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Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

*1. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide a breakdown of the estimated number of full-time job vacancies in the State at present, by sector. — John Paul Phelan. [46455/22]

*2. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47055/22]

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

*3. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his Department will be recognising Covid-19 as an occupational disease in health and social care and in domiciliary assistance as agreed and recommended by the EU Advisory Committee on Safety and Health at Work in May 2022; if his Department recognises that this as an important step to implementing the EU Strategic Framework on Health and Safety at Work 2021 to 2027; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [46563/22]

*4. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will report on the efforts by the IDA to attract inward investment to counties Longford and Westmeath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [46574/22]

*5. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will add homecare assistants to the critical skills occupations list to address the crisis in recruitment for homecarers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [46604/22]

*6. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the recent engagements that he has had with his European Union counterparts regarding the European Union-Mercosur trade agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46667/22]

*7. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of IDA supported jobs in County Monaghan in each of the years 2016 to 2021 and to date in 2022; the number of new IDA supported jobs created in County Monaghan for each year in the same period; the number of IDA-hosted site visits in County Monaghan in each of the years 2016 to 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46668/22]

*8. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if the case of a person (details supplied) will be reviewed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [46695/22]

*9. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment his plans to reopen applications for work permits for agricultural, dairy farm assistants and related farming trades before the end of 2022 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [46774/22]

*10. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the estimated full-year cost of recruiting two additional full-time senior principal scientific officers and two additional full-time senior executives in global procurement for Enterprise Ireland. — Paul Donnelly. [46820/22]

*11. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 7 of 8 September 2022, the number of companies from China, Japan, and South Korea that are supported by IDA Ireland, in tabular form; and the total number of companies supported by IDA Ireland from south-east Asia in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [46885/22]

*12. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47042/22]

*13. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he is satisfied that the IDA is sufficiently focused on the potential for the Irish economy for assisting companies trading internationally with nearshoring production which to date has been outsourced internationally, given the recent developments in international trade including developments associated with international trade sanctions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [47065/22]

*14. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the preparations that are being made in his Department for forthcoming European Union regulations on forced labour and corporate due diligence; the volume of exports from China which it is anticipated that may be impacted by these directives and in particular products from Xinjiang; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [47066/22]

*15. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if grant aid is available for a company (details supplied) to expand in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [47097/22]

*16. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 7 of 8 September 2022, the number of companies supported by IDA Ireland that are from India in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [47107/22]

*17. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 7 of 8 September 2022, the number of companies supported by IDA Ireland that are from the continent of Africa by country in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [47108/22]

*18. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 7 of 8 September 2022, the number of companies supported by IDA Ireland that are from the continent of Asia by country in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [47109/22]

*19. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 7 of 8 September 2022, the number of companies supported by IDA Ireland that are from the continent of South America by country in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [47110/22]

*20. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 7 of 8 September 2022, the number of companies supported by IDA Ireland that are from the continent of Central America, by country in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [47111/22]

*21. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 7 of 8 September 2022, the number of companies supported by IDA Ireland from the continent of North America by country in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [47112/22]

*22. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of full-time staff vacancies by job title in IDA Ireland as of 21 September 2022; the estimated full-year cost of filling each of these vacancies; and when these vacancies will be filled in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47173/22]

*23. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if there are business supports available to a person (details supplied) who is taking-over a family motor business; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [47176/22]

*24. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of jobs per county in IDA Ireland-sponsored companies in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [47213/22]

*25. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he has spoken formally with the United States trade representative (details supplied) in the past 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47250/22]

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

*26. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the Government will be prepared to target subsidies to help compensate businesses for loss of operations in the extreme circumstance of energy blackouts; if not, if the Government will intervene in such circumstances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46746/22]

*27. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will explore the possibility of decoupling the price paid to renewable energy and other suppliers from that of the increasing wholesale price of gas (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46747/22]

*28. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if a windfall tax on energy suppliers will be introduced in the short-term; if this tax will be linked to the profits

derived from energy sources other than the costs associated with wholesale gas purchases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46748/22]

*29. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the way that he will ensure that Ireland will receive enough to supplement the national effort to address the pressing issue of energy costs as the European Union introduces community-wide supports, policies and initiatives that lessen the impact of the energy crisis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46751/22]

*30. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when the ban on the commercial sale of turf will come into effect; the other fuel types that will be affected by the proposed ban; if commercial operators will be allowed a grace period beyond the date of the ban; the penalties that commercial operators will incur if they continue to sell beyond the ban date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [46578/22]

*31. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if his attention has been drawn to gas prices paid by some residents connected to district heating systems that seem to have risen by disproportionate amounts in recent months, even compared to the general trend; if his Department will examine this; if district heat schemes are covered by the Commission for Regulation of Utilities guidelines and regulations in relation to customers having energy supplies cut-off for non-payment et cetera; if the CRU has any role in the price setting et cetera of such DHSs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [46588/22]

*32. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will ensure that funds are made available as requested by Dublin City Council to tackle the illegal dump at a location (details supplied). — Denise Mitchell. [46592/22]

*33. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the reason that rural customers should pay a higher standing-charge than urban users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [46599/22]

*34. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of the National Retrofit Steering Group, pursuant to the National Retrofit Plan; the membership of the group; the number of times that it has met to date; the dates of the meetings; the terms of reference of the group; if minutes are taken in respect of the meetings of the group; if so, if they are published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46683/22]

*35. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide details of the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland scheme, of the number of homes upgraded to a B2 BER or better to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46684/22]

*36. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide details of the progress to date on achieving the target of 500,000 homes retrofitted to a BER of B2 cost optimal or carbon equivalent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46685/22]

*37. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of heat pumps installed in existing premises in each of the years from 2019 to 2021 and to date in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46686/22]

*38. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if his attention has been drawn to the concerns of energy users who will have submitted gas and electricity meter readings for August and September 2022 and who are concerned that they will be subjected to the 30% plus price increase rates for the remainder of the month and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [46694/22]

*39. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will consider a price cap to be implemented whereby Government agrees to subsidise energy costs above a certain cap limit in order to give some stability and certainty to businesses and consumers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46723/22]

*40. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide clarity on the Government's approach to national energy policy and security of supply over the winter period; the steps that he will take to alleviate the impact of huge energy price increases on homes, farms and businesses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46725/22]

*41. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the Government will improve the procedures, systems and supports that are in place to enable businesses to sell surplus energy supplies back to the national grid (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46727/22]

*42. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he has considered a comprehensive national education and awareness campaign related to energy conservation and efficiency aimed at both the residential and business sectors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46729/22]

*43. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he has considered if greater investment in renewables should be made a Government priority to offset the consequent short-term impact on greenhouse gases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46731/22]

*44. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the steps that his Department is taking to develop offshore energy exploration off the west coast of Ireland given that priority appears to be given to the east coast at present despite the vast potential of the western seaboard with its higher proportion and scale of wind; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46733/22]

*45. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on the national policy and regulations on offshore energy creation and the need for it to be fast-tracked and clearly enunciated by Government and Government agencies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46735/22]

*46. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on the opportunity for Ireland to become an international leader on offshore energy creation providing a comprehensive and clearcut regime is quickly put in place (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46737/22]

*47. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the steps that the Government is taking to seriously consider and explore alternative options for energy storage and

provision in Ireland especially for those in rural Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46739/22]

*48. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on the National Broadband roll-out and the fact that some residences (details supplied) in County Clare have been left without a broadband service. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46741/22]

*49. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he plans to remove the PSO levy in order to assist businesses that are struggling with increasing energy costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46743/22]

*50. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the position in relation to an application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [46758/22]

*51. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the measures that he is taking to ensure that refuse companies do not continue to increase their costs for consumers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [46796/22]

*52. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of full-time staff working in the National Cyber Security Centre as of 1 January 2021 and 20 September 2022, in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [46836/22]

*53. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the policy decisions that were made on the report by the Rental Sector Energy Efficiency Advisory Group's recommendations. — Eoin Ó Broin. [46912/22]

*54. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will outline the process and timeline for ratifying the modernisation of the Energy Charter Treaty. — Eoin Ó Broin. [46913/22]

*55. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his views on reports that United States government institutions such as the Pentagon and the United States Department of Justice store data in Ireland as part of their redundancy strategy. — Eoin Ó Broin. [46914/22]

*56. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications further to Parliamentary Question No. 90 of 24 May 2022, if commercial semi-State bodies are exempt from obligations under the Climate Amendment Act 2021, given that they are exempt from freedom of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2014; and if the Climate Action Framework for the commercial semi-State sector is outside those obligations. — Eoin Ó Broin. [46917/22]

*57. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide a progress report on the roll-out of the National Broadband Plan; the number of properties connected as of 31 May 2022; the number of properties connected in County Carlow; the number of properties pending surveyed in Carlow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47009/22]

*58. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the way that a person who wishes to have their address changed or an error corrected that is listed on the Eircode

website or system can do so; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47013/22]

*59. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47043/22]

*60. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he has plans to engage with the stakeholders behind the Silvermines hydro-electric station to deliver storage given the recent publication of the energy security review and its proposal for approximately 450MW to 1.8 gigawatt-hours of pumped storage. — Alan Kelly. [47116/22]

*61. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the current status of the Inland Fisheries Consolidation Bill 2022; and when this Bill will move to the next stage. — Catherine Murphy. [47171/22]

*62. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will outline the way that pay-as-you-go electricity customers can avail of the recent energy credit of €200.00; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [47181/22]

*63. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if an issue raised by a person (details supplied) in relation to the cost of solar panels will be examined; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [47196/22]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*64. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason that the current average wait time for an NCT booking in the Dublin centres is six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [46613/22]

*65. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason that a full driving licence was not issued for a person (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46619/22]

*66. To ask the Minister for Transport the current earliest construction start and completion dates for the N2 Clontibret-to-the-Border road scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46663/22]

*67. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of the strategic rail review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46664/22]

*68. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to extend youth fare reductions to 17 to-18-year-olds and ensure that reductions can be availed of by those traveling with commercial operators; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46665/22]

*69. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will consider creating free public transport passes for staff of special schools, only to be used when travelling with students; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [46703/22]

*70. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to the impact on students and workers of scheduled bus services being cancelled without notice, who then have to pay substantial amounts on taxis to get to school or work; if he will investigate the failure of a transport operator (details supplied) to provide a regular reliable service which is causing significant problems for public transport users who require a consistent, reliable service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [46720/22]

*71. To ask the Minister for Transport if Transport Infrastructure Ireland is investigating a section of a road in County Cavan which has experienced a large number of accidents in recent months, some of which have been fatal (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [46792/22]

*72. To ask the Minister for Transport if the contract for the provision of catering services on board Iarnród Éireann intercity rail services has been put out to tender; and if so, the deadline for accepting tender offers. — Paul Donnelly. [46822/22]

*73. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of full-time staff by job title working in the air accident investigation unit within his Department as of 1 January 2021 and 19 September 2022; the number of vacancies by job title currently in this unit; and when these vacancies will be filled in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [46823/22]

*74. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of fixed charge notices which have been issued by An Garda Síochána using the statutory instrument for dangerous overtaking of cyclists since the law was introduced in November 2019, in each of the years 2019 to 2021 and to date in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [46855/22]

*75. To ask the Minister for Transport the total number of fixed penalty notices issued to cyclists annually since the commencement of the Road Traffic Act 2015 to date in 2022, by the alleged offences for which these were issued in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [46856/22]

*76. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide an update on the implementation of the statutory instrument for dangerous overtaking of cyclists since its introduction in November 2019 (details supplied); if he will outline the training received by gardaí on the 2019 legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [46857/22]

*77. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department will introduce a specific targeted scheme to encourage car rental services to switch to electric vehicles in line with Government targets for 2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [46859/22]

*78. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason that taxi and hackney vehicles are subject to maximum age limit rules; if his attention has been drawn to issues impacting taxi and hackney drivers following the instatement of maximum age limit rules (details supplied); and if his Department plans to assist given that the likely outcome is for some drivers to become unemployed. — Eoin Ó Broin. [46871/22]

*79. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will review the route of the Rural Link bus managed from the Cavan/Monaghan Rural Link office to accommodate persons from the Carrigallen area in County Leitrim to travel to Cavan town, to include members of the Ukrainian community (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [46902/22]

*80. To ask the Minister for Transport the timeline for when the strategic rail review of the Wexford to Waterford rail line will be completed and published. — Johnny Mythen. [46909/22]

*81. To ask the Minister for Transport the progress that has been made on extending bus services to the Upper Ballymoneen Road area of Knocknacarra in Galway; if the National Transport Authority will commit to funding a turning bay and other facilities necessary to establish the service in the area; the timescale for the provision of such a service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [46934/22]

*82. To ask the Minister for Transport the progress that has been made by the National Transport Authority in undertaking a review of the Galway bus network; the format that the review will take; when it is expected to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [46935/22]

*83. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will ensure that funding is provided to ensure the vital rural bus service operated by a company (details supplied) in Kilkenny can resume operation; the assurances that can be given to local residents given that the service has ceased; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [46951/22]

*84. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to the issues in relation to the 175-bus route; if he will change to a provider that is capable to deliver the service given that the company (details supplied) cannot perform its duties which should be contractually agreed. — Paul Murphy. [46956/22]

*85. To ask the Minister for Transport the steps that his Department is taking to reduce the NCT waiting lists (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [46957/22]

*86. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47054/22]

*87. To ask the Minister for Transport the protocols for emergency responses to incidents on Dublin's beaches; if the Dublin Fire Brigade is notified of incidents; or if it is solely the Coast Guard that is informed. — Richard Bruton. [47070/22]

*88. To ask the Minister for Transport if a contractor has been appointed to a project (details supplied); the up-to-date position with this project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [47075/22]

*89. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason that the student Leap card is not available to third level students aged 18 years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [47076/22]

*90. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will consider extending eligibility for the Leap card scheme to bus operators who run cross-border services, especially those servicing third level institutions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [47077/22]

*91. To ask the Minister for Transport if a CPC practical driving test will be expedited for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [47081/22]

*92. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will urgently review the anomaly which will severely affect students at 18 years of age given that they are unable to access student rates on bus journeys; the work that is currently being undertaken to address this anomaly which actively discriminates against students who are 18 years of age (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [47094/22]

*93. To ask the Minister for Transport the expected timeline for the new bridge in Ballina and Killaloe to become operational given that construction has commenced; and the projected cost. — Alan Kelly. [47113/22]

*94. To ask the Minister for Transport when each of the public car parks within Dublin Airport was last remarked and or resurfaced; and when each of these public car parks will be next scheduled to be remarked and or resurfaced in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47165/22]

*95. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of passengers who used each Dublin Bus NiteLink bus route to date in 2022. — Catherine Murphy. [47166/22]

*96. To ask the Minister for Transport if Transport Infrastructure Ireland has considered installing lighting in the underpass tunnel of the N18 dual-carriageway at Ballymorris, Cratloe, County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [47179/22]

*97. To ask the Minister for Transport the additional security personnel that will be provided by Iarnród Éireann at train stations, and onboard trains for the upcoming Halloween period; and the additional security that the Luas operator will provide over the same time period.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [47206/22]

*98. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide a list of the applications that are being considered by his Department relative to new roads infrastructure in counties Carlow and Kilkenny; the stage that each application is at in the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47219/22]

*99. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of the Carlow southern relief road; the status of the completion of the orbital route around Carlow town linking the ERR to the N80, R448, Éire Óg Road and into County Laois; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47220/22]

*100. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of road improvements approaching South East Technological University Carlow campus which will include a junction improvement with a new cycle path and footpath and traffic lights on the R448; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47221/22]

*101. To ask the Minister for Transport if the National Transport Authority will fund two journeys in both directions on the Cavan 929 Local Link bus services on Sundays and bank holidays; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47236/22]

*102. To ask the Minister for Transport the details of proposals to provide bike carrying capacity on buses, especially in rural Ireland, on services such as Local Link; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47237/22]

*103. To ask the Minister for Transport if a matter raised in correspondence by an organisation (details supplied) will be reviewed; the waiting times for NCT per county; the number of persons that are waiting at present; and the length of time that they have been waiting in tabular form. — Niamh Smyth. [47254/22]

*104. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of persons on waiting lists for driving tests in counties Cavan, Monaghan and Meath and nationwide to date; the length of time that they have been waiting; the stage they are at in their application process in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47255/22]

*105. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of the transfer of the Shannon Heritage sites into the management of Clare County Council. — Cathal Crowe. [46978/22]

*106. To ask the Minister for Transport further to Parliamentary Question No. 239 of 17 May 2022, if the same aircraft (details supplied) has landed at Shannon Airport on any occasion in the intervening period since it landed there on 7 May 2022; if any further investigation has been carried out into the items that were being transported on this aircraft when it landed at Shannon Airport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [47266/22]

*107. To ask the Minister for Transport the steps that he is taking to improve the recruitment and retention of staff in NCT centres. — Holly Cairns. [47343/22]

*108. To ask the Minister for Transport if an additional bus stop will be provided on the western side of Bandon to facilitate elderly residence. — Holly Cairns. [47345/22]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*109. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason that mandatory registration fees for veterinary nurses is not currently tax deductible when the mandatory registration fee is for other professions such as doctors, nurses, opticians, and veterinary surgeons; if there are plans to change this in order to make it a tax-deductible fee; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [47063/22]

*110. To ask the Minister for Finance the options that are available to persons who require Government-issued photographic identification for the purposes of opening a bank account and who do not have a driving licence or passport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46621/22]

*111. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount raised through the carbon tax on glasshouse growers of food crops using CO₂ enrichment in each of the years 2017 to 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46634/22]

*112. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount raised through VAT on non-oral animal medicines and vaccines in each of the years 2017 to 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46635/22]

*113. To ask the Minister for Finance if the rules in relation to flat-rate expenses will be amended to include podiatrists and chiroprodists (details supplied). — Cathal Crowe. [46651/22]

*114. To ask the Minister for Finance if increases in benefit-in-kind that are due to take effect on 1 January 2023 as a result of changes brought in by the Finance Act 2019 will be postponed (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46653/22]

*115. To ask the Minister for Finance the status of a review into farm contractors regarding the carbon tax; if he intends to introduce any measures arising from such in Budget 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46661/22]

*116. To ask the Minister for Finance the remaining increases in carbon tax that will apply to agricultural diesel in 2022 and 2023; if he has considered delaying or rescinding entirely such increases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46662/22]

*117. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will review correspondence (details supplied) ahead of Budget 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [46699/22]

*118. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason that private pension holders continue to pay a pension levy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [46711/22]

*119. To ask the Minister for Finance if the proposed changes to the benefit-in-kind on company cars which will then be calculated with reference to CO2 emissions will be implemented in January 2023; the changes that will be introduced to help offset the dramatic additional cost to both the employer and employee; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [46719/22]

*120. To ask the Minister for Finance if a special wage support and other emergency subsidies will be targeted to help SMEs and entrepreneurs similar to the effective emergency measures supports during Covid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46744/22]

*121. To ask the Minister for Finance if a special grant or tax measure will be considered for businesses to acquire more energy efficient equipment as a special short-term measure during the current energy crisis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46745/22]

*122. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on matters raised in correspondence (details supplied) in relation to benefit-in-kind on company cars; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [46781/22]

*123. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason that an Act which was never intended for small community groups is being applied rigorously to the community groups (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [46797/22]

*124. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will review the activation of section 6 of the Finance Act 2019 as it relates to liability for benefit-in-kind for employees with company cars given that presently the availability of lower emission, hybrid and electric vehicles is significantly curtailed thereby constraining employers and employees in their efforts to move to more sustainable motoring; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [46811/22]

*125. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of full-time staff vacancies by job title in the Financial Services and Pension Ombudsman as of 19 September 2022; the full-year cost of filling each of these vacancies; and when each of the vacancies will be filled in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [46835/22]

*126. To ask the Minister for Finance if the benefit-in-kind charge in relation to a person (details supplied) is correct; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [46840/22]

*127. To ask the Minister for Finance if changes to benefit-in-kind in respect of company vehicles which will come into effect from January 2023 will be reviewed (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [46863/22]

*128. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of persons that have availed of the help to buy scheme each year since its introduction. — Emer Higgins. [46958/22]

*129. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47044/22]

*130. To ask the Minister for Finance the frequency of the Revenue Commissioners not following the lead role of the Department of Social Protection in relation to employment status; when this has occurred; the areas in which this has happened; and the way that a difference in employment status determination between the Revenue Commissioners and the Department of Social Protection is resolved (details supplied). — Paul Murphy. [47056/22]

*131. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of residential properties disposed of in each of the years 2016 to 2021 and to date in 2022 in circumstances in which those properties were acquired between 7 December 2011 and 31 December 2014, and as such, are not subject to capital gains tax under section 604A of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997. — Eoin Ó Broin. [47100/22]

*132. To ask the Minister for Finance if financial supports will be put in place for those working from home given the ongoing increase in the cost of utilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [47204/22]

*133. To ask the Minister for Finance the progress that has been made to replace the disabled drivers medical board of appeals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [47212/22]

*134. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of persons that are waiting for their appeals to be dealt with through the Disabled Drivers Board of Appeal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [47226/22]

*135. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated additional revenue that would be generated from a 3% surcharge on all taxable income above €400,000 and €750,000 respectively in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47244/22]

*136. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will review matters raised in correspondence (details supplied) ahead of Budget 2023; if he will address these concerns; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47302/22]

*137. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will review matters raised in correspondence (details supplied) ahead of Budget 2023; if he will address these concerns; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47303/22]

*138. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will provide an update in relation to the removal of VAT on defibrillators being examined; the status of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47306/22]

*139. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will review matters raised in correspondence (details supplied) ahead of Budget 2023; if he will address these concerns; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47348/22]

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

*140. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will confirm that vacancies for Higher Executive Officers in Government Departments are now taking applicants from the panel of Higher Executive Officers who are Irish-language speakers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [47101/22]

*141. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will report on the percentage of Higher Executive Officers appointed to date in 2022 who are Irish-language speakers; if he will also report on the percentage of Higher Executive Officers overall who are Irish speakers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [47102/22]

*142. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if his Department, the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer or Office of Government Procurement provide any advice to Government Departments or bodies under their aegis on whether future expenditure on software should include an application programming interface; if any such advice is provided by either office or department to Departments or such bodies with regard to the upgrading of existing systems to implement an application programming interface; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46602/22]

*143. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will provide an update on plans to resolve long-term flooding at a location (details supplied); the engagement that he has had with other bodies and Government Departments to date in 2022; his intentions regarding the next steps; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [46660/22]

*144. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he or his Department receive reports from a company (details supplied) on the financial returns to its shareholders; if so, the amount in each of the years 2014 to 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [46845/22]

*145. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the current status of a report (details supplied) that was commissioned by him into the treatment of good causes funding in other jurisdictions and to undertake a consultation on same; the timelines for the publication of the report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [46846/22]

*146. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will provide details of the pursuit training which park rangers receive and if he will confirm that the pursuit observed on North Road on 26 March 2022 of a car by a park ranger in an OPW pick-up truck was conducted

by a suitably qualified individual and was in compliance with all necessary protocols and relevant legislation. — Patrick Costello. [46854/22]

*147. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if a contract (details supplied) will be finalised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46869/22]

*148. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the plans of the OPW for remedial works (details supplied) following the recommendations made in a report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [46872/22]

*149. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47050/22]

*150. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if additional funding will be granted for clearance works along the Kilmastulla River in Birdhill, County Tipperary given that the level of funding that is currently being provided is not sufficient to get the necessary works carried out in a timely manner, and that the banks near the mouth of the river have subsided and considerably slowed the flow of the river; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [47061/22]

*151. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if each OPW-staffed heritage site has at least one defibrillator on site; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47249/22]

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

*152. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if it has been decided when the next call for funding under the sports capital grant will be made; and if changes are planned in the format of the next call. — Richard Bruton. [46702/22]

*153. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if Tourism Ireland plans to have a billboard advertisement campaign in major bus and train stations and in major international airports in the United States to promote tourism in Ireland. — Paul Donnelly. [46834/22]

*154. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if her Department will be providing details of the funding schemes that are available for local festivals and events; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [46961/22]

*155. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if her Department will be providing details of the funding schemes that are available for local festivals and events that will be funded by the Arts Council; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [46962/22]

*156. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if her Department will be providing details of the type of funding schemes that are available for local festivals and events that are funded by Fáilte Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [46963/22]

*157. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by her; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47053/22]

*158. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if consideration will be given to the inclusion of an individual complaints' mechanism within the Online Safety Media Regulation Bill 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [47197/22]

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

*159. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total amount of general Government capital expenditure on social and affordable housing by local authorities, approved housing bodies and the Land Development Agency (LDA) in each of the years 2016 to 2021 and to date in 2022 by funding via voted-Government capital expenditure, Approved Housing Body borrowing for capital developments and LDA capital expenditure in each of those years in tabular form.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [46611/22]

*160. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if the vacant property refurbishment grant will be made available for urban areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [46586/22]

*161. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide a national breakdown, per local authority, of the number of accommodation places that each local authority has secured and made available to refugees from Ukraine in each month since February 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [46594/22]

*162. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide a national breakdown, per local authority, of the number of offers of accommodation that have been received by local authorities from members of the public for refugees from Ukraine to Ireland since the outbreak of the war in Ukraine in February 2022; the number of these that have been secured and made available to Ukrainian families; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [46595/22]

*163. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if a person (details supplied) in County Tipperary who is having ongoing issues of pyrite and other contaminants appearing in cement and concrete blocks used to build their principal private residence will be able to receive financial assistance through the proposed defective concrete block redress scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [46669/22]

*164. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will ease the restrictions governing the croí cónaithe towns fund: vacant property refurbishment grant scheme to include all otherwise eligible properties, regardless of their location, in the context of a severe shortage of available accommodation in many areas of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [46677/22]

*165. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of applications that have been received to date for grants under the croí cónaithe towns fund, vacant property refurbishment grant scheme, by local authority area; the number that have been approved

for grant aid; the average expected time between application and payment of grant; and if he is satisfied with the progress of the scheme to date. — Noel Grealish. [46678/22]

*166. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the areas of County Galway with a population of less than 400 persons that are eligible for assistance under the croí cónaithe towns fund, vacant property refurbishment grant scheme; if any area within a certain distance of Galway city and other cities that are suffering a severe shortage of available accommodation will be included; and if he intends to extend the scheme to areas within city boundaries, previously signalled as a possibility. — Noel Grealish. [46679/22]

*167. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to the case of a person (details supplied) being advised they will be refused access to the croí cónaithe fund given that their location is very rural; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Gould. [46682/22]

*168. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will accelerate the process of granting a foreshore licence to the ESB for the development of the Moneypoint off-shore wind farm off the Clare and Kerry coastline; if he will set out a definite plan for the future role and potential of the Moneypoint generating station which is due for closure as a coal generating station in 2025 in the context of the development of off-shore energy resources; the specific timeline and objectives of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46749/22]

*169. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the resources and funding that have been allocated to Clare County Council for the provision of emergency accommodation; if additional funding will be administered by his Department given that the emergency accommodation is at full capacity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46750/22]

*170. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his Department's winter plan in relation to funding and resources allocated by his Department to county councils to deal with growing homelessness; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46866/22]

*171. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of prosecutions that have been taken by the National Parks and Wildlife Service against other State bodies; and if he will provide a breakdown of the number of successful prosecutions in tabular form. — Eoin Ó Broin. [46911/22]

*172. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will remove the working-family payment from the list of income that is assessable when considering social housing applications (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46918/22]

*173. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to reports indicating that the Residential Tenancies Board has spent millions of euro on a computer system that is not working; if he has requested the details of the work that have been carried out for this cost; if his further attention has been drawn to the fact that most estate agents have to input the full details for the past 20 years for each tenant they ever had and that the system is not working and has dropped many of these files. — Peadar Tóibín. [46953/22]

*174. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 623 of 26 July 2022, the number of local authorities currently employing a full-time vacant homes officer by local authority in tabular form; when all remaining local authorities will have a full-time vacant homes officer in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [47007/22]

*175. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 28 of 23 June 2022, the status of the development of the promised section 28 guidelines for planning in Gaeltacht areas; the timeline for the publication of the guidelines; the date of the most recent meeting of the interdepartmental group on planning in Gaeltacht areas; if minutes are published in respect of the meetings of the interdepartmental group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [47008/22]

*176. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if the National Parks and Wildlife Service will schedule works on a river (details supplied) for completion in September 2022, given that farmlands are being eroded by flooding due to the presence of the trees in the river; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [47037/22]

*177. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47048/22]

*178. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of un-commenced Part 8 planning permissions for residential units that have been granted by local authorities and the number of units in each application that are to be considered within each local authority in each of the years since 2011 to 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form. — Patrick O'Donovan. [47069/22]

*179. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the reason that no wildlife park ranger has been assigned to County Cavan to date; and the status of same. — Niamh Smyth. [47072/22]

*180. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide the details of the wildlife park rangers allocated per county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47074/22]

*181. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide an update on negotiations with Dublin City Council concerning the transfer of a property (details supplied); if it is to be purchased for accommodation; and if so, the type of accommodation. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [47091/22]

*182. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of new build public houses that he is planning to build in Tipperary in 2022, 2023 and 2024. — Alan Kelly. [47115/22]

*183. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on matters raised in correspondence (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kieran O'Donnell. [47135/22]

*184. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if the consultative committee on urban gulls will consider the possibility of imposing fines for feeding seagulls in urban areas; if further culls of seagulls are being considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [47177/22]

*185. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has signed the Ministerial Order to enact the announced changes to the incremental tenant purchase scheme; and if not, when he intends to do so. — Eoin Ó Broin. [47199/22]

*186. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the qualifications that a National Parks and Wildlife Service inspector has; if a vet with experience attends the inspections at the zoo; and if it has been considered that it should be a multidisciplinary team inspecting if there is such a range of animals. — Paul Murphy. [47200/22]

*187. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if the National Parks and Wildlife Service requested or attended an inspection at Dublin Zoo with an authorisation officer under the Animal Health and Welfare Act 2013 and have them issue a welfare notice at any stage since the legislation was enacted in 2014 (details supplied). — Paul Murphy. [47201/22]

*188. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the position regarding the report on social housing eligibility that reviewed income threshold eligibility amongst other considerations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [47203/22]

*189. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide an update on the key strategic urban regeneration and development fund project for Carlow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47215/22]

*190. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he plans to review the HAP payment levels given the rental increases nationwide and particularly in Cavan Monaghan. — Niamh Smyth. [47256/22]

*191. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will introduce a ban on evictions into homelessness to address rising homelessness levels; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [47261/22]

*192. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if a matter in relation to housing inspections on rental properties that are being carried out by local authorities will be examined (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [47263/22]

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

*193. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will examine and expedite a passport application for a child (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [46585/22]

*194. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs when foreign birth registration applications will be processed for siblings (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46652/22]

*195. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if a name change by deed poll will be considered for a child (details supplied) for a passport application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [46782/22]

*196. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will investigate an issue in relation to a passport renewal for a person (details supplied). — Joe Flaherty. [46817/22]

*197. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on reports that US government institutions such as the Pentagon and the US Department of Justice store data in Ireland as part of their redundancy strategy. — Eoin Ó Broin. [46915/22]

*198. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the status of the foreign birth registration for a child (details supplied). — Kathleen Funchion. [46974/22]

*199. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47045/22]

*200. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if a decision has been made on a foreign birth registration application by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [47156/22]

*201. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he has spoken directly with the Malaysian Foreign Minister in the past 12 months. — Catherine Murphy. [47172/22]

*202. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the number of companies that applied for the contract for the construction of Ireland House in Tokyo but were unsuccessful; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47248/22]

*203. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the steps that the Minister of State at his Department took to meet all Irish Members of the European Parliament and not just Government-party MEPs, during his recent meetings in Brussels; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O’Reilly. [47300/22]

Chun an Aire Cosanta: To the Minister for Defence.

*204. To ask the Minister for Defence if he has spoken formally with his United Kingdom counterpart in the past six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [46777/22]

*205. To ask the Minister for Defence if his Department is considering an increase in the daily budget for catering in the Defence Forces, given the increase in the cost of living; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [46778/22]

*206. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of vacancies per trade per Barracks; and the details of the most recent recruitment drive or competitions for each in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [47030/22]

*207. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of

the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47040/22]

*208. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of full-time civilian staff vacancies at the Defence Forces training centre; and when each of these vacancies will be filled in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47174/22]

*209. To ask the Minister for Defence if arrangements can be made to allow for the provision of a service medal for the Defence Forces (details attached) in an effort to acknowledge the significant contribution made by the Defence Forces during Operation Fortitude to the HSE and to the people of Ireland during the Covid-19 pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [47202/22]

*210. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of females currently qualified as military pilots within Air Corps; the number of females currently in training to become qualified military pilots within the Air Corps; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47251/22]

Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

*211. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to provide funding for pilot occupational therapy programmes in schools; if any such initiatives have taken place to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [47157/22]

*212. To ask the Minister for Education the reason that Bus Éireann does not provide a direct service for students from Castleblayney or Carrickmacross to Maynooth; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47260/22]

*213. To ask the Minister for Education if she plans to reinstate the 1,800 assistant principal positions at primary and special school level that remain outstanding since the end of the 2009 moratorium on promotion; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [47318/22]

*214. To ask the Minister for Education the reason for the discrepancy of 72-cents per pupil per day in the capitation grant rate for primary school students at a mainstream rate of €183.00 per year and voluntary secondary school students at a rate of €316.00 per year; if she intends to remedy this discrepancy in Budget 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [47319/22]

*215. To ask the Minister for Education if provision will be made in Budget 2023 to expand the operational budget of the National Educational Psychological Service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [47320/22]

*216. To ask the Minister for Education if she will ensure that children (details supplied) who have availed of school transport to their secondary schools for the past four and five years, continue to be provided with transport which is their only means of getting to school; if she will review the circumstances of this case; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [46564/22]

*217. To ask the Minister for Education if a school transport ticket will be allocated to a student (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46565/22]

*218. To ask the Minister for Education if a school transport ticket will be allocated to a student (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46566/22]

*219. To ask the Minister for Education if a school transport ticket will be allocated to a student (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46567/22]

*220. To ask the Minister for Education if school transport tickets will issue to three students (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46568/22]

*221. To ask the Minister for Education if school transport tickets will be allocated to students (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46569/22]

*222. To ask the Minister for Education if a school transport ticket will be allocated to a student (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46570/22]

*223. To ask the Minister for Education if a school transport ticket will be allocated to a student (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46571/22]

*224. To ask the Minister for Education the number of children who have no access to school transport by county in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [46575/22]

*225. To ask the Minister for Education if school transport tickets will be allocated to students (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46581/22]

*226. To ask the Minister for Education when a reply will issue to correspondence (details supplied) relating to a school transport issue. — Pearse Doherty. [46582/22]

*227. To ask the Minister for Education if he will seek additional detail on the research and evidence upon which a statement (details supplied) by the interdepartmental group that decides on the school starting age policy relies upon; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [46589/22]

*228. To ask the Minister for Education if there are plans in place to build new secondary schools in Dublin 5, Dublin 13 and Dublin 17, or to expand capacity of existing schools in the coming year; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [46590/22]

*229. To ask the Minister for Education if she will seek to reverse the decision to make the positions of one full-time permanent teaching post and three SNAs redundant at a school (details supplied) to maintain future need for the school given its wide catchment area and planned move to Mullingar; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [46593/22]

*230. To ask the Minister for Education the current situation with regards to the development of much-needed works for a school (details supplied) following numerous requests to her Department from the school principal; and the timeframe for when these works will commence. — Alan Kelly. [46618/22]

*231. To ask the Minister for Education the grant funding that is available under her Department for a new-build sports hall or multi-purpose hall for a school (details supplied); the timeframe for grant funding applications; the criteria for same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [46626/22]

*232. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department will author a policy document advising schools on a way to establish after-school services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [46629/22]

*233. To ask the Minister for Education the funding applications that are open to a national school to apply for (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [46639/22]

*234. To ask the Minister for Education if she is satisfied that there will be enough post-primary school places available in the school planning area covering the Dublin 17 area; the planning which is currently taking place in this school planning area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [46642/22]

*235. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to provide additional school places in Santry, Dublin 9; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [46644/22]

*236. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the DEIS review for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [46645/22]

*237. To ask the Minister for Education if she will investigate the reason that a pupil (details supplied) who applied for a school bus ticket in April 2022 and who has been using the school transport service for the past four years and is paying for this service has been advised that there is no bus ticket despite the bus travelling the route on a daily basis at 50% capacity; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [46670/22]

*238. To ask the Minister for Education the way that a school can make an application for funding for a sensory room; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [46671/22]

*239. To ask the Minister for Education the details of the funding that is available to schools for the development or enhancement of facilities for special education; if programmes such as the minor works scheme could be expanded for the improvement of special education facilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [46672/22]

*240. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais cé mhéad duine i scoil Ghaeltachta a fuair díolúine ón nGaeilge ar an mbonnleibhéal agus ar an meánleibhéal, le 5 bliana anuas; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [46680/22]

*241. To ask the Minister for Education if a student (details supplied) will be accommodated on the school bus; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [46693/22]

*242. To ask the Minister for Education the number of children who applied for and received school bus tickets to date in 2022 who are attending a secondary school and who did not previously hold a school bus ticket; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [46716/22]

*243. To ask the Minister for Education the number of children who applied for and received school bus tickets to date in 2022 who are attending a primary school and who did not previously hold a ticket; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [46717/22]

*244. To ask the Minister for Education the number of children who applied for a school bus ticket to date in 2022 who are attending a secondary school were refused a ticket due to their being no place on the bus; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [46718/22]

*245. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department's online claims system will be amended to allow schools to place a substitute teacher in a non-filled temporary post in order to deal with the current staffing crisis in schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [46775/22]

*246. To ask the Minister for Education when the interim building will be in place for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [46802/22]

*247. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the new building for three autism classes in a school (details supplied); when they will be able to go out to tender; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [46853/22]

*248. To ask the Minister for Education if the cut-off age for drivers of school transport services will be reviewed given the difficulty in recruiting drivers at present. — Cathal Crowe. [46867/22]

*249. To ask the Minister for Education if officials from her Department will meet with the administrative staff of a school (details supplied) in County Tipperary that was refused DEIS status, given that the reason that this decision was arrived at remains unclear; if specific clarification will be provided to the school in relation to the numbers and data used in the assessment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [46908/22]

*250. To ask the Minister for Education when Junior Certificate examination results will be available to candidates; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46920/22]

*251. To ask the Minister for Education the reason that special schools are not sanctioned for the post of home-school liaison officers; if consideration has been given to expanding the post to special schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [46936/22]

*252. To ask the Minister for Education if funding is available through her Department to assist a school (details supplied) in County Tipperary to upgrade its transport facilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [46943/22]

*253. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 865 of 8 September 2022, if she will request schoolbook companies to provide licences for eBook downloads to schools which would eliminate the need for parents to buy costly physical copies of schoolbooks which will not be used once the non-transferable code for the eBook has been retrieved; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [46948/22]

*254. To ask the Minister for Education if there is any specific restriction on the appointment of a home school liaison officer for special schools. — Thomas Gould. [46969/22]

*255. To ask the Minister for Education the reason that a school (details supplied) in Cork does not have a home school liaison officer. — Thomas Gould. [46970/22]

*256. To ask the Minister for Education the school catchment area in which Clonshaugh Dublin 17 is located; the primary and secondary schools in the catchment area; the nature of each school; if a location such as this directly adjoining and integrated with other urban school catchments can be accommodated in getting access to schools in neighbouring catchments in cases in which they would otherwise be considered as of lower priority. — Richard Bruton. [46972/22]

*257. To ask the Minister for Education the estimated cost to the State of a policy to provide devices such as notebooks or similar, to each student who is required to have them; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [46975/22]

*258. To ask the Minister for Education if a response will issue to correspondence (details supplied) that was sent to her by this Deputy on 26 April 2022. — Pearse Doherty. [46988/22]

*259. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 311 of 20 September 2022, the reason that the issue of applying for a remote grant lies with Bus Éireann, rather than with her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [47004/22]

*260. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the delivery of an ASD class for a school (details supplied); if there has been a review of its DEIS band one status; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47014/22]

*261. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to expand the eligibility criteria for school transport given the demonstrated need; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47015/22]

*262. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide a progress update on the Primary School Healthy Eating Education Programme as outlined in the Programme for Government. — Sorca Clarke. [47031/22]

*263. To ask the Minister for Education if transport will be provided to a student (details supplied) who is attending a school with no bus route; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [47032/22]

*264. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by her; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47041/22]

*265. To ask the Minister for Education when work will commence on a permanent school (details supplied); when the project will be completed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [47095/22]

*266. To ask the Minister for Education if she agrees that a new school building is required for a school (details supplied) given the multiple infrastructural problems in its current building. — Paul Murphy. [47096/22]

*267. To ask the Minister for Education the number of Ukrainian refugees that have been taken in by private schools as of 21 January 2022, by county in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [47117/22]

*268. To ask the Minister for Education when the 90-day rule or cap on career-break substitute teaching will be removed. — Joe Flaherty. [47118/22]

*269. To ask the Minister for Education when a school (details supplied) will retain its previous access to a psychologist and referral service. — Joe Flaherty. [47119/22]

*270. To ask the Minister for Education the schools in County Longford which have been transitioned to the Mullingar National Educational Psychological Service. — Joe Flaherty. [47120/22]

*271. To ask the Minister for Education if she has considered supports for schools that are not in the school transport scheme that seek to organise public transport to the school to improve the safety and sustainability of the journeys made by pupils to the school, which are now threatened by the rising fuel costs of coaches used. — Richard Bruton. [47143/22]

*272. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to provide pilot occupational therapy programmes in schools; if any such initiatives have taken place to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [47158/22]

*273. To ask the Minister for Education when a child (details supplied) will have their change of address confirmed by her Department on their school transport scheme bus ticket, given the urgent need for this service. — Johnny Mythen. [47207/22]

*274. To ask the Minister for Education the estimated cost in 2023 if an additional 900 special needs assistants were recruited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47238/22]

*275. To ask the Minister for Education if she has plans to move the average points awarded in the Leaving Certificate back to the type of normal distribution which prevailed before Covid; and if so, the way that this will be accomplished. — Richard Bruton. [47271/22]

*276. To ask the Minister for Education if matters raised in correspondence by a person (details supplied) will be reviewed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47310/22]

*277. To ask the Minister for Education if there will be any provision in Budget 2023 to allow class sizes to be reduced by two-points in order to be brought to the European average as a matter of best practice (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [47315/22]

*278. To ask the Minister for Education if the Government will accept calls by an organisation (details supplied) for a wider availability of age-appropriate supports through the National Educational Psychological Service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [47316/22]

*279. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide a breakdown of assistant principal posts at primary school level created in the past 24 months by county; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [47317/22]

*280. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department plans to reinstate and expand the In-School and Early Years Therapy Support Demonstration Project; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [47323/22]

*281. To ask the Minister for Education when a decision will be made on the appeals made by a person (details supplied) in County Louth against the decision not to be provided school bus tickets in 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [47333/22]

*282. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the plans for new school buildings at a school (details supplied), including a timeframe for the commencement of construction and completion of works. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47335/22]

*283. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the plans for new school buildings at a school (details supplied), including a timeframe for the commencement of construction and completion of works. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47336/22]

*284. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the plans for new school buildings for schools (details supplied), including a timeframe for the commencement of construction and completion of works. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47337/22]

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

*285. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if matters raised in correspondence by an organisation (details supplied) will be reviewed; if his Department is considering free travel for persons with an epilepsy diagnosis; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47305/22]

*286. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the position in relation to education workers who need to sign for unemployment benefits during holiday periods; if claims are closed by her Department when such persons return to work or if the claims remain permanently open; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [46573/22]

*287. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if persons may reapply for the one-parent family payment immediately in circumstances in which the relationship ends and the lone parent is no longer in receipt of the payment or any household income; if she will advise on the process in ensuring that lone-parent families are provided with supports in situations in which their household income is dramatically reduced or removed altogether; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [46600/22]

*288. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if consideration has been given to reducing the six-month eligibility rule to move from illness benefit to partial capacity benefit given that there are circumstances where a person suffers an injury or condition which reduces their ability to work for the medium to long-term, but where they could return to work on a part-time basis within several months of receiving illness benefit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [46601/22]

*289. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a decision has been made on an application for disability allowance by a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46650/22]

*290. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when the State Pension (Contributory) will issue to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [46666/22]

*291. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if Statutory Instrument 295 of 16 May 2022, which removed the exemption of one member arrangements and executive pension plans conflicts with the long-standing Pensions Authority advice which indicated that there would be no exemptions from institutions for occupational retirement provision 11 for these plans until there was a viable alternative product in place; his views on whether the Statutory Instrument conflicted with the Pensions Authority deadline of 1 July 2022 for compliance with new requirements given that there is still no viable alternative product available; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [46713/22]

*292. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a decision has been made on an application for an additional needs' payment from a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [46722/22]

*293. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the period in which rent supplement payments can be backdated will be increased from the current limit of six months. — Chris Andrews. [46783/22]

*294. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of a carer's allowance for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [46784/22]

*295. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if consideration has been given to reopening applications for the diet supplement payment (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [46790/22]

*296. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her plans to further analyse the re-introduction of the diet supplement payment to persons with particular medically certified dietary needs given that the last analysis commissioned by her Department was during 2013 (details supplied); if she will consider this request as part of her Department's Budget 2023 proposals; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [46813/22]

*297. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated cost in 2023 if the fuel allowance were to be increased to €41 per week. — Paul Donnelly. [46821/22]

*298. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of community welfare officer positions that are filled and vacant, respectively by county; the number of community welfare officers in each INTREO office in the country; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [46850/22]

*299. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reasons that a service (details supplied) was shut down; if there are plans to reopen this service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [46851/22]

*300. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when her Department will complete the review of the operation of the exceptional and urgent needs' payments by community welfare officers; if this review will include staffing requirements for INTREO offices; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [46852/22]

*301. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her plans to address the pay-scales and current pay rates of the community employment supervisors and assistant supervisors; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [46864/22]

*302. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her Department will review the status of a fuel allowance application by a person (details supplied). — Denise Mitchell. [46868/22]

*303. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 262 of 14 September 2022, if she will advise on the matter considering that her attention has been drawn to the fact that clarification was not sought from her Department regarding the situation referenced (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [46870/22]

*304. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if Covid-19 is an occupational illness under the occupational injuries' benefits scheme; and if not, if her Department intends to add Covid-19 to the occupational injuries list as the case in many other European states. — Eoin Ó Broin. [46876/22]

*305. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of a qualified adult dependent allowance for a person (details supplied) in County Cork; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [46898/22]

*306. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the position regarding the means test for State pension (non-contributory) as it applies to money on deposit; if she will specifically clarify the position regarding money on deposit held jointly, where one of the account holders is in receipt of a State pension (contributory) and his spouse is contemplating an application for a State pension (non-contributory); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [46899/22]

*307. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if sufficient funding will be provided to an organisation (details supplied) to continue the Ability Programme in 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [46900/22]

*308. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the rationale for a working person in receipt of a widow's pension being unable to claim illness benefit if they fall ill; if there are any other benefits available to a person in this position; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [46901/22]

*309. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the steps that her Department is taking to assist those with food allergies regarding the cost of their food; if a food allergy assistance payment is being reviewed by her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [46906/22]

*310. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a disability allowance application in respect of a person (details supplied) will be processed and paid from the period of application to their passing; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [46907/22]

*311. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of an application by a person (details supplied) for domiciliary care allowance. — Paul McAuliffe. [46919/22]

*312. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her views on matters raised in correspondence (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [46937/22]

*313. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her plans to extend access to a free travel pass to persons with epilepsy, or other medical conditions, who temporarily lose their driving licences as a result of their condition, to cover the period in which they are not permitted to drive; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46939/22]

*314. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the analysis that her Department has carried out into decoupling the free travel scheme from other social welfare payments, as per recommendation 9.1.1 of the November 2018 report of the Oireachtas Committee on Transport, Tourism and Sport entitled Accessibility of Public Transport for People with Disabilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46940/22]

*315. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide details of any reviews carried out or commissioned by her Department into the free travel scheme to assess whether the scheme is adequately addressing the needs of persons with long-term health conditions or disabilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46941/22]

*316. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 385 and 398 of 14 September 2022, if funding is available for this programme in 2023 (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [46986/22]

*317. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide a statement of contributions regarding the eligibility of a person (details supplied) for the State pension; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [47002/22]

*318. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will ensure that all of those in receipt of the State pension receive the same increase in Budget 2023, guaranteeing that there are no penalties for those who took time out of their working life for caring responsibilities; and if she will confirm that this will be the case for a person (details supplied). — Paul Murphy. [47003/22]

*319. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide an update on the community employment scheme; the number of persons currently availing of the scheme; her plans, if any, to increase the payment for those availing of the scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47025/22]

*320. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will report on the criteria that must be met to enable community employment scheme participants to remain on a scheme beyond their allotted time in which replacement participants cannot be found; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47026/22]

*321. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will authorise the payment of eligible social welfare payments into an account (details supplied) given that the limited banking choices that are available in Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [47029/22]

*322. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide funding in Budget 2023 for the Ability Programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [47033/22]

*323. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when the 27 companies countrywide that are running the Ability Programme will be informed whether they are going to receive funding for 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [47034/22]

*324. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by her; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47052/22]

*325. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the action that she has taken to rectify the erroneous information put to the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Social Welfare in December 2019; and the action that she has taken in relation to the repetition of the erroneous information by the Secretary General of the Department at the Public Accounts Committee in 2021 (details supplied). — Paul Murphy. [47057/22]

*326. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she plans to include long-Covid as an occupational disease for front line workers considering the European Union ACSH Agreement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Mythen. [47058/22]

*327. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if provision will be made for parents whose domiciliary care allowance application is delayed due to the long waiting list for an ASD assessment for their child; if not, the other options that are available to the parents to expedite the process in absence of an assessment in the short-term; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [47064/22]

*328. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to social welfare regulations that disincentivise workers from taking on extra employment; if her Department plans to review the eligibility criteria for social welfare supports for those engaged in part-time work; if a cumulative-hours-worked basis of assessment is being considered to replace the current days-worked assessment; if these measures can be considered for industries facing specific recruitment and retention challenges including home-care and others; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [47089/22]

*329. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the current status of a carer's allowance application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [47090/22]

*330. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of full-time community welfare officers in each Intreo office in County Kildare as of 20 September 2022, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47164/22]

*331. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a reply will issue to a person (details supplied) in County Clare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [47180/22]

*332. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a person (details supplied) qualifies for the benefit payment for 65-year-olds. — Peter Burke. [47182/22]

*333. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a person (details supplied) in County Kerry is on the correct rate of pension. — Brendan Griffin. [47185/22]

*334. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to her announcement that carers will receive entitlements and contributions towards an old age pension, the basis on which contributions will be awarded; the date from which such pensions will apply; if they will be backdated; if the

payment rates will be aligned fully with the standard State pension (contributory); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [47252/22]

*335. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason that a person (details supplied) in County Cork had their claims disallowed in respect of the working family payment and the back to school clothing and footwear allowance given that they qualified for these payments to date and given that their income was moderately in excess of the fixed limit for the size of their family. — Sean Sherlock. [47257/22]

*336. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a supplementary welfare application by a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47262/22]

*337. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a person (details supplied) in County Kerry who is in receipt of disability allowance can transfer to invalidity pension; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [47272/22]

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

*338. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will review matters raised in correspondence (details supplied); if he will address the queries raised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47304/22]

*339. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if SNAs can be secured under the access-and-inclusion funding model in Montessori schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [46579/22]

*340. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he or his Department will intervene in relation to the suspension of childcare provision at a community centre (details supplied) in which dozens of families have faced disruption to essential childcare provision; if he will contact Tusla to attempt to expedite the inspection and certification of an alternative site; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [46584/22]

*341. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if it is possible for the parents of a child (details supplied) to avail of one-and-a-half-years' of free ECCE scheme entitlement for their child given that their child's date of birth does not allow them to qualify for two full-years starting from September 2022; if there is leeway to allow for a year-and-a-half free of charge instead of two years given the fact that their child started ECCE in September 2022 and that their parents would be willing to pay for ECCE from September to December 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [46603/22]

*342. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if there are plans to use school buildings for after-school childcare services; if his Department has engaged with the Department of Education regarding this proposal; his views on same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [46641/22]

*343. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if financial assistance can be given to parents who must avail of non-approved childcare provision such as nannies and childminders given the shortage of approved childcare places in certain areas of Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [46646/22]

*344. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if schools (details supplied) will be included in the proposed mother and baby home redress scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [46659/22]

*345. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if funding is available through his Department to assist a school (details supplied) in County Tipperary to upgrade its transport facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [46944/22]

*346. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if there are plans to increase the foster care allowance; if further financial supports are available to foster parents; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [46954/22]

*347. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the details of a contract between a person (details supplied) and a business regarding the housing of Ukrainian refugees on the business' property; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46983/22]

*348. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his attention has been drawn to the fact that Ukrainian refugees that were settled at a location (details supplied) in County Donegal have been moved to another location; the circumstances under which this removal arose; the actions that were taken by his Department; the way that this fits with contractual obligations of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46984/22]

*349. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his views in relation to correspondence sent to him on 15 September 2022 regarding a business (details supplied); his views on same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46985/22]

*350. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when survivors can expect to see their share of the approved €800 million of expenditure over the life cycle of the mother-and-baby homes redress scheme; the estimated amount of additional new measures monies which will need to be provided for 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47010/22]

*351. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when the enhanced medical card regarding the redress scheme proposed for mother-and-baby home survivors will be issued; the services that it will cover; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47011/22]

*352. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the payment assistance that is available for relative foster carers; the criteria that they have to meet to avail of payments available to care for the children of their family; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47012/22]

*353. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47039/22]

*354. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his attention has been drawn to the case of workers in Section 56 organisation (details supplied) who are members of the public pension superannuation scheme and who had their wages cut and their hours increased, under the Haddington Road and Croke Park Agreements, but who have not benefitted from the Building Momentum Agreement; when they can expect to have their pay increased; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [47060/22]

*355. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide an update on the work of his Department in addressing legislation that prohibits women from deferring their maternity leave while undergoing cancer treatment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [47099/22]

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

*356. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if a person (details supplied) in County Cork will be granted the non-adjacent special rate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [46572/22]

*357. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if the recently announced new minimum annual stipend rate for PhD students of €28,000 will be expanded to include current PhD students given that currently they will be paid less for their work than students who newly enter the system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [46640/22]

*358. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of current or previous students at a college (details supplied) who have been awarded a SUSI grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46647/22]

*359. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the steps that he has taken to ensure that private colleges that are not eligible for SUSI make the public aware of this fact; the steps that he has taken to inform the public that students enrolled in private colleges may not be eligible for SUSI grants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46648/22]

*360. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the dates in 2022 that he has met with the CEO of Dublin-Dún Laoghaire Education and Training Board. — Paul Donnelly. [46824/22]

*361. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the reason that illness benefit is not included in the SUSI special rate award of eligible Department of Social Protection payments in circumstances where the payment is claimed over a longer period; his plans, if any, to review the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [46895/22]

*362. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47046/22]

*363. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the supports that are in place for students who live away from home under the age of 23 years to ensure that they can carry on with their studies (details supplied). — Peadar Tóibín. [47071/22]

*364. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if a review will be considered for a person (details supplied) given the change in pension contributions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [47079/22]

*365. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of Youthreach learners availing of the services in each location available in counties Cavan and Monaghan in 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47235/22]

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

*366. To ask the Minister for Justice if the forty cars procured for Government Ministers are electric, hybrid, or otherwise. — Gary Gannon. [46767/22]

*367. To ask the Minister for Justice if she intends to reduce the size and capacity of the Criminal Assets Bureau during or after its move to a new premises; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [47469/22]

*368. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of citizenship applications that are in hand currently; the number of staff that are assigned to the processing of citizenship applications; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [46577/22]

*369. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of ML10 forms for persons who wish to open a bank account in circumstances in which they do not have a driving licence or passport; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46620/22]

*370. To ask the Minister for Justice if her attention has been drawn to the fact that the number of members of An Garda Síochána who are willing to sign an ML10 form has dramatically declined (details supplied); if she plans to reform the way in which members of An Garda Síochána verify the identification of persons who do not currently possess or cannot obtain a driving licence, a passport, or a public services card or for persons who have no other obvious forms of identification; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [46623/22]

*371. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will provide a breakdown by rank and grade of the number of personnel attached on a full-time and or permanent basis to the criminal assets’ bureau in each of the years 2018 to 2021 and to date in 2022; if she will provide details on the allocation for 2023 and beyond; and if the Garda Commissioner has consulted and or engaged with her on a reduction and or contraction of the CAB. — Catherine Murphy. [46625/22]

*372. To ask the Minister for Justice if her attention has been drawn to recent media, TV recordings of arrangement and inditement proceedings has clearly identified investigating gardaí in numerous minutes of television and on-screen video coverage, while at the same time, defendants are allowed to cover their faces (details supplied). — Matt Shanahan. [46655/22]

*373. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of the visa application by a person (details supplied); and if he will ensure that this visa is processed in a swift manner. — Thomas Gould. [46673/22]

*374. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 619 of 11 May 2022, if she will provide the names and details of the sporting clubs that have been approved for immigrant investor programme investment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [46674/22]

*375. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí per capita in each county in the State; and if she will ensure that she facilitates the increase of Garda resources into counties that have had the largest increase in population as a result of the latest Census data. — Peadar Tóibín. [46687/22]

*376. To ask the Minister for Justice the ten largest towns in the State without a Garda station; and the ten largest towns in the State without a full-time Garda station. — Peadar Tóibín. [46688/22]

*377. To ask the Minister for Justice the detection rates for each crime area or Garda division for each of the past five years. — Peadar Tóibín. [46689/22]

*378. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of hate crimes that have been recorded in each county for each of the past five years. — Peadar Tóibín. [46690/22]

*379. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of operational members in An Garda Síochána who have an automatic number-plate recognition device; and the proportion that this number is of all gardaí who require the device. — Peadar Tóibín. [46691/22]

*380. To ask the Minister for Justice if her attention has been drawn to difficulties regarding the payment of fees for citizenship applications from spouses and civil partners of Irish citizens living in Northern Ireland and who are intending to reside on the island of Ireland (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [46701/22]

*381. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of arrest warrants received by An Garda Síochána from Dublin District Court and the Dublin District Family Court by category and by DMR division in 2020, 2021 and to date in 2022; the number that were executed during the same period and the number outstanding by category on 18 September 2022, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [46708/22]

*382. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of arrests made by An Garda Síochána on foot of a complaint regarding the breach of protection orders and safety orders by DMR division in each of the years 2020, 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [46709/22]

*383. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of the implementation of reforms to the duty of care legislation announced by her Department in May 2022; when businesses, community groups and voluntary groups will see an impact from the announced reforms; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [46714/22]

*384. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of the publication of the Family Courts Bill 2020; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46752/22]

*385. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of visa applications by persons (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [46762/22]

*386. To ask the Minister for Justice when a full death certificate for a person (details supplied) will issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [46776/22]

*387. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí assigned to the drugs unit in the Cavan/Monaghan Garda division. — Niamh Smyth. [46793/22]

*388. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 40 of 5 July 2022, the status of the Afghan Admissions Programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46798/22]

*389. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 40 of 5 July 2022, the number of persons who have arrived in Ireland further to the Afghan Admissions Programme which opened in December 2021; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46799/22]

*390. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 40 of 5 July 2022, when it is anticipated that all applications to the Afghan Admissions Programme will be processed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46800/22]

*391. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 40 of 5 July 2022, the total number of applications received for the Afghan Admissions Programme; the number refused; the number granted; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46801/22]

*392. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí by rank attached to the Dublin Metropolitan Region west roads policing unit as of 1 January 2021 and 20 September 2022, in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [46825/22]

*393. To ask the Minister for Justice if she met with the New York State Attorney during her recent visit to New York. — Paul Donnelly. [46826/22]

*394. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí by rank attached to the Garda dog unit as of 1 January 2021 and 20 September 2022, in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [46828/22]

*395. To ask the Minister for Justice if the recruitment campaign for the recently announced additional Data Protection Commissioner's posts will be advertised outside of the State or just within the State. — Paul Donnelly. [46829/22]

*396. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 736 of 12 July 2022, if she has received the necessary information from the Garda authorities. — Paul Donnelly. [46830/22]

*397. To ask the Minister for Justice when the public consultation on the disregarding of historical offences for the LGBT community will take place. — Patrick Costello. [46873/22]

*398. To ask the Minister for Justice the estimated timeline for spent convictions legislation as committed to in the Programme for Government; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [46874/22]

*399. To ask the Minister for Justice the timeline for legislation on the Independent Commission on Information Retrieval Bill which has been on the legislative programme for several sessions but no heads have been published to date. — Patrick Costello. [46886/22]

*400. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of incidents of suspected drink spiking reported to An Garda Síochána in 2021 and to date in 2022 nationally; if any charges were made in relation to the reported incidents; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Josepha Madigan. [46946/22]

*401. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of incidents of suspected needle spiking reported to An Garda Síochána in 2021 and to date in 2022 nationally; if any charges were made in relation to the reported incidents; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Josepha Madigan. [46947/22]

*402. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 1423 of 8 September 2022, if she will confirm when the national guidelines were published; and the location in which they can be accessed. — Ivana Bacik. [46959/22]

*403. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of buildings that are in the ownership, use or rental of her Department in which non-essential lighting is left on overnight; the estimated total cost of same; if she plans to request that all non-essential lighting is switched off after work has ceased. — Peadar Tóibín. [46960/22]

*404. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will advise on an immigration issue of a person (details supplied). — Gary Gannon. [47006/22]

*405. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by her; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47049/22]

*406. To ask the Minister for Justice if there are plans to reduce the size and capacity of the Criminal Assets Bureau in its move to a new premises; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [47134/22]

*407. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of community gardaí assigned to three Garda stations (details supplied) in each of the years 2012 to 2021 and to date in 2022. — Mary Lou McDonald. [47141/22]

*408. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of repossessions and evictions of a private house or property, which were attended by members of An Garda Síochána in each of the years 2018 to 2021 and to date in 2022, broken down per Garda district in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [47145/22]

*409. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of repossessions and evictions of a private house or property attendance requests that were made to An Garda Síochána in each of the years 2018 to 2021 and to date in 2022; the person or body that made the requests that is, distressed borrower or evictor, broken down per Garda district in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [47146/22]

*410. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of repossession cases submitted by financial institutions to the courts since 2000 inclusive to date, against mortgagors, broken down by county and or district; if such cases are private-dwelling houses versus a commercial buy-to-let property; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [47149/22]

*411. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of possession orders given by the courts against mortgagors broken down by county and or district since 2000 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [47150/22]

*412. To ask the Minister for Justice the total number of possession orders not granted against mortgagors broken down by county and or district since 2000 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [47151/22]

*413. To ask the Minister for Justice the current outstanding number of court possession or execution orders against mortgagors which are pending enforcement broken down by county and or district since 2000 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [47152/22]

*414. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of execution orders of those granted, notified to mortgagors broken down by county and or district since 2000 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [47153/22]

*415. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of execution orders completed against mortgagors; the number of execution orders extinguished via voluntary surrender; the number of execution orders accomplished by the abandonment of the dwelling by the mortgagor broken down by county or district in each of the years 2000 to 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [47155/22]

*416. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of new unmarked and marked Garda vans allocated to the Garda dog unit in 2021 and to date in 2022; and the number of these vehicles that were withdrawn during this period. — Catherine Murphy. [47168/22]

*417. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of Garda immigration officers by rank attached to Dublin Port and Dun Laoghaire Port as of 1 January 2021 and 21 September 2022, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47169/22]

*418. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of prosecutions before the Children's Court in 2019, 2020 and 2021; the number of orders for fines against the child, compensation orders against the parents, guardian and or detention that were ordered in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [47195/22]

*419. To ask the Minister for Justice if she proposes to publish legislation shortly reforming the alcohol licensing regime; if so, when this legislation can be expected; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [47198/22]

*420. To ask the Minister for Justice the estimated cost to fit 100% of roads policing unit vehicles with automatic number plate recognition services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47239/22]

*421. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of cases that the Garda human trafficking investigation and co-ordination unit has dealt with in 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47240/22]

*422. To ask the Minister for Justice if a new contract for the provision of new Garda roads policing motorcycles will be put out to tender in Quarter 4 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47241/22]

*423. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of cases Cavan-Monaghan that the divisional protection services unit has dealt with in 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47242/22]

*424. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of standard and advanced motorcycle courses that have been held for gardaí within the Cavan-Monaghan division in 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47243/22]

*425. To ask the Minister for Justice if her Department will provide a person (details supplied) with a visa while they recuperate and pursue recourse given the catastrophic accident suffered by them as an undocumented migrant fisher on an Irish-flagged fishing vessel; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [47292/22]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*426. To ask the Minister for Health if the pandemic bonus payment has been paid to firefighters and paramedics to date; if not, the reason therefor; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [47036/22]

*427. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department will be recognising the recommendation of the European Commission and the EU Advisory Committee on Safety and Health at Work to recognise Covid-19 as an occupational disease for health care workers; if his Department will move to adapt legislation according to the updated Commission recommendation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [46562/22]

*428. To ask the Minister for Health if funding has been allocated to the building of primary healthcare centre in Drimnagh, Dublin; the timeframe for the commencement of building work; the estimated timeframe for the opening of this facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [46583/22]

*429. To ask the Minister for Health if respite care will be granted for a person (details supplied) in a hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46587/22]

*430. To ask the Minister for Health if he is considering lifting the ban on water births; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [46591/22]

*431. To ask the Minister for Health the number of fourth-class children who will receive dental screening services under the Health (Amendment) Act 1994 during the current academic year by CHO area in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [46596/22]

*432. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the 2021 application by the HSE to have products (details supplied) included for reimbursement on the long-term illness scheme. — Cathal Crowe. [46605/22]

*433. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who were approved for roche accu-chek insulin pumps through the HSE's aids and appliances community funds in each of the years 2016 to 2021; and the number of those who are in various age categories (details supplied) in tabular form. — Cathal Crowe. [46606/22]

*434. To ask the Minister for Health the total spend on blood glucose test strips for persons with diabetes under the long-term illness scheme for each of the years 2018 to 2021, in tabular form. — Cathal Crowe. [46607/22]

*435. To ask the Minister for Health the total spend on blood glucose test strips for each of several HSE-preferred products (details supplied) under the long-term illness scheme for each of the years 2018 to 2021, in tabular form. — Cathal Crowe. [46608/22]

*436. To ask the Minister for Health the requirements that are needed to be put in place in the University of Limerick Hospitals Group to offer insulin pump therapy as a treatment option for adults with type 1 diabetes. — Cathal Crowe. [46609/22]

*437. To ask the Minister for Health if he will expedite the process to include the cancer medicine, verzenio for reimbursement under the medicine access scheme for persons diagnosed with breast cancer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [46610/22]

*438. To ask the Minister for Health if the Health Research Board is conducting a scoping review for his Department on advanced practice physiotherapy grades and physiotherapists as referred to for the purposes of x-rays and imaging; if so, the terms of reference for such a review; the estimated timeline for such a review; the details of any consultative process that would follow including an organisation (details supplied) once the review has been completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [46612/22]

*439. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a pre-Budget 2023 submission by an organisation (details supplied); if consideration has been given to its recommendations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [46614/22]

*440. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 669 of 24 May 2022, the status of the current staffing levels for paediatric epilepsy services at University Hospital Limerick; the current vacancies which exist in the service; the efforts that are being undertaken to address these; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [46622/22]

*441. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department will author a national diabetes strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [46628/22]

*442. To ask the Minister for Health if funding for the cystic fibrosis drug kaftrio will be made available for children once they turn six years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [46630/22]

*443. To ask the Minister for Health when the early-intervention youth service for counties Sligo and Leitrim will be finalised (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [46631/22]

*444. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be seen under CAMHS. — Sean Sherlock. [46632/22]

*445. To ask the Minister for Health if water birth will be made available in Ireland; the reason that the facilitation of water births has ceased; if the necessary reviews on this issue have been completed; if home births can be facilitated for all those who want to avail of such a service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [46643/22]

*446. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that a person (details supplied) is waiting so long for the pandemic bonus payment for healthcare workers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [46649/22]

*447. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal will receive an appointment at Galway University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [46654/22]

*448. To ask the Minister for Health the status the case of a person (details supplied); and when they can expect an appointment with a surgeon.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [46657/22]

*449. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1814 of 26 July 2022, if his officials have concluded their consultation with all members of the north inner-city drug and alcohol taskforce; if a report to identify the next steps has been submitted to him; if he is concerned that the slow pace of progress by his Department in resolving matters first raised by his officials eighteen months ago; and the impact of this delay on the normal functioning of the task force. — Mary Lou McDonald. [46658/22]

*450. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a timeframe for when rental income from renting out the family home will be deemed exempt under the fair deal scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [46675/22]

*451. To ask the Minister for Health if he proposes to introduce a financial assistance scheme in order that persons who rely on machines to stay alive, for example for oxygen, dialysis et cetera, will be able to secure support towards the costs of electricity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [46676/22]

*452. To ask the Minister for Health if a child (details supplied) will be given access to occupational therapy in County Monaghan as a matter of urgency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46681/22]

*453. To ask the Minister for Health the reason for the many anomalies in the payment of salaries, premiums and overtime in the CHO1 area in disability services since the adoption of a new system approximately 12 months ago; the number of errors that have been made in tabular form; the reason that these errors occurred; the length of time that it took for each underpayment to be rectified; the remedial steps that have been taken to prevent the re-occurrence of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [46697/22]

*454. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that the HSE is taking a full 12-weeks to pay overtime to staff, including nurses; the reason that this is the case; if he is prepared to shorten the inordinate time that healthcare professionals are expected to wait to receive their overtime payments amidst an unprecedented cost-of-living crisis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [46698/22]

*455. To ask the Minister for Health if paramedics and firefighters in the Dublin Ambulance Service qualify for the pandemic bonus payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [46700/22]

*456. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the establishment of a haematology day ward in University Hospital Kerry, equipped for ten patients, to facilitate the delivery of chemotherapy

and related blood work or infusions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46704/22]

*457. To ask the Minister for Health if he will support the installation of an isolator in University Hospital Kerry to facilitate load balancing between University Hospital Kerry and Cork University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46705/22]

*458. To ask the Minister for Health if he will expand the laboratory staff in University Hospital Kerry from a rota of one to five to one to ten to ensure that laboratory staff have sufficient recovery time between shifts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46706/22]

*459. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that haematology patients are often required to travel daily for prolonged periods of time, two hours each way, from parts of north and west Kerry to Cork, in order to receive essential chemotherapy treatment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46707/22]

*460. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the roll-out under the drug treatment scheme of the new prescription medication, inclisiran which is used to treat high cholesterol in persons with an adverse reaction to statins; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [46710/22]

*461. To ask the Minister for Health when paramedics from the Dublin Fire Brigade will receive their Covid-19 bonus payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [46712/22]

*462. To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be made available to speed-up the process of genetic testing for confirmation of TTR genotype, wild-type or hereditary, for transthyretin amyloidosis patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [46721/22]

*463. To ask the Minister for Health the progress that has been made in relation to the pandemic recovery payment due to 30 workers (details supplied) in private nursing homes in County Clare. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [46753/22]

*464. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the availability of the provision of evusheld to immunocompromised patients in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [46754/22]

*465. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a timeline for the full implementation of the Chief Medical Officer's report on The Use of Uro-Gynaecological Mesh in Surgical Procedures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [46763/22]

*466. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of the National Treatment Purchase Fund's €150 million allocation that has been spent with private hospitals to date in 2022, as opposed to being unsourced in HSE hospitals. — Gary Gannon. [46764/22]

*467. To ask the Minister for Health the number of judicial review cases that have been taken against the State in relation to both delays in assessment of needs process' as well as disability services provision, since 2017 (details supplied). — Gary Gannon. [46765/22]

*468. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a copy of each annual S13 reports received from the HSE under the Disability Act 2005 since 2014; his views on instances where such reports are not available; and the way that this will be improved in the future. — Gary Gannon. [46766/22]

*469. To ask the Minister for Health if CAMHS is currently accepting new patients in Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [46772/22]

*470. To ask the Minister for Health if action will be taken to ensure that orthodontic treatment is provided for a child (details supplied) with cerebral palsy who has been assessed as category 5A; if he will facilitate access to the waiting list initiative established to transfer those in need of orthodontic treatment to a private provider in order to expedite treatment given the additional health considerations of this child; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [46773/22]

*471. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who are currently awaiting an occupational therapy assessment in each LHO area in CHO8; the number waiting for treatment in each LHO area in CHO8; and the number in each category waiting for more than 12 months. — Sorca Clarke. [46779/22]

*472. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who are currently waiting for a bed in a residential unit in each LHO area in CHO8; and the number of persons waiting for more than 12 months in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [46780/22]

*473. To ask the Minister for Health the timeframe for when those in the health sector who have not yet received their pandemic bonus payment will receive same in tabular form; the sectors within the health service that have not received the payment; the timeframe for when each outstanding sector will receive the payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [46785/22]

*474. To ask the Minister for Health when the employees of a nursing home (details supplied) will receive the pandemic recognition payment; when employees of all private sector nursing homes will receive the payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46791/22]

*475. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) in County Kerry will receive medical equipment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46794/22]

*476. To ask the Minister for Health the status of each of the thirty-five recommendations contained in the Maskey Report for South Kerry CAMHS in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46803/22]

*477. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report the recommendations, if any, of the thirty-five recommendations contained in the Maskey Report for South Kerry CAMHS that have been implemented in North Kerry CAMHS in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46804/22]

*478. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the State-wide review and prescription audit for CAMHS patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46805/22]

*479. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to some CAMHS patients being seen by consultant psychiatrists via video-link or tele-clinic without prior notice that this

would be the format of the consultation, or without being advised that they have the right to refuse this format; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46806/22]

*480. To ask the Minister for Health the way that CAMHS patients are informed about the use of video-link or teleclinic to avail of services; their rights regarding same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46807/22]

*481. To ask the Minister for Health if all CAMHS patients seen by a consultant psychiatrist via video-link or teleclinic had a professionally-trained member of the CAMHS team present in the room with the patient and family members during each consultation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46808/22]

*482. To ask the Minister for Health the options available to CAMHS patients who decline a video-link or teleclinic with a consultant psychiatrist; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46809/22]

*483. To ask the Minister for Health the number of current CAMHS patients in each of north Kerry awaiting their first occupational therapy, speech and language therapy, and psychology appointments for longer than 3, 6, 9, 12, 18 months and three years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [46810/22]

*484. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of a service for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46812/22]

*485. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) will be offered home-help hours; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46818/22]

*486. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on a service (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46819/22]

*487. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients treated in the acute medical assessment unit at Connolly Hospital, Blanchardstown per day in August 2022. — Paul Donnelly. [46831/22]

*488. To ask the Minister for Health the elective throughput in each model 3 and 4 hospital in each month to date in 2022, in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [46832/22]

*489. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full-year cost in 2023 of providing five additional ambulances in each HSE region. — Paul Donnelly. [46833/22]

*490. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of a service for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46842/22]

*491. To ask the Minister for Health when the parents of a child (details supplied) will be provided with respite care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46843/22]

*492. To ask the Minister for Health when the parents of a child (details supplied) will be provided with the necessary funding for a magnetic attachment for a car seat; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46844/22]

*493. To ask the Minister for Health the status of implementing the neurorehabilitation strategy in CHO6 and CHO7; when the service will be up and running; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [46847/22]

*494. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of a service for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46848/22]

*495. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of a service for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46849/22]

*496. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of a service for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [46860/22]

*497. To ask the Minister for Health the number of frontline workers who have received the pandemic bonus payment to date; when all payments are expected to issue to frontline workers eligible for the payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [46877/22]

*498. To ask the Minister for Health the current average processing time for a nursing licence; if his attention has been drawn to any delays in the processing of such licences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [46893/22]

*499. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment with a specialist will be expedited for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [46894/22]

*500. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that the Covid-19 special recognition payments for home help workers have still to be processed; when these vital frontline workers will receive this payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [46896/22]

*501. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that the Covid-19 special recognition payments for nursing home staff have still to be processed; when these vital frontline workers will receive this payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [46897/22]

*502. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 567 of 20 September 2022, if he will provide details of the significant work done to date in relation to the standardisation of provision of medical and surgical aids and appliances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Mythen. [46910/22]

*503. To ask the Minister for Health the number of diagnosed and suspected neuro-diverse children under the care of the CAMHS; the number of those who are currently prescribed medication; the number of those on medication who have received follow-up medical supervision of that medication within the previous 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [46938/22]

*504. To ask the Minister for Health when a child (details supplied) will receive their two-years old developmental check; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [46945/22]

*505. To ask the Minister for Health if the case of a child (details supplied) will be examined and assistance provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [46952/22]

*506. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that a person (details supplied) cannot obtain a device which is necessary for their health issue; when the device will be made available to them; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [46955/22]

*507. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department has undertaken any research into the avian flu HPAI; if the flu poses a risk to humans; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [46964/22]

*508. To ask the Minister for Health the steps and arrangements that are being put in place to recruit staff members for homecare packages and homecare hours to ensure that eligible persons are in receipt of their allocation as awarded when medically assessed; if consideration will be given to providing eligible persons with financial assistance in order to source a carer to provide home help when there are no home support care assistants available in the area to provide care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [46968/22]

*509. To ask the Minister for Health if he will engage with the HSE to ensure that the current staffing numbers for neurology nurse specialists in the neurology department in University Hospital Galway is addressed given that patients are unnecessarily waiting longer for diagnosis and treatment (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [46971/22]

*510. To ask the Minister for Health if there are plans to make the drug evusheld available in Ireland given that it has been approved by the European Medicines Agency and is currently in use in Europe and America; the stage that these plans are at; when those who are immunosuppressed are likely have access to the drug; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [46973/22]

*511. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address the matter raised in correspondence (details supplied) in relation to the drugs payment scheme card; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [46982/22]

*512. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that a child (details supplied) who was assessed by an agency over the summer and whose parents were verbally informed that they meet the criteria for an autism diagnosis have not yet received the written report despite repeated requests by them and the children's disability network team; and if he will take steps to ensure that they receive a diagnosis without further delay given that same is required this September in order to make applications for a suitable place in secondary school. — David Cullinane. [46987/22]

*513. To ask the Minister for Health if he will urgently establish a high-level working group on future general practice, to help find innovative solutions, and work collectively to address shortages in the general practitioner-sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [46991/22]

*514. To ask the Minister for Health if general-practitioner training in business planning and management will be made available, particularly, GP training in setting-up and building group practices at community level, and where group practice is not viable or feasible; if the HSE will

facilitate the ongoing support of such practices, enhancing practice collaboration and networking; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [46992/22]

*515. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department will set up an initiative whereby it would work with the European Investment Bank to set-up a fund to provide low interest loans to groups of general practitioners to set-up primary care centres run by those GPs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [46993/22]

*516. To ask the Minister for Health the plans that are in place and being considered to resource rural general practice to attract general practitioners; the measures that will be put in place to achieve this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [46994/22]

*517. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to improve ICT systems in general practice; if he will consider the implementation of such measures as summary care records, facilitated with a unique patient identifier, to enable an efficient, integrated healthcare system; his plans for investment in e-communication solutions between GP and hospital care to improve patient safety, optimise referral rates and overall, to support secondary care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [46995/22]

*518. To ask the Minister for Health if consideration will be given to providing a standardised approach to electronic hospital discharges on a nationwide basis, to be delivered using health-mail which is a secure email source to dramatically improve patient care which would lead to many efficiencies, both within hospitals and the community. — Colm Burke. [46996/22]

*519. To ask the Minister for Health if additional resources will be applied to general practices to enable sessional psychological and counselling services to be financed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [46997/22]

*520. To ask the Minister for Health if there will be an increase in the number of allied primary care professionals, including psychologists, community psychiatric nurses and mental health therapists in the health system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [46998/22]

*521. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider the establishment of an academic general practitioner-career pathway to recruit, support and retain sufficient academic GPs to meet Ireland's expanding primary care teaching, healthcare policy and research requirements, and to deliver high-quality evidence-based GP care to patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [46999/22]

*522. To ask the Minister for Health if a child (details supplied) will be called for a medical appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [47001/22]

*523. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of the €200 million allocated to the HSE for waiting lists has been spent to date in 2022; the amount spent in private and public hospitals; and if he will provide a breakdown of the spend in each hospital. — Gary Gannon. [47005/22]

*524. To ask the Minister for Health if there are plans to support general practitioners and dentists to begin to accept new patients covered by medical cards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47016/22]

*525. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the provision of a new ambulance base in Carlow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47017/22]

*526. To ask the Minister for Health the circumstances under which medical card patients are exempt from charges for phlebotomy services; if he finds it acceptable that medical card patients are being charged a €15 courier fee to deliver bloods to a centralised location; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47018/22]

*527. To ask the Minister for Health if there are plans to upgrade the radiology machine in a centre (details supplied); if there are plans to ensure both machines there are in full working order; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47019/22]

*528. To ask the Minister for Health when Tullow, County Carlow will get a primary care centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47020/22]

*529. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the payment of the pandemic bonus to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47021/22]

*530. To ask the Minister for Health when a list of doctors providing free contraception will be made available by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47022/22]

*531. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who have received the pandemic bonus payment; and the number of applications received for same. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47023/22]

*532. To ask the Minister for Health if a payment for approved application under the discretionary hardship arrangement in the case of a person (details supplied) will be reinstated, which seems to have temporarily stopped given that the patient still requires the medication; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [47068/22]

*533. To ask the Minister for Health when the daycare services will resume to five days per week at a centre (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47078/22]

*534. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the plan to move therapists from the children's disability network team to special schools; if any obstacles have arisen in the transfer; and the action that is being taken to overcome them. — Paul Murphy. [47080/22]

*535. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that there is a delay in issuing Covid recognition payments; when the Covid recognition payment will be made to agency healthcare assistants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [47085/22]

*536. To ask the Minister for Health when funding will be allocated to an applicant (details supplied) to the nursing home support scheme in County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [47086/22]

*537. To ask the Minister for Health the plans that are underway to ensure that adequate support is provided to home dialysis-patients in the context of the current crisis to ensure that they continue to receive their lifesaving and sustaining treatment at home and can afford same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [47087/22]

*538. To ask the Minister for Health the number of care workers in both the voluntary and private care sectors yet to receive the pandemic bonus payment for frontline workers; when such outstanding payments will be made; the reason for any delays in payments being made; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [47088/22]

*539. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department will consider adding desmopressin nasal spray to the general medical services scheme given that the tablet version of the same medication is already covered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [47098/22]

*540. To ask the Minister for Health if he has plans to close the accident and emergency department in Navan Hospital. — Alan Kelly. [47114/22]

*541. To ask the Minister for Health the steps that are being taken to reduce the waiting list of 900-plus grade 5 patients who are awaiting orthodontic treatment in CHO9; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [47121/22]

*542. To ask the Minister for Health if he will give detailed consideration to the pre-Budget 2023 submission by an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [47127/22]

*543. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that the south east regional drug and alcohol task force has not had a full-time co-ordinator for almost three years; if all parties are acting with appropriate haste to resolve the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [47128/22]

*544. To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE mental health clinical staff in County Donegal that have not been provided with appropriate accommodation in the county to meet their clients. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47129/22]

*545. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the increase in respiratory syncytial virus cases in 2022; when RSV season will officially be opened; the date that vaccines will be rolled out; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [47131/22]

*546. To ask the Minister for Health the total medicines budget over the period 2019 to date in 2022, by year; if he will provide details of the specific amount of expenditure which was allocated to rare diseases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [47132/22]

*547. To ask the Minister for Health the specific drugs that have been considered by the rare diseases' technology review committee of the HSE to date in tabular form; the outcomes of these decisions; the specific drugs to be considered by the committee; the number of meetings that have taken place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [47133/22]

*548. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the growing trend of disposable e-cigarette use amongst teenagers; the measures that his Department and the HSE will

implement to ensure that these products comply with all relevant regulatory requirements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [47136/22]

*549. To ask the Minister for Health the number of prosecutions and or fines made against manufacturers or importers of e-cigarette products for breaches of restrictions within SI. 271/2016 in the past 12 months (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [47137/22]

*550. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children on the waiting list to access CAMHS in counties Galway and Roscommon, respectively; the number of children directly engaged with each service; his plans to expand both services; his plans, if any, to address the waiting times; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [47140/22]

*551. To ask the Minister for Health when a facility (details supplied) will open; the staffing and bed compliment at this refurbished facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [47159/22]

*552. To ask the Minister for Health the amount paid to construction contractors by the HSE in respect of large infrastructure projects at Tallaght University Hospital in the past four years to date by amount, year and project in tabular form; and if he will provide a schedule of projects that required a tender process to be undertaken. — Catherine Murphy. [47161/22]

*553. To ask the Minister for Health the staff turnover of audiologists within children's disability services in each of the years 2019 to 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47162/22]

*554. To ask the Minister for Health the staff turnover of orthotists and prosthetists within children's disability services In each of the years 2019 to 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47163/22]

*555. To ask the Minister for Health if he has received an invitation to meet with the families who lost loved ones in a nursing home (details supplied) during the third wave of the pandemic at the start of 2021; if he has considered and or responded to the request; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [47175/22]

*556. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider abolishing the consumer-directed home support grant given that the criteria to fulfil the grant are too onerous for elderly and vulnerable citizens and encourage dangerous practice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47178/22]

*557. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1766 of 26 July 2022, the timeframe for paramedics employed by Dublin Fire Brigade to receive their pandemic special recognition payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47205/22]

*558. To ask the Minister for Health if he will expedite the appointment of a chief pharmaceutical officer; and if he will expedite the recognition of non-European Union pharmacy qualifications, such as those from South Africa, New Zealand and Australia. — Joe McHugh. [47208/22]

*559. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a report on waiting lists for a genetic test for BRCA1; the number of persons who are waiting; the average waiting times per hospital in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [47209/22]

*560. To ask the Minister for Health the supports that are in place for someone who tests positive for BRCA1; and the frequency with which they receive these supports. — Mark Ward. [47210/22]

*561. To ask the Minister for Health the number of genetic counsellors who are employed by the HSE; the plans, if any, to recruit more; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [47211/22]

*562. To ask the Minister for Health when a health and safety inspection was carried out on a premises (details supplied); and if he will request the Food Safety Authority of Ireland to visit the premises and to advise this Deputy of same. — Joan Collins. [47224/22]

*563. To ask the Minister for Health the number of full-time consultant dermatologists based in each hospital that is part of RCSI Group as of 12 September 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47245/22]

*564. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of children awaiting appointments for HSE paediatric ENT services by hospital in 2020, 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47246/22]

*565. To ask the Minister for Health the podiatry waiting list by location and waiting times by month in counties Cavan and Monaghan in August 2022; the number of HSE podiatry clinics by location; the number of staff employed in each clinic; the number of vacant podiatry vacancies by location; the timeframe for these vacancies to be filled in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [47247/22]

*566. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a nursing home scheme application in respect of a person (details supplied) in County Cork. — Sean Sherlock. [47253/22]

*567. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce a chief pharmaceutical officer to ensure strategic direction for this jurisdiction's pharmacy services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [47293/22]

*568. To ask the Minister for Health his views on matters raised in correspondence (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47301/22]

*569. To ask the Minister for Health when the HSE will increase the fee for dispensed medicine to pharmacists; when an increase was last awarded to pharmacists for dispensed medicine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [47307/22]

*570. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the need for additional third level pharmacy student places; the proactive steps that he has taken to ensure that additional places are made available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [47308/22]

*571. To ask the Minister for Health when a chief pharmaceutical officer will be appointed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [47309/22]

*572. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on further information for agency roles working in the HSE; and their eligibility for the pandemic bonus payment. — Peter Burke. [47332/22]

*573. To ask the Minister for Health if a person (details supplied) will be receiving the pandemic special recognition payment; and if a timeframe for same will be provided. — Eoin Ó Broin. [47334/22]

*574. To ask the Minister for Health if an assurance will be given that no patient has attempted suicide or has succeeded in ending their life by suicide in the centre for mental health care and recovery in Bantry General Hospital in the past 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [47338/22]

*575. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE has carried out a critical safety audit in the centre for mental health care and recovery in Bantry General Hospital; if anti-ligature safety measures have been introduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [47339/22]

*576. To ask the Minister for Health the number of natal and maternal deaths in each maternity hospital and unit annually since 1 January 2015. — Holly Cairns. [47340/22]

*577. To ask the Minister for Health the actions that he has taken since taking office to facilitate women and pregnant people seeking home births. — Holly Cairns. [47341/22]

*578. To ask the Minister for Health his views on establishing midwife-led clinics for community-based maternity services in areas of the country more than 30 minutes from a maternity hospital and unit. — Holly Cairns. [47342/22]

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

*579. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans for supporting the fish processing, fish exporting and fish retail sectors to deal with the challenges of rising energy costs; the way that he intends to avail of the opportunity provided by the European Commission in March 2022 to prioritise European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund supports for these sectors to deal specifically with the ongoing energy crises; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that there have been no supports provided to this sector to date and that jobs will be lost unless a plan is put in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [46580/22]

*580. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason for the delay in issuing a single farm payment to a person (details supplied). — Kathleen Funchion. [46617/22]

*581. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 2156 of 26 July 2022, the interest rates that are associated with each loan scheme funded by his Department through the Strategic Banking Corporation of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46633/22]

*582. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 897 of 5 July 2022, the amount allocated to Horse Racing Ireland from the horse and greyhound racing fund in each of the years 2008 to 2021 and to date in 2022; the amount of which that was for capital expenditure; the amount of which that was for current expenditure; the maximum allowable

amount which may be used to subsidise prize money by year in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46636/22]

*583. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the existing Government targets with regard to the reduction in use of chemical pesticides; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [46637/22]

*584. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 346 of 6 July 2022, the number of farmers availing of the nitrates derogation; the total number of cattle in the herds of those farmers; the total hectareage on which basic payment was claimed, that is grassland per county in 2020, in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [46638/22]

*585. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason that a post-mortem was not carried out on birds (details supplied) within the specified timeframe following an incident; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [46696/22]

*586. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the ash dieback reconstitution and underplanting scheme is to be treated by applicants as a de minimis payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [46768/22]

*587. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated net of VAT payment to applicants for the environmental report grant per file, outlined in circular 13/2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [46769/22]

*588. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of the applications for the reconstitution of woodland scheme frost that have been issued an acknowledgement letter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [46770/22]

*589. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the required legislation change will take place enabling the replacement species for the reconstitution and underplanting scheme to be conifers on an area up to ten hectares; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [46771/22]

*590. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the pension rate for former Coillte employees will be adjusted upwards and linked to current employee salary agreements (details supplied) after the recent public sector pay talks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [46875/22]

*591. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to an Irish person bringing their dog home from England having to get it vaccinated each time that they bring it into the country; if his attention has been drawn to the fact that this can cost up to €45 each time; if he believes that this is fair in the case of someone who travels with their dog upwards of four times a year to and from England; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [46903/22]

*592. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the grant amount per hectare that is payable for site-clearance of diseased trees under the ash diebacks scheme administered by his Department; and if this figure is accurately described on the gov.ie website for the scheme. — Ciarán Cannon. [47035/22]

*593. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by him; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47038/22]

*594. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the protocols that should be followed when an incident arises where multiple swans die on waterways in Ireland; if he will outline this process in detail; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47073/22]

*595. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to an issue with a business (details supplied); if the persons involved in the business have received any supports from his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [47139/22]

*596. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on whether the issues arising from Brexit for which funding from the European Union has been provided through the Brexit Adjustment Reserve Fund are entirely separate from the fuel crisis currently being experienced by the Irish fishing; the plans and resources that he intends undertaking and allocating to address this specific crisis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47227/22]

*597. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention and that of his Department has been drawn to the fact that Irish fishing boats that have landed in France and Spain, during this current global fuel crisis have been able to avail of the fuel subsidy in those European Union member states; if he plans to introduce a similar measure in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47228/22]

*598. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 934 of 21 June 2022, the amount that currently remains unspent in the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund Programme 2014-2020 for Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47229/22]

*599. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated number of jobs that are expected to be lost in the Irish fishing industry as a result of the impending Brexit Adjustment Reserve Fund voluntary decommissioning scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47230/22]

*600. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a flexibility mechanism is built into the Brexit Adjustment Reserve Fund that will allow persons to secure funding and order equipment that has a processing and delivery date post-31 December 2023, which is the current final drawdown date for funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47231/22]

*601. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the ash dieback RUS grant aid scheme is to be treated by applicants as a de-minimis payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [47274/22]

*602. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated net VAT payment to applicants for the environmental report grant, per file, outlined in circular 13/2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [47275/22]

*603. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the required legislation change will take place enabling the replacement species for the RUS scheme to be conifers on an area up to ten hectares; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [47276/22]

*604. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if there will be mandatory professional forester involvement in the small-scale tree planting scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [47277/22]

*605. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if existing forestry woodland, if present on the farm, included in the Farm Sustainability Plan is to be completed on the generic land management for all ACRES applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [47278/22]

*606. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the direct integration and compatibility mechanisms proposed for afforestation and the organic farming scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [47279/22]

*607. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 647 of 14 September 2022, in stating that there is no licence requirement if a landowner wishes to remove some of this material from a site; if this is an unlicensed activity and that harvesting lop and top or brash from forestry harvesting sites is outside the scope of the felling licence system and requirements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [47290/22]

*608. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 647 of 14 September 2022, if the Department standard or guideline or guidance document that forest-owners should review when harvesting lop and top or brash from harvesting sites; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [47291/22]

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

*609. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the development of a water activity hub in Carlow town park for users of the River Barrow as an amenity; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47218/22]

*610. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when the outcome of community centres investment fund applications will be known; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [46905/22]

*611. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development her views on increasing the annual funding for the CLÁR programme; if there are any further allocations to be made in 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47024/22]

*612. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide a schedule of the costs for all live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by her; and the details of the person or body that is conducting each study, review and research project in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [47051/22]

*613. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when applicants to the community centres investment fund will receive an update on any successful grant applications that have been submitted. — Alan Kelly. [47142/22]

*614. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the project under the library capital of Carlow town library, including the redevelopment of presentation buildings to include a new public library, culture, civic and learning space in Carlow town; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47216/22]

*615. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of a Tullow road community hub development in Carlow town and if funding has been allocated. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47217/22]

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ANSWER ON WEDNESDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER, 2022**

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

1. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the current capital underspend on housing; the way that the underspend will be addressed in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [46837/22]

2. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of the delivery of affordable housing under the Part V requirement since 3 September 2021 (details supplied). — Kieran O'Donnell. [47267/22]

3. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide an update on the croí cónaithe scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [45242/22]

4. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide an update on his engagements with Dublin City Council in relation to the pressure on its finances as a result of general inflation and higher energy costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [46884/22]

5. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will expand on the plans to increase social housing income limits nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kieran O'Donnell. [47268/22]

6. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will report on the affordable housing scheme in Kilcarbery, Clondalkin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [47222/22]

7. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if consideration will be given in Budget 2023 to a one-off grant for persons with private wells or part of a group water

scheme who will experience inflated energy bills; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [46883/22]

8. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of serviced sites that are available in towns and villages in County Carlow for the local authority in Carlow to implement the ready to build scheme for potential purchasers for the building by the purchaser of a principal private residence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47093/22]

9. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps that he is taking to address cases of untreated wastewater entering streams and rivers. — Holly Cairns. [47322/22]

10. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his plans to put measures in place to support the refurbishment of vacant property in rural communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [46926/22]

11. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number and delivery timelines of cost-rental equity loan-funded cost-rental homes that will be made available for tenants in Limerick city; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [47325/22]

12. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of the Residential Tenancies Board refunding all late fees paid to the Board for new tenancy registrations with a tenancy commencement date on or after 4 April 2022, and annual registrations of existing tenancies which became due on or after 4 April 2022: if increased resources have been supplied to the Board to deal with the high volume of unanswered calls from the public; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [47092/22]

13. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on the recent increase in homeless presentations and numbers in emergency accommodation. — Eoin Ó Broin. [47284/22]

14. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he intends to publish and act upon the review completed in November 2021 into the current banding model and income limits applicable to local authorities regarding housing supports. — Matt Carthy. [47347/22]

15. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the timeframe for the publication of the revised wind energy development guidelines; the reason for the delay publishing same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [46882/22]

16. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the position regarding the Departmental working group investigating potential amendments to building regulations to require changing places (details supplied); the progress that the group has made since the closure of the public consultation; the timeline for the group's report to his office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [46881/22]

17. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when the new remediation of dwellings damaged by the use of defective concrete blocks scheme will be operational and accepting applications. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47329/22]

18. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of the recruitment of board members for the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [46889/22]

19. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the extent to which the provision of accommodation for persons on local authority housing lists and those seeking affordable housing can be accommodated in the short-term alongside the competing requirements of refugees and the number on the housing lists; if modular housing or wooden chalet-type housing will be urgently provided to meet the need for housing at an early date; the estimated number of potential units that could be made available given that manufacturers of modular or wooden housing in Ireland are exporting their products while this serious crisis exists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [47269/22]

20. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the up-to-date position on the review that is being carried out of the income limits for social housing by local authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [47265/22]

21. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of applications received in each of the years 2018 and 2021 and to date in 2022, inclusive, for diving survey licences to enable the diving of a protected wreck; the number of licences that were issued in the same period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [47194/22]

22. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his plans to deliver public and affordable housing in Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [46816/22]

23. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide an update on the Mid-Term Review of the Traveller Accommodation Programmes and wider implementation of the recommendations of the Expert Group Report on Traveller Accommodation. — Eoin Ó Broin. [47282/22]

24. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of affordable homes that have been built to date in 2022; the target by the end of 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [46838/22]

25. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide an update on the delivery of affordable homes in the Poolbeg SDZ. — Eoin Ó Broin. [47296/22]

26. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he anticipates the review into the income limits for social housing to be finalised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [46933/22]

27. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of applicants for the defective concrete block grant scheme in County Donegal that are stuck in stage 1, awaiting the outcome of the review of IS 465 by the National Standards Authority of Ireland. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [47328/22]

28. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps that his Department is taking to work with and support local authorities in preserving and enhancing biodiversity to help address the biodiversity loss crisis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [47297/22]

29. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of evictions that have been carried out in the past twelve months by quarter; the reasons for same; the length of time between the dispute arising and the eviction occurring, in cases in which the eviction was as a result of a dispute; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [47104/22]

30. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when eligibility for the tenant purchase scheme will be extended to persons in receipt of the invalidity pension; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [46950/22]

31. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps that have been taken to protect the building listed on his Department's protected structures list at Moatville, Charleville, County Cork, which is in a perilous state and needs protection and intervention. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [46967/22]

32. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of full-time vacant homes officers in each local authority tasked solely with identifying vacant properties and bringing them back into use; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [47193/22]

33. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will review the upper cap for the defective concrete block scheme to enable persons to rebuild their homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [47330/22]

34. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of applications that have been made under the home loan scheme. — Peadar Tóibín. [46924/22]

35. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the reason that he is not resolving the grant system for persons that were not registered for septic tank that have had an inspection and have been refused the grant assistance as their tank was not registered. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [46756/22]

36. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the position regarding the National Biodiversity Action Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [47298/22]

37. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if the new grant for the refurbishment of old derelict houses will be extended to rural areas given that at present the scheme is only available in certain towns. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [46755/22]

38. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of progress of the Clonburris SDZ; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [47223/22]

39. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the extent to which an emergency plan exists to provide housing for refugees and those awaiting affordable or local authority housing having particular regard to the circumstances now prevailing where emergency measures are needed to meet the demand; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [47270/22]

40. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will review the situation with the defective block scheme in cases in which persons are unable to downsize; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [47331/22]

41. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on whether the strict criteria for the location of suitable housing under the croí cónaithe fund are too exclusionary and reducing access to the scheme. — Thomas Gould. [47312/22]

42. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps that he is taking to support the development of sewerage schemes in villages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [46927/22]

43. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the progress that has been made in implementing the organisation review of An Bord Pleanála by the Independent Review Group published in February 2016. — Matt Carthy. [47346/22]

44. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps that he is taking to assist communities in improving wastewater infrastructure. — Holly Cairns. [47321/22]

45. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the up-to-date position on the review being carried out on retained and full-time fire services nationwide; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [47264/22]

46. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will urgently review the 12-month income assessment rule given that it is resulting in applicants being refused social housing support who are clearly in need of such support. — Eoin Ó Broin. [47281/22]

47. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of the broadening of supports for those homes impacted by pyrite who are not covered by current schemes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [47314/22]

48. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if any further consideration has been given to previous proposals (details supplied) in respect of the first home scheme to address boundary issues in Drogheda, County Louth and County Meath, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [47084/22]

49. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the timeframe for the publication of the revised wind energy development guidelines; the reason for the significant delay in publishing same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [46925/22]

50. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the cost effectiveness, cost benefit analysis or cost evaluation that has been carried out on the croí cónaithe cities scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [46839/22]

51. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he is satisfied with the support given to local authorities to ensure a swift response to social housing maintenance approaching the winter months. — Thomas Gould. [47311/22]

52. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he intends to publish measures considered by the Rural Water Working Group for inclusion in the new 2022-2025 Multi-annual Rural Water Programme; and when requests for bids for this programme will be announced. — Alan Dillon. [46921/22]

53. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he expects the Attorney General's review in planning legislation to be completed. — Robert Troy. [44886/22]

54. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his Department's plans for funding local authorities in the next 12 months to carry out planned maintenance on their housing stock; if he will provide a breakdown by each local authority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [46966/22]

55. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will make adjustments to the social housing supports income limits for Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [46879/22]

56. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the details of any reports that he has received to date in 2022 from the Galway Social Housing taskforce pursuant to the terms of reference of the taskforce; if he will provide copies of these reports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [46977/22]

57. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on raising the income thresholds for social housing in County Offaly. — Brian Stanley. [47232/22]

58. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of new social, affordable and private houses that commenced and completed construction in County Kildare in the past 12 months by municipal district in County Kildare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [47103/22]

59. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on work to make it more accessible for homeowners to install solar panels; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [46890/22]

60. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide an update on the Review of IS 464 and the drafting of the regulations to underpin the new defective block redress scheme. — Eoin Ó Broin. [47283/22]

61. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the reason that Inis Cealtra Holy Island and the Burren, respectively, were not included in the UNESCO tentative list when they were adjudged to fulfil the criteria for inclusion on the previous tentative list; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [46814/22]

62. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of completed and commenced construction of social housing units in counties Laois and Offaly in 2021 and 2022. — Brian Stanley. [47233/22]

63. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if local authorities to whom tenants owe money in rent arrears have a policy on the way to deal with vulnerable customers in debt; the nature of these policies; the way that they are managed and overseen; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [46965/22]

64. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has a strategy to ensure that the owners of holiday rentals rooms, such as those listed on a website (details supplied) are incentivised to make those rooms available to accommodate families who are on social housing waiting lists. — Cathal Crowe. [46979/22]

65. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the position regarding the roll-out of the national online planning portal across all local authorities; the timeline for

the portal to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [47082/22]

66. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 54 of 5 May 2022, the status of the implementation of affordable housing schemes in County Mayo; the progress that has been made with Mayo County Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [46922/22]

67. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when income eligibility limits for social housing will be increased in counties Cavan and Monaghan given that the existing limits are unrealistically low at present; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [47234/22]

68. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the expected timeline for the roll-out of the planned defective concrete block redress scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [47280/22]

69. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his plans to initiate the review of the National Planning Framework; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [47324/22]

70. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the current total capacity of emergency accommodation for persons who are homeless; the number of persons who have been turned away in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [46861/22]

71. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the measures that he has considered to remedy defective homes and regulate construction companies to ensure defects do not reoccur; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Francis Noel Duffy. [46888/22]

72. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of the provision of maternity leave for councillors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [47313/22]