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Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

1. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide the commitments in the Programme for Government under his remit; if each commitment has been met or is in the process of being met; and the estimated timeframe for same in tabular form. — Mary Lou McDonald. [52774/22]

2. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [54848/22]

3. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Paul Murphy. [54851/22]

4. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Cian O’Callaghan. [57648/22]

5. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Mick Barry. [57750/22]

6. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide a progress report on the Programme for Government. — Mary Lou McDonald. [57558/22]

7. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Ivana Bacik. [57733/22]

8. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Cormac Devlin. [57930/22]

9. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Europe will next meet. — Mary Lou McDonald. [54591/22]

10. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Europe last met. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [54849/22]

11. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Europe last met. — Paul Murphy. [54852/22]

12. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Europe last met. — Ivana Bacik. [57735/22]

13. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Europe last met. — Mick Barry. [57931/22]

14. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to the new British Prime Minister. — Mary Lou McDonald. [54594/22]

15. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent conversation with the new British Prime Minister. — Ivana Bacik. [55388/22]

16. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to the new British Prime Minister. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [57448/22]

17. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to the new British Prime Minister. — Paul Murphy. [57451/22]

18. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent meeting with the British Prime Minister; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [57460/22]

19. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent meeting with the UK Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and Minister for Intergovernmental Relations Michael Gove. — Neale Richmond. [57759/22]

20. To ask the Taoiseach if he has spoken to the new British Prime Minister. — Mick Barry. [57932/22]

21. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at COP27. — Ivana Bacik. [56411/22]

22. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the COP27 summit. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [57372/22]

23. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent attendance at the COP27 Climate Change Conference. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [57447/22]

24. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent attendance at the COP27 Climate Change Conference. — Paul Murphy. [57450/22]

25. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent attendance at the COP27 Climate Change Conference. — Bríd Smith. [57479/22]

26. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the COP27 conference. — Mary Lou McDonald. [57546/22]

27. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent attendance at the COP27 Climate Change Conference. — Mick Barry. [57933/22]

28. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Ukraine will next meet. — Mary Lou McDonald. [54592/22]

29. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Ukraine will next meet. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [57658/22]

30. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Ukraine will next meet. — Ivana Bacik. [57731/22]

31. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Ukraine will next meet. — Paul Murphy. [57886/22]

32. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Ukraine will next meet. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [57889/22]

33. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the strategic goals of his Department's statement strategy 2021-2023. — Mary Lou McDonald. [54593/22]

34. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the strategic goals of his Department's statement strategy 2021-2023. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [57659/22]

35. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the strategic goals of his Department's statement of strategy 2021-2023. — Ivana Bacik. [57734/22]

36. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the strategic goals of his Department's statement strategy 2021-2023. — Paul Murphy. [57885/22]

37. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the strategic goals of his Department's statement strategy 2021-2023. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [57888/22]

38. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the status of the national risk assessment 2021/2022. — Mary Lou McDonald. [57547/22]

39. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Health last met. — Peadar Tóibín. [57521/22]

40. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of his Department's Covid-19 and health unit. — Mary Lou McDonald. [57548/22]

41. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his meeting with the recent US Congressional delegation. — Neale Richmond. [57757/22]

42. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee that deals with agriculture will next meet. — Mary Lou McDonald. [57559/22]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA **QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER**

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

*43. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economic Recovery and Investment last met; and when it will next meet. — Ivana Bacik. [57823/22]

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

*44. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide an update on a new Employment Regulation Order to increase pay for the security industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [58204/22]

*45. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if a Sri Lankan citizen who has come to Ireland on a two year work visa can switch employment in Ireland during their time here, if they continue to work in the same industry and at the same level; the implications that this would have on their visa status; the way that they can apply for such a transfer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [58345/22]

*46. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide an update on the negotiations regarding the EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive; if he plans to ensure that companies and financial institutions, including asset managers and institutional investors, as part of the Directive will be held responsible for violations of human rights and environmental standards along their entire value chain; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [58185/22]

*47. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment when a new Employment Regulation Order can be implemented to increase pay for the security industry; and if the pay will be backdated, given the delays experienced. — Cathal Crowe. [58207/22]

*48. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his attention has been drawn to the financial circumstances of a company (details supplied); and if he has engaged with the Minister for Health and or his officials in respect of same. — Catherine Murphy. [58293/22]

*49. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment his views on whether it would be completely unethical and unacceptable to have any representatives of or advisors to companies that have been formally implicated in supplying defective concrete products, to be part of the NSAI TC63 IS465 review committee; and if he will give a commitment that if this is the case, he will request these representatives or advisors be removed from that committee. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [58309/22]

*50. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will request that the NSAI publishes a list of all the international peer reviewed scientific journal publications in the area of defective concrete products that the current committee members of the NSAI TC63 IS465 committee have published on a member-by-member basis. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [58310/22]

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

*51. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if his attention has been drawn to a number of EU member states that have chosen to withdraw from the Energy Charter Treaty; if Ireland plans to reconsider its position in relation to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [58180/22]

*52. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he has taken steps to ensure that households that have pay-as-you-go gas and electricity meters which are debt-flagged will be able to switch to other suppliers and bill pay options; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [58205/22]

*53. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will address the matter of grants for energy support for a charity (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [58250/22]

*54. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if a person can continue to sell turf by the bag from the boot of their car at a cattle mart; if they are permitted to display signage on their car saying turf for sale; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [58336/22]

*55. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when a property (details supplied) will receive an eircode given that the owners cannot access broadband to work from home until an eircode is supplied. — John Brady. [58354/22]

*56. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of delegates who attended COP27 on his invitation and from the Government; the number who were members of the Green Party; the full expenditure of COP 27 that was in relation to his delegates travelling and staying there; if he will provide a breakdown of the costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Collins. [58380/22]

*57. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide a general update on the situation at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58398/22]

*58. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the upcoming Climate Action Plan will include proposals to promote the use of hydrotreated vegetable oil as a replacement fuel in traditional home heating systems as one method of cutting emissions from homes in which heat pumps are not an option; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [58463/22]

*59. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications further to Parliamentary Question No. 148 of 8 November 2022, the penalty for a person who is selling a bag of turf at a market; the person or body that enforces same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Collins. [58480/22]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*60. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to the fact that it is not possible to make a booking with a travel pass for Bus Éireann; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Gould. [58184/22]

*61. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount of funding that has been provided for cycling facilities in Dublin city in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [58273/22]

*62. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to the widespread concerns of commuters in relation to the proposed increase in toll costs; if his attention has been

further drawn to reports that commuters on a relatively short journey from County Cavan to Dublin have to travel through two tolls and a third if they use the Port Tunnel; his views on this, given that daily commuters on this route incur substantial costs in getting to work primarily; if he will ensure that costs are not increased; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [58294/22]

*63. To ask the Minister for Transport if he has been briefed by his officials and or representatives of a company (details supplied) that holds concessions in Ireland in respect of transport infrastructure regarding the future direction of the company. — Catherine Murphy. [58297/22]

*64. To ask the Minister for Transport the timeline for the delivery of the Chapelizod bus stop on the N4 Bridge over Chapelizod Hill. — Patrick Costello. [58308/22]

*65. To ask the Minister for Transport the details of his engagements with TTI with regard to tolls on national roads; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [58332/22]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*66. To ask the Minister for Finance if he has plans to move the National Fund Reserve from National Treasury Management Agency Exchequer notes where it accrues no interest, given the change in interest rate environment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [58319/22]

*67. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will clarify any current plans to adjust benefit-in-kind taxation; and if his Department currently has plans to substantially increase the taxation levels of benefit-in-kind. — Robert Troy. [58182/22]

*68. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the recent ECB Financial Stability Review (details supplied); if he is satisfied that the scheme is sufficiently targeted and financially prudent in view of current conditions which increase the vulnerabilities of more-indebted sovereigns; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [58188/22]

*69. To ask the Minister for Finance the protections that exist for homeowners in cases in which an insurance company (details supplied) refuses to insure a property; if he will examine this matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [58206/22]

*70. To ask the Minister for Finance if he has considered reducing VAT to 0% on new builds to reduce the cost of construction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [58225/22]

*71. To ask the Minister for Finance if NAMA has been given any role in making lands available to communities or to sporting organisations to facilitate the development of community and or sporting facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [58257/22]

*72. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of final demands issued by the Revenue Commissioners; the number of sheriff enforcement procedures that have been initiated 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. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [58320/22]

*73. To ask the Minister for Finance if he has considered delaying the implementation of the new benefit-in-kind regime for company vehicles, which is scheduled to begin in 2023, given the

broader context of rising living costs and the fact that these changes will reduce income for workers who require a company vehicle to perform their duties; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [58348/22]

*74. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the changes to the benefit-in-kind model regarding company cars proposed in the Finance Bill 2022, given that the proposed changes will now see a significant increase for employees who must use their cars for their work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [58376/22]

*75. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will extend the temporary business energy support scheme to group water schemes with electricity supplies (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [58389/22]

*76. To ask the Minister for Finance the position regarding the application of mineral oil taxation on hydrotreated vegetable oil; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [58465/22]

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

*77. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the date upon which it is expected that works will commence on the proposed new Garda station in Portlaoise; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charles Flanagan. [58326/22]

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

*78. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media her plans to secure a State apology for persons (details supplied) who were shot by Free State forces in Kilmainham Gaol on 17 November 1922. — Pat Buckley. [58194/22]

*79. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media her plans to secure a State apology for the wrongful execution of a person (details supplied) who was shot by Free State forces. — Pat Buckley. [58195/22]

*80. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media her plans to secure a State apology for the wrongful execution of Irish republican army volunteers (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [58196/22]

*81. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will consider removing the broadcasting levy that is paid by independent radio stations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [58187/22]

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

*82. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his Department has considered any measures to allow the change of use for vacant office blocks in town and city centres, in view of predictions of an increase in office vacancy rates; and if so, if he will detail these measures. — Catherine Murphy. [58201/22]

*83. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of social houses built in circumstances in which the State is leasing the house from a private developer in each of the past five years to date; the number of social houses funded through housing agencies that are leased from private development companies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [58232/22]

*84. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of houses that have been procured or built by the State for persons with disabilities by county in each of the past five years. — Peadar Tóibín. [58233/22]

*85. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the funding that his Department has allocated to each local authority for the purpose of maintenance and repairs of council houses in each of the past five years. — Peadar Tóibín. [58235/22]

*86. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of houses that have been built in Ireland to date in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [58236/22]

*87. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of properties purchased by cuckoo and vulture funds that have housed families exiting emergency accommodation by county in tabular form. — Peadar Tóibín. [58237/22]

*88. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of social houses built in Ireland by county to date in 2022, in tabular form. — Peadar Tóibín. [58238/22]

*89. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of social houses built, acquired and leased nationally by county in 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form. — Peadar Tóibín. [58239/22]

*90. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if compensation will be paid to a person (details supplied). — Michael Healy-Rae. [58343/22]

*91. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when compensation will be paid to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [58344/22]

*92. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total funding allocation for the disabled persons grant scheme in respect of local authority owned housing, by local authority in 2019, 2020, 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [58346/22]

*93. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total funding drawn down for the disabled persons grant scheme in respect of local authority owned housing, by local authority in 2019, 2020, 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [58347/22]

*94. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of vacant buildings identified and recommended to the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth for the provision of emergency accommodation for Ukrainian refugees and asylum seekers; the breakdown of the number of buildings per county; and the potential bed capacity in each local authority. — Eoin Ó Broin. [58386/22]

*95. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if, under the Electoral Reform Act 2022, it is the intention of Government and local authorities to remove persons from the electoral register in the absence of them registering under the new electoral registration system. — Eoin Ó Broin. [58387/22]

*96. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of Traveller sites in County Clare; the number of individuals that each site has capacity for in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58399/22]

*97. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if there will be any consideration given to the challenges faced by some elderly and disabled persons in accessing the choice-based letting model of provision of social housing; if the attention of his Department has been drawn to reports of constituents struggling to access these platforms due to digital literacy issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58400/22]

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

*98. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if his attention was drawn to the disrespect shown to the Irish flag by the Israeli occupation forces, acting on behalf of the Israeli government, during its raid on the Ramallah offices of a human rights organisation (details supplied); if so, if he conveyed his objections to the Israeli government through diplomatic channels; if his attention was not drawn to this, if he will immediately convey his objections and report back to Dáil Éireann; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [58202/22]

*99. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on the outcomes and achievements emanating from Ireland's Presidency of the Committee of Ministers at the Council of Europe; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [58341/22]

*100. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on Ireland's recently concluded Presidency at the Council of Europe; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [58353/22]

*101. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if a passport will issue for a person (details supplied) in County Donegal to permit travel to visit a sick relative abroad; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [58368/22]

*102. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will take an initiative at EU or UN level to ensure that Israel will be held accountable for the apartheid regime it is perpetuating which deprives millions of Palestinians of their civil and political rights (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [58377/22]

Chun an Aire Cosanta: To the Minister for Defence.

*103. To ask the Minister for Defence the details of any meetings of the Ukraine defence contact group attended by Ireland in October and to date in November 2022; if he will provide an update on the topics discussed at these meetings; the details of the next meeting of the group; if Ireland will be represented at the next meeting; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [58224/22]

Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

*104. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the withdrawal of a school bus service (details supplied); the steps that she will take to try to resolve this matter for the families that have been impacted by same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [58193/22]

*105. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide the attendance record of her Department at all joint policing committees and city and county development boards since 2019, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [58200/22]

*106. To ask the Minister for Education her views on a matter concerning bereaved State examinations candidates (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [58203/22]

*107. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 418 of 11 October 2022, if minutes are published in respect of the meetings of the steering committee overseeing the development of a new policy on Irish-medium education outside of the Gaeltacht; if not, her plans to publish same; if minutes are published in respect of the meetings of the interdepartmental working group; if not, her plans to publish same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [58222/22]

*108. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide details of any additional staffing resources or expertise available to schools in order to carry out the educational component of the assessment of needs; the engagement that she or her Department have had with schools in relation to the new process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [58223/22]

*109. To ask the Minister for Education the reason that a fully qualified teacher (details supplied) in County Donegal receives an unqualified rate; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [58230/22]

*110. To ask the Minister for Education the reason that a qualified teacher (details supplied) in County Donegal receives an unqualified rate; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [58231/22]

*111. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to reports that a special school (details supplied) has had its therapy pool sessions reduced; if this decision will be reviewed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [58259/22]

*112. To ask the Minister for Education the reason that teachers such as a person (details supplied) who retire before 66 years of age are discouraged from teacher substitution by losing the proportion of their pension being paid as jobseeker's allowance if they substitute; if she has considered implementing a waiver mechanism to allow such teachers to obtain the full benefit of Information Note TS 0001/2022; if her attention has been drawn to the fact that many teachers have been affected; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. [58260/22]

*113. To ask the Minister for Education the options that are available to students who do not have a local school in their catchment area but subsequently face a selection process in schools outside their catchment area; if this process is discriminatory to those without a local school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [58307/22]

*114. To ask the Minister for Education when her Department will progress the applications by Donegal ETB (details supplied). — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [58312/22]

*115. To ask the Minister for Education the reason that her Department has not substantively responded to the submission and supported the funding application from Donegal ETB on the effects of the MICA issue on students enrolled in Donegal ETB schools and staff employed by Donegal ETB, first submitted in July 2021. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [58313/22]

*116. To ask the Minister for Education when her Department will respond to Donegal ETB in relation to funding the ferry cost for Ukrainian students enrolled in a school (details supplied). — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [58314/22]

*117. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department will make translators and interpreters available to schools, who have received targeted training in advance to include translating challenging and sensitive conversations in response to the Ukrainian refugee crisis. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [58315/22]

*118. To ask the Minister for Education if the National Educational Psychological Service will be expanded to include therapeutic including trauma support for schools on site to enable them to support displaced Ukrainian students and for existing students in response to the Ukrainian refugee crisis. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [58316/22]

*119. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department will establish a digital support fund in order that Ukrainian students can complete their exams as per the Ukrainian curriculum; and if these students will be provided with adequate broadband connection and appropriate digital devices such as laptops or iPads in response to the Ukrainian refugee crisis. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [58317/22]

*120. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department will engage with the ETB sector fully and commit to progressing the required review of the organisation structures of the sector in relation to organisation design, phase II. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [58318/22]

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

*121. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a response will issue to concerns raised by a person (details supplied) in respect of child poverty figures; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [58276/22]

*122. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if changes will be made to allow persons between 66 and 70 years of age to enter community employment schemes given that the optional retirement age has recently been extended. — Robert Troy. [58181/22]

*123. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide an update on a fuel allowance application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [58199/22]

*124. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to reports that persons who were receiving a disability payment from her Department and have then commenced training or entered into further education and were transferred to a training allowance for the duration of their training and education, will not be eligible for the €500 lump sum one-off payment; the measures that she is taking to address these anomalies which will impact persons who are on

community employment schemes or who are in receipt of the back-to-work education allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [58208/22]

*125. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her views on whether it is fair or logical that the benefit payment for 65 year olds can only be applied for when the person has turned 65 years of age and is no longer in work (details supplied); her further views on whether this policy is a barrier to entry for the payment; her further views on whether this is best practice or a reasonable policy to implement in order to provide fair access to this payment for those would qualify; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [58342/22]

*126. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a decision has been made on an application for the fuel allowance by a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [58351/22]

*127. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a decision has been made on an application for a living alone increase by a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [58355/22]

*128. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if he will address a matter (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [58358/22]

*129. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a decision has been made on an application for an invalidity pension by a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [58367/22]

*130. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the steps that she is taking to reform the stillbirth registration process, with particular reference to families who wish the records of their child to be publicly accessible; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [58459/22]

*131. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal will receive a decision for their carer's allowance application; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [58466/22]

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

*132. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide a monthly breakdown of those temporary protection directive holders who have applied for assistance from IPAS to date in 2022, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [58269/22]

*133. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 112 of 27 April 2022, the total number of rooms acquired by IPAS within privately owned accommodation (details supplied) as part of its response to the crisis in Ukraine. — Pa Daly. [58270/22]

*134. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the capital and current spend by his Department attributable to addressing the needs of temporary protection directive holders to date in 2022; and the projected spend for same for 2023, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [58271/22]

*135. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the beds realisable through the current planned modular housing works. — Pa Daly. [58272/22]

*136. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the timeframe for the announcement of the new board members of the National Disability Authority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [58304/22]

*137. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of non-residential buildings currently in use for the accommodation of Ukrainian refugees and international protection applicants; the breakdown of the number of buildings by local authority area; and the current number of persons residing in these buildings in each local authority area. — Eoin Ó Broin. [58388/22]

*138. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the date that he is working towards to ratify the Optional Protocol of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [58451/22]

*139. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his views on removing the State's reservation to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [58452/22]

*140. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will update on the new report on rapid-build housing published by his Department. — Paul Murphy. [57887/22]

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

*141. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science further to Parliamentary Question No. 454 of 15 November 2022, the uptake on each of these courses over the past five years in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [58305/22]

*142. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to the halving of the student assistance fund from €16.2 million to €8 million, which has returned the budget allocation of the student assistance fund to pre-Covid levels; if he has any plans to address this issue through a further allocation of funds to the student assistance fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [58378/22]

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

*143. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of a citizenship application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [58189/22]

*144. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of an application for a naturalisation certificate by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [58190/22]

*145. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of persons that applied to the Garda recruitment campaign 2022; the number of these applicants that took the fitness test; and of these, the number that failed the test. — Jim O’Callaghan. [58247/22]

*146. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will provide details of the number of fines applied to parents and guardians under section 113 of the Children’s Act 2001 in each of the past five years in tabular form. — Jim O’Callaghan. [58248/22]

*147. To ask the Minister for Justice the value of criminal legal aid claimed in each respective county under each of the various criminal legal aid schemes in each of the years 2012 to 2021 and date in 2022, in tabular form. — Mattie McGrath. [58263/22]

*148. To ask the Minister for Justice the names and specific amount paid to the top ten solicitors or legal companies that were the recipients of free legal aid contracts or work from 2012 to 2021, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [58264/22]

*149. To ask the Minister for Justice the names and specific amount paid to the top ten barristers or legal companies who were the recipients of free legal aid contracts or work from 2012 to 2021, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [58265/22]

*150. To ask the Minister for Justice the specific amount of criminal legal aid, under each of the various criminal legal aid schemes that has been paid out to date in 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [58266/22]

*151. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of legal aid certificates issued in each of the years from 2012 to 2021 and to date 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [58267/22]

*152. To ask the Minister for Justice the breakdown by nationality of those who have applied for international protection to date in 2022, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [58268/22]

*153. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 21 of 20 October 2022, the percentage of High Court and Circuit Court judges that have availed of the training provided by the decision support service; the percentage of persons working for the Courts Service who availed of the information session provided by the decision support service. — Pauline Tully. [58298/22]

*154. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of road traffic accidents that involved a banned substance in each of the years 2017 to 2021 and to date in 2022 in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [58327/22]

*155. To ask the Minister for Justice the banned substances identified during road traffic incidents; the number of occasions on which each of those substances were identified by gardaí in each of the years 2017 to 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [58328/22]

*156. To ask the Minister for Justice her views on efforts to tackle the use of nitrous oxide, otherwise known as laughing gas; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [58329/22]

*157. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of cases brought against persons with regard to needle-spiking, in 2021 and 2022, respectively; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [58331/22]

*158. To ask the Minister for Justice the percentage of gardaí who have received training in dealing with reports of domestic abuse; if there is a plan to increase this percentage or to roll-out such training to all members of An Garda Síochána; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [58375/22]

*159. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of refugee spaces for victims/survivors of domestic violence/gender-based violence currently being funded by her Department in each county. — Holly Cairns. [58458/22]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*160. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in County Clare on a waiting list for speech and language therapy services, by age and length of time that they have been waiting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58401/22]

*161. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide further details regarding the proposed process to address thalidomide survivors' longstanding concerns; the timeline that he is working towards; and if a chair will be appointed by 1 December 2022. — Róisín Shortall. [58447/22]

*162. To ask the Minister for Health the grounds upon which evusheld which is used to prevent Covid-19 was not considered for emergency authorisation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [58186/22]

*163. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 591 of 15 November 2022, when he expects discussions to be completed and a decision to be made; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [58191/22]

*164. To ask the Minister for Health when an adult ADHD clinic will be established in Dublin north city and county (details supplied); if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the current gap in service is resulting in adults not receiving their medication and required doses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [58197/22]

*165. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to an issue in Tipperary CHO3 and CHO5, in which diabetes-related lower limb amputations and in-patient foot ulceration treatment have increased significantly between 2020 and 2021 (details supplied); if he will provide an update on the number of permanent full-time podiatry posts in CHO3 and CHO5; the number of posts that remain unfilled in CHO3 and CHO5; if his attention has been drawn to reports that a shortage of podiatrists in these areas is causing extensive waiting lists for community-based therapy and is resulting in no local referral pathways for GPs, which eventually leads to hospitalisation if left untreated; the measures being taken to recruit podiatrists in these CHO areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [58211/22]

*166. To ask the Minister for Health the number of settlements that have been made with women who alleged that their CervicalCheck smear tests were misread in each of the past ten years; and the number of these settlements that involved non-disclosure agreements. — Peadar Tóibín. [58226/22]

*167. To ask the Minister for Health the number of cases taken against the HSE which were settled in the past ten years and to date in 2022 that have involved non-disclosure agreements. — Peadar Tóibín. [58227/22]

*168. To ask the Minister for Health the number of cases which have been processed by the CervicalCheck Tribunal to date; the number that have been concluded; the number of judges sitting on the Tribunal; the number of staff employed to work in the CervicalCheck Tribunal; the rates of pay for these staff; the current ongoing cost of the Tribunal, including costs associated with office space and equipment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [58228/22]

*169. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to add conditions requiring long-term warfarin therapy to the list of medical conditions that qualify under the long-term illness scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [58241/22]

*170. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to add autoimmune disease to the list of medical conditions that qualify under the long-term illness scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [58242/22]

*171. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients on the waiting list for surgery in a hospital (details supplied) in order to treat a specific condition. — Eoin Ó Broin. [58244/22]

*172. To ask the Minister for Health the number of paediatric urology surgeries that have been carried out at a hospital (details supplied) to date in 2022; and the number of those that have been undertaken in order to treat a specific condition. — Eoin Ó Broin. [58245/22]

*173. To ask the Minister for Health if a vacant position in a hospital (details supplied) has been advertised and filled; and if not, the reason for the delay. — Eoin Ó Broin. [58246/22]

*174. To ask the Minister for Health the timeframe for a person (details supplied) to be admitted to a residential service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [58251/22]

*175. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the provision of a new GP to Ballymore Health Centre, Ballymore, County Westmeath. — Robert Troy. [58262/22]

*176. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a hospital appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [58277/22]

*177. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the lack of GP services in a town (details supplied) and the surrounding area; the details of any initiatives that are proposed in order to increase the supply and retention of these services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [58278/22]

*178. To ask the Minister for Health when the emergency authorisation process for Covid-19 treatments closed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [58291/22]

*179. To ask the Minister for Health if he and or his officials have met with management and or representatives from a company (details supplied) in 2021 and or to date in 2022; and if he will provide a schedule and the details of those engagements. — Catherine Murphy. [58292/22]

*180. To ask the Minister for Health the number of HIQA inspections of a company's portfolio (details supplied) in Ireland since it commenced operations. — Catherine Murphy. [58296/22]

*181. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 152 of 12 July 2022, if the action plan for the disability capacity review has been finalised; the timeframe for its publication; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [58299/22]

*182. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 171 of 26 October 2022, the number of children who have had an assessment of needs completed since preliminary team assessments were ceased; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [58300/22]

*183. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 171 of 26 October 2022, if legal advice on the new interim clinical guidance has found it to be in compliance with the Disability Act 2005 if the new interim clinical guidance has been issued to children's disability network teams; if not, the timeframe for the new interim clinical guidance to be issued to CDNTs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [58301/22]

*184. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 151 of 20 October 2022, the number of additional places out of the 200 additional Irish/EU medicine places that are for disciplines employed in children's disability network teams; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [58302/22]

*185. To ask the Minister for Health if he has plans to close Covid-19 testing centres; if so, the centres that are to be closed; the centres which will remain open; if he has plans in place to reopen centres in the event of a winter surge in Covid-19 cases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [58303/22]

*186. To ask the Minister for Health if the room at the accident and emergency department at Tipperary University Hospital that is specifically for patients presenting with mental health issues has been unable to accept patients in 2021 and to date in 2022; if so, the dates that it was unavailable; if a public awareness campaign of the existence of the room will be considered as part of efforts to inform persons in crisis situations of its availability; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [58321/22]

*187. To ask the Minister for Health the mental health services that are available at each primary care centre in the area of County Tipperary covered by CHO5; and if there are plans to expand the mental health services available at these centres. — Martin Browne. [58322/22]

*188. To ask the Minister for Health the mental health services that are available at each primary care centre in the area of County Tipperary covered by CHO3; and if there are plans to expand the mental health services available at these centres. — Martin Browne. [58323/22]

*189. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the number of paramedics serving the Dublin area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [58330/22]

*190. To ask the Minister for Health if he will meet again with persons (details supplied) who lost loved ones during the Covid pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [58352/22]

*191. To ask the Minister for Health the progress that has been made to date regarding the provision of an ambulance base at a location (details supplied) in Connemara; the date on which the National Ambulance Service requested HSE estates to refurbish the existing building there as an ambulance base; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [58369/22]

*192. To ask the Minister for Health the underspend to date in 2022 of the capital allocation of his Department; the amount of this that relates to expenditure by the HSE; the steps that he intends taking to ensure that HSE estates have the expertise, staff and organisation to progress capital projects big and small expeditiously; if he has considered appointing process consultants to examine the way that this section of the HSE might work more efficiently; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [58370/22]

*193. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 217 of 12 October 2022, if the residents of a centre (details supplied) who have been offered placement in another centre in Cork city have been informed that this is a temporary placement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [58371/22]

*194. To ask the Minister for Health if next-of-kin of the residents in a centre (details supplied) have, with consent from their relatives been invited to all integrated care plan meetings for their relatives since January 2021; if the next-of-kin have been informed of the purpose of an integrated care plan meeting and shown a copy of the completed form; the number of ICP meetings that have taken place for the residents since January 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [58372/22]

*195. To ask the Minister for Health when senior mental health management in Cork CHO4 were offered their first dose of the Covid-19 vaccine relative to when long-stay residents aged over-65 years in facilities (details supplied) were offered their first-dose vaccine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [58373/22]

*196. To ask the Minister for Health the final cost of the works carried out on a centre (details supplied) in Carrigaline since January 2021; the reason for the increase in cost of these works from the original budget of €250,000; the reason that the original number of placements to be provided at the centre was reduced from fourteen to ten; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [58374/22]

*197. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the progress made to provide the CF drug kaftrio to a cohort of 35 Irish children aged between six and eleven years, who are currently excluded from access to the drug due to a disagreement between the manufacturers and the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Chris Andrews. [58379/22]

*198. To ask the Minister for Health the steps that his Department is taking the address the nationwide shortage of community pharmacists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58393/22]

*199. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to recruit a chief pharmacy officer as a matter of priority who can assist in the development and delivery of a strategy for the future of pharmacy care within his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58394/22]

*200. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce a fit-for-purpose pharmacy contract, which reflects the needs of patients and supports the practice of community pharmacy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58395/22]

*201. To ask the Minister for Health if he has any plans to expand pharmacy services to facilitate women with the choice of accessing contraception through a pharmacy without a prescription; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58396/22]

*202. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in Ireland referred and waiting to be seen by CDNT services by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58402/22]

*203. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in Ireland referred and waiting to be seen by CDNT services by length of time waiting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58403/22]

*204. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in County Clare referred and waiting to be seen by CDNT services by length of time waiting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58404/22]

*205. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children in County Clare referred and waiting to be seen by CDNT services by age in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58405/22]

*206. To ask the Minister for Health the number of specialist dietitians, nutrition specialists, and therapists specialising in eating disorders working out of Ennis General Hospital in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58406/22]

*207. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children who have been on the waiting list for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services in County Clare at the end of each year between 2016 and 2020, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58422/22]

*208. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children currently on the waiting list for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services in County Clare by length of time under 3 months; 3-6 months; 6-9 months; 9-12 months; and in excess of 1 year in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58423/22]

*209. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children currently on the waiting list for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services in County Clare by age and sex in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58424/22]

*210. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children currently on the waiting list for eye examinations in County Clare by length of time waiting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58425/22]

*211. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children currently on the waiting list for dental examinations and check-ups in County Clare by length of time waiting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58426/22]

*212. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children currently on the waiting list for hearing examinations in County Clare by length of time waiting in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58427/22]

*213. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a campaign regarding junk food marketing to children (details supplied); the steps that he is taking to address this issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [58440/22]

*214. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the public health (obesity) bill; the timeline that he is working towards; the reason for the delay in progressing this piece of legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [58441/22]

*215. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children currently on waiting lists for therapeutic care in each CDNT according to each speciality; the average waiting time for an appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [58454/22]

*216. To ask the Minister for Health if the budget for medical aids and equipment for children is ring-fenced within each CHO budget; if he will provide figures on the breakdown of different types of aids/equipment, for example wheelchairs and walkers, provided by each CHO for the period between 1 January 2019 and 31 October 2022. — Holly Cairns. [58455/22]

*217. To ask the Minister for Health if he will set a national ambition to reduce the number of stillbirths and neonatal deaths. — Holly Cairns. [58456/22]

*218. To ask the Minister for Health if he will establish a committee/unit to study stillbirth and neonatal death as a public health issue and to make recommendations for reducing the number of stillbirths and neonatal deaths, including testing and screening for group B strep, vasa praevia, pre-eclampsia, and intrahepatic cholestasis of pregnancy. — Holly Cairns. [58457/22]

*219. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that a 60-bed extension to a community nursing unit (details supplied) in Cork city is not yet operational; when the facility will start receiving clients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [58472/22]

*220. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be called for an appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [58478/22]

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

*221. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of bovine animals aged greater than 36 months that were sold at livestock marts in each of the years 2018 to 2021 and to date in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [58176/22]

*222. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 285 of 19 October 2022, if the referenced field visit has been carried out in relation to the basic payment scheme application by a person (details supplied); if so, when it is scheduled to be carried out; the date that payment can be expected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [58179/22]

*223. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the percentage of the salaries of the CEO, chief financial officer, director of communications and corporate affairs and director of commercial and marketing of Horse Racing Ireland that are met by Exchequer funding in 2019, 2020 and 2021, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [58210/22]

*224. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when a basic payment scheme payment will issue to a person (details supplied) in County Donegal; the reason for the delay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [58229/22]

*225. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the issues raised in correspondence (details supplied) will be given detailed consideration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [58258/22]

*226. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to the information and concerns in documentation (details supplied); and if he will ensure that an independent investigation is launched into the concerns raised. — Paul Murphy. [58275/22]

*227. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to concerns regarding irregularities in registered charities (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [58311/22]

*228. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the manner in which the additional funding for the wildlife control programme is being allocated for spending; the number of staffing vacancies that exist within the programme; the roles that remain vacant; the measures being put in place to address these vacancies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [58324/22]

*229. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on whether the animal welfare grant is adequate in light of increased demands on animal welfare organisations; if his attention has been drawn to reports that one such organisation (details supplied) that received €48,500 towards its costs for 2022, has paid €147,000 in veterinary bills to date in 2022, with a bill of €55,000 remaining; if a review of ascertaining and addressing need is required; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [58325/22]

*230. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures that he will take to address the shortfall of planting 8,000 hectares of trees per year as promised in the Programme for Government; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [58397/22]

*231. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to the importance that the producer organisation status of an organisation (details supplied) is recognised; if he will consider 50% advance funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe McHugh. [58448/22]

*232. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if scallop dredging is permitted in special areas of conservation. — Holly Cairns. [58449/22]

*233. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of foreshore licences granted monthly between the period 1 January 2019 and 31 October 2022, including the average waiting time for applications. — Holly Cairns. [58450/22]

*234. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara cén uair a rachaidh an cead pleanála don ché dhomhainfharraige ag Calaphort Ros an Mhíl in éag; cad iad na pleananna atá ann iarratas a dhéanamh ar shíneadh ar an gcead pleanála sin; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [58479/22]

**CEISTEANNA, SEACHAS CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH,
I gCOMHAIR FREAGRA Ó BHÉAL DÉARDAOIN, 24 SAMHAIN, 2022
QUESTIONS, OTHER THAN QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY,
FOR ORAL ANSWER ON THURSDAY, 24 NOVEMBER, 2022**

Chun an Aire Cosanta: To the Minister for Defence.

I. To ask the Minister for Defence the measures that his Department is taking to implement parity of healthcare between officers and enlisted personnel in the Defence Forces. — Sorca Clarke. [58288/22]

2. To ask the Minister for Defence the progress that has been made on fulfilling the Government commitment to increase recruitment in the Defence Forces by 2,000 by 2028; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [58350/22]

3. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of permanent Defence Forces personnel inducted and discharged by rank to date in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [58280/22]

4. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of Defence Forces personnel inducted and discharged by rank to date in 2022. — Cathal Berry. [58474/22]

5. To ask the Minister for Defence the way that it is proposed to strengthen the Reserve Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [58381/22]

6. To ask the Minister for Defence the actions that have been taken to upgrade Ireland's defence system in response to the recent commission on the subject. — Richard Bruton. [58431/22]

7. To ask the Minister for Defence the matters that were discussed when he met with his counterparts at the recent EU Defence Ministers meeting in Brussels; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [58138/22]

8. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of Irish troops that are to be deployed as part of the Ukraine training detachment from the EU; the arrangements for their safety and security during this work; the command structure under which they will operate and if they will be operating as part of a cohesive larger EU military training mission; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [57853/22]

9. To ask the Minister for Defence the capital works planned for military installations in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [58384/22]

10. To ask the Minister for Defence the security infrastructure that is in place for undersea cables; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [58445/22]

11. To ask the Minister for Defence when the Army nursing service review will be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Berry. [58476/22]

12. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will provide an update on Project R9 - Additional specialist posts for high turnover and long lead in appointments in the High Level Implementation plan Strengthening our Defence Forces. — James Lawless. [58282/22]

13. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will detail according to rank the number of vacancies in the Defence Forces in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [58286/22]

14. To ask the Minister for Defence if members of the emergency aeromedical service in Athlone and those who assisted with mandatory hotel quarantine will receive the €1,000 pandemic recognition payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Berry. [58473/22]

15. To ask the Minister for Defence the status of a Project A2 - Workforce Planning in the High Level Implementation plan Strengthening our Defence Forces. — Seán Haughey. [58285/22]

16. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will provide an update on Ireland's involvement in the EU military assistance mission in support of Ukraine (EUMAM Ukraine); if the training of Ukrainian soldiers on EU soil has begun; if not, the timeline for when it is expected to begin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [58220/22]

17. To ask the Minister for Defence if he plans to extend the runway at Baldonnell Airport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [58335/22]

18. To ask the Minister for Defence the status of the implementation of the technical pay agreement for the Defence Forces agreed in 2019. — Peadar Tóibín. [57493/22]

19. To ask the Minister for Defence his views on the recruitment and retention crisis in the Irish Naval Service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [57622/22]

20. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will report on the delivery of the early actions outlined in the High Level Action Plan for the Commission on the Defence Forces and if all targets will be met. — Jim O'Callaghan. [58287/22]

21. To ask the Minister for Defence the extent to which the reforms in the Defence Forces identified in a recent report are being put in place with particular reference to all of the major recommendations including recruitment, pay and conditions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [58360/22]

22. To ask the Minister for Defence further to Parliamentary Question No. 361 of 11 October 2022, when he expects the next recruitment campaign for the Reserve Defence Forces to open; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [57629/22]

23. To ask the Minister for Defence the status of Project V1 - Review of Pay Structures in the High Level Implementation plan Strengthening our Defence Forces. — Michael Moynihan. [58283/22]

24. To ask the Minister for Defence if he has seen the interim report by the independent review group into the allegations by a group known as the Women of Honour and others; if he intends to publish same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [58290/22]

25. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will provide an update on Project R4 - Barriers to extended participation in the PDF: Review of Mandatory Retirement Ages for Officers in the High Level Implementation plan Strengthening our Defence Forces. — James Lawless. [58281/22]

26. To ask the Minister for Defence Ireland's involvement in the EU's training of Ukrainian defence force members; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [57653/22]

27. To ask the Minister for Defence the specific action his Department has taken in relation to the recruitment of aircraft technicians given the levels of vacancies that currently exist in the Air Corps and the buoyant Irish aviation market. — Sorca Clarke. [58289/22]

28. To ask the Minister for Defence the number of vacancies that exist in the Defence Forces by rank. — Cathal Berry. [58475/22]

29. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will provide an update on the work of the independent review to examine the effectiveness of the policies, systems and procedures in place for dealing with bullying, harassment, discrimination, sexual harassment and sexual assault in the Defence Forces; if the review group is on track to complete its work by end-2022; if the review group is carrying out an analysis on the number of Defence Forces members who have been required to sign non-disclosure agreements as a result of a legal settlement in respect of actions for sexual harassment, discrimination or bullying; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [58221/22]

30. To ask the Minister for Defence if consideration is being given to a review of the structure of the Army as recommended in the Report of the Commission on the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [58383/22]

31. To ask the Minister for Defence the timeframe for the selection of a new Army headquarters; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [58356/22]

32. To ask the Minister for Defence if he is satisfied with the level of uptake on the current recruitment drive for the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [58421/22]

33. To ask the Minister for Defence his views on reports that the number of personnel going AWOL in the Defence Forces will hit a ten-year high; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [57623/22]

34. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will provide an update on plans to develop primary radar systems; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [57454/22]

35. To ask the Minister for Defence the increase in wages that has been put in place for non-commissioned Defence Force Members since June 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [57854/22]

36. To ask the Minister for Defence if his Department plans to review the tech pay and allowance and the specific service commitment schemes for aircraft technicians within the Air Corps; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [58337/22]

37. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will report on the delayed payment of the Covid recognition payment to the Defence Forces. — Peadar Tóibín. [57492/22]

38. To ask the Minister for Defence the status of the payment to soldiers who worked with the health services during the Covid pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [58139/22]

39. To ask the Minister for Defence when he expects the Defence Forces' office of reserve affairs to be established; the proposed structure of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [57630/22]

40. To ask the Minister for Defence the progress that has been made in relation to plans for the protection of critical State infrastructure in the coming months and years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [57665/22]

41. To ask the Minister for Defence his plans to improve the capacity of the Office of Emergency Planning in view of the increasing frequency and impact of adverse weather events due to climate change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [58349/22]

42. To ask the Minister for Defence the steps that his Department is taking to promote Ireland's highly qualified defence forces personnel staying in the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [57958/22]

43. To ask the Minister for Defence the way in which he proposes to improve the conditions of service for Defence Forces medical officers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [58279/22]

44. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will provide further clarity on the purpose and function of his attendance as a keynote speaker at the "Building the Ecosystem" event in October 2022 which promoted Ireland's interaction with the arms industry. — Gary Gannon. [58444/22]

45. To ask the Minister for Defence if he is satisfied with the level of uptake on the current recruitment drive for the Naval Service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [58420/22]

46. To ask the Minister for Defence the extent to which any further embellishments can be made to protect Irish offshore, underwater or other telecommunication facilities with particular reference to the need to damage, deliberate or otherwise; if the necessary resources continue to be available to Ireland's Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [58359/22]

47. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will provide an updated report on the progress that is being made on the further evaluation that is being carried out on the issue of long service increments in the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [57666/22]

48. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will provide an update on the Report of the Commission on Defence Forces of February 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [57959/22]

49. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will report on Project R3 - Incentivised long service arrangements - NCO and Officer rank in the High Level Implementation plan Strengthening our Defence Forces. — Michael Moynihan. [58284/22]

50. To ask the Minister for Defence if he will provide an update on the current level of interest in starting a career in the Defence Forces in comparison to previous years, particularly among women; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [57486/22]

51. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the recent statement by a person (details supplied) that there is a crisis in teacher recruitment and that two in every three primary schools in Dublin does not have its full quota of teachers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [58363/22]

52. To ask the Minister for Education the number of students who applied for school bus tickets for the 2022-2023 academic year who have not yet received a school bus ticket; the number

of these who were what is termed late eligible; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [57855/22]

53. To ask the Minister for Education his views on whether updated special needs' reports should be ceased given that schools are still seeking updated reports for special needs children particularly for secondary schools and the fact that parents are stressed attempting to access private assessments to obtain a place for their child. — Joan Collins. [58413/22]

54. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on building works at a school (details supplied). — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [58212/22]

55. To ask the Minister for Education the supports and or supervision that are available for teachers who are dealing with trauma and traumatised students on a regular basis. — Sorca Clarke. [58416/22]

56. To ask the Minister for Education the progress that has been made in relation to the proposed changes to the assessment of needs' process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. [58255/22]

57. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to ensure that energy use in schools is addressed, with particular reference to the installation of solar panels and retrofitting. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [58469/22]

58. To ask the Minister for Education if gambling awareness workshops have been rolled-out in secondary schools in County Tipperary; if she will ensure that no gambling industry-funded literature is used in schools to educate school-aged children regarding the dangers of gambling; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [58410/22]

59. To ask the Minister for Education her plans, if any, to change conditions for teachers coming from abroad to qualify for incremental credit, for example, but not limited to, staff who held a part-time role in a recognised school setting abroad; and if she will outline any other actions that may attract teachers returning to the Irish education system. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [58471/22]

60. To ask the Minister for Education the up-to-date report on both the temporary and permanent plans for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [57934/22]

61. To ask the Minister for Education the number of primary schools with DEIS status by county in 2020, 2021 and to date in 2022, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [58415/22]

62. To ask the Minister for Education the way that online safety and awareness is currently incorporated into the school curriculum at primary and post-primary school level; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [57484/22]

63. To ask the Minister for Education if she will take action to ensure that children with down syndrome in County Mayo have access to a school and supports in their local schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [58439/22]

64. To ask the Minister for Education the number of special educational needs officers that have been appointed to County Tipperary; the reason that there is no full-time SENOs appointed

in south County Tipperary; the number of children currently seeking special educational needs supports in County Tipperary; the number of students currently awaiting placement in an ASD unit and learning disability units in County Tipperary; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [58412/22]

65. To ask the Minister for Education the position regarding the school bus transport appeals process; if her attention has been drawn to reports that numerous children who previously had bus tickets cannot get any in 2022 and cannot get their appeal heard to date; if she can outline the next meeting of the appeals board; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [58435/22]

66. To ask the Minister for Education the extent to which an adequacy of school places exists for children in all areas throughout the country including County Kildare and with particular reference to children with special needs at primary and or secondary level; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [58362/22]

67. To ask the Minister for Education if she will review the decision by her Department not to secure additional adjacent land in Buncrana, County Donegal, for adequate outdoor green field sports amenities for the 1,000 students that are projected to attend the new three school campuses for the town; and if any new school builds over the past five years have included adjacent outdoor green field sports amenities. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [58169/22]

68. To ask the Minister for Education when she will set the intake cap for primary teacher training courses in public universities; if she will consider raising the cap to allow more students to take a public route into the profession; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [58438/22]

69. To ask the Minister for Education if she is satisfied that there will be sufficient places in secondary schools in east Cork to accommodate student enrolment numbers for September 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [57642/22]

70. To ask the Minister for Education the actions that she is taking to improve July Provision in advance of summer 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [58433/22]

71. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department will engage positively with a school (details supplied) regarding the future needs of the school and how best to progress; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [58390/22]

72. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 562 of 8 November 2022, if a circular will be sent to schools with information on additional capitation funding and additional grants that could be used to cover day-to-day operating costs and energy costs in lieu of voluntary contributions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [57799/22]

73. To ask the Minister for Education the total spending by her Department on in-service training of teachers and on leadership development programmes; and if she will set out her ambitions in this arena. — Richard Bruton. [58419/22]

74. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the new school build for a school (details supplied) given that it has been in its temporary location for the past three years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Carroll MacNeill. [57657/22]

75. To ask the Minister for Education if there are plans for the creation of new schools which fall under the remit of the City of Dublin Education and Training Board. — Gary Gannon. [58407/22]

76. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the new build for a school (details supplied); and if an autism class will be open for the 2023 school year. — Joan Collins. [58414/22]

77. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department will conduct a review of the school transportation crisis that occurred during the start of the 2022/2023 academic year as a result of her Department's decision to waive costs of obtaining school bus tickets; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [58411/22]

78. To ask the Minister for Education her views on the introduction of psychology counsellors in schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [57457/22]

79. To ask the Minister for Education the total number of pupils currently accessing SEN units in primary and post-primary schools in the Louth and the east Meath catchment area; if there are plans to increase capacity in the catchment areas, given the significant population growth; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [58047/22]

80. To ask the Minister for Education the steps that she is taking to address the restrictions in the redress scheme for victims of historical school abuses. — Holly Cairns. [58132/22]

81. To ask the Minister for Education if she has considered the reintroduction of an allowance for teachers on offshore islands; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [57967/22]

82. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department will engage positively with a school (details supplied) regarding the construction of a new gymnasium and sports hall; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [58391/22]

83. To ask the Minister for Education the progress that is being made on the opening of autism and special educational needs' units in secondary schools under the Education (Admission to Schools) Act 2018; the progress that is being made to ensure that children with special education needs are catered for in the education system from pre-school to post primary level; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [57667/22]

84. To ask the Minister for Education if she will report on the difficulties filling vacancies in schools (details supplied). — Peadar Tóibín. [57495/22]

85. To ask the Minister for Education the progress that has been made on ensuring that all children who require school transport have access to it; and if she will provide an update on the progress made in ensuring that those with concessionary passes from previous years are being accommodated 2022. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [58468/22]

86. To ask the Minister for Education the position regarding a review of the provision of school bus services; if efforts are ongoing to provide for students that qualify for a seat in cases

in which either not enough space or a service is in place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [57397/22]

87. To ask the Minister for Education the position regarding the school building for a school (details supplied); the efforts that her Department is making to ensure that students will be in the new building for September 2024, as per the original plans; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [57334/22]

88. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on school transport; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [58436/22]

89. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on DEIS applications; when the process will re-open to schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [57693/22]

90. To ask the Minister for Education if she will indicate notwithstanding the important improvements she has made to school transport, whether it might be possible to identify the children in all areas throughout the country who are now without transport on a concessionary basis, who are quite willing to pay; if the necessary arrangements might be entered into whereby they can avail of the service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [58361/22]

91. To ask the Minister for Education the steps that she is taking to ensure that there are sufficient Irish-speaking schools in south Dublin; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [57656/22]

92. To ask the Minister for Education the plans that are in place to deal with teacher shortages given that larger classes are being combined with no substitute teachers to cover illness or leave; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [58443/22]

93. To ask the Minister for Education her views on reports that some secondary schools are charging parents to have their child put on a waiting list for the school. — Joan Collins. [58417/22]

94. To ask the Minister for Education the progress that she has made to date in bringing school completion officers back under the remit of her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [57489/22]

95. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the recent OECD report titled 'Education at a Glance' that ranked Ireland in last place out of 36 OECD countries for investment in secondary education as a percentage of GDP; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [58218/22]

96. To ask the Minister for Education the steps that she is taking to promote the learning of foreign languages among Irish students; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [57655/22]

97. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on her Department's ongoing engagement with both the HSE and the Department of Health to ensure that no alcohol industry-funded literature produced by a website (details supplied) is used in schools to educate school-aged children regarding the dangers of alcohol; if she has formally directed or informed schools through a circular for them not to utilise and discard any material received from the website; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [58409/22]

98. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the review of the school transport system; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [58432/22]

99. To ask the Minister for Education if she is taking measures to fast-track the reform of the Leaving Certificate. — Richard Bruton. [58418/22]

100. To ask the Minister for Education the way that she intends to address the recruitment issues in schools, particularly in the cities and the commuter belt around Dublin; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [57935/22]

101. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 457 of 17 May 2022, if NEPS assessments are still being undertaken through a school (details supplied); if not, if she can ensure going forward that children in this school will be eligible through the NEPS programme for assessments; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [57356/22]

102. To ask the Minister for Education the number of applications for assistive technology for students with special educational needs received by the National Council for Special Education since the inception of the scheme by county; the number of these applications that have been successful; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [57647/22]

103. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the recent statement by a person (details supplied) that there is a crisis in teacher recruitment and that special education needs teachers are being diverted to other classes simply to keep schools open; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [58364/22]

104. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to increase the availability of ASD specific school places at primary school level in the Dublin mid-west area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [57485/22]

105. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide a progress report on a special education site in Glanmire, County Cork (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [57355/22]

106. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 77 and 138 of 11 October 2022, if she will provide an update on the development of a new policy on Irish-medium education outside of the Gaeltacht; the timeline for the public consultation; the topics that were discussed at the October 2022 meeting of the steering committee; the timeline for the publication of the new policy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [58253/22]

107. To ask the Minister for Education the total funding that has been provided for the DEIS Programme in 2022; the projected drawdown on this funding at end year; the total funding provided for this Programme in 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [58365/22]

108. To ask the Minister for Education if schools (details supplied) in Dublin 12 will have classes open for 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Collins. [58392/22]

109. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the serious school building repair, maintenance, security and facilities needs at a school (details supplied), which are

outstanding for up to 12 years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [58215/22]

110. To ask the Minister for Education the status of her Department's review of the summer programme, formerly known as the July provision; if she will provide details of the international best practice models being considered as part of the review; the terms of reference for the review; when the review will be completed and published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [58254/22]

111. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide details regarding the additional resources provided for school bus transport in 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [58434/22]

112. To ask the Minister for Education the number of applicants from County Monaghan for the school transport scheme who have yet to receive a bus ticket. — Matt Carthy. [57720/22]

113. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the ongoing issue of the very high number of primary students with no secondary school places in east Cork; her plans to address this issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [58183/22]

114. To ask the Minister for Education the actions that she has taken to ensure that sufficient fresh air is provided in all schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [58219/22]

115. To ask the Minister for Education the measures that she is taking to record the number of individual students with special education needs transitioning to post-primary education annually, to ensure that the required spaces for these students are met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [58429/22]

116. To ask the Minister for Education if she will have further consideration given at an early date to inclusion of more schools in the DEIS Programme, particularly schools who submitted appeals in respect of the recent extension of the Programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [58366/22]

117. To ask the Minister for Education the measures that she will take, in conjunction with the relevant Departments, to ensure that doctoral students of educational psychology are funded in line with their counterparts' undertaking studies in other psychology fields. — Cathal Crowe. [51707/22]

118. To ask the Minister for Education the progress that is being made on increasing ASD units for schools in Ballincollig; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [58428/22]

119. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the commitment to a comprehensive Irish language strategy from early years, through school to third level; and the actions that she has taken in furtherance of this (details supplied). — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [58467/22]

120. To ask the Minister for Education the progress that has been made to date in reforming the school bus service; the estimated cost of this service in 2022 and the provision for 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [57856/22]

121. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the permanent new school build for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [57488/22]

122. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the review of the timing of the release of the State exam results. — Peadar Tóibín. [57494/22]

123. To ask the Minister for Education her Department's policy on the capital provision of general purpose and sporting halls; the level of funding allocated from 2020 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [58442/22]

124. To ask the Minister for Education the criteria for admission to the summer provision programme; the way that the criteria have changed over the expansion of the scheme; the number accommodated across the different strands to provide for different needs; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [58178/22]

125. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the recruitment of SNAs and special education teachers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [57456/22]

126. To ask the Minister for Education her plans for the school transport scheme going forward; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [58437/22]

127. To ask the Minister for Education if the DEIS status of a school (details supplied) will be revised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [58213/22]

128. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the development of the primary school curriculum; and when she expects the curriculum to be published and rolled-out. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [58470/22]

129. To ask the Minister for Education the progress that has been made by her Department in the establishment of a special school specific to the east Cork area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [57677/22]

130. To ask the Minister for Education the steps that she is taking to address the shortage of places in secondary schools for young people with autism in County Cork. — Holly Cairns. [58131/22]

131. To ask the Minister for Education her views on whether the response to the school transport crisis has been satisfactory; when she expects a new streamlined application system to be in place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [58046/22]

132. To ask the Minister for Education if she has considered the possibilities afforded by integrating the school transport system into the wider public transport network to unlock efficiencies of scale and network design; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [57828/22]

133. To ask the Minister for Education if she will allocate funding to provide for the envisaged increase in student numbers at a school (details supplied) in time for the 2023-2024 academic year. — Matt Carthy. [57721/22]

134. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to the deep anger amongst parents and teachers at a school (details supplied) at the failure of her Department to commence its new school buildings in the timelines laid down by the planning authorities; and if her Department will fast-track these works should planning permission be granted again. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [58170/22]