Science.

*249. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will consider backdating the proposed increase to the SUSI maintenance grant announced in Budget 2022 to the 2020-2021 academic year in view of severe poverty facing students. — Gary Gannon. [51793/21]

*250. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the total saving incurred in 2020 and the projected savings in 2021 as a result of backlogs in apprentices accessing off-the-job training due to the State paying less in allowances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51828/21]

*251. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the breakdown of all NTF provisional expenditure for 2021 and allocated expenditure for 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51829/21]

*252. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the details of the Climate Ready Programme; the various types of programmes, the total allocation for 2022, the anticipated cost per participating worker and the planned objectives and outcomes of the programme; the anticipated duration of each; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51830/21]

*253. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the current number of craft and consortia-led registered apprentices; the anticipated increase in both over the course of 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51831/21]

*254. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if the total increased expenditure on apprenticeship in 2022 will be €34 million; the breakdown of expenditure of the €17 million to address the backlog in craft apprenticeships; the breakdown of the remaining €17 million in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51832/21]

*255. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will confirm that that €22 million has been allocated from Budget 2022 for Green Skills Action Programmes; the breakdown of expenditure under this initiative; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51845/21]

*256. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the funding allocated to the Work Based Education Fund each year since it commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51846/21]

*257. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the breakdown of the budgetary allocation that corresponds to the €181 million committed to in the NRRP Priority 3: Social and Economic Recovery and Job Creation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51847/21]

*258. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the details on the budgetary allocation for the National Grand Challenges Programme of mission orientated funding to be rolled out by Science Foundation Ireland as part of the NRRP Priority 1:
Advancing the Green Transition; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51848/21]

*259. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the total expenditure on the Transformation Fund for technological universities for 2020, provisional expenditure for 2021 and the allocated expenditure for 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51849/21]

*260. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of businesses in Ireland that availed of the apprenticeship incentivisation scheme in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51853/21]

*261. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the progress that is being made to reduce the proportion of adults in Ireland without basic digital skills from 47% to 20% as is set out in the Adult Literacy, Numeracy and Digital Literacy 10-Year Strategy for Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51854/21]

*262. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the way in which the funding for capital works and equipment at UCC and the Munster Technological University will be disbursed; if the funding will be put to use in the current academic year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51855/21]

*263. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to the recent HEA survey which found that ethnic minorities in higher education more likely to be on lower pay; his views on same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [51881/21]

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

*264. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will consider prioritising applications by Afghans currently in direct provision centres given the difficult and increasingly stressful situation in Afghanistan; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [48264/21]

*265. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of the roll-out of the community safety innovation fund; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [45212/21]

*266. To ask the Minister for Justice when the sex offenders (amendment) Bill will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [42548/21]

*267. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of the Community Safety Innovation Fund; the expected timeframe for allocation; her plans in relation to the fund; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [45569/21]

*268. To ask the Minister for Justice when an application for a Garda spouses pension submitted by a person (details supplied) will be processed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51726/21]

*269. To ask the Minister for Justice the current status of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51805/21]
*270. To ask the Minister for Justice the best way for members of Dáil Éireann to raise with her Department issues of an administrative, policy or operational nature brought to their attention by the public which might warrant a response from her Department having particular regard to the fact that such issues in the past, when not responded to, in such fashion, were finally decided by way of expensive public enquiry; if every effort is made to clarify to the Oireachtas any policy failings such as the cancellation of emergency and 999 calls; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51932/21]

*271. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent to which deployment of extra gardaí is positively impacting on crime levels in all areas throughout Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51934/21]

*272. To ask the Minister for Justice the areas throughout Ireland currently experiencing the highest and the lowest crime levels by each Garda divisional district; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51935/21]

*273. To ask the Minister for Justice the degree to which an Garda Síochána continues to combat the activities of criminal gangs and the membership of such gangs; if membership of criminal gangs is noted in the course of criminal cases; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51936/21]

*274. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent to which she anticipates an increase in the strength of an Garda Síochána to directly benefit all regions throughout Ireland without exception; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51937/21]

*275. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent of the membership of criminal gangs currently incarcerated; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51938/21]

*276. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of women that are currently members of an Garda Síochána, the extent to which this number has fluctuated in the course of the past ten years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51939/21]

*277. To ask the Minister for Justice the current and anticipated strength of an Garda Síochána; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51940/21]

*278. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent to which members of criminal gangs have been successfully prosecuted in each of the past five years to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51941/21]

*279. To ask the Minister for Justice the number and rank of promotions awaiting to be filled in an Garda Síochána; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51942/21]

*280. To ask the Minister for Justice the number and location of Garda stations throughout the country due for upgrading, refurbishment or replacement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51943/21]

*281. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent to which changes in the bail laws has resulted in a reduction in the number of persons on criminal charges being released on bail when compared with the pre-legislative period; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51944/21]
*282. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent to which gardaí injured in the course of their duty have their cases followed up to their satisfaction; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51945/21]

*283. To ask the Minister for Justice the total number of gardaí now recorded as having been injured in the course of their duties; the extent to which procedures affecting their cases including insurance have or are being modified; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51946/21]

*284. To ask the Minister for Justice the position regarding the Garda Síochána (Compensation) Bill 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51947/21]

*285. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent to which an Garda Síochána continues to pursue gangs and individuals involved in drug running: the number of successfully prosecuted cases in each of the past six years to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51948/21]

*286. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent to which women, children or other vulnerable persons continue to seek the help of an Garda Síochána in relation to matters such as trafficking, physical, sexual or mental abuse; the number of such cases where individuals have been removed from this jurisdiction; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51949/21]

*287. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of community gardaí that are available to all districts throughout Ireland and County Kildare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51950/21]

*288. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of Garda juvenile liaison officers that are available to all districts throughout Ireland and County Kildare to ensure a comprehensive programme that will reflect on improved reliance on An Garda Síochána and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51951/21]

*289. To ask the Minister for Justice when an application for naturalisation can be accepted in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51952/21]

*290. To ask the Minister for Justice when it will be possible for persons (details supplied) to apply for naturalisation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51956/21]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*291. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter regarding the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51729/21]

*292. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a diabetes team in the gestational diabetes clinic in Mayo General Hospital that allow for the provision of insulin onsite; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51730/21]
*293. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to increase the number of paediatric critical care beds in 2022; the current capacity; the number of beds which will be added in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51745/21]

*294. To ask the Minister for Health the occupancy rates of paediatric critical care beds averaged across each quarter for 2020 and to date in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51746/21]

*295. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter in relation to a measure in Budget 2022 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51751/21]

*296. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter in relation to chemotherapy services (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51756/21]

*297. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a campaign (details supplied) to improve the provision of neurology nurse specialists at Tallaght University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [51759/21]

*298. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention had been drawn to the lack of neurology nurses at University Hospital Limerick in view of the fact that there are only three nurses in the unit that requires eight nurses; his plans to alleviate the problem; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard O’Donoghue. [51762/21]

*299. To ask the Minister for Health when he will commence the Nursing Homes Support Scheme (Amendment) Act 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [51765/21]

*300. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of revenue raised in 2018, 2019 and 2020 through parking charges by each hospital in tabular form; the number of patients this was raised from; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51767/21]

*301. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of revenue raised in 2018, 2019 and 2020 through private charges by each hospital in tabular form; the number of patients this was raised from; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51768/21]

*302. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of revenue raised in 2018, 2019 and 2020 through public inpatient charges by each hospital in tabular form; the number of patients this was raised from; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51769/21]

*303. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of revenue raised in 2018, 2019 and 2020 through emergency department charges by each hospital in tabular form; the number of patients this was raised from; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51770/21]

*304. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of revenue raised in 2018, 2019 and 2020 through road traffic accident charges by each hospital in tabular form; the number of patients this was raised from; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51771/21]
*305. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of fees charged for the National Ambulance Service and Dublin Fire Brigade ambulance services in 2018, 2019 and 2020 by region, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51772/21]

*306. To ask the Minister for Health the total amount outstanding from patient debtors for private facilities in public hospitals; the reason for this sum; the amount which the HSE considers to be bad and or doubtful in terms of repayment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51773/21]

*307. To ask the Minister for Health the total amount outstanding to HSE creditors in August 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51774/21]

*308. To ask the Minister for Health the total value of consultancy costs for his Department and the HSE in the year to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51775/21]

*309. To ask the Minister for Health his views on a matter regarding section 39 pay restoration (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [51777/21]

*310. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter regarding the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51781/21]

*311. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a shortage of neurology nurse specialists in St. Vincent’s University Hospital; the steps he is taking to address same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [51785/21]

*312. To ask the Minister for Health the steps being taken towards allowing those with epilepsy to access the medical cannabis access programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [51786/21]

*313. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to expand the rollout of free contraception to those persons over the age of 25; the timeline for such a rollout; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [51788/21]

*314. To ask the Minister for Health the details of the additional funding for the fair deal scheme; if this funding will assist in the progression and expansion of the scheme; if consideration is being given to additional or complimentary schemes for non-residential care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [51800/21]

*315. To ask the Minister for Health the way the additional funding of €105 million for disability services will help provide greater independence in terms of post-school options and the wrap around supports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [51801/21]

*316. To ask the Minister for Health the way he plans to provide additional care options for young people with a disability who wish to reside outside of nursing home settings and who wish to live independently; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [51802/21]

*317. To ask the Minister for Health the details of the way in which the new funding for safeguarding will be utilised; if the funding will be absorbed into current HSE services; if not, if funding will be directed towards charity not-for-profit advocacy services such as services (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [51803/21]
*318. To ask the Minister for Health the expense incurred by the HSE purchasing hand sanitiser which at the time of purchase did not have a valid pcs number or which had an expired pcs number; the cost of storage of such product; the value of such stock which was disposed of as a result; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [51808/21]

*319. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a list of all orphan medicines reimbursed by the State from 2019 to date; the date of the drugs group decision and the date of reimbursement in each case in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51818/21]

*320. To ask the Minister for Health when his Department plans to publish a successor strategy for rare diseases following the expiration of the National Rare Disease Plan for Ireland in 2018; the work that is ongoing in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51819/21]

*321. To ask the Minister for Health when his Department will publish the review conducted by a company (details supplied) into the governance structures in relation to the HSE drug reimbursement process that was submitted to his Department in January 2020; the actions that have been taken by him and his Department with regard to the recommendations made by the report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51820/21]

*322. To ask the Minister for Health if there are plans to expand the Covid vaccination programme to very vulnerable children under 12 years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [51823/21]

*323. To ask the Minister for Health when Belmullet Hospital will reopen the second ward that has been temporarily shut since summer 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51833/21]

*324. To ask the Minister for Health when community chiropody services will reopen in the Belmullet area; when community chiropody services will reopen in Mayo University Hospital; the alternative interim public chiropody services that are available to medical card holders in County Mayo while both these services are closed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51834/21]

*325. To ask the Minister for Health the residential care services that are available in County Mayo for adults with autism, intellectual and or physical disabilities or other special needs; the waiting time to access these services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51835/21]

*326. To ask the Minister for Health the specialist mental health counselling services that are available in County Mayo for a young adult (details supplied) with complex ongoing medical conditions and mental health issues; the waiting time for such services; the overnight respite services that are currently available for the person; the current waiting time to access these services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [51836/21]

*327. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of the additional €6 million for the National Drugs Strategy announced in Budget 2022 that will be allocated to local and regional drug and alcohol task forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [51839/21]

*328. To ask the Minister for Health if the review of CDNT services has been completed for CHO8 and in particular for the south Louth and East Meath area following on from persons being
informed that their children’s service will be moved from east Meath CDNT 4 to south Louth CDNT 3 which is already at breaking point; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [51843/21]

*329. To ask the Minister for Health the number of additional staff that have been hired into the CAMHS service in 2021; the breakdown of those positions by grade; the number who are on permanent contracts; the number who are on contracts that expire by the end of 2021; the breakdown of those grades; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [51858/21]

*330. To ask the Minister for Health the reason healthcare workers at the section 38 St. John of God Services North East have not been given the HSE Covid-19 payment for healthcare workers from March 2020. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [51863/21]

*331. To ask the Minister for Health the actions he is taking to address the inappropriate placement of young persons with disabilities in nursing homes; the number of such young persons currently placed in nursing homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51864/21]

*332. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the number of therapeutic staff currently in place to deliver the Children’s Disability Network Team Network model; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51865/21]

*333. To ask the Minister for Health the way the figure of some 7,000 new posts to be created across the health service announced in Budget 2022 was arrived at; the locations and areas in which these posts will be created; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51866/21]

*334. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address the significant public concerns that the 13,243 abortions that have taken place under the provisions of the Health (Regulation of Terminations of Pregnancy) Act 2018 stands in contrast to the numerous commitments provided to the persons that the rate of abortions, post-enactment of this legislation would be rare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51870/21]

*335. To ask the Minister for Health if he along with the HSE will put the necessary measures in place to allow physiotherapists to request imaging for their patients without having to go to a doctor to do same (details supplied). — Cathal Crowe. [51873/21]

*336. To ask the Minister for Health the plans that are in place to provide additional respite beds or houses for persons with a disability in Enniscorthy and throughout County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [51876/21]

*337. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider permitting a vaccine certificate to be issued to a person who has tested positive for Covid-19 antibodies but does not have a specific positive test result; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [51879/21]

*338. To ask the Minister for Health the reason funding for the stroke strategy was not announced as part of the €50 million for clinical strategies in Budget 2022; when the plan and the implementation plan will be published; the level of funding that will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51880/21]
*339. To ask the Minister for Health when a service will be restored to an area (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [51882/21]

*340. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to address the chronic overcrowding at University Hospital Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [51893/21]

*341. To ask the Minister for Health the role local authorities will play in drawing down funding in terms of building and securing suitable accommodation in view of commitment of additional resources in Budget 2022 to address the inappropriate placement of persons with disabilities in nursing homes; when this funding will be made available; if funding allocations will be made to each CHO; if not, if this fund will be administered on a national basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [51896/21]

*342. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the Stroke Strategy; when it will be published; when an implementation plan for same will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O’Reilly. [51901/21]

*343. To ask the Minister for Health if the €50 million for clinical strategies announced in Budget 2022 is inclusive of the Stroke Strategy; if not, the way the Stroke Strategy will be funded; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O’Reilly. [51902/21]

*344. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients with gestational diabetes in County Mayo in each of the years 2015 to 2020 and to date in 2021, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [51903/21]

*345. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to ensure each pregnant woman diagnosed with gestational diabetes in County Mayo has access to a diabetes doctor and clinic in Mayo University Hospital; the number of doctors available to women in this category in the county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [51904/21]

*346. To ask the Minister for Health the details of the disbursement of the €31 million women’s health package in Budget 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [51905/21]

*347. To ask the Minister for Health the way capacity issues will be addressed with the extension of free general practitioner care to children aged six and seven years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [51906/21]

*348. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide definitive date for the implementation of a full 24/7 primary percutaneous coronary intervention service at the University Hospital Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51908/21]

*349. To ask the Minister for Health the reason funding for the stroke strategy was not announced as part of the €50 million for clinical strategies in Budget 2022; when the stroke strategy and implementation plan will be published; the level of funding which will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [51962/21]

*350. To ask the Minister for Health if it is intended to provide €45 million extra funding to the HSE for 2022 specifically ringfenced for cancer services to continue to service the National Cancer Strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [51972/21]
*351. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the contact tracing which is currently taking place for Covid-19 cases; and the main findings in respect of the key settings in which transmission is taking place. — Róisín Shortall. [51973/21]

*352. To ask the Minister for Health when NPHET informed the Government that vaccinations alone would not control Covid-19; and the way in which the Government has responded to that information. — Róisín Shortall. [51974/21]

*353. To ask the Minister for Health the reason for the absence of reference to the importance of ventilation in controlling Covid-19 in public health messaging. — Róisín Shortall. [51975/21]

*354. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding delayed surgery for a child (details supplied) in Dublin 12; the reason for the delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [51976/21]

*355. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a media report that states that the number of vaccines administered to persons over 60 exceeds the reported population size (details supplied); the steps his Department will take to address this issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [51977/21]

*356. To ask the Minister for Health if he has considered any plans in relation to the introduction of legislation on surrogacy that would give legal status to parents whose child was born through the use of a surrogate; if these plans have considered retrospective parentage for parents who have currently been granted guardianship; if these plans have considered the need to extend parental leave and benefits to those parents whose child was born through the use of a surrogate; if these plans have considered the need to streamline this process and reduce the legal costs on parents whose child was born through the use of a surrogate in gaining their legal status as parents; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [51333/21]

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

*357. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of agricultural sustainability advisers employed under the Agricultural Sustainability Support Advisory Programme; the number of farms availing of support under this programme; the number of farms in identified priority areas of action participating in this programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [51850/21]

*358. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if it is intended to update the Fishery Harbours Acts to include the development of facilities to support the on-shore and off-shore renewable energy sector as one of the strategic aims when considering investment in these harbours; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [51964/21]

*359. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the basis on which his Department may grant permission for the use of hand sanitiser with an expired PCS number; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [51807/21]

*360. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the EU Council of Agriculture Ministers has considered the Joint Research Centre report on the farm to fork strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [51812/21]
*361. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will consider grant aiding under TAMS the installation of PV panels on agricultural buildings similar to grant aid presently available for solar panels; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [51813/21]

*362. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of approvals per licence and scheme type the Forestry Service will deliver during 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [51872/21]

*363. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated number of applications per licence and scheme type the Forestry Service anticipates receiving during 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [51874/21]

*364. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the details of the anticipated recruitment of foresters or ecologists for 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [51889/21]

*365. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated total expenditure anticipated to run the Forestry Service for 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [51890/21]

*366. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his Departments anticipated actual afforestation rate for 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [51891/21]

*367. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress made to date on upgrading the pier at Cleggan, County Galway on foot of the 2006 report prepared on the harbour, which is under the remit of his Department, entitled Feasibility Study at Cleggan, County Galway – report on proposal for development, June 2006; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [51892/21]

*368. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which the CAP is adequately geared to withstand potential restrictions on agri-food production with a view to meeting carbon reduction targets and simultaneously maintaining food production given the levels of starvation worldwide and in particular the unique nature of Ireland’s ability to minimise its carbon footprint; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51912/21]

*369. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he expects the agri-food sector to continue to meet the highest possible levels of output and at the same time meeting compliance standards in carbon reduction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51913/21]

*370. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he can through CAP or by way of other measures ensure that agri-food production is not impaired by carbon reduction measures given that Ireland’s carbon footprint is the lowest globally for the level of food production; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51914/21]

*371. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he remains satisfied that the agri-food sector will remain largely unaffected by carbon reduction measures which can be achieved by reliance on renewable energy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51915/21]
*372. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which the dairy sector here has managed to maintain output in the course of the past twelve months notwithstanding Brexit and Covid-19; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51916/21]

*373. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which Irish beef, lamb and dairy products can get to European and other further afield markets notwithstanding Brexit and Covid-19; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51918/21]

*374. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which production, husbandry and processing in the agri-food sector can be modernised to meet the challenges of carbon reduction targets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51919/21]

*375. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the degree to which he continues to emphasise the use of alternative energy production to minimise the impact of carbon reduction targets on the agri-food sector in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51920/21]

*376. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which imports from third countries are likely to impact on the agri-food sector here given international carbon reduction targets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51921/21]

*377. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps being taken to ensure that compliance with worldwide carbon reduction targets here do not become utilised as a means of replacing levels of production here with imports from third countries which do not appear to comply with any level of carbon reduction requirements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51922/21]

*378. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which the level of beef production continues here; if he is satisfied regarding the future of the industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51923/21]

*379. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which the level of dairy production here continues to be stable into the future notwithstanding any restrictions by way of carbon reduction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51924/21]

*380. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which the future for Irish lamb remains attractive in both the export and domestic markets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51925/21]

*381. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which the future for Irish pig meat remains attractive in both the export and domestic markets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51926/21]

*382. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the degree to which the future for the poultry sector continues to remain positive notwithstanding the impact of Brexit, Covid-19 and any climate change restrictions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51927/21]
*383. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which opportunities for the mushroom producing market remains positive for producers in Ireland notwithstanding Brexit or other issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51928/21]

*384. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he continues to take to ensure that full credit is given to food producers in Ireland for their ability to produce dairy and beef products at an exceptionally low level of carbon emissions; the extent to which this continues to be recognised internationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51929/21]

*385. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he sees a positive future for the dairy and beef sector here and continued assurance of its ability to produce food at much lower levels of carbon emissions than any other country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [51930/21]

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

*386. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the grants that are available to community groups or local authorities for the provision of eHubs in rural villages at present; if there are further schemes envisaged to bring vacant properties into use or grants for community groups to renovate community halls for the purpose of eHubs; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [51738/21]

*387. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide information on the establishment of a new small capital grant scheme for community centre upgrades which was announced in Budget 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [51741/21]

*388. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of works at libraries (details supplied); the timeframe for their reopening; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51861/21]