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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

1. To ask the Taoiseach when it is expected that the Citizens' Assembly on Drugs will take place. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [3275/23]
2. To ask the Taoiseach the proposed running order of the Citizens Assemblies. — Gino Kenny. [3413/23]
3. To ask the Taoiseach when the Citizens' Assembly on Drugs will take place. — Paul McAuliffe. [4161/23]
4. To ask the Taoiseach when the Citizens' Assembly on Drugs will take place. — Aindrias Moynihan. [4234/23]
5. To ask the Taoiseach when the Citizens' Assembly on Drugs will take place. — Ivana Bacik. [4369/23]
6. To ask the Taoiseach the proposed running order of citizens' assemblies. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [4415/23]
7. To ask the Taoiseach the proposed running order of citizens' assemblies. — Paul Murphy. [4418/23]
8. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Social Affairs and Equality will next meet. — Mary Lou McDonald. [61817/22]
9. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee that deals with social protection will next meet. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [3074/23]
10. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee that deals with social protection will next meet. — Paul Murphy. [3077/23]
11. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Social Affairs and Equality will next meet. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [4217/23]
12. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Social Affairs and Equality will next meet. — Niamh Smyth. [4219/23]
13. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Social Affairs and Equality will next meet. — Ivana Bacik. [4370/23]

14. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee that deals with social protection will next meet. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [4413/23]

15. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee that deals with immigration and integration will next meet. — Bríd Smith. [4422/23]

16. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee that deals with immigration and integration will next meet. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [4426/23]

17. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee that deals with immigration and integration will next meet. — Paul Murphy. [4429/23]

18. To ask the Taoiseach his views on the creation of a new division within his Department focusing on child poverty. — Alan Farrell. [1634/23]

19. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the proposed child poverty unit in his Department. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [4218/23]

20. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the new division in his Department to address child poverty. — Ivana Bacik. [4371/23]

21. To ask the Taoiseach if he is considering the establishment of a new division in his Department to tackle child poverty. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [4414/23]

22. To ask the Taoiseach his views on the creation of a new division within his Department, focusing on child poverty. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [4416/23]

23. To ask the Taoiseach his views on the creation of a new division within his Department, focusing on child poverty. — Paul Murphy. [4419/23]

24. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on his most recent engagement with political representatives and groups from Northern Ireland since he returned to Oifig an Taoisigh. — Fergus O'Dowd. [1679/23]

25. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent visit to Northern Ireland for discussions with the political parties there. — Brendan Smith. [4220/23]

26. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent telephone conversation with the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom. — Brendan Smith. [4221/23]

27. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent phone conversation with the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom. — Seán Haughey. [4223/23]

28. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on his most recent engagement with political representatives and groups from Northern Ireland since he returned to Oifig an Taoisigh. — Bríd Smith. [4423/23]

29. To ask the Taoiseach the extent to which he has had communication or meetings with various Government sub-Committees since the formation of the Government. — Bernard J. Durkan. [2230/23]

30. To ask the Taoiseach if he is intending to establish new Cabinet sub-committees. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [3075/23]

31. To ask the Taoiseach if he is intending to establish new Cabinet sub-committees. — Paul Murphy. [3078/23]

32. To ask the Taoiseach if he is intending to establish new Cabinet sub-committees. — Cian O’Callaghan. [4447/23]

33. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Government Co-ordination will next meet. — Mary Lou McDonald. [4087/23]

34. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Government Co-ordination will next meet. — Ivana Bacik. [4379/23]

35. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent phone call with the President of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelenskyy. — Alan Dillon. [2026/23]

36. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his phone conversation with the Ukrainian President. — Ivana Bacik. [2118/23]

37. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent phone conversation with the Ukrainian President. — Seán Haughey. [4222/23]

38. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent phone call with the President of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelenskyy. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [4424/23]

39. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent phone call with the President of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelenskyy. — Paul Murphy. [4427/23]

40. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent attendance at the World Economic Forum in Davos. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [3073/23]

41. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent attendance at the World Economic Forum in Davos. — Paul Murphy. [3076/23]

42. To ask the Taoiseach to report on his attendance at the recent meeting at Davos, with particular reference to future trends in global trade. — Bernard J. Durkan. [3327/23]

43. To ask the Taoiseach to report on his attendance at the World Economic Forum in Davos. — Ivana Bacik. [3341/23]

44. To ask the Taoiseach to report on the gender pay gap report from his Department. — Ivana Bacik. [3343/23]

45. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the gender pay gap report from his Department. — Bríd Smith. [4421/23]

46. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [3405/23]

47. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Paul Murphy. [3410/23]

48. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Bríd Smith. [3412/23]

49. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Cian O’Callaghan. [4445/23]

50. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Mary Lou McDonald. [4089/23]

51. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Ivana Bacik. [4377/23]

52. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Peadar Tóibín. [4788/23]

53. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Jim O’Callaghan. [4696/23]

54. To ask the Taoiseach to report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [3406/23]

55. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council. — Cian O’Callaghan. [4446/23]

56. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council. — Ivana Bacik. [4378/23]

57. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council. — Paul Murphy. [4428/23]

58. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Europe will next meet. — Mary Lou McDonald. [4084/23]

59. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the role of his Department in the north-east inner-city initiative. — Mary Lou McDonald. [4086/23]

60. To ask the Taoiseach when the Housing for All progress report for Q4 2022 will be published. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [4417/23]

61. To ask the Taoiseach when the Housing for All progress report for Q4 2022 will be published. — Paul Murphy. [4420/23]

62. To ask the Taoiseach the number of staff that were employed by the public relations unit and press office in his Department as of 20 January 2022; and the number currently employed by the public relations unit and press office of his Department. — Peadar Tóibín. [4437/23]

CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

63. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on whether efforts to further the search for peace in Palestine have been further hampered as a consequence of the inflammatory rhetoric and actions emanating from the newly elected government in Israel; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4613/23]

64. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the efforts he intends to make to try to prevent further escalation of the war in Ukraine in his new role as Minister for Foreign Affairs of a neutral country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [4515/23]

65. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the measures being put in place to ensure that there will be no unnecessary backlog in the issuing of passports in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4614/23]

66. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide an update on the ongoing discussions regarding possible changes to the Brexit protocol that can assist the movement of goods between the island of Ireland, Northern Ireland and the United Kingdom. — Matt Shanahan. [4793/23]

67. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which the Passport Office is prepared for the influx of passport applications for this spring and summer (details supplied). — Richard O'Donoghue. [4615/23]

CEISTEANNA EILE OTHER QUESTIONS

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

68. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on the new Israeli government's policy of expanding settlements in the occupied West Bank, using the means of ethnic cleansing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Chris Andrews. [2133/23]

69. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide an update on the latest information regarding the Northern Ireland Protocol and related negotiations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4400/23]

70. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs how he will implement the Programme for Government commitment to respond to the annexation of occupied Palestine by Israel. — Patrick Costello. [4381/23]

71. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he believes the Russian Federation should be designated as a terrorist state; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [4332/23]

72. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide a report on his recent call with the United States Secretary of State, Anthony Blinken; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [4367/23]

73. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he supports calls for a special tribunal to prosecute Russian war crimes in Ukraine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [4334/23]

74. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide an overview on the Shared Island Civic Society Fund that he announced on 12 January 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [4216/23]

75. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if a report (details supplied) has been drawn to his attention; his response to the report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [4435/23]

76. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the actions he proposes to take or is willing to support against Israel, following the destruction of aid supplied by the EU and Ireland to Palestine by Israeli forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4406/23]

77. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on his recent meeting with an organisation (details supplied) in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [4214/23]

78. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide an update on the efforts being made to assist in the re-establishment of the Northern Ireland Executive; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4401/23]

79. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will consider opening a full-time resident Embassy in Beirut, Lebanon; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charles Flanagan. [4402/23]

80. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide an update regarding efforts to restore to full operation the political institutions established by the Belfast, Good Friday Agreement; if progress has been made in relation to the negotiations between the European Union and the United Kingdom on the implementation of the Northern Ireland Protocol, which is a related issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [4097/23]

81. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he is satisfied with the turnaround processing times given on his Department's passport website; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [4442/23]

82. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on his attendance at the recent British-Irish Intergovernmental Conference; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [4264/23]

83. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs the status of the implementation of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neale Richmond. [61853/22]

84. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the number of passport applications from County Tipperary that are currently outstanding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4398/23]

85. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if the issue of the Russian Federation abducting Ukrainian children from their families and removing them to Russia was discussed at the European Foreign Affairs council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [4232/23]

86. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the efforts the Government is undertaking within the international community to attempt to bring about a peaceful conclusion to the war in Ukraine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4408/23]

87. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on the recent election of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu; if he has had any contact with his government regarding Palestine, the Occupied West Bank and Gaza; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [4450/23]

88. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the action being taken in relation to the ongoing detention of a person (details supplied) in Iran; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [4375/23]

89. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on Irish-Canadian relations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [4411/23]

90. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which he continues to have discussions with all parties in Northern Ireland, with a view to early restoration of the Assembly and resolution to the Northern Ireland Protocol; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4391/23]

91. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on the ongoing situation in Haiti; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [4412/23]

92. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he has met with the Russian Ambassador to Ireland since assuming his new position; if so, if he will provide details of any such engagement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [4444/23]

93. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the actions Ireland and the European Union are taking in relation to recent political events in Iran; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [4098/23]

94. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he is concerned about recent statements by the incoming Israeli Prime Minister, and their clear sanctioning of further illegal settlements and annexations in the West Bank; if he will raise this at EU and UN forums; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [4397/23]

95. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he has sought a meeting with the Iranian ambassador in regard to executions committed by the Iranian regime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [4439/23]

96. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide an update following his attendance at the Foreign Affairs Council, with specific regard to support for Ukraine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [4091/23]

97. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide details of the Government's response to the ongoing crisis in the Horn of Africa; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4410/23]

98. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the efforts being made by his Department to respond to the violence and aggression by Azerbaijan towards Armenia, including the invasion of Armenia and the besieging and starvation of Armenians. — Patrick Costello. [4382/23]

99. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on his Department's emigrant support programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4399/23]

100. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on Ukraine's integration in the EU. — Richard Bruton. [4457/23]

101. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the role his Department plays in advancing Ireland's trading interests; how it utilises the diaspora in relation to this aim; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [4395/23]

102. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the amount of aid that Ireland has provided to the Ukrainian Government; his plans to support the Ukrainian economy given the ongoing Russian invasion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [4431/23]

103. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he intends to review and improve the current system for applying for new passports and renewals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [4430/23]

104. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the engagement there has been with the Iranian regime given the continuing protests and the punishments meted out to protesters since the death of a person (details supplied) in September 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [4384/23]

105. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide details of Ireland's efforts at EU and UN levels to stop the war in Ukraine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [4436/23]

106. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on his recent discussions with leaders of the political parties in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [4333/23]

107. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the number of passport applications from County Cork that are currently outstanding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [4392/23]

108. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on the EU's enlargement projects. — Richard Bruton. [4458/23]

109. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on his recent attendance at the EU Foreign Affairs Council meeting in Brussels; if additional and tougher sanctions against Iran were discussed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [4404/23]

110. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide an inventory of non-lethal supports that have been provided by Ireland to Ukraine, within a foreign policy context; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [4090/23]

111. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the further action he expects to be taken against the Russian Federation in view of its ongoing illegal war being waged on Ukraine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [4364/23]

112. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide an update on the implementation of the Diaspora Strategy, 2020-2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [4393/23]

113. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will outline the response of the Irish Government to the human rights abuse and political turbulence in Iran; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charles Flanagan. [4403/23]

114. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the steps his Department is taking to combat global Christian persecution. — Peadar Tóibín. [4434/23]

115. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on the new Israeli government’s stated intentions to develop settlements in the Palestinian West Bank and the further annexation of territory; the Government’s plans to react to the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [4383/23]

116. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the further sanctions that are being put in place on Iran in view of ongoing human rights violations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [4366/23]

117. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on his attendance at the EU Foreign Affairs Council on 23 January 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [4363/23]

118. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the action he has taken to date to sanction the Iranian authorities responsible for the brutal suppression of peaceful protest; his views on whether the Iran Revolutionary Guard should be listed as a terrorist entity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [4001/23]

119. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his reaction to the appointment by the United States of a new special envoy to Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [4213/23]

120. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he agrees with the call made by European Parliament to classify Iran’s Revolutionary Guards as a terrorist organisation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [4335/23]

121. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on his attendance at the recent British-Irish Intergovernmental conference. — Peadar Tóibín. [4433/23]

122. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the efforts he intends to make to try and prevent further escalation of the war in Ukraine in his new role as Minister for Foreign Affairs of a neutral country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [4456/23]

123. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the current situation in relation to an Irish citizen (details supplied) detained in Iran since October 2022; his efforts to secure their release including his contact with the Iranian Foreign Minister and the Ambassador of Iran in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [4002/23]

124. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the engagement he has had with the United Kingdom government on Northern Ireland legacy issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [4265/23]

125. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his assessment of the human rights situation in Iran; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [4368/23]

126. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide details of the Government's response to the newly announced EU civilian mission to Armenia; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4409/23]

127. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on the current state of negotiation between the EU and the UK on finding an agreed settlement on the Northern Ireland protocol; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [4004/23]

128. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on his appearance at the EU-Western Balkans Summit in Tirana. — Neale Richmond. [62026/22]

129. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the number of passport applications from County Westmeath that are currently outstanding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [4394/23]

130. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the efforts the Government is undertaking to secure the release of a person (details supplied) from captivity in Iran; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4407/23]

131. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on the intended amendments to the Northern Ireland Troubles Bill published by the British Government on 18 January 2023; if, the inclusion of these amendments informs the plans of the Government in relation to taking an inter-state challenge considering that committee stage is scheduled for the 24 and 31 January 2023, and the final stages of the bill could follow relatively soon thereafter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4432/23]

132. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the action being taken in relation to the ongoing detention of opposition activists in Belarus; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [4376/23]

133. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on the engagements he has had at EU or UN level regarding a Palestinian driver who was reportedly pepper sprayed and shot by the Israeli defence forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [4449/23]

134. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will outline Ireland's major achievements as a member of the UN Security Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [4460/23]

135. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his assessment of the current situation with the Northern Ireland protocol; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [4215/23]

136. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if Ireland can do more to assist Ukraine to defend itself militarily against the brutal aggression of the Russian invading army and Russian aerial attacks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [4443/23]

137. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the details of his engagement with the Ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Iran; if he has engaged with Iranian officials to communicate the views of the Government; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [4405/23]

138. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the measures being taken to ensure that the delays experienced in processing of passports in 2022 will not be repeated in 2023, with particular emphasis on first-time applicants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [4441/23]

139. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs how Ireland is pursuing accountability for violations of international law and war crimes committed in Ukraine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O'Sullivan. [4365/23]

140. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the number of passport applications from County Carlow that are currently outstanding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [4233/23]

141. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the support by way of money, food, medical supplies and other humanitarian relief that Ireland has sent to Somalia and other drought-impacted nations in the Horn of Africa enduring mass starvation; the plans the European Union and other international organisations have to bring relief to the millions of persons affected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [4003/23]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

*142. To ask the Taoiseach if he will bring forward proposals to reform Seanad Éireann. — Patricia Ryan. [3980/23]

*143. To ask the Taoiseach the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; and the annual salary they are being paid. — Mairéad Farrell. [4132/23]

*144. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date. — Carol Nolan. [4256/23]

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

*145. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the amount paid to the European Space Agency in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4115/23]

*146. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4121/23]

*147. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of Australian companies that IDA Ireland has engaged with in relation to setting up in the State in the years 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [4207/23]

*148. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4245/23]

*149. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if a breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations for Programme B Enterprise Innovation & Commercialisation of Budget 2023 Expenditure Report will be provided, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [4469/23]

*150. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if a breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations for Programme C Regulation of Budget 2023 Expenditure Report will be provided, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [4470/23]

*151. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will specify the breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations of €14.8 million for IDA AMC, Regional Property Programme, National Institute of Bioprocessing Research and Training in the Budget 2023 Expenditure Report, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [4472/23]

*152. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will specify the breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations of €10 million for EI Open Call for Brexit Impacts in the Budget 2023 Expenditure Report, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [4473/23]

*153. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will specify the breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations of €12 million for EI Green Transition and Digital Transitions Funds in the Budget 2023 Expenditure Report, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [4474/23]

*154. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will specify the breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations for the breakdown of €4 million for local enterprise offices for the roll out of the plus ten employees' framework and small firms'

investment in energy efficiency scheme in the Budget 2023 Expenditure Report, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [4475/23]

*155. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will specify the breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations of €5 million for the new credit guarantee scheme in the Budget 2023 Expenditure Report, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [4476/23]

*156. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will specify the breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations of €7 million for Science and Technology Programme including European Digital Innovation Hubs in the Budget 2023 Expenditure Report, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [4477/23]

*157. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the breakdown for the current and capital budget allocations for each subhead of the Revised Estimates for 2023. — Louise O'Reilly. [4478/23]

*158. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total Budget 2022 allocation for the National Smart Specialisation Strategy for Innovation 2022-2027; the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4479/23]

*159. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total Budget 2023 allocation for the National AI Strategy, AI- Here for Good; the capital, current and total Budget 2022 allocation for the National AI Strategy, AI – Here for Good; the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4480/23]

*160. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total Budget 2023 allocation for the National Digital Strategy; the capital, current and total Budget 2022 allocation for the National Digital Strategy; the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4481/23]

*161. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total Budget 2023 allocation for the National Remote Work Strategy; the capital, current and total Budget 2022 allocation for the National Remote Work Strategy; the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4482/23]

*162. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total Budget 2023 allocation for the National Space Strategy for Enterprise 2019-2025; the capital, current and total Budget 2022 allocation for the National Space Strategy for Enterprise 2019-2025; the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4483/23]

*163. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total Budget 2023 allocation for the Trade and Investment Strategy 2022-2026; the capital, current and total Budget 2022 allocation for the Trade and Investment Strategy 2022-2026; the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4484/23]

*164. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total Budget 2023 allocation for the Ireland's Industry 4.0 Strategy 2020-2025; the capital, current and total Budget 2022 allocation for the Ireland's Industry 4.0 Strategy 2020-2025; the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4485/23]

*165. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total Budget 2023 allocation for the National Enterprise Strategy: Enterprise 2025; the capital, current and total Budget 2022 allocation for the National Enterprise Strategy: Enterprise 2025; and the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4486/23]

*166. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total Budget 2023 allocation for the DETE People Strategy 2021-2024; the capital, current and total Budget 2023 allocation for the DETE People Strategy 2021-2024; the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4487/23]

*167. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total Budget 2023 allocation for his Department's internal ICT Strategy 2020-2025; the capital, current and total Budget 2022 allocation for his Department's internal ICT Strategy 2020-2025; the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4488/23]

*168. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if a breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations for Programme A Jobs and Enterprise Development of Budget 2023 Expenditure Report will be provided, in tabular form. — Louise O'Reilly. [4489/23]

*169. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment his plans to expand the semiconductor and microelectronics sector in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [4541/23]

*170. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of occasions on which the Health and Safety Authority has prosecuted or sought prosecution of an employer for workplace bullying in each of the years 2019 to 2022. — David Cullinane. [4551/23]

*171. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of occasions on which the Health and Safety Authority have prosecuted or sought prosecution of a public sector body or employer or employee for workplace bullying in each of the years 2019 to 2022. — David Cullinane. [4552/23]

*172. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of occasions on which cases have been referred to the Health and Safety Authority relating to workplace bullying within the health service in each of the years 2019 to 2022. — David Cullinane. [4555/23]

*173. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the jobs announcements made by Ministers in his Department in 2020, 2021 and 2022, in tabular form; the companies involved; the number of jobs announced; the location of the new jobs and the location in which the Minister made the announcement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4729/23]

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

*174. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if pensioners (details supplied) will receive a pension increase as promised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [3957/23]

*175. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the progress being made in achieving the target to deep retrofit 500,000 houses by 2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3959/23]

*176. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when an annual support of €75 will be introduced for persons with lifelong, long-term medical incontinence to help them to meet the average annual cost of disposal of incontinence products; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3982/23]

*177. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of and amount of funding for heating systems upgrades installed broken down by heat source including from fossil fuel like oil and gas, and electric heat pump and so on for the warmer homes scheme and warmth and wellbeing scheme in 2022, in tabular form. — Eoin Ó Broin. [3984/23]

*178. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4122/23]

*179. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4246/23]

*180. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when the hydrogen strategy will be published; the objectives it is likely to contain; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [4318/23]

*181. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of homes in Dublin south central that have applied for the fully-funded energy upgrade in the past two years; and the number of homes that have been upgraded. — Patrick Costello. [4351/23]

*182. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if there is a way whereby shallow retrofits for the worst-performing homes could be fast-tracked through the system with a possibility of a fuller upgrade. — Patrick Costello. [4352/23]

*183. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if recipients of the disablement pension are entitled to access the better energy warmer homes scheme. — Ivana Bacik. [4356/23]

*184. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the UK fuel allowance will be considered as an eligible payment for the warmer homes scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [4501/23]

*185. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of premises in County Mayo connected to high-speed broadband under the National Broadband Plan by the end of 2022. — Alan Dillon. [4491/23]

*186. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of premises in County Mayo that have been passed under the National Broadband Plan by the end of 2022. — Alan Dillon. [4492/23]

*187. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will list the installed community connection points identified by Mayo County Council that are connected to high-speed broadband under the NBP that are publicly accessible; and the future BCPs that are currently been progressed. — Alan Dillon. [4493/23]

*188. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if all primary schools in County Mayo have been connected to high-speed broadband under the NBP; if he will list those connected and the schools pending a connection within the intervention areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [4494/23]

*189. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he intends to publish a national hydrogen strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [4544/23]

*190. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when he intends to launch a public consultation on the use of private wires; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [4545/23]

*191. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when he will publish and approve the updated guidelines for the 2023 better energy communities' scheme. — Patrick Costello. [4606/23]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*192. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department has carried out a comparison between the benefits in relation to the €100 million EV charging plan announced recently and the potential benefits of investing that money into the public transport system stopping its reliance on fossil fuels, increasing the number of routes available and making it free for customers; if so, if he will provide the details of this comparison study; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [4706/23]

*193. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide interim funding for the provision of a bus service to enable young people in Beara, County Cork, to access day services in Bantry, County Cork, until the permanent service is in place later in 2023. — Holly Cairns. [4800/23]

*194. To ask the Minister for Transport the progress being made in achieving the target for one million electric vehicles by 2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3958/23]

*195. To ask the Minister for Transport when legislation will be in place to allow e-scooters on the Fenit greenway County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [3968/23]

*196. To ask the Minister for Transport if the regulation of electric scooters will be examined (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [3986/23]

*197. To ask the Minister for Transport if, in consultation with the Minister for Transport, he will consider the introduction of a motor scrappage scheme whereby on the scrapping of an old petrol or diesel car, the motorist would receive a grant to purchase an electrical bike up to the value of €4,000; if his attention has been drawn to a scrappage scheme, similar to this, which has been introduced in France; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [3996/23]

*198. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide an update on negotiations between Government and Clare County Council on the transfer of the Clare Shannon Heritage assets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [3703/23]

*199. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide an update on the next phase of the BusConnects project; the status of the replacement of the number 9, 11 and 83 bus routes in the Dublin north west area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [4025/23]

*200. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will outline the Government's commitment to help progress the proposed upgrade of the A5 road in Northern Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [4081/23]

*201. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide details of a funding offer made in December 2022 to Clare County Council in relation to the proposed transfer of Shannon Heritage Clare-based sites to the local authority; if any subsequent funding proposal will be forthcoming; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4113/23]

*202. To ask the Minister for Transport when the proposed new NCT centre for Shannon, County Clare, will be operational; if he will provide details of its location; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4114/23]

*203. To ask the Minister for Transport the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4134/23]

*204. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide an update on the repair works at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [4155/23]

*205. To ask the Minister for Transport the waiting times for D category vehicle driving tests at all driving test centres in County Kildare in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [4197/23]

*206. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount that Iarnród Éireann generated through sales of refurbishments sold on intercity rail trains in 2019; and the amount it costed Iarnród Éireann for same in 2019. — Catherine Murphy. [4198/23]

*207. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of passengers on a route (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [4225/23]

*208. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4258/23]

*209. To ask the Minister for Transport if consideration has been given to including proposals for the extension of the DART to Wicklow town in the current project remit for the DART+ Coastal South; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4275/23]

*210. To ask the Minister for Transport the steps involved in the approval process to extend the DART to Wicklow town; the timelines required to undertake those steps; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4276/23]

*211. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will outline the proposed station modifications at Bray and Greystones to enhance train service capacity, as indicated in the NTA Greater Dublin Area Transport Strategy 2022-2042; if he will provide a timeline for completion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4277/23]

*212. To ask the Minister for Transport when a formal decision will be made on the deployment of battery-operated carriages to service Wicklow town; the infrastructural changes that would be required on the line to enable the usage of those carriages; the earliest date by which battery-operated carriages would be operational on the Wicklow town line; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4278/23]

*213. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide an update on the preparation of local transport plans for Arklow and Wicklow-Rathnew; if any other towns in Wicklow will be considered for transport plans; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4279/23]

*214. To ask the Minister for Transport when the feasibility study on the re-opening of Avoca train station will begin and be completed; if he will provide an outline of what the study will consider; if a public consultation will form part of the study; if this study will include other nearby stations such as Glenealy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4280/23]

*215. To ask the Minister for Transport the plans for the N81 road as an identified core bus corridor; if problematic congestions sections have been identified a timeline for their remediation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4281/23]

*216. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will outline the increased investment being made on LocalLink services in Wicklow, including future plans for service extension; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4282/23]

*217. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will consider the provision of a summer LocalLink service from Arklow to Greystones to service the coastal route including Brittas Bay, Maghermore and Wicklow town, to meet the demands of visitors to the beaches and to assist with traffic congestion during peak times; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4283/23]

*218. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide an update on the extension of the Luas to Bray; if he will outline the enabling infrastructure required for this extension; if he will

provide a timeline for their completion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4284/23]

*219. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will clarify whether the contract to provide NCT services was put to tender in 2020, or if it was rolled over as part of a continuity of services built into the original contract. — Catherine Murphy. [4292/23]

*220. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of new and planned NCT centres that an organisation (details supplied) has and or will deliver; and if he will provide a schedule of NCT centres that will be refurbished in 2023, 2024 and 2025. — Catherine Murphy. [4293/23]

*221. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of NCT tests an organisation (details supplied) provided without charging for in each of the years 2015 to 2022, and to date in 2023. — Catherine Murphy. [4294/23]

*222. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will consider the use of battery-operated train carriages to improve the train service to Arklow town; the infrastructure that would need to be put in place to enable that to happen; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4301/23]

*223. To ask the Minister for Transport when a resolution will be made in relation to a refund for persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [4315/23]

*224. To ask the Minister for Transport when he expects to publish the strategic rail review. — Frankie Feighan. [4348/23]

*225. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department's attention has been drawn to a location at Shannon Airport (details supplied); and if the location meets the ICAO and EASA specifications for a taxiway. — Pa Daly. [4467/23]

*226. To ask the Minister for Transport if all electric and hybrid vehicles in operation in Ireland are required to be fitted with acoustic vehicle alerting systems; if so, the details of the policy or legislation underpinning this requirement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [4507/23]

*227. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to meet with a number of organisations (details supplied) to discuss their concerns regarding the Road Traffic and Roads Bill 2021 in its current form and its implications for persons with access needs; if he will provide details of any engagement he has had to date in this regard with these organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [4508/23]

*228. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to the costs involved for those commuting daily from County Leitrim on the Bus Éireann service from Carrick-on-Shannon to Dublin; if he has plans to introduce a fare reduction to incentivise more passengers on board the service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [4546/23]

*229. To ask the Minister for Transport if he has plans to increase the regularity of the bus service in Ballintogher, County Sligo, from a twice-daily service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [4547/23]

*230. To ask the Minister for Transport the average time a project goes from Gate Zero to Gate 6 construction; and the timelines involved in previous projects in the past 20 years that went through those gates. — Sean Sherlock. [4604/23]

*231. To ask the Minister for Transport the route being considered under a Gate Zero proposal (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [4605/23]

*232. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to reports that the 102 bus from Malahide to Sutton has frequently not turned up, leaving passengers stranded; and the reason that this is occurring. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4640/23]

*233. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide an update on the Government's commitment to delivering the Metrolink project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [4645/23]

*234. To ask the Minister for Transport the expected timeline for the Metrolink project to move to the planning and procurement processes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [4646/23]

*235. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated dates for the publication of the detailed project brief and procurement strategy as part of the final business case stage for the Metrolink project and the ensuing tender documents. — Michael Lowry. [4647/23]

*236. To ask the Minister for Transport if the consultation period for the application of the Metrolink project will be further extended; the length of time that it will take to review stakeholders' submissions; and if his Department intends to launch any further public consultations on the railway through the project lifecycle. — Michael Lowry. [4648/23]

*237. To ask the Minister for Transport if the Metrolink project is to be procured by public private partnership; if he will provide details of the share of total construction costs to be funded by public expenditure, as well as the funding levels secured to date in Budget 2023 and the National Development Plan 2021-2030. — Michael Lowry. [4649/23]

*238. To ask the Minister for Transport if a driving test will be expedited for a person (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [4711/23]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*239. To ask the Minister for Finance the personal duty-free alcohol and tobacco product limits between the Ireland and UK duty-free zone; how these limits are enforced by the appropriate authorities at Irish airport and ferry ports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [4509/23]

*240. To ask the Minister for Finance the personal duty-free allowances and limits for alcohol and tobacco products for individuals traveling to Ireland from inside and outside the European Union; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [4510/23]

*241. To ask the Minister for Finance the additional resources and the appropriate authorities that have been allocated for the enforcement of the duty-free allowance limits on arrival at ports

and airports following the reintroduction of duty free between the UK and Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [4511/23]

*242. To ask the Minister for Finance if he is concerned by the rapid exit of very small landlords from the housing market, who typically have rent added to personal income to be taxed at the top rate; if restrictions still remain on the allowability of interest payments, or other legitimate expenses; and if his Department is considering the scope to build on the concessions outlined in Budget 2023 in order to consolidate supply in the market. — Richard Bruton. [3929/23]

*243. To ask the Minister for Finance if he is giving consideration to extending the cut to excise duty on petrol and diesel beyond the end of February 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [3950/23]

*244. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to ensure there is no repeat of the unauthorised release of funds from the central fund of the Exchequer which took place on 28 October 2022. — Patricia Ryan. [3981/23]

*245. To ask the Minister for Finance if officials within his Department have met with representatives of the tobacco industry, contrary to Article 5.3 of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, which Ireland has ratified (details supplied); if so, the details of such meetings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [3989/23]

*246. To ask the Minister for Finance if officials within his Department do not meet with representatives of the tobacco industry, in adherence to Article 5.3 of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, which Ireland has ratified (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [3990/23]

*247. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will address a matter in relation to the temporary business energy support scheme (details supplied) and the application of same to the charity sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [3998/23]

*248. To ask the Minister for Finance the total receipts from the 2% betting tax for 2019, 2020 and 2021; the breakdown between retail, online and phone betting amounts, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [4015/23]

*249. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Covid-19 loan scheme is being replaced by another similar type of loan, rather than a sudden wind-up of the scheme, given that the scheme has now finished; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [4022/23]

*250. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Brexit impact loan scheme is being replaced by another similar type of loan, rather than a sudden wind-up of the scheme, given that the scheme has now finished; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [4023/23]

*251. To ask the Minister for Finance the measures that are in place to ensure that materials from United Kingdom passing through Northern Ireland to the Republic of Ireland are captured for customs and excise to ensure a level playing field; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [4027/23]

*252. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on a VAT-related matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [4042/23]

*253. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will introduce personalised number plates for cars, given that this is common in other European Union member states and in the United Kingdom (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4060/23]

*254. To ask the Minister for Finance if his Department will examine the situation whereby a young worker, already struggling with exorbitant rent, the high cost of fuel, and a cost-of-living crisis generally, is now struggling even more, given the increases to benefit-on-kind on their company car, which they regard as essential to the fulfilment of their employment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [4070/23]

*255. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the concerns raised by a person (details supplied) in respect of the application of VAT for hairdressers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4071/23]

*256. To ask the Minister for Finance if a review is currently being undertaken of the disabled drivers and disabled passengers (tax concessions) scheme; if so, the status of that review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [4080/23]

*257. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will consider keeping the VAT rate at 9%; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Collins. [3879/23]

*258. To ask the Minister for Finance the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4123/23]

*259. To ask the Minister for Finance the current status of the Disabled Drivers Medical Board of appeal; if they are operational; the current processing time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4163/23]

*260. To ask the Minister for Finance how an individual undertakes the appeals process, with regard to a primary medical certificate refusal, to the Disabled Drivers Medical Board of Appeal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4164/23]

*261. To ask the Minister for Finance the criteria that one must meet to qualify for a primary medical certificate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4165/23]

*262. To ask the Minister for Finance if an appeal must be made within a specific timeframe following a primary medical certificate refusal, to the Disabled Drivers Medical Board of Appeal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4167/23]

*263. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated full-year yield by introducing an additional 5% income tax surcharge on the portion of individuals' income above €175,000. — Catherine Murphy. [4206/23]

*264. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4247/23]

*265. To ask the Minister for Finance to confirm that he will give serious consideration to retaining the 9% VAT rate on tourism and hospitality beyond 28 February 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [4268/23]

*266. To ask the Minister for Finance if it is possible for a person (details supplied) to get extra financial support for a car. — Niamh Smyth. [4270/23]

*267. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will identify the amendments that were made on the foot of a statement (details supplied); the date of these amendments; the relevant legislation that was amended; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4309/23]

*268. To ask the Minister for Finance if the diesel rebate scheme will continue for the duration of 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4338/23]

*269. To ask the Minister for Finance if measures to offset the rising cost of fuel through a reduction in excise duty on fuels, a reduction of 20 cents on petrol and 15 cents on diesel fuel, will be continued for the duration of 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4339/23]

*270. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of businesses that lost tax clearance certs in the past 6, 12, 18 and 24 months, juxtaposed to the number in 2021 and 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [4495/23]

*271. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will consider halting the proposed VAT increase at the end of February 2023 to boost struggling businesses; and if a proposal (details supplied) for a further reduction will be considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [4496/23]

*272. To ask the Minister for Finance the total receipts from the 2% betting tax for 2022; the breakdown between retail, online and phone betting amounts, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [4497/23]

*273. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of seizures conducted by customs officials on duty free alcohol and tobacco products which exceeded the personal limits in the airports and ports in 2021 and 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [4512/23]

*274. To ask the Minister for Finance the quantities of duty-free alcohol and tobacco products brought into Ireland from the UK duty free zone in 2021 and 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [4513/23]

*275. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will provide an update on the recruitment of the Primary Medical Certificates Appeals Board since the Board's resignation in 2021; the proposals that are being made to address the backlog in appeals made to the Board by persons with disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [4533/23]

*276. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will report on the Primary Medical Certificate Appeals Board; the number of applications that are waiting to be processed by the Appeals Board; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [4534/23]

*277. To ask the Minister for Finance when the primary Medical Certificates Appeals Board will provide a ruling to a person (details supplied) in County Tipperary who has appealed the refusal of a recent application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [4558/23]

*278. To ask the Minister for Finance if the duty payable in the context of Stamp Duty Consolidation Act 1999, must be calculated according to the total market value of the debts or choses-in-action, regardless of the amount that was paid for them by the assignee; if he has discretion to waive that requirement or reduce the amount chargeable on any instrument; and if the Revenue Commissioners have the authority to make arrangements for bulk payments under section 5 of the Act. — Catherine Murphy. [4607/23]

*279. To ask the Minister for Finance when he or his Department became aware of the forestry deal between Coillte and (details supplied). — Alan Kelly. [4625/23]

*280. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will consider extending the 9% VAT rate for hairdressing services; if he is considering reducing the rate even further to 5%, as requested by industry leaders; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [4644/23]

*281. To ask the Minister for Finance the number that qualified for the special assignee relief programme in the years 2018, 2019 and 2020, disaggregated by FDI industry sector, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4659/23]

*282. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention been drawn to an article in the media (details supplied) reporting that planes had been purchased by the Russian state airline Aeroflot; if those planes were availing of section 110 status; if so, his views on whether this constitutes a violation of European Union sanctions, given his review of the section 110 regime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4660/23]

*283. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to cases of car insurance quotes increasing significantly from previous years, despite no significant change in the circumstances of the applicant; the efforts he is making to engage with this sector to avoid this financial impact on customers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [4771/23]

*284. To ask the Minister for Finance if, his Department will consider conducting a comprehensive spill over analysis of the possible effects of Ireland's current tax system on developing countries. considering the issues raised in a submission by organisations (details supplied) to the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child and that the only spill over analysis of Ireland's tax system on developing countries was conducted in 2015 and accounted for only 4% of available data on Irish overseas investment,. — Catherine Murphy. [4797/23]

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

*285. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the status of the roll out of the deposit return scheme; the number of retailers that have signed up to the scheme; if he will provide an overview of engagements with local authorities on potential planning permission requirement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [3997/23]

*286. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the visitor numbers to each visitor attraction operated by the Office of Public Works for each month in 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4116/23]

*287. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4129/23]

*288. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the number of full-time qualified tree surgeons employed by the OPW as of 24 January 2023. — Catherine Murphy. [4196/23]

*289. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4253/23]

*290. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will provide an update in respect of the bandstand in Stephen's Green, Dublin 2; the estimated reopening of same; and a schedule of costs attached to the works. — Catherine Murphy. [4266/23]

*291. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if he will provide details of all procurement competitions in which companies owned by a person (details supplied) won contracts since 2016. — Peadar Tóibín. [4340/23]

*292. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform when he or his Department became aware of the forestry deal between Coillte and (details supplied). — Alan Kelly. [4626/23]

*293. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the difference between the tendered price and the actual price of delivery for each contract won by companies owned by a person (details supplied); and the final cost of each contract. — Peadar Tóibín. [4656/23]

*294. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the goods and services procured by the Office of Public Works in each of the years 2014 to 2022 inclusive, from companies (details supplied); and if such procurement was compliant or non-compliant have been deemed to be compliant or non-compliant with procurement guidelines. — Matt Carthy. [4690/23]

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

*295. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in her Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4133/23]

*296. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when she is next scheduled to meet the CEO of the National Concert Hall. — Catherine Murphy. [4191/23]

*297. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when she last spoke formally with the president and or director general of the GAA. — Catherine Murphy. [4192/23]

*298. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will open bi-lateral discussions with his British counterpart regarding Irish artefacts held in British institutions and their repatriation, including the Mount Keefe Chalice and other artefacts. — Sean Sherlock. [4238/23]

*299. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide data associated with her Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of her Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4257/23]

*300. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the funding available for an organisation (details supplied) to travel to a competition. — Mary Lou McDonald. [4271/23]

*301. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide an update on grants for 2023 (details supplied). — Seán Canney. [4358/23]

*302. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the status of a matter regarding negotiations between football clubs (details supplied). — Seán Canney. [4359/23]

*303. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the amount of funding that was allocated to a sporting club (details supplied) in 2022. — Seán Canney. [4360/23]

*304. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the amount of funding provided to an organisation (details supplied) for 2020, 2021 and 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Chris Andrews. [4498/23]

*305. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide an update with regards to the tourism business continuity scheme for 2021 and 2022, in tabular form, detailing the allocation per county and details of projects approved for grant-aid; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [4651/23]

*306. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide an update with regards to the Covid-19 adaptation fund for 2020 and 2021, in tabular form, detailing the allocation per county and details of projects approved for grant-aid; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [4652/23]

*307. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide an update with regards to the €17 million scheme for developing outdoor dining capacity for 2020 and 2021, in tabular form, detailing the allocation per county and details of projects approved for grant-aid; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [4653/23]

*308. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the expected timeline to finalise the national swimming strategy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4701/23]

*309. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide an update on a matter (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [4779/23]

*310. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide an update on a self-catering query (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [4784/23]

*311. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide an update on self-catering (details supplied) in rural areas; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [4787/23]

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

*312. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 76 of 23 June 2022, the status of the work of the Galway social housing task force; the status of the Subgroup on Homelessness and Traveller Homelessness; the terms of reference of the Subgroup; the membership of the Subgroup; if minutes are taken in respect of the meetings of the Subgroup; the details of any reports completed to-date by the Subgroup; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [3930/23]

*313. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of the implementation of the review actions outlined in the 2021 Review of the Mortgage to Rent Scheme for Borrowers of Commercial Private Lending Institutions; the details of any reviews or analysis carried out, underway or planned with regard to the operation of the mortgage to rent scheme in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [3931/23]

*314. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of successful mortgage to rent applications through approved housing bodies, local authorities and Home for Life in each of the years 2012 to 2022, and to-date in 2023; the number of unsuccessful mortgage to rent applications through approved housing bodies, local authorities and Home for Life in each of the years 2012 to 2022 and to-date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [3932/23]

*315. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of successful mortgage to rent applicants who have bought back their homes in each of the years 2012 to 2022, and to-date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [3933/23]

*316. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide an update on the Cost of Construction Study, including its terms of reference, its scope, the person who is conducting the study and when it will be published. — Eoin Ó Broin. [3934/23]

*317. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide an update with regard to the payment of the pandemic recognition payment to retained Fire Service workers in Fingal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [3970/23]

*318. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the names of the current board members of An Bord Pleanála; and when he expects the full board to be in place. — Eoin Ó Broin. [3971/23]

*319. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his plans to provide modular homes to address the number of persons in emergency accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3977/23]

*320. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of council mortgage applications, approvals and drawdowns in 2022, broken down by local authority; the average amount for the applications, approvals and drawdowns, in tabular form. — Patricia Ryan. [3978/23]

*321. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he is satisfied with the mortgage to rent scheme; if it is working as designed; if his attention has been drawn to the fact a bank (details supplied) is withdrawing from the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [3985/23]

*322. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of an application currently with his Department to sanction an up-to-date sewage scheme in the Broadford area of County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [4024/23]

*323. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he expects to make an announcement on the allocated 2023 budget for housing adaptation grants for older people and people with disabilities and housing aid for older people to local authorities for private dwellings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4034/23]

*324. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if persons who carried out remediation works but no longer own a unit affected by construction defects will be eligible for compensation under the proposed construction defects redress scheme. — Ivana Bacik. [4067/23]

*325. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 519 of 18 January 2023, if the payment does in fact apply to members of the retained service who fulfil the criteria; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4069/23]

*326. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to reports that those who have been approved to offer their homes to Ukrainian families through the Government scheme under current guidelines are not guaranteed that the Government and/or local authority will take responsibility for the gas and electric utility bills if the family are unable to meet this financial commitment; if he will update these guidelines to allow for this guarantee; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [4078/23]

*327. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if submissions have been received from Clare County Council under the local authority affordable purchase scheme since July 2022; if so, if he will provide details of same; if his Department is examining any schemes for County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4112/23]

*328. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4127/23]

*329. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he anticipates the review of the boundaries for elections on foot of the most recent census. — Pa Daly. [4152/23]

*330. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if housing aid for older persons to repair damaged external plastering will be considered by local authorities (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [4158/23]

*331. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 368 of 18 October 2022 the status of the progress of the focused working group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4178/23]

*332. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 489 of 18 October 2022, what happens in an instance in which a woman who can avail of the rent supplement cannot source a rental property by the time she has to leave refuge; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4179/23]

*333. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of beds made available and accessed in County Clare under the cold weather initiative in winter 2022-2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4181/23]

*334. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 169 of 27 September 2022, the percentage of the €6.5 million Exchequer funding that has been spent in County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4182/23]

*335. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 64 of 1 December 2022, the instances in which the discretionary HAP rate can be applied; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4184/23]

*336. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 96 of 10 November 2021, the number of local authorities that have ceased tenancies with tenants due to anti-social behaviour, by type, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4187/23]

*337. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 97 of 10 November 2021, the number of local authority tenancies that have been terminated, by county, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4188/23]

*338. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the estimated full-year cost of recruiting 30 additional full-time WTE conservation rangers in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [4193/23]

*339. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4251/23]

*340. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if there is any mechanism, either through the Approved Housing Body Regulatory Authority or any other means, for employees or tenants of an approved housing body to make a report confidentially or a protected disclosure where they believe management is acting in a way which is damaging to the organisation or tenants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [4300/23]

*341. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has been requested to visit Lough Funshinagh, County Roscommon, by the Minister responsible for the OPW; if he has agreed to such a site visit; when he intends to visit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [4302/23]

*342. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has considered the introduction of central credit register reporting of social housing rent arrears and missed payments to help reduce increasing arrears across all social housing rental schemes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [4303/23]

*343. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to confirm whether a single point of approval for mixed tenure social and affordable housing schemes has been put in place on foot of his Department review published in January 2022; if so, the name and grade of the person leading this single point of approval; and the number of projects currently accessing this single point of approval with a breakdown by local authority area and number of units in each project. — Eoin Ó Broin. [4320/23]

*344. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the way the timeframe of construction was decided in relation to building defects; and if support should be extended to older housing stock in which defects have been identified. — Richard Bruton. [4321/23]

*345. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he can provide an update on the investigations currently being undertaken into an issue (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [4323/23]

*346. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the details regarding S.I. No. 664 of 2022, Planning and Development Act 2000 (Exempted Development) (Number 5) Regulations 2022; if the process whereby this was introduced will be outlined; the reason for same; and if a detailed explanatory note will be provided to all Members of the Houses of the Oireachtas, supplementary to existing briefing material. — Steven Matthews. [4327/23]

*347. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when eligible applicants under the first home scheme for self-build properties can apply as announced in Budget 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [4527/23]

*348. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the up-to-date position with the review group into the housing aid and housing adaption grants as administered by each local authority; if he has received the recommendations; if he is planning changes to these grants;

if so, when such changes are planned; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4668/23]

*349. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the up-to-date position with the provision of an infrastructural project (details supplied) in County Kildare. — Duncan Smith. [4674/23]

*350. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of social and affordable homes completed by Monaghan County Council in 2022; the targeted figure for 2023; the corresponding figures for approved housing bodies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4691/23]

*351. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the dates on which his officials engaged in preliminary discussions on a possible compensation scheme for Moore Street traders; and what other public and private bodies or organisations were represented at those discussion. — Mary Lou McDonald. [4734/23]

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

*352. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the additional resources that his Department has provided to address the backlog of passports yet to be processed; and if there is a current backlog of postal applications to be dealt with. — Richard O'Donoghue. [4616/23]

*353. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide an update on the backlog of paper application passports and timelines to resolving the ongoing application delays in processing same. — Matt Shanahan. [4794/23]

*354. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs when the Government will honour the commitment to recognise the State of Palestine. — Patricia Ryan. [3962/23]

*355. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on the situation in Myanmar/Burma; his further views on representations made on the matter by his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [4050/23]

*356. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the status of a passport application for a child (details supplied) given that the application has passed the target issue date and the applicant's date of travel is imminent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4096/23]

*357. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4124/23]

*358. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views in relation to the passport application of a child (details supplied). — Dara Calleary. [4240/23]

*359. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his

Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4248/23]

*360. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs when his last engagement with the Palestinian government was; and the content of that meeting. — Paul Donnelly. [4291/23]

*361. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the current backlog on new passport applications; the backlog on renewals; and if consideration is being given to purchasing an additional printing machine based in County Cork. — Sean Sherlock. [4322/23]

*362. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent, to which he has had interaction with his European colleagues in regard to the various trouble spots affecting Europe, and the wider global security, safety, immigration and other issues that might present a threat to peace and stability. — Bernard J. Durkan. [60888/22]

*363. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on recent meetings with the French President, Emmanuel Macron. — Bernard J. Durkan. [59484/22]

*364. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which he has met with or exchanged views with the British prime minister in the context of the Northern Ireland Protocol. — Bernard J. Durkan. [3052/23]

*365. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on recent engagements with President Emmanuel Macron. — Alan Farrell. [60872/22]

*366. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will report on the European initiatives in support of the Ukrainian people in the wake of the unprovoked attack by Russia. — Richard Bruton. [58430/22]

*367. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the date on which he last met with the Russian Ambassador to Ireland. — Peadar Kirby. [58942/22]

*368. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide an update on Ireland's bilateral engagement with Saudi Arabia, with a view to bringing about an end to the war in Yemen; if he will provide an update on Ireland's engagement on this matter at EU level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [4504/23]

*369. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the status of plans to formally recognise the state of Palestine pursuant to the Programme for Government; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [4506/23]

*370. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on whether recognising the State of Palestine at this time would contribute to protecting the integrity of Palestine territory per the Programme for Government; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4688/23]

*371. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the total number of outstanding passport applications on hand, including incomplete applications; the number on hand for more than one, two, three, four, five, and six months; the current number of staff in the Passport Service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4689/23]

*372. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if contact has been made with Spanish authorities in order to continue the search for a missing person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [4710/23]

*373. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which he continues to engage with the authorities in Northern Ireland and the UK in the context of the restoration of the Northern Assembly and the prevention of obstacles to trade, North and South; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4751/23]

*374. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the modus operandi in relation to developing improved North/South relations with particular reference to the need to engage with the communities in Northern Ireland in a positive manner in order encourage better understanding of each other’s position; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4752/23]

*375. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the degree to which he continues to use Ireland’s position at EU/UN level to highlight outrages against women and children in the various conflict zones across the world; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4753/23]

*376. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which he directly and through the European Union can continue to support EU applicant countries such as the Western Balkans, how each country is progressing towards membership of the EU and whether any new initiatives are appropriate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4754/23]

*377. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which he can use his good offices to address human rights abuses across the globe, with particular reference to well-known conflict areas; if the international community can use its influence to bring to bear on the various factions the need for change and modernisation of thinking; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4755/23]

*378. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which he expects the European Union to work cohesively towards ending the war in Ukraine with particular reference to the need for the Russian armies to withdraw from their illegal occupation of any part of Ukraine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4756/23]

*379. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which the international community is conscious of the oppression of women in Afghanistan; the international community expects to take any steps to address the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4757/23]

*380. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which the international community continue to monitor the activities and development of Al Shabaab and Boko Haram; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4758/23]

*381. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which Irish embassies abroad, diplomatic missions or other representatives continue to promote Irish trade throughout the world; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4759/23]

*382. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which the international community continues to target areas of starvation or famine throughout the world; the efforts being made to provide such basic facilities as water; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4760/23]

*383. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent of the level of bilateral aid currently supported by this country; the locations at which this aid is targeted worldwide; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4761/23]

*384. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the degree to which Irish aid goes directly to those whom it was intended in a smooth and seamless transition; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4763/23]

*385. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which he can directly, through the EU and/or UN, influence colleagues throughout Europe and the developed world aware of the vulnerability of refugees, particularly women and children, who are very often at the mercy of traffickers, warlords and others; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4764/23]

*386. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the degree to which he continues to support the rule of law throughout Europe as appropriate with EU colleagues and through the UN General Assembly throughout the developed world; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4765/23]

*387. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the degree to which political or religious or other opponents of various regimes globally are currently in prison illegally; if efforts continue to be made for their release; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4766/23]

*388. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which the processing of passports has been upgraded to meet the requirements of applicants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4767/23]

*389. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which, at international level, he continues to highlight the degree to which child soldiers, if any, continue to be used in combat, their respective locations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4768/23]

*390. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which the international community has made commitments and kept them in respect of various disaster areas throughout the globe; the action(s) in place to ensure an active and positive response; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4769/23]

*391. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which undocumented Irish in the US can expect to have their situations resolved; the extent to which he has had discussions with his US counterparts on the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4770/23]

*392. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the measures the Government is taking to raise the issue of the continued unjust detention of a person (details supplied) at an EU level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4776/23]

*393. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs If he will provide an update on plans to open an Irish Embassy in Cuba; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4777/23]

Chun an Tánaiste agus Aire Cosanta: To the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence.

*394. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the progress being made in remediating the area in the vicinity of Donnelly's Hollow on the Curragh of Kildare which was the subject of illegal dumping by his Department in 2018; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3965/23]

*395. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of Defence Forces members currently seconded to other bodies, by rank, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3967/23]

*396. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4119/23]

*397. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the refurbishment works that will be carried out at both Casement Aerodrome and Haulbowline Naval Base during 2023; and the nature of works that will be carried out. — Catherine Murphy. [4194/23]

*398. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of horses that joined the Defence Forces equitation school in 2022; the number of horses that left the equitation school during 2022; and the budget allocation for 2023 for same. — Catherine Murphy. [4195/23]

*399. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4243/23]

*400. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence when operational schedules for the rifle range at Gormanston Army Camp will return to regular publication (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [4465/23]

*401. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the protocols that are in place regarding the use of live ammunition within the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [4466/23]

*402. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the maximum and the current strength levels, respectively, of the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4516/23]

*403. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the maximum and the current strength levels, respectively of the Naval Service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4517/23]

*404. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the current total strength of Air Corps personnel; the breakdown of the number of qualified military pilots, cadet pilots in training,

qualified military aircraft maintenance technicians, qualified military avionics technicians and military apprentices in training of both aforementioned disciplines. — John Brady. [4518/23]

*405. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of Naval Service operations and patrols which have been cancelled to date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4519/23]

*406. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the current number of women in the Defence Forces, by rank; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4520/23]

*407. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the current number of women in the Defence Forces who are currently serving overseas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4521/23]

*408. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of women members who have left the Defence Forces in 2023, by month; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4522/23]

*409. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the current strength of the Reserve Defence Force; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4523/23]

*410. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of women in the Reserve Defence Force; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4524/23]

Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

*411. To ask the Minister for Education if his attention has been drawn to the fact that professional master in primary education students with a college (details supplied) are facing €65 increases in Gaeltacht fees, bringing the total fee to €815; if he has plans to assist such students with these fees; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [4796/23]

*412. To ask the Minister for Education if she plans to create separate qualification criteria for home tutors with the Teaching Council; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [3955/23]

*413. To ask the Minister for Education the current and projected capacity of each school in the South Kildare constituency, including the Portarlinton area of County Laois, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3964/23]

*414. To ask the Minister for Education if any person was awarded incremental credit for previous teaching service at a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [4018/23]

*415. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to address the serious health, safety and well-being issues that are arising at a school (details supplied) as a result of an inadequate and outdated school building. — Ciarán Cannon. [4020/23]

*416. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an urgent update regarding the provision of works at a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [4026/23]

*417. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 683 of 18 January 2023, if she will confirm that if a person had not instituted legal proceedings before 1 July 2017, the “new” redress provisions will apply to them; and if not, the reason therefor; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [4048/23]

*418. To ask the Minister for Education the number of submissions to the NCCA Junior Cycle social personal and health education curriculum consultation received from parents who disagreed with the draft specification (details supplied). — Peadar Tóibín. [4058/23]

*419. To ask the Minister for Education the status of an application for funding for a building project in the name of a school (details supplied). — John McGuinness. [4104/23]

*420. To ask the Minister for Education the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in her Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4120/23]

*421. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on a school building project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [4157/23]

*422. To ask the Minister for Education if steps will be taken to resolve an issue regarding the payment of a salary to a teacher (details supplied). — Chris Andrews. [4189/23]

*423. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide data associated with her Department’s air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of her Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4244/23]

*424. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the location and timeframe for the building of a new school (details supplied) in Dublin 15. — Paul Donnelly. [4288/23]

*425. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department has records of all casual employment carried out by teachers for the purposes of a teacher applying for their pension, that can be matched with those of a teacher who may not be able to recall exact locations and dates of subbing work they carried out in the 1980s and 1990s before becoming permanent in 1999; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [4330/23]

*426. To ask the Minister for Education the options, if any, open to parents who have been given no option but to purchase crested school jumpers from one supplier as part of their child’s uniform, but who cannot afford to do so; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [4341/23]

*427. To ask the Minister for Education if a matter regarding a property (details supplied) will be expedited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [4357/23]

*428. To ask the Minister for Education if a student (details supplied) will be approved for a school transport grant to a special school given recent documented experience with the taxi service provided; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [4464/23]

*429. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on an application by a school (details supplied) for additional accommodation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [4468/23]

*430. To ask the Minister for Education the current status of the school transport review within her Department; if in the interim, she will provide clarity on the school transport service for the 2023-2024 academic year; if it is her intention to charge fees to parents for this service in the 2023-2024 academic year; the steps she is taking to ensure that the service for 2023-2024 is planned thus avoiding the chaos of autumn 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [4500/23]

*431. To ask the Minister for Education the date on which the Leaving Certificate 2023 results will be issued; if a date cannot be confirmed, the current expectation as to the timing; if her Department has contacted or will contact its counterparts in the Netherlands, as happened in previous years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [4559/23]

*432. To ask the Minister for Education the steps for teachers who qualify and undertake induction in the six-county system to have their qualifications recognised by the Teaching Council; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [4564/23]

*433. To ask the Minister for Education if a school (details supplied) was included in the bundle of schools tendered in June 2022 with a view to commencing the project onsite in early 2023, as was promised; if not, the reason for same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4588/23]

*434. To ask the Minister for Education if the new build of a school (details supplied) has been sent to tender; if so, if she will provide details of the stage the process is at; if not, the reason; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4589/23]

*435. To ask the Minister for Education the timeline on a school (details supplied) project in order that milestones can be tracked; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4590/23]

*436. To ask the Minister for Education the date that guidelines on the Summer Provision Programme 2022 were issued to schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4591/23]

*437. To ask the Minister for Education the date that guidelines on the Summer Provision Programme 2023 will be issued to schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4592/23]

*438. To ask the Minister for Education the actions she will take to ensure there is sufficient staff for the Summer Provision Programme 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4593/23]

*439. To ask the Minister for Education the way that she proposes to meet resourcing needs for the Summer Provision Programme 2023 where staff are unavailable; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4594/23]

*440. To ask the Minister for Education the budget allocation for the Summer Provision Programme 2022; the final spend for the Summer Provision Programme 2022; if and where

underspend was reallocated; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4595/23]

*441. To ask the Minister for Education the actions she is taking to ensure that special schools participate in the school-based Summer Provision Programme 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4596/23]

*442. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to address regression of children in special schools and special classes whose school does not participate in the Summer Provision Programme 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4597/23]

*443. To ask the Minister for Education the number of special schools and schools with special classes that participated in the Summer Provision Programme 2022; the number of children attending these schools that participated in the Summer Provision Programme 2022, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4598/23]

*444. To ask the Minister for Education the number of pupils attending a special school that participated in the Summer Provision Programme 2022 for one, two, three, four or five weeks, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4599/23]

*445. To ask the Minister for Education the number of pupils attending a school with a special class that participated in the Summer Provision Programme 2022 for one, two, three, four or five weeks, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4600/23]

*446. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 504 of 10 May 2022, the number of pupils that participated in each of the specific programmes offered (details supplied) as part of the Summer Provision Programme 2020, 2021 and 2022; the number of teachers and SNAs that participated in each of the specific programmes offered in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4601/23]

*447. To ask the Minister for Education the date by which the majority of staff were paid for participating in the Summer Provision Programme in 2020, 2021 and 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4602/23]

*448. To ask the Minister for Education the cost of the school-based Summer Provision Programme 2020, 2021 and 2022, in tabular form; the cost of the home-based Summer Provision Programme 2020, 2021 and 2022, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4603/23]

*449. To ask the Minister for Education the details of what constitutes an education resource/support for a child with special educational needs; to detail how a child with SEN can access each of these specific resources/supports; to detail the appropriate process by which a child with SEN is assessed for their entitlement to each of these specific resources/supports; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4610/23]

*450. To ask the Minister for Education the number of primary school-teaching panels in County Kildare by town, in tabular form, detailing the number of personnel available in each one and those that have no capacity to supply; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [4632/23]

*451. To ask the Minister for Education the number of secondary school-teaching panels in County Kildare by town, in tabular form, detailing the number of personnel available in each one and those that have no capacity to supply; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [4633/23]

*452. To ask the Minister for Education the number of primary school-teaching panels by county, in tabular form, detailing the number of personnel available in each one and those that have no capacity to supply; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [4634/23]

*453. To ask the Minister for Education the number of secondary school-teaching panels by county, in tabular form, detailing the number of personnel available in each one and those that have no capacity to supply; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [4635/23]

*454. To ask the Minister for Education when construction will commence of the new school building for a school (details supplied) in County Louth; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [4654/23]

*455. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the new ASD unit for a school (details supplied); if her attention has been drawn to the fact that a stage 1a report was submitted in early 2022, that all clarifications requested have been sent and that the school have had no communication from her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4663/23]

*456. To ask the Minister for Education the reason a secondary school (details supplied) is designated as disadvantaged but not one of the primary schools in the town is so designated; the reason for this inconsistency; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [4664/23]

*457. To ask the Minister for Education the up-to-date status of the provision of a secondary school (details supplied) in County Kildare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4670/23]

*458. To ask the Minister for Education the up-to-date status of the provision of an extension to secondary school (details supplied) in County Kildare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4671/23]

*459. To ask the Minister for Education the up-to-date position with the provision of a secondary school (details supplied) in County Kildare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4672/23]

*460. To ask the Minister for Education the up-to-date position with the provision of a primary school (details supplied) in County Kildare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4673/23]

*461. To ask the Minister for Education to provide details on how a community can propose a school bus route where a large number of school children have been identified as in need for school transport.; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4683/23]

*462. To ask the Minister for Education the expected timeline for completion of the current renovation works at a school (details supplied). — Patrick Costello. [4684/23]

*463. To ask the Minister for Education if a school (details supplied) will open a second additional class for primary school entrants for 2023-2024 academic year given the physical additional capacity being used by another institution, recognising the lack of alternative local multi and non-denominational educational options in the area. — Patrick Costello. [4685/23]

*464. To ask the Minister for Education the total number of enrolments in primary and post-primary schools; the total number of whole-time equivalent teaching posts in each of the years 2018 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4686/23]

*465. To ask the Minister for Education the reason there is currently no SENO in an area (details supplied) at present; when it is likely that this post will be filled; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4718/23]

*466. To ask the Minister for Education the number of NEPS child psychologists in Wicklow at present, broken down by each area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4719/23]

*467. To ask the Minister for Education the number of special educational needs organisers currently in place in Wicklow; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4720/23]

*468. To ask the Minister for Education the current number of ASD places in both primary and secondary schools in Wicklow; if there are plans to increase capacity; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [4721/23]

*469. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to concerns regarding the lack of accommodation for practical subjects and other facilities in a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [4723/23]

*470. To ask the Minister for Education if the free schoolbooks scheme for primary school children will commence in September 2023. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [4726/23]

*471. To ask the Minister for Education if the Covid cleaning grant for schools will be continued for term 2; and when the payment schedule will issue. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [4727/23]

*472. To ask the Minister for Education the actions that her Department is taking to deal with cases in which a child has been allocated a seat through the free bus ticket scheme but the child in question is not availing of the seat and there are other students waiting to take up a seat on the same route; and her views on whether in cases in which a ticket is not being used, her Department should have the right to cancel the ticket and allocate a seat to an alternative student. — Robert Troy. [4742/23]

*473. To ask the Minister for Education if she will consider permitting persons with an accredited teaching English as foreign language certificate to substitute as support staff in schools if Garda vetted to fill English as additional language hours and support children with little or no English given that many English as additional language support roles are unfilled; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [4745/23]

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

*474. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of applications received for a PPS number in 2021 and 2022; the number approved and processed in each year; the number refused in each year, and the number currently being considered; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3963/23]

*475. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the eligibility for household benefits in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4019/23]

*476. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the State pension or widows' pension is the best payment to be in receipt of in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4021/23]

*477. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason that €5 has been deducted each week from the pension paid to a person (details supplied); and if their full pension will be restored. — John McGuinness. [4046/23]

*478. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a decision has been made on an application by a person (details supplied) in County Kerry for the fuel allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [4061/23]

*479. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if consideration has been given to providing 39 weeks of maternity benefit to persons living in Northern Ireland and working in the State, in consideration of the provision made for maternity allowance in the North and in recognition of cross-Border provisions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [4076/23]

*480. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question 1204 of 16 June 2022, the information that remains outstanding relative to the claim for an increase in pension for a qualified adult in the name of a person (details supplied); if a response has been issued to the legal representative of the applicant; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [4103/23]

*481. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in her Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4131/23]

*482. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 489 of 18 October 2022, the total number of persons approved for domestic violence rent supplement in 2022; the number of those who were successful in securing accommodation, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4180/23]

*483. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated cost to the Exchequer of extending fuel allowance to households in receipt of working family payment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4185/23]

*484. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will meet with a person (details supplied) who is dissatisfied with the requirements for the benefit payment for 65-year-olds in that a person

must have 39 reckonable contributions paid or credited in the Governing Contribution Year (GCY); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4224/23]

*485. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her Department has concluded its enquiries regarding a pension application (details supplied), and possible additional contributions being used to increase the level of pension payment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [4231/23]

*486. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide data associated with her Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of her Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4255/23]

*487. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of women who have been cut off the State pension (non-contributory) and QA contributory pensions in each of the past ten years (details supplied). — Peadar Tóibín. [4259/23]

*488. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of applications processed by her Department for carers allowance for the period 2015 to 2022, in tabular form, disaggregated by year of application, county of residence of claimant; the number of applications where further inquiries were made by way of correspondence with the claimant; the number of applications where further inquiries were made by way of a social welfare inspector's report; the number of applications refused; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [4261/23]

*489. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a decision will be made for an exceptional needs' payment for a person (details supplied); the reason for the delay; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [4269/23]

*490. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the supports available to people suffering with long-Covid and are unable to work. — Paul Donnelly. [4289/23]

*491. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a decision will be made on a pension application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [4304/23]

*492. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide an update on plans to bring forward legislation as per the recommendations by the child maintenance review group, especially around the inclusion of child maintenance as household means in means tests for social welfare supports; when this legislation will be introduced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [4306/23]

*493. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the current turnaround for exceptional needs payments to be processed by area; the reason exceptional needs payment applications are taking ten weeks to process; the urgent efforts that are being taken to reduce this waiting list, particularly as the very purpose of the exceptional needs payment is to meet a short-term urgent need where someone requires emergency or urgent assistance; the avenues that are available to them to have their application processed urgently; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [4317/23]

*494. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the payment method for receiving a jobseeker's allowance by a person (details supplied) can remain in place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [4328/23]

*495. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a decision will be made in relation to an application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4331/23]

*496. 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. [4336/23]

*497. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a decision has been made on an application for fuel allowance by a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [4568/23]

*498. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of appeals received by the social welfare appeals office per month since 2021, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4573/23]

*499. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the current average processing time for an appeal with the social welfare appeals office; the average processing time for appeals by month from 2021 to date, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4574/23]

*500. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to the delays in the provision of documentation to the appeals office by social welfare sections; the impact this is having on appeal processing times; the efforts being made to reduce these delays; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4575/23]

*501. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the efforts that are being made to reduce appeal processing times in the social welfare appeals office; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4576/23]

*502. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of appeals officers currently employed in the social welfare appeals office; if her Department has plans to increase this figure in the coming months; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4577/23]

*503. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her plans to introduce new social welfare rates in response to a query raised by a person (details supplied). — Joan Collins. [4578/23]

*504. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of a passport renewal for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [4609/23]

*505. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a person (details supplied) in County Cork can have their payment transferred to an invalidity pension payment in view of medical circumstances; the process involved in this transaction and the benefits to the applicant in this regard if approved; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [4678/23]

*506. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide more details regarding the announcement on 18 November 2022 that maintenance payments will not be included in means testing in the future; when legislative effect will be given to this change; if it applies to all means tested social welfare payments such as jobseeker's allowance, working family payment, jobseeker's transitional payment and if the arrangements will be backdated to the date of the announcement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [4679/23]

*507. 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. — Duncan Smith. [4712/23]

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

*508. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when the Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Amendment Act 2015 will be commenced; and the reason for the delay in commencing same. — Robert Troy. [4548/23]

*509. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the recourses available to those who feel that they were discriminated against during the job interview process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4704/23]

*510. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the legislative steps he has taken to protect interviewees from being discriminated against; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4705/23]

*511. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when the report into historical child sexual abuse allegations in an organisation (details supplied), which was carried out by a leading special rapporteur on child protection, will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3938/23]

*512. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his plans to assist struggling ECCE providers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3941/23]

*513. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of ECCE providers who have left the scheme in each of the past three years, by county, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3942/23]

*514. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if the review of safeguarding practices in an organisation (details supplied) has been completed; if so, when will it be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [3973/23]

*515. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the progress being made with the provision of modular homes for Ukrainian refugees at Beechgrove, Rathangan, County Kildare; the timeline for delivery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3975/23]

*516. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the progress being made with the provision of modular homes for Ukrainian refugees at Lakeside, Highfield,

Dara Park, Newbridge, County Kildare; the timeline for delivery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3976/23]

*517. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the advice to be given to a person with an acquired brain injury who is disabled, is a part-time parent to a child with ASD, and needs help when on access visits to manage their child's behaviour with a suitable organisation to facilitate visits; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [4028/23]

*518. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his attention has been drawn to the practice of requesting non-refundable monetary deposits in exchange for places in creche services; if his Department has put in place any conditions to prevent this practice from occurring; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4036/23]

*519. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide an update on the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4038/23]

*520. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of applications received by International Protection Accommodation Services from each county from property-owners offering accommodation for refugees which have yet to be processed; if all applicants have been notified of the status of their application and of the likely timeframe for a decision; if the funding for the refugee programme is being met solely by the Exchequer; and if European Union funding is being provided. — John McGuinness. [4044/23]

*521. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the total number of commercial buildings currently being used by international accommodation services to provide temporary accommodation to international protection applicants and Ukrainians with temporary protection, broken down by local authority area; the number of persons residing in these buildings in each local authority area; and if each individual building has a fire safety certificate for residential occupancy. — Eoin Ó Broin. [4099/23]

*522. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4118/23]

*523. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will consider increasing the pay of early years' educators (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [4135/23]

*524. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the funding stream for the targeted youth employability support initiative in Ballyfermot; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [4159/23]

*525. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if the parents' association of a core-funded preschool (details supplied) can hold fundraisers to raise money for the preschool; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4160/23]

*526. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide an update on the proportion of children who require childcare in the Howth and Sutton area of County Dublin; the number of available spaces; if there are plans for new childcare facilities to be built; the action he will take to rectify the lack of childcare in the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [4239/23]

*527. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide data associated with his Department’s air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4242/23]

*528. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will review the pay of pre-school teachers (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4310/23]

*529. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his views on his Department’s implementation of the measures specific to it contained within the white paper on ending direct provision. — Pa Daly. [4312/23]

*530. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of persons currently being accommodated via IPAS in locations (details supplied); and the status type, the number of persons with leave to remain, with temporary protection and applying for international protection by household type - that is, single, couple, household with children, in each location. — Eoin Ó Broin. [4345/23]

*531. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the position regarding funding that has been put on hold for an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [4454/23]

*532. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he intends to renew the contract with a hotel (details supplied) which currently provides accommodation for Ukrainian refugees when it expires this summer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [4528/23]

*533. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of unaccompanied children who had a Tusla worker apply for asylum on their behalf and subsequently went missing in each of the years 2017 to 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [4530/23]

*534. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the status of the National Action Plan Against Racism that was being developed following public consultation and a report from the independent Anti-Racism Committee; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [4565/23]

*535. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he intends to provide transport to children (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [4639/23]

*536. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 435 of 24 January 2023, the number of persons employed in the

Ukraine Division of his Department, in each of the quarters since it was established in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [4655/23]

*537. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide an update on the meeting of the Kinnegad Steering Group and officials from his Department on 30 September 2022, where, despite repeated requests from the representative group no follow-up has been provided. — Sorca Clarke. [4735/23]

*538. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will acknowledge and respond to a pledge of accommodation (details supplied) made to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [4744/23]

*539. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to list all properties that have housed Ukrainian refugees and/or other international protection applicants in the past twelve months by county, and in the case of Dublin, by postcode, in tabular form. — Gary Gannon. [4789/23]

*540. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of Ukrainian refugees and/or other international protection applicants who have been accommodated in the past twelve months by county, and in the case of Dublin, by postcode in tabular form. — Gary Gannon. [4790/23]

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

*541. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the progress that has been made on the Government commitment to fund access for third-level students from the North of Ireland to the EU's Erasmus study abroad programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [3988/23]

*542. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will examine a query relating to a springboard course for a person (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [3995/23]

*543. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he intends to put additional supports in place to assist third level students in dealing with changing to alternative college courses, and those considering dropping out of college altogether, given that there has been an increased dropout rate in third level college courses by students who completed their Leaving Certificate during the Covid-19 pandemic in June 2020 and June 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [4011/23]

*544. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4125/23]

*545. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will outline the financial supports or tax relief available to individuals returning to education, in particular with costs associated with their education fees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [4229/23]

*546. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4249/23]

*547. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the reason that a student (details supplied) did not get the full SUSI grant; if this could be looked into further; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4342/23]

*548. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of an appeal request by a person (details supplied) for a HEAR application decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [4560/23]

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

*549. To ask the Minister for Justice if he will reform the 'atypical working visa' to enable doctors providing locum services to reside in the State for longer periods of time. — Holly Cairns. [4799/23]

*550. To ask the Minister for Justice if he will outline the role that An Garda Síochána has in the enforcement of legislation controlling dangerous dogs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [4000/23]

*551. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of convictions under the Harassment, Harmful Communications and Related Offences Act 2020. — Mary Lou McDonald. [4033/23]

*552. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of the new application by a person (details supplied) for a scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [4041/23]

*553. To ask the Minister for Justice the steps he is taking to strengthen the law concerning gangland crime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [4073/23]

*554. To ask the Minister for Justice if he has considered the issues which arise concerning trans women in prisons; if policy on this matter is being updated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [4079/23]

*555. To ask the Minister for Justice the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4128/23]

*556. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of pedal cycle bikes reported stolen to gardaí within the Kildare Division in the years 2021, 2022, and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [4205/23]

*557. To ask the Minister for Justice if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4252/23]

*558. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of applications for asylum for refugees from countries other than Ukraine that were made to his Department per annum for the years 2019 to 2022; the number of these applications that were successful; the number that were refused; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [4295/23]

*559. To ask the Minister for Justice his plans to reform the asylum process for refugees from countries other than Ukraine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [4296/23]

*560. To ask the Minister for Justice the length of time it takes to process an asylum application in Ireland; the number of people currently waiting to have their application processed; if he will outline the longest processing time for an application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [4297/23]

*561. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of Afghan programme refugees who were admitted in 2022; and if he will provide a quarterly breakdown of those numbers. — Pa Daly. [4299/23]

*562. To ask the Minister for Justice the options that are available to a person (details supplied) when their stamp 1 visa expires. — Mary Lou McDonald. [4319/23]

*563. To ask the Minister for Justice if a review of an examination of the operation of county and city sheriffs’ offices including the need to put in place an independent mechanism to appeal decisions made by city and county sheriffs has taken place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [4343/23]

*564. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of prosecutions per year brought against drivers who fail to surrender their licence or learner permit to the Road Safety Authority upon disqualification where the disqualification is due to orders having been made by the courts or due to the driver having received the maximum number of penalty points; the number of convictions per year; the penalties imposed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [4529/23]

*565. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of asylum seekers seeking international protection who arrived in Ireland in 2022 having come from another European country; and the number who were returned under the Dublin Convention. — Robert Troy. [4549/23]

*566. To ask the Minister for Justice the total number of prisoners who died while in prison in the State in 2022, by month and prison, in tabular form. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [4680/23]

*567. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of deaths in custody investigations which have been commenced by the Office of the Inspector of Prisons following the deaths of prisoners in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [4681/23]

*568. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of deaths in custody investigations by the Office of the Inspector of Prisons which are ongoing; and the number finalised and submitted to him awaiting publication, by year of death, in tabular form. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [4682/23]

*569. To ask the Minister for Justice to urgently release the report into the death of a person (details supplied) to their family given the pending inquest on 1 February 2023. — Thomas Gould. [4795/23]

*570. To ask the Minister for Justice with regard to the recruitment of gardaí the number of candidates that successfully filled up and submitted a completed application form (details supplied). — Michael Healy-Rae. [4810/23]

*571. To ask the Minister for Justice with regard to the recruitment of gardaí, the number of candidates that were invited to undertake the initial assessment phase of the recruitment process; and the number that actually completed the assessment (details supplied). — Michael Healy-Rae. [4811/23]

*572. To ask the Minister for Justice with regard to the recruitment of gardaí, the number that successfully passed each of the assessments provided (details supplied). — Michael Healy-Rae. [4812/23]

*573. To ask the Minister for Justice with regard to the recruitment of gardaí, the number of candidates that were invited to undertake an interview; and the number that completed the interview (details supplied). — Michael Healy-Rae. [4813/23]

*574. To ask the Minister for Justice with regard to the recruitment of gardaí, the number of candidates that successfully passed the interview process (details supplied). — Michael Healy-Rae. [4814/23]

*575. To ask the Minister for Justice with regard to the recruitment of gardaí, the number of candidates that were invited to take part in the fitness examination; and the number that completed the examination (details supplied). — Michael Healy-Rae. [4815/23]

*576. To ask the Minister for Justice with regard to the recruitment of gardaí, the number of candidates that were successful in passing the fitness examination (details supplied). — Michael Healy-Rae. [4816/23]

*577. To ask the Minister for Justice with regard to the recruitment of gardaí, of the candidates that passed the relevant examinations and tests; the number that were offered a place in Templemore; and the number that subsequently took up the offer of a place (details supplied). — Michael Healy-Rae. [4817/23]

*578. To ask the Minister for Justice with regard to the recruitment of gardaí, of the successful candidates that took up a place in Templemore, the number that successfully passed out as members of An Garda Síochána (details supplied). — Michael Healy-Rae. [4818/23]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*579. To ask the Minister for Health if the case of an application by a person (details supplied) will be examined; the reason the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland is insisting on a peace commissioner license number being provided in by a peace commissioner in order to advance a registration application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frankie Feighan. [4316/23]

*580. To ask the Minister for Health if he will establish the office of an independent commissioner for aging and older people. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4572/23]

*581. To ask the Minister for Health the minimum qualifications necessary to be employed as an assessment officer within a children's disability network team; to detail the minimum

qualifications necessary to be employed as an liaison officer within a children's disability network team; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4611/23]

*582. To ask the Minister for Health if he will detail the communication and feedback process that is in place between the managers of children's disability network teams and staff in these teams conducting assessments of need; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4612/23]

*583. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who have accessed the accident and emergency services in Dublin as a result of alcohol and drug misuse in the past 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Chris Andrews. [3928/23]

*584. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the case of a person (details supplied) who, following an MRI at Croom Orthopaedic Hospital in 2022, has been referred to St. John's Hospital, Limerick, and has yet to receive an appointment date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [3936/23]

*585. To ask the Minister for Health the assistance available to persons wishing to provide and train an autism assistance dog; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3943/23]

*586. To ask the Minister for Health when free GP visit cards will be made available to children aged 6 and 7 years and to children in other age cohorts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3944/23]

*587. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the establishment of the proposed sodium valproate stakeholder group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3945/23]

*588. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department has commissioned research into the reasons persons travel abroad for surgery, and the potential associated risks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3946/23]

*589. To ask the Minister for Health the amount paid to date for a service (details supplied) in tabular form. — Sean Sherlock. [3948/23]

*590. To ask the Minister for Health when workers in an out-of-hours health service (details supplied) will receive the pandemic bonus. — Sean Sherlock. [3949/23]

*591. To ask the Minister for Health the current staffing levels within the Wexford CAMHS services; the vacancies that are presently available within the Wexford CAMHS services; the vacancies that are currently with the national recruitment services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [3951/23]

*592. To ask the Minister for Health the current number of referrals for support services to Wexford CAMHS services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [3952/23]

*593. To ask the Minister for Health the number of referrals for support services to Wexford CAMHS services that were diverted to the child disability network team services in 2020, 2021 and 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [3953/23]

*594. To ask the Minister for Health the acceptance rate for referrals to Wexford CAMHS in each of the years 2019 to 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [3954/23]

*595. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children awaiting an initial assessment for support services in Wexford CAMHS; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [3956/23]

*596. To ask the Minister for Health the number of medicines that are in short supply; the name of each in tabular form; the reason for the shortage of each medicine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3966/23]

*597. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who died by suicide by county, in 2021 and 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3974/23]

*598. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide funding for the proposal by St. John's Hospital, Limerick, to build a new bed block which would address the critical requirement to decompress the UHL site by accommodating more medical patient transfers to St John's; his views on whether this proposed new bed block is essential in order to tackle public waiting lists, (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [3983/23]

*599. To ask the Minister for Health the reason Corlough health centre, County Cavan was sold by the HSE; if efforts were made to re-establish health services at the centre; the sale price agreed for the property; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [3987/23]

*600. To ask the Minister for Health if there has been a change in where patients are sent for a cardiologist outpatient appointment (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [3991/23]

*601. To ask the Minister for Health if he will set out the level of consultation with private nursing homes to determine the ratio, in relation to statements made by his Department concerning dependency levels within private nursing homes; if he will set out the average cost per resident in HSE-operated nursing homes for 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [3993/23]

*602. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to concerns raised by private nursing home operators at the recruitment by the HSE of trained staff from their sector who have been recruited by private nursing homes from abroad and have had their visas and travel arrangements processed at a considerable cost to the private nursing homes concerned; the steps he has taken to ensure that attractive terms and conditions are available for nurses and care workers in both the private and public sectors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [3994/23]

*603. 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. [4016/23]

*604. To ask the Minister for Health the services currently in place or that are planned to provide professional support to persons who are suffering with long-Covid and who are having difficulties with a return to work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4017/23]

*605. To ask the Minister for Health the number of child flu vaccine doses acquired by the HSE for the 2022-2023 winter period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4029/23]

*606. To ask the Minister for Health the number of child flu vaccine doses distributed by the HSE for flu for the 2022-2023 winter period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4030/23]

*607. To ask the Minister for Health the number of child flu vaccines which expired in January 2023; the number disposed of; the means of disposal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4031/23]

*608. To ask the Minister for Health the number of childhood flu vaccines distributed by GPs, pharmacists and walk-in clinics in the winter 2022-2023 period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4032/23]

*609. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the payment of pay increases under the terms of the public pay deal to home care assistants in County Wicklow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4035/23]

*610. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE has calculated the additional cost burden on the healthcare system due to an increase in hyperemesis gravidarum patients presenting at emergency services to get an initial cariban prescription from an obstetrician consultant instead of their GP (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4039/23]

*611. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department will engage directly with an organisation (details supplied) the Irish College of General Practitioners and other expert bodies on the best way to implement the cariban reimbursement scheme in a manner which prioritises and maximises hyperemesis gravidarum patient care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [4040/23]

*612. 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. [4043/23]

*613. To ask the Minister for Health if funding is available to assist a person (details supplied) in receiving treatment in the United States; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [4045/23]

*614. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the new primary care centre for County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [4047/23]

*615. To ask the Minister for Health if incontinent pads will be provided by the HSE to a person (details supplied) given that the ongoing cost is a burden on the family and there is financial hardship; and if their home care requirements will be reviewed urgently. — John McGuinness. [4049/23]

*616. To ask the Minister for Health his views on naming the new National Children's Hospital after Dr. Kathleen Lynn. — Ivana Bacik. [4051/23]

*617. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people who attended urgent symptomatic breast disease clinics, by month, in each of the years 2018 to 2022, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [4052/23]

*618. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people who attended urgent symptomatic breast disease clinics within two weeks of the date of receipt of the referral letter in the cancer office in each of the years 2018 to 2022, as a number and proportionally, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [4053/23]

*619. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people who attended prostate rapid access clinics in each month of each of the years 2018 to 2022. — Ivana Bacik. [4054/23]

*620. To ask the Minister for Health the number and overall proportion of people who attended prostate rapid access clinics within twenty working days of receipt of referral in the cancer centres in each of the years 2018 to 2022, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [4055/23]

*621. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of people who attended lung rapid access clinics in each month in each of the years 2018 to 2022, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [4056/23]

*622. To ask the Minister for Health when the payments due to community care homes will be made; and the reason for the delay, given that a commitment was issued to have the payments made before Christmas 2022. — John McGuinness. [4057/23]

*623. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Meath will receive a hospital appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [4059/23]

*624. To ask the Minister for Health the total number and overall proportion of persons who attended lung rapid access clinics within ten working days of receipt of referral in designated cancer centres in each of the years 2018 to 2022, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [4062/23]

*625. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who completed radical radiotherapy treatment excluding palliative care patients in each month in each of the years 2018 to 2022, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [4063/23]

*626. To ask the Minister for Health the number and overall proportion of patients undergoing radical radiotherapy treatment who commenced treatment within fifteen working days of being deemed ready to treat by the radiation oncologist excluding palliative care patients in each month in each of the years 2018 to 2022. — Ivana Bacik. [4064/23]

*627. To ask the Minister for Health when the National Cancer Strategy 2022 implementation report will be published. — Ivana Bacik. [4065/23]

*628. To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacant nurse oncologist posts each quarter across all hospitals in each of the years 2019 to 2022, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [4066/23]

*629. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department will purchase a property (details supplied) in Tralee, County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4068/23]

*630. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that a child (details supplied) has not received their hospital appointment in Cavan General Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4074/23]

*631. To ask the Minister for Health the capital investment and refurbishment investment by the HSE at St. Joseph's Hospital, Stranorlar, County Donegal in each of the years 2016 to 2023. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [4100/23]

*632. To ask the Minister for Health his long-term plans for the delivery of beds at St. Joseph's Hospital, Stranorlar, County Donegal. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [4101/23]

*633. To ask the Minister for Health when the new National Ambulance Service base at Buncrana, County Donegal will open. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [4102/23]

*634. To ask the Minister for Health the number of positions for health professionals, in particular nurses, doctors and physiologists, created and filled, respectively, in each hospital during 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4105/23]

*635. To ask the Minister for Health the type and location of beds he plans to open during 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4106/23]

*636. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the new chronic disease management hub in Ennis in respect of services currently provided, the roll-out of additional services, and staffing details of the hub; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4107/23]

*637. To ask the Minister for Health the number of HSE ambulance dispatches that were recorded in County Clare during 2022; the number of occasions where ambulances arrived at scenes where the patient had already passed away; the hospitals which ambulances brought patients to; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4108/23]

*638. To ask the Minister for Health the additional resources and personnel that have been deployed at Ennis Hospital in light of the decision to facilitate and treat non-urgent 112 and 999 patients being transported by ambulance to the facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4109/23]

*639. To ask the Minister for Health the number of non-consultant hospital doctors who were employed in HSE-run hospitals in December 2022; the corresponding figure for December 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4110/23]

*640. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting on hip and or knee surgery and cataract surgery in counties Clare, Limerick and Tipperary. — Michael McNamara. [4111/23]

*641. To ask the Minister for Health the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4126/23]

*642. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a matter involving the Mental Health Commission interim report into CAMHS (details supplied); if similar risks have

not been escalated appropriately across the health service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4136/23]

*643. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to reports that no risk for CAMHS was on the national risk register, following the publishing of the Maskey Report; the last time his office inspected the national risk register; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4137/23]

*644. To ask the Minister for Health the number of CAMHS consultant psychiatrists per CHO from 2017 to 2022, and to date in 2023; the number of vacant positions per CHO for the same period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4138/23]

*645. To ask the Minister for Health the budget allocated to CAMHS as a percentage of the health budget and the overall budget from 2017 to 2022, and to date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4139/23]

*646. To ask the Minister for Health the number of CAMHS per CHO that offer family-based therapy, cognitive behavioural therapy and play therapy; if there are plans to provide these services where they are absent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4140/23]

*647. To ask the Minister for Health the number of CAMHS intellectual disability teams in place; the CHOs in which they are in place; the target number of teams; if he will provide an update on their roll-out; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4141/23]

*648. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the current number of forensic CAMHS teams in place; the target number of forensic CAMHS teams to be in place; the current and target numbers for forensic CAMHS inpatient beds and their expected opening dates; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4142/23]

*649. To ask the Minister for Health the number of CAMHS teams per CHO that offer out-of-hours mental health treatment; the reason that this has not been developed in CHOs despite the commitment to do so in the 2019 national service plan; the current progress of delivering this commitment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4143/23]

*650. To ask the Minister for Health when the HSE survey of children's health service stakeholders will take place in relation to page 18 of the Mental Health Commission interim report into CAMHS; the CHOs that are currently carrying out joint working and interagency meetings between children's health services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4144/23]

*651. To ask the Minister for Health the number of CHOs using telepsychiatry for CAMHS; if he will provide feedback on its use to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4145/23]

*652. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a national standard for the monitoring of antipsychotic medication; if he will outline the process by which a national standard could be developed; the current standards followed; the enforcement of these standards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4146/23]

*653. To ask the Minister for Health the number of key workers within CAMHS; the percentage of CAMHS users who have a key worker assigned to them; the percentage of users who have a care plan in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4147/23]

*654. To ask the Minister for Health the number of CAMHS teams that are currently using Healthlink for referrals; the policy for its use by services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4148/23]

*655. To ask the Minister for Health the number of cases that are to be reviewed in the comprehensive lookback review into CAMHS in north Kerry; the reason for the delay in the calling of this review; if there was an overlap between the cases with risk in the Mental Health Commission's interim report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4149/23]

*656. To ask the Minister for Health the average waiting time for assistive communication devices to be supplied to non-verbal children diagnosed with autism; the reason the parents of such a child (details supplied) were informed that it would be at least nine months due to red tape; his views on whether such communication devices should be provided as soon after diagnosis as possible and that nine months is an unacceptably long time to wait. — Seán Crowe. [4150/23]

*657. To ask the Minister for Health the circumstances under which an individual may reapply for a primary medical certificate following a past refusal; if a certain time period must lapse; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [4166/23]

*658. To ask the Minister for Health what the policy of Letterkenny University Hospital was regarding the determination of next-of-kin and capacity prior to the Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Act 2015 which came into effect in the same year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [4169/23]

*659. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children aged zero to 18 years of age in each CHO by individual area, awaiting first-time intervention in all areas of early intervention; the number on the public list; the number on the CDNT list in each CHO in tabular form; and the length of time they are awaiting intervention by age. — Sean Sherlock. [4170/23]

*660. To ask the Minister for Health if there are future plans to roll out dialectical behavioural therapy in County Clare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4171/23]

*661. To ask the Minister for Health how a person in County Clare can avail of dialectical behavioural therapy given there is no provision for that service in the county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4172/23]

*662. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address the issue of general practitioners charging patients with medical cards for individual blood tests; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4173/23]

*663. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a retrospective reimbursement for GP visits for children under six years in situations in which they did not have a GP visit card at the time of the consultation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4174/23]

*664. To ask the Minister for Health if there is an agreed and prescribed schedule of fees to which general practitioners must adhere; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4175/23]

*665. To ask the Minister for Health the number of additional non-consultant hospital doctors that have been recruited in CH03 in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4176/23]

*666. To ask the Minister for Health his plans for a new consultant-led multidisciplinary CAMHS hub in Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [4177/23]

*667. To ask the Minister for Health his views on concerns and proposals for a coordinated response from an organisation (details supplied) in respect of the CAMHS report released this week; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4190/23]

*668. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients that visited the neurofibromatosis clinic at CHI Tallaght in the years 2021, 2022, and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [4199/23]

*669. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE dietitians working in each primary care centre in CHO9 as of 24 January 2023, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [4200/23]

*670. To ask the Minister for Health the number of warnings issued by hospitals advising patients with non-emergency conditions to seek assistance from other areas of the health services and to not attend their emergency department in 2022. — Catherine Murphy. [4201/23]

*671. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of revenue generated through parking charges in public car park areas within St. James's Hospital in 2022, and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [4202/23]

*672. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultant plastic surgeons attached to St Vincent's University Hospital in the years 2021, 2022, and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Catherine Murphy. [4203/23]

*673. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons with diabetes who were funded for the Medtronic continuous glucose monitoring CGM sensors by the HSE; and the number who were over 21 years of age, for the years 2021 and 2022, in tabular form. — Cathal Crowe. [4210/23]

*674. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons with diabetes who were funded for Freestyle Libre Flash Glucose sensors by the HSE; and the number who were over 21 years of age, for the years 2021 and 2022, in tabular form. — Cathal Crowe. [4211/23]

*675. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the reinstatement of the HSEs national director of mental health as reported in the media (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4226/23]

*676. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the immediate steps he is taking with the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to address the UNCRC concerns in relation to children's mental health, including the need for advocacy following the

examination by the UNCRC of children's mental health in Ireland on 24 and 25 January 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4227/23]

*677. To ask the Minister for Health the date that he will bring the Mental Health (Amendment) Bill 2023 to Cabinet for approval; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4228/23]

*678. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that transport is not provided to young adults with a disability attending day services (details supplied); the facilities that are in place to provide supports where the lack of transport will lead to a person with disabilities being excluded from attending any services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [4235/23]

*679. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting to be seen by child and adolescent mental health services by CHO and LHO, in tabular form; and the length of time that persons are waiting to be seen. — Sean Sherlock. [4236/23]

*680. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4250/23]

*681. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider an increase of the mobility allowance payment for a person (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [4263/23]

*682. To ask the Minister for Health if he will outline the plans to provide replacement GPs in a practice in County Tipperary when two GPs retire; the efforts being made to arrange new GPs for the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [4267/23]

*683. To ask the Minister for Health if a hospital appointment can be expedited for a person (details supplied) in County Donegal; if the referral was routine or urgent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [4272/23]

*684. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1645 of 18 January 2023, if he will provide a breakdown of the number of staff assigned to each CHO by an organisation (details supplied); and the service-level agreements in place with regards to same-day admissions by the organisation, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [4287/23]

*685. To ask the Minister for Health when the implementation plan following on from the Disability Capacity Review will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [4298/23]

*686. To ask the Minister for Health if there is any current investigation ongoing into the crisis facing recruitment in Carlow and Kilkenny's children's disability network teams; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [4308/23]

*687. To ask the Minister for Health when the working group on community pharmacies is scheduled to come forward with proposals for his consideration. — Richard Bruton. [4311/23]

*688. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to develop a governance structure for breastfeeding in primary care and acute hospitals divisions; if he will appoint dedicated full-

time lactation consultants in each of the nine Community Health Organisations, according to population need; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [4313/23]

*689. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to develop a clear referral pathway for mothers requiring additional breastfeeding support before and after birth, to lactation consultants; his plans to implement evidence informed programmes and initiatives to promote breastfeeding, provide support and address barriers for women least likely to breastfeed, with a particular focus on young mothers under the age of 18 years and women in the Traveller community; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [4314/23]

*690. To ask the Minister for Health if workers on community employment schemes who worked in nursing and care homes throughout the Covid-19 pandemic as support staff (details supplied) are eligible to apply for the Covid-19 pandemic recognition payment; the person who should make an application on behalf of these workers if they are eligible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [4324/23]

*691. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the recruitment of a youth mental health lead within the HSE, as committed to in Budget 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [4325/23]

*692. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the commitment outlined in the Programme for Government to examine the reinstatement of a national director for mental health in the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [4326/23]

*693. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter raised in correspondence (details supplied); if he will reconsider issuing European health insurance cards to Irish citizens who are resident in the North; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [4329/23]

*694. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update with regard to the payment of the pandemic recognition payment to workers in a location (details supplied) in County Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4344/23]

*695. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the roll-out of free GP care for six and seven-year-olds. — Francis Noel Duffy. [4347/23]

*696. To ask the Minister for Health the position of nursing homes charging additional money to clients who are in the fair deal scheme (details supplied).; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [4350/23]

*697. To ask the Minister for Health if he will facilitate community mental health community services to assist a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [4353/23]

*698. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the recent closure of a resource centre (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4354/23]

*699. To ask the Minister for Health if he will guarantee the same level of services will be provided to people in addiction and their families following the closure of a resource centre (details supplied); if he will guarantee the services that will be available in the Cabra area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4355/23]

*700. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the transport support Bill; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [4361/23]

*701. To ask the Minister for Health the date the HSE received its commissioned report from an organisation (details supplied) into the running of St. Mary's Hospital, Phoenix Park, following a protected disclosure; the cost to date of this report; if it has now been finalised; if not, the reason for this delay; when it will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4459/23]

*702. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to open the accident and emergency and ICU in Nenagh hospital. — Alan Kelly. [4462/23]

*703. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to open accident and emergency and ICU in Ennis hospital. — Alan Kelly. [4463/23]

*704. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4499/23]

*705. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the reimbursement application for a treatment by a person (details supplied); the reason for the delay; when he expects this treatment to be made available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [4503/23]

*706. To ask the Minister for Health if there are plans for the provision of services (details supplied) in Waterford; if so, when these plans will be put in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4490/23]

*707. To ask the Minister for Health the current status of the Adult Safeguarding Bill 2017; when it is likely to move to the next stage of the legislative process; if he will acknowledge that legislation is urgently needed to protect vulnerable adults; if he will provide clarity and a legal framework for those involved in their care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [4525/23]

*708. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on staffing at a facility (details supplied); and whether there will be a reduction in bed numbers in the facility. — Thomas Gould. [4531/23]

*709. To ask the Minister for Health if a response will issue to correspondence (details supplied) in relation to two-day surgery theatres at Ennis General Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Carey. [4532/23]

*710. To ask the Minister for Health the services that are presently being provided at the Ennis primary healthcare centre at Station Road, Ennis, County Clare; the additional staffing requirements that are required to facilitate full operations; when the centre will be fully operational; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [4535/23]

*711. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on mental health staff numbers in a facility (details supplied); the reported number of staff leaving; if CAMHS beds will be closed as a result of same; if so, the length of time that they will be closed; the steps being taken to replace these staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4536/23]

*712. To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the work of his Department's cross-departmental agency group that was set up to monitor the European Commission's upcoming revision of pharmaceutical legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [4542/23]

*713. To ask the Minister for Health when he intends to publish a report (details supplied) into Ireland's drug reimbursement model; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [4543/23]

*714. To ask the Minister for Health the number of times that the Health Service Executive sanctioned, suspended, terminated, or otherwise reprimanded a manager, employing body, or member of staff for workplace bullying in each of the years 2019 to 2022. — David Cullinane. [4553/23]

*715. To ask the Minister for Health the number of times that the Health Service Executive referred any cases of workplace bullying to the Health and Safety Authority in each of the years 2019 to 2022. — David Cullinane. [4554/23]

*716. To ask the Minister for Health if a guarantee be given that no CAMHS beds will be closed in a facility (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4561/23]

*717. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that under-16s cannot currently be referred for a free MRI through the HSE; and if he plans to rectify this anomaly with immediate action. — Robert Troy. [4562/23]

*718. To ask the Minister for Health if a patient (details supplied), who is under 16 years of age, can be referred for a free MRI through the HSE. — Robert Troy. [4563/23]

*719. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a report on the prescribing practices for risperidone, the number of children prescribed the drug, the average prescribed dose; the number of adults prescribed risperidone, the average prescribed dose in each of the past ten years in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4566/23]

*720. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a report on the prescribing practices for risperidone; the average length of time a child is on this medication, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4567/23]

*721. To ask the Minister for Health if he will establish an independent commissioner for aging and older people; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4571/23]

*722. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a GMS panel might be frozen when a doctor relocates retires or resigns from the GMS scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [4629/23]

*723. To ask the Minister for Health the number of GMS panels frozen by county in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [4630/23]

*724. To ask the Minister for Health the number of GMS panels by town in County Kildare that are currently frozen; the duration of the freeze; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [4631/23]

*725. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the severe shortage of available spaces on GP lists in north County Dublin; the steps that his Department is taking to address this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe O'Brien. [4636/23]

*726. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide clarification on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [4637/23]

*727. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff vacancies in mental health services and associated services in the HSE that are in the north-east, broken down by grade and category in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [4650/23]

*728. To ask the Minister for Health the number of suppliers of the contraceptive pill that have not yet signed up for the HSE's contraceptive reimbursement scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [4657/23]

*729. To ask the Minister for Health if a scheme can be put in place to enable women whose contraceptive pill suppliers have not signed up to the HSE reimbursement scheme to apply for reimbursement on an individual basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [4658/23]

*730. To ask the Minister for Health if a person in receipt of a full medical card should be charged by their GP for a standard blood test; if there is a limit on the amount that a GP can charge; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4666/23]

*731. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a standard list of work for those working as home helps, that should be carried out in the care of the person they are caring for; if so, if the list is available; if there have been changes in the work to be carried out; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4667/23]

*732. To ask the Minister for Health the up-to-date position with the provision of a day-care centre (details supplied) in County Kildare; when the centre will be ready; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [4669/23]

*733. To ask the Minister for Health if he will ensure that a person (details supplied) will be awarded the pandemic bonus payment given that they were a frontline worker at a nursing home until its closure in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4676/23]

*734. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children who were admitted to adult mental health facilities per month in 2022, per CHO, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [4677/23]

*735. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 322 of 19 January 2023, the children's disability network teams that have been provided with an information management system to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [4687/23]

*736. To ask the Minister for Health if he will expedite a surgery date for a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [4707/23]

*737. To ask the Minister for Health the further timeframe that is expected for an assessment of need appointment for a child (details supplied) given the timeframes set out in the Disability Act 2005; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [4724/23]

*738. To ask the Minister for Health the further timeframe that is expected for an assessment of need appointment for a child (details supplied) given the timeframes set out in the Disability Act 2005; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [4725/23]

*739. To ask the Minister for Health the current status on the appeal for payment of the pandemic recognition payment to home support resource managers in CHO5; the further timeframe that is expected on a decision on the appeal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [4728/23]

*740. To ask the Minister for Health the current status of the appeal for payment of the pandemic recognition payment to home support resource managers in CHO5; the further timeframe that is expected on a decision on the appeal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [4728/23]

*741. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made to date on the introduction of a statutory home care scheme as promised in the Programme for Government; the timetable for its introduction; the number and rank of civil servants working full-time on this scheme for each year since 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4730/23]

*742. To ask the Minister for Health the progress to date on the establishment of a commission for care as promised in the Programme for Government, which will examine care and supports for older people; the timeline for its introduction; the number and grade of civil servants working full-time on this policy commitment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4731/23]

*743. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made by him to date on implementing the Programme for Government promise to ensure that no nursing home support scheme resident is charged for services that they do not use; the number of nursing homes that have such additional charges and how, by which agency the scheme is notified to residents where these additional charges are applied; the success to date; if he will publish the data held by his Department and the HSE in relation to the homes that have such charges; the number of residents who now are no longer are paying these additional charges; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [4732/23]

*744. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding the €1,000 pandemic payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4733/23]

*745. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a breakdown of the 1,000 extra beds recently reported by the HSE in terms of hospitals involved and types of bed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [4772/23]

*746. To ask the Minister for Health the average timeframe that an approval for reimbursement of the cost of Cariban takes after a consultant completes an initial application form for an individual reimbursement for Cariban. — Gary Gannon. [4791/23]

*747. To ask the Minister for Health the number of initial application forms for individual reimbursement for Cariban received since 1 January 2023. — Gary Gannon. [4792/23]

*748. To ask the Minister for Health if he will work with the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment to reform the ‘atypical working visa’ to enable doctors providing locum services to reside in the State for longer periods of time. — Holly Cairns. [4801/23]

*749. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he is taking to ensure that out-of-hours GP services can recruit and retain doctors, including non-EEA locums, to cover the service requirements. — Holly Cairns. [4802/23]

*750. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that the drug cariban is not available free of charge to pregnant women who are suffering with sickness during pregnancy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [4803/23]

*751. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that the HPV vaccine is not available to some unvaccinated males who are in sixth year; the reason that the eligibility criteria are not set by age as opposed to school year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Brophy. [4804/23]

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

*752. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when he or his Department became aware of the forestry deal between Coillte and (details supplied). — Alan Kelly. [4628/23]

*753. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to provide funding for renewable gas production by anaerobic digesters from grass and slurry on farms; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3960/23]

*754. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to ensure farmers are recognised and remunerated for storing carbon; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3961/23]

*755. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide an update on the transfer of local authority veterinary services over to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [3979/23]

*756. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if dogs remain on a puppy farm (details supplied) in north Cork; and if so, if he will inform Cork County Council to immediately act by obtaining a court order to seize these dogs and to ensure they are immediately removed from the horrific conditions. — Paul Murphy. [3999/23]

*757. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of greyhounds injured, destroyed and killed at races, trials and sales auctions in 2022; the names of the

greyhounds; the nature of each injury, destruction and fatality; the results of any postmortems and the associated dates and track locations. — Paul Murphy. [4006/23]

*758. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will reveal the results of post-mortems carried out by DAFM's Regional Veterinary Laboratory on the remains of seven dogs recovered from a bog in Newbridge in August 2022, including the breed of the dogs, the nature of injuries; and the cause and approximate date of deaths. — Paul Murphy. [4007/23]

*759. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of thoroughbred foals born in 2022; the number registered to race on the track; the number of horses exiting racing over the same period; and the number of same that were sent to slaughter. — Paul Murphy. [4008/23]

*760. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of horses injured and killed in horse racing, horse training, point-to-point racing and show jumping in 2022, by racecourse in tabular form; and the names of the horses and the nature of their injuries. — Paul Murphy. [4009/23]

*761. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount paid out by Horse Racing Ireland to hunts in the past ten years in point-to-point racing grants and any other funding and if he will stop this, given that the money is propping up hunt clubs which are involved in bloodsports which the majority of people want banned. — Paul Murphy. [4010/23]

*762. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if consideration will be given to providing additional financial support to the inshore fishing industry to assist it with the disruption to sector's markets as a direct result of the unjust war in Ukraine and the Covid-19 pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [4012/23]

*763. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine what action his Department is taking to support the inshore fishing industry in order to keep the sector viable; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [4013/23]

*764. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will request an update from Horse Racing Ireland regarding horse deaths at a racecourse (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [4077/23]

*765. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in his Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4117/23]

*766. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when TAMS 2023 will open for applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4153/23]

*767. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if applications (details supplied) will continue to be eligible for low-emission slurry spreading equipment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [4154/23]

*768. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if older vessels will receive less favourable treatment under the decommissioning scheme for fishing vessels; if his attention

has been drawn to the Dutch scheme which allows for more equitable treatment of vessels; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4156/23]

*769. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will clarify the situation regarding entitlements on a herd number (details supplied); if he will restore these entitlements to the herd owner in light of the personal circumstances involved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [4230/23]

*770. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide data associated with his Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of his Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4241/23]

*771. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 1743 of 18 January 2023, if dogs and pets entering Ireland from Ukraine are considered EU or non-EU for the purpose of health certification and health documentation checks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4273/23]

*772. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of dogs and other animals that entered Ireland in 2022 from each applicable country; and the number within each that were subject to a health status and health documentation check in line with the EU Animal Health Law, Regulation 429/2016, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4274/23]

*773. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [4305/23]

*774. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will ensure that any land used for planting of any forestry stays in the hands of Coillte or the individual farmers and stop international investors from buying up large areas of land for plantation; and if he will ensure that the majority of trees planted are native tree species and that a full and independent, environmental assessment would be carried out before any non-native species are planted. — Thomas Pringle. [4337/23]

*775. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 662 of 24 January 2023, the exact number of solar PV system installations in receipt of a TAMS grant which have, to date, been inspected by staff from his Department to ensure that the work carried out has met the minimum requirements of his Department's specifications; the number of such Departmental staff who are qualified to ensure that the facilities are installed correctly and safely and that they are fit for purpose for use by the applicant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [4502/23]

*776. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a farmer (details supplied) will qualify for a forestry replantation grant if they did not receive a grant for the first crop of forestry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [4514/23]

*777. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of land sold or transferred by Coillte in each county in each of the years 1988 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4569/23]

*778. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will outline his efforts to secure amendment to EU state-aid rules that would allow State-owned companies such as Coillte to avail of grant aid under the Forestry Programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4570/23]

*779. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide a breakdown of the amount of his Department's pre-committed capital expenditure under the National Development Plan that will be dedicated to forestry in each of the years 2023 to 2025, in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [4579/23]

*780. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide a breakdown of the budget allocations for each programme under subhead B10 of the Revised Estimates for 2023, in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [4580/23]

*781. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total number of hectares of land disposed of by Coillte, by year and by county, since 1988; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4581/23]

*782. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the revised State-aid rules allow for Coillte and other public bodies to access afforestation premiums funded exclusively through national resources. — Matt Carthy. [4582/23]

*783. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if there are any provisions under the revised State-aid rules that exclude Coillte and other public bodies from accessing afforestation premiums which are funded exclusively through national resources; and if he will indicate the relevant provisions in relation to same. — Matt Carthy. [4583/23]

*784. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the types of State-aid for afforestation that Coillte and other public bodies may be eligible for under the revised State-aid rules; and the costs of the establishment of forest and woodland and annual premiums per hectare for maintenance and income foregone. — Matt Carthy. [4584/23]

*785. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the breakdown of the recently announced €1.3 billion Forestry Programme between capital and current funding in each of the years 2023 to 2025 and 2026 to 2027, in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [4585/23]

*786. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide a breakdown of the amount of the recently announced €1.3 billion Forestry Programme that is pre-committed capital funding within his Department's capital ceiling under the National Development Plan in each of the years 2023 to 2025, in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [4586/23]

*787. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the person who signed the shareholder letter of expectation to Coillte on 2 June 2022 on behalf of the State; the details of the letter; if the letter will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4587/23]

*788. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when his department and/or any of his officials first found out that Coillte were in discussions with a company (details supplied) regarding a proposed forestry deal. — Alan Kelly. [4617/23]

*789. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of land that has been purchased to date in Ireland for use in the new forestry deal between Coillte and a company (details supplied); where is this located; and the amount it cost. — Alan Kelly. [4618/23]

*790. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide, by date and name, details of all Coillte and or officials of his Department that have attended meetings or been involved in any communications in any way with a company (details supplied) since 2017, in tabular form.. — Alan Kelly. [4619/23]

*791. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide for the dates and attendees he and or his junior minister have had with Coillte since they took office, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [4620/23]

*792. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the dates and details of all Min/Mac meetings in his Department that refer to the deal between Coillte and a company (details supplied). — Alan Kelly. [4621/23]

*793. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine on what date and by whom from Coillte was the first communication between Coillte and a company (details supplied). — Alan Kelly. [4622/23]

*794. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he or his Minister of State were asked to sign off on the forestry deal between Coillte and a company (details supplied); and if so, when and by whom. — Alan Kelly. [4623/23]

*795. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when did his advisers or any of the Minister for State's advisers become aware of the forestry deal between Coillte and a company (details supplied). — Alan Kelly. [4624/23]

*796. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will meet with a sectoral group (details supplied) to discuss the incoming forestry programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4702/23]

*797. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the current number of hectares and percentage of utilisable agricultural area under use for or in conversion to organic production; the targets for 2025, 2027 and 2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [4703/23]

*798. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when it is planned to publish the forestry licensing plan for 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [4746/23]

*799. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reasons that in 2022 Coillte secured 110% of the target number of felling licences that was specified in the Forestry Licensing Plan 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [4747/23]

*800. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason the private felling category of the Forestry Licensing Plan 2022 only achieved 88% of its target number of felling licences issued; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [4748/23]

*801. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason the afforestation licence category of the Forestry Licensing Plan 2022 only achieved 68% of its target number of licences issued; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [4749/23]

*802. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department is not accepting any forest grant applications as of 1 January 2023, if it is also not issuing any grant approvals from the same date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [4750/23]

*803. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the call by a fishing representative organisation (details supplied) for an equitable allocation of fishing opportunities to small-scale low impact fishers, using Article 17 to reallocate fishing rights to smaller scale, environmentally compatible, economically viable and socially responsible fishery activities, rewarding a positive history of compliance and ending the sole use of track records as the tool for allocating fishing opportunities by member states, and putting an end to the privatisation of fishery resource access. — Holly Cairns. [4798/23]

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

*804. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the funding stream for a new community centre (details supplied) in Dublin 11; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [4307/23]

*805. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the reason a community centre (details supplied) did not receive capital investment. — Mary Lou McDonald. [3969/23]

*806. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will direct her Department to immediately bring a person (details supplied) to the courts for failing to display a registered number issued by the relevant local authority to the dog breeding establishment under the Dog Breeding Establishment Act 2010.; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Collins. [3992/23]

*807. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the action being taken to provide County Roscommon with additional resources to support animal welfare in the county; the number of dog wardens available in County Roscommon; if there are plans to introduce additional wardens in 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [4075/23]

*808. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the names of any advisers who have taken up employment in her Department since the Government rotation in December 2022; the annual salary they are being paid; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [4130/23]

*809. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide data associated with her Department's air travel and air travel associated with agencies under the aegis of her Department (details supplied) from 1 January 2020 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [4254/23]

*810. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the reason that tax is required to be paid after the first free year, on top of the yearly payment for the personal safety wrist alarm for older people supplied by Pobal. — Paul Donnelly. [4290/23]

*811. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if her attention has been drawn to reports that stand-alone men's sheds, including those not in resource centres, are excluded from the men's shed sustainability grant if they received funding from a separate grant source in 2022; and the plans she has to address this issue and ensure that all sheds can avail of this fund equally. — Martin Browne. [4362/23]

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Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

I. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the public service, justice and police reform division of his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [4088/23]