

# DÁIL ÉIREANN

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#### Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

- 1. 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]
- 2. 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]
- 3. 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]
- 4. 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]
- 5. To ask the Taoiseach if he is intending to establish new Cabinet sub-committees. Richard Boyd Barrett. [3075/23]
- 6. To ask the Taoiseach if he is intending to establish new Cabinet sub-committees. Paul Murphy. [3078/23]
- 7. To ask the Taoiseach if he is intending to establish new Cabinet sub-committees. Cian O'Callaghan. [4447/23]
- 8. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Government Co-ordination will next meet. Mary Lou McDonald. [4087/23]
- 9. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Government Co-ordination will next meet. Ivana Bacik. [4379/23]
- 10. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent phone conversation with the Ukrainian President. Seán Haughey. [4222/23]
- 11. 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]
- 12. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent phone call with the President of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelenskyy. Paul Murphy. [4427/23]
- 13. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent attendance at the World Economic Forum in Davos. Richard Boyd Barrett. [3073/23]

- 14. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent attendance at the World Economic Forum in Davos. Paul Murphy. [3076/23]
- 15. To ask the Taoiseach to report on the gender pay gap report from his Department. Ivana Bacik. [3343/23]
- 16. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the gender pay gap report from his Department.Bríd Smith. [4421/23]
- 17. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. Richard Boyd Barrett. [3405/23]
- 18. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. Paul Murphy. [3410/23]
- 19. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. Bríd Smith. [3412/23]
- 20. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. Cian O'Callaghan. [4445/23]
- 21. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. Mary Lou McDonald. [4089/23]
- 22. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. Ivana Bacik. [4377/23]
- 23. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. Peadar Tóibín. [4788/23]
- 24. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. Jim O'Callaghan. [4696/23]
- 25. To ask the Taoiseach to report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council. Richard Boyd Barrett. [3406/23]
- 26. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council. Cian O'Callaghan. [4446/23]
- 27. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council. Ivana Bacik. [4378/23]
- 28. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council. Paul Murphy. [4428/23]
- 29. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Europe will next meet. Mary Lou McDonald. [4084/23]
- 30. 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]

- 31. To ask the Taoiseach when the Housing for All progress report for Q4 2022 will be published. Richard Boyd Barrett. [4417/23]
- 32. To ask the Taoiseach when the Housing for All progress report for Q4 2022 will be published. Paul Murphy. [4420/23]
- 33. 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]
- 34. 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]

# CEISTEANNA LE HAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA OUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

- \*35. To ask the Taoiseach if he is intending to establish new Cabinet sub-committees. Ivana Bacik. [4380/23]
- \*36. To ask the Taoiseach the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will provide details in relation to this spending. Peadar Tóibín. [4860/23]
- \*37. To ask the Taoiseach if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department. Peadar Tóibín. [4878/23]

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

- \*38. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of businesses that have applied for assistance under stream 1 of the Ukraine enterprise crisis scheme to date by county; the number of applications that have been successful by county; the estimated value or worth of the support to date for each county, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Louise O'Reilly. [4969/23]
- \*39. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of businesses that have applied for assistance under stream 2 of the Ukraine enterprise crisis scheme to date by county; the number of applications that have been successful by county; the estimated value or worth of the support to date for each county, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Louise O'Reilly. [4970/23]
- \*40. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of businesses that have applied for loans under the growth and sustainability loan scheme date by county; the number of applications that have been successful by county; the estimated value or worth of the loans to date for each county, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Louise O'Reilly. [4972/23]

- \*41. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of businesses that have applied for loans under the small firm's investment in energy efficiency scheme date by county; the number of applications that have been successful by county; the estimated value or worth of the loans to date for each county, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Louise O'Reilly. [4973/23]
- \*42. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4849/23]
- \*43. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4867/23]
- \*44. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the status of a work permit for a person (details supplied). Michael Healy-Rae. [4898/23]
- \*45. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will detail the most recent annual data including 2022 on the level of IDA supported jobs by county, in tabular form; the number of additional jobs created in each county since 27 June 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [4909/23]
- \*46. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will detail the most recent annual data including 2022 on the level of Enterprise Ireland supported jobs by county, in tabular form; the number of additional jobs created in each county since 27 June 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [4910/23]
- \*47. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide details of the most recent annual data, including 2022, on the level of local enterprise office client jobs by county, in tabular form; the number of additional jobs created in each county since 27 June 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [4911/23]
- \*48. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total 2023 budget allocation for the Jobs and Enterprise Development Programme; the capital, current and total 2022 budget allocation for the Jobs and Enterprise Development Programme; and the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation. Louise O'Reilly. [5005/23]
- \*49. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total 2023 budget allocation for the Innovation Programme; the capital, current and total 2022 budget allocation for the Innovation Programme; and the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation. Louise O'Reilly. [5006/23]
- \*50. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total 2023 budget allocation for the Regulation Programme; the capital, current and total 2022 budget allocation for the Regulation Programme; and the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation. Louise O'Reilly. [5007/23]

- \*51. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total 2023 budget allocation for the IDA Ireland; the capital, current and total 2022 budget allocation for the IDA Ireland; and the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation. Louise O'Reilly. [5008/23]
- \*52. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide a breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations for each programme under subhead A.5 IDA Ireland of the revised Estimates for 2023, in tabular form. Louise O'Reilly. [5009/23]
- \*53. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total 2023 budget allocation for the Enterprise Ireland; the capital, current and total 2022 budget allocation for the Enterprise Ireland; and the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation. Louise O'Reilly. [5010/23]
- \*54. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide a breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations for each programme under subhead A.7 ENTERPRISE IRELAND of the revised Estimate for 2023, in tabular form. Louise O'Reilly. [5011/23]
- \*55. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total 2023 budget allocation for the Science and Technology Development Programme; the capital, current and total 2022 budget allocation for the Science and Technology Development Programme; and the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation. Louise O'Reilly. [5012/23]
- \*56. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide a breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations for each programme under subhead A.4 Intertrade Ireland of the Revised Estimate for 2023 in tabular form. Louise O'Reilly. [5013/23]
- \*57. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide a breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations for each programme under subhead A.10 matching funding for interreg of the revised Estimate for 2023, in tabular form. Louise O'Reilly. [5014/23]
- \*58. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide a breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations for each programme under subhead A.8 local enterprise development of the revised Estimate for 2023, in tabular form. Louise O'Reilly. [5015/23]
- \*59. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide a breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations for each programme under subhead A.14 SBCI loan schemes of the Revised Estimate for 2023, in tabular form. Louise O'Reilly. [5016/23]
- \*60. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide a breakdown of the capital and current budget allocations for each programme under subhead A.15 humanitarian relief scheme of the revised Estimate for 2023 in tabular form. Louise O'Reilly. [5017/23]
- \*61. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the capital, current and total 2023 budget allocation for the temporary business energy support scheme; the capital, current and

- total 2022 budget allocation for temporary business energy support scheme; and the percentage difference compared to the Budget 2023 allocation. Louise O'Reilly. [5018/23]
- \*62. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of staff at the National Standards Authority of Ireland with responsibility for approval of medical devices. John Paul Phelan. [5062/23]
- \*63. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the average length of time from application submission to final approval of medical devices at the National Standards Authority of Ireland. John Paul Phelan. [5063/23]
- \*64. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the measures he is taking to reduce approval times at the National Standards Authority of Ireland for medical devices. John Paul Phelan. [5064/23]

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

- \*65. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he could address the concerns on internet and broadband in west Cork (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [5055/23]
- \*66. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will ensure that persons who live over their business premises where the same electricity connection covers the entire premises, both residential and business, will have their accounts credited through the electricity costs emergency benefit schemes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [5140/23]
- \*67. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the way that district energy schemes are regulated; the rationale for not doing so under the Commission for the Regulation of Utilities; and the reason that residential customers are then billed as commercial customers, given that part of the rationale for a just transition is energy and cost efficiency. Paul Kehoe. [4838/23]
- \*68. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications further to Parliamentary Question No. 19 of 28 September 2022, the progress that has been made to date on developing new wind energy guidelines; when the publication of these new guidelines can be expected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Frankie Feighan. [4844/23]
- \*69. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4850/23]
- \*70. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4868/23]

\*71. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if there is a limit in megawatts in relation to how large a private electricity power generation installation can be (details supplied). — Catherine Murphy. [5198/23]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

- \*72. To ask the Minister for Transport further Parliamentary Question Nos. 233 and 234 of 18 January 2023, if he will direct the Road Safety Authority to ensure that applicants for the driver theory test with special needs, including those who are functionally illiterate, can apply for a reader recorder service by means other than writing to the Driver Theory Test Service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [4829/23]
- \*73. To ask the Minister for Transport further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 233 and 234 of 18 January 2023, the locations of the driver theory test centres at which the reader recorder service is currently available to applicants; the number of applicants who used the service at each centre in each of the years 2018-2022, inclusive, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [4830/23]
- \*74. To ask the Minister for Transport further Parliamentary Question Nos. 233 and 234 of 18 January 2023, if he will direct the Road Safety Authority to promote and advertise the reader recorder service in order that applicants for the driver theory test with special needs, including those who are functionally illiterate, can be made aware of the service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [4831/23]
- \*75. To ask the Minister for Transport further Parliamentary Question Nos. 233 and 234 of 18 January 2023, how the reader recorder service available to applicants for the driver theory test with special needs, including those who are functionally illiterate, operates in practice for the user; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [4832/23]
- \*76. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4862/23]
- \*77. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4880/23]
- \*78. To ask the Minister for Transport if consideration will be given to an issue (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Marian Harkin. [4931/23]
- \*79. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of appointments booked and paid for more than 28 days in advance of a NCT test per test centre; and the amount of revenue this generated in 2021, 2022 and 2023 to date, in tabular form. Sorca Clarke. [5049/23]
- \*80. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to the ongoing issues with the 76-bus route (details supplied); the plans his Department has in place to fix these issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul Murphy. [5116/23]

- \*81. To ask the Minister for Transport the financial supports available for private bus operators and companies that provide coach-hire services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mairéad Farrell. [5124/23]
- \*82. To ask the Minister for Transport further to Parliamentary Question No. 227 of 2 November 2021, if he will provide an updated list of numbers waiting on driving test by county from January 2022 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5239/23]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

- \*83. To ask the Minister for Finance the quarterly payments to each political party under the Exchequer funding heading under the Electoral Act 1992, since January 2015; and the dates on which each was paid. Alan Farrell. [4976/23]
- \*84. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will extend the rental tax credit to PHD students who are paying for rent from their educational stipend which is untaxed (details supplied). Patrick Costello. [5039/23]
- \*85. To ask the Minister for Finance if he is considering increasing the duration of the 9% VAT rate for the hospitality sector, which is due to increase to 13.5% in February 2023 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul McAuliffe. [4840/23]
- \*86. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4851/23]
- \*87. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4869/23]
- \*88. To ask the Minister for Finance if he has engaged with an organisation (details supplied) in relation to the VAT level placed on the industry; and if he plans to proceed with the increase in VAT due in February 2023 on the sector. Patrick Costello. [4914/23]
- \*89. To ask the Minister for Finance if the €500 rental tax credit will apply to those tenants who rent from approved housing bodies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [4915/23]
- \*90. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 372 and 415 of 14 June 2022, if he will provide an update in relation to the Disabled Drivers' Medical Board of Appeal (details supplied). Joan Collins. [4957/23]
- \*91. To ask the Minister for Finance if taxpayers who paid stamp duty when purchasing their second-hand houses can be given a credit against the local property tax; if this issue was considered previously; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Seán Haughey. [4961/23]

- \*92. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of businesses that have applied for assistance under the temporary business energy support scheme to date by county; the number of applications that have been successful by county; the estimated value or worth of the support to date for each county, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Louise O'Reilly. [4968/23]
- \*93. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of businesses that have applied for loans under the Ukraine credit guarantee scheme to date by county; the number of applications that have been successful by county; the estimated value or worth of the loans to date for each county, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Louise O'Reilly. [4971/23]
- \*94. To ask the Minister for Finance if his attention has been drawn to the findings of a report by a person (details supplied). John McGuinness. [5054/23]
- \*95. To ask the Minister for Finance if correspondence from his Department to the Central Bank to which a newspaper article refers (details supplied) will be provided to this Deputy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Ged Nash. [5127/23]
- \*96. To ask the Minister for Finance the modified total domestic demand in each of the years 2008 to 2022, in nominal terms; the annual percentage change for the same years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [5194/23]
- \*97. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will consider amending the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman Act 2017 to assist people who feel their pension was devalued by mismanagement through wind up (details supplied) but who cannot be assisted by the Ombudsman because the pension scheme in question no longer exists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Emer Higgins. [5286/23]

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

- \*98. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4857/23]
- \*99. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

  Peadar Tóibín. [4875/23]

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

\*100. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the amount spent by her Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if she will provide details in relation to this spending; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [4861/23]

- \*101. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if her attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of her Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4879/23]
- \*102. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide the most recent annual data including 2022 on the level of Údarás na Gaeltachta-supported jobs by county respectively, the number of additional jobs created since the formation of the Government on 27 June 2020, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [4916/23]
- \*103. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if the Government has plans to commemorate the civil war in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Danny Healy-Rae. [5148/23]

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

- \*104. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4855/23]
- \*105. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4873/23]
- \*106. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the person or body that has responsibility for an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Ring. [4897/23]
- \*107. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to the 75 ghost housing estates nationwide; if he will provide a breakdown of the number of houses and location of each ghost estate broken down by local authority area; the plans that are in place to bring these houses into use; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Seán Canney. [5002/23]
- \*108. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the process by which he has directed the Chief Executive of Galway City Council to reverse the rezoning changes that councillors made to the Draft City Development Plan; if affected landowners have an avenue to make inquiries in relation to this decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mairéad Farrell. [5043/23]
- \*109. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the annual target for new housing units provided by local authorities and approved housing bodies broken down by newbuilds, both direct build and turnkey, Part V, regeneration, and voids, in each of the years from 2016 to 2023, in tabular form. Cian O'Callaghan. [5141/23]

- \*110. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount returned from his Department's allocation in each of the years between 2018 and 2022, inclusive in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cian O'Callaghan. [5142/23]
- \*111. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount carried over by his Department's allocation in each of the years between 2018 and 2022, inclusive in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cian O'Callaghan. [5143/23]
- \*112. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if there is any provision in the recently announced scheme for defective apartments for those families who have had to vacate uninhabitable apartments and secure other accommodation. Brian Stanley. [5147/23]
- \*113. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 98 of 10 November 2021, his views on whether local authorities have benefitted from procedural guidance to assist victims of domestic violence; his further views on whether this policy needs further review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5238/23]

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

- \*114. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4852/23]
- \*115. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

  Peadar Tóibín. [4870/23]

Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

- \*116. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4847/23]
- \*117. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4865/23]
- \*118. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the amount of time he envisages the LE Róisín and LE Niamh will remain in operational reserve due to staffing shortages; and if the staff shortages in the naval service will affect the deployment of the two new ships due to arrive from New Zealand in the coming months. Sorca Clarke. [5048/23]

\*119. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if his Department has been contacted by other Departments to assist in the housing or placement of refugees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [5165/23]

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

- \*120. To ask the Minister for Education the position regarding the schools' energy retrofit pathfinder programme; the number of schools supported to date under this programme; the proposed number to be funded in 2023 and 2024, respectively; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Steven Matthews. [4083/23]
- \*121. To ask the Minister for Education if she will list the additional services for which the €10 million announced regarding school transport has been provided; the areas the services are in; the number of additional children accommodated; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Réada Cronin. [4820/23]
- \*122. To ask the Minister for Education when she will publish her Department's review with the Department of Transport of the school-bus allocation system, given that parents are now trying to decide which schools their children should apply for to be based on the school-bus service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Réada Cronin. [4821/23]
- \*123. To ask the Minister for Education if she will publish interim reports on the review of the school-bus allocation system; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Réada Cronin. [4822/23]
- \*124. To ask the Minister for Education her Department's plans to address the current shortage of places in secondary schools in north Kildare and to build the capacity of same in the longer-term; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Réada Cronin. [4823/23]
- \*125. To ask the Minister for Education if she will meet with a group (details supplied) to discuss redeployment of teachers within the second level system. Patrick Costello. [4839/23]
- \*126. To ask the Minister for Education the amount spent by her Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if she will provide details in relation to this spending; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4848/23]
- \*127. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of her Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4866/23]
- \*128. To ask the Minister for Education her views on the key recommendations of the report on the summer programme 2023 (details supplied), published by the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Autism in November 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Fergus O'Dowd. [4882/23]
- \*129. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the applications made for bus tickets for children (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Anne Rabbitte. [4884/23]

- \*130. To ask the Minister for Education if she will consider providing funding to students (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Ring. [4895/23]
- \*131. To ask the Minister for Education the status of an application made for bus tickets for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Anne Rabbitte. [4912/23]
- \*132. To ask the Minister for Education if there are any plans for her Department to recognise gender identity on school management information systems, given that the Central Statistics Office is planning on recognising gender identity other than male and female in the 2027 census; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jennifer Whitmore. [4964/23]
- \*133. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department has any plans to dispose of a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Claire Kerrane. [4975/23]
- \*134. To ask the Minister for Education the status of a situation regarding Ukrainian children who cannot attend school until Bus Éireann sanctions travel insurance (details supplied) in relation to the school they are attending. James Lawless. [4998/23]
- \*135. To ask the Minister for Education the reason for the delay in releasing the minor works grant to schools; when an announcement will be made; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Denis Naughten. [4999/23]
- \*136. To ask the Minister for Education if she could provide an update on the plans for the site recently acquired at the school (details supplied); if the site will be used to expand play areas for the children in the school; if part of the site will be used for additional classrooms including an ASD class; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [5051/23]
- \*137. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the pyrite remedial works at the school (details supplied); when they are due to commence; if they will involve the full removal of all pyrite from the foundations of the school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [5052/23]
- \*138. To ask the Minister for Education if the extension to a school (details supplied) which her Department previously committed to building, is proceeding; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [5053/23]
- \*139. To ask the Minister for Education the number of outstanding applications to an organisation (details supplied); the number of outstanding appeals; when it is expected that all applications and appeals will be finalised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly. [5060/23]
- \*140. To ask the Minister for Education when the legislation to formally wind up an organisation (details supplied) will be introduced; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

  Catherine Connolly. [5061/23]
- \*141. To ask the Minister for Education if she received correspondence (details supplied) from this Deputy in which representations were made on behalf of a school in County Donegal; when a reply will issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [5110/23]

- \*142. To ask the Minister for Education if there are restrictions and regulations on private for-profit companies operating in schools; if so, if he will provide these restrictions and regulations and any decision-making process attached; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Richard Boyd Barrett. [5112/23]
- \*143. To ask the Minister for Education the efforts underway to ensure that all children attending special schools receive the provision they require to assist in the running of a summer programme each year; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [5130/23]
- \*144. To ask the Minister for Education if a commitment will be given that a school (details supplied) will be relocated to the old horology site in Blanchardstown; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Mick Barry. [5182/23]
- \*145. To ask the Minister for Education if she will review the capitation funding for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Mick Barry. [5184/23]
- \*146. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide funding to a school (details supplied) to allow for the creation of a walking deputy principal role; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Mick Barry. [5185/23]
- \*147. To ask the Minister for Education if DEIS status will be given to a school (details supplied); if funding for food for pupils will be provided; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Mick Barry. [5186/23]

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

- \*148. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if consideration will be given by her Department for the entitlement to free travel in circumstances in which there is a rapid onset of a fatal medical diagnosis but in which the person does not have the required social welfare payment eligibility; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Creed. [4828/23]
- \*149. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will elaborate on section 119 (b) of the Social Welfare Act 2005, as it relates to applications for the invalidity pension and specifically the requirement for class A PRSI contributions in the relevant years; the person or body that is routinely liable for paying class A PRSI contributions; the reason that all other categories of PRSI contributions in the relevant period are deemed ineligible for consideration for the invalidity pension; her views on whether these conditions are fair and equitable with regard to the invalidity pension in circumstances in which there is a rapid onset of a fatal medical diagnoses; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Creed. [4837/23]
- \*150. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a decision will be made on a disability allowance application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [4841/23]
- \*151. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a decision will be made on a disability allowance section 317 review for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [4842/23]

- \*152. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the amount spent by her Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if she will provide details in relation to this spending; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4859/23]
- \*153. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of her Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4877/23]
- \*154. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason that a carer's allowance review for a person (details supplied) submitted to her Department in November 2022 was sent to the social welfare appeals office; the reason that supporting documentation supplied was requested again; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [4885/23]
- \*155. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will consider allowing widows and widowers to claim jobseeker's benefit for periods of unemployment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Christopher O'Sullivan. [4896/23]
- \*156. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will arrange to process a fuel allowance application (details supplied). Michael Creed. [4966/23]
- \*157. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will arrange to process a fuel allowance application (details supplied). Michael Creed. [4967/23]
- \*158. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the progress to date in the determination of an application for a PPS number in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [4979/23]
- \*159. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide an update on the case of a person (details supplied). John McGuinness. [5121/23]
- \*160. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal can expect an application for the one-parent family payment to be processed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [5144/23]

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

- \*161. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of persons who have died while residing in direct provision centres in the State in each year since direct provision was introduced; and if he can provide details on the cause of death and age at death in each case, in tabular form. Peadar Tóibín. [5221/23]
- \*162. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4846/23]

- \*163. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4864/23]
- \*164. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if a location (details supplied) is due to be used as accommodation for persons seeking international protection; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mairéad Farrell. [5040/23]
- \*165. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if the niece of a deceased woman (details supplied) who spent time in a mother and baby home is eligible to access the redress scheme; if this negates the claim for compensation if the child of the deceased woman was adopted on the mother's behalf; and if so, if this then allows the next of kin, a niece make a claim instead; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bríd Smith. [5042/23]
- \*166. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide an update on the meeting of a group (details supplied) and officials from his Department on 30 September 2022 which despite repeated requests from the representative group no follow up has been provided. Sorca Clarke. [5046/23]
- \*167. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if any allowance for utility bills can be made for those who are hosting refugees in their homes given the rising costs of energy bills and the pressure this is creating for many families; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Richard Boyd Barrett. [5111/23]
- \*168. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his attention was drawn to the anomaly within the national childcare scheme where parents who are paying their childcare provider for full-day attendance but who leave their children at the facility for shorter hours are, in the cases whereby the childcare provider uses the NCP app, receiving less subsidy and therefore paying more childcare costs than if they were to leave the child for longer hours; if he intends to resolve this anomaly; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [5119/23]
- \*169. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the date when the Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Act 2023 will be operational; if he will report on the delays for the signing of Statutory Instruments; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

  Róisín Shortall. [5122/23]
- \*170. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of people, under 18 and over 18 years, who have been taken into wardship in December 2022 and January 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Róisín Shortall. [5123/23]
- \*171. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his plans to introduce mandatory paediatric first-aid training for all childcare workers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Denis Naughten. [5195/23]
- \*172. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of persons who died while residing in direct provision centres in each year since direct provision was introduced; and the cause of death and age at death in tabular form. Peadar Tóibín. [5228/23]

\*173. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of children who died while in State care in each year since 2011, in tabular form; and if a breakdown can be provided on the cause of death. — Peadar Tóibín. [5229/23]

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

- \*174. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to reports that the staff at SOLAS have not returned to the office and continue to work remotely without access to many files, creating backlogs for service users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5245/23]
- \*175. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4853/23]
- \*176. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4871/23]
- \*177. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if a student (details supplied) who has been living in Ireland for longer than five years will be considered eligible for EU fees rather that fees for an international student; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Thomas Pringle. [4960/23]
- \*178. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will provide an update on the case of a student (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [5059/23]
- \*179. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science his plans to ensure that the location selection process for the proposed new veterinary school is transparent and based on the input of veterinary experts. Ivana Bacik. [5125/23]
- \*180. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his attention has been drawn to reports that a bank (details supplied) has ceased its loan arrangements with medical students. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5242/23]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

- \*181. To ask the Minister for Justice the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4856/23]
- \*182. To ask the Minister for Justice if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or

- communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4874/23]
- \*183. To ask the Minister for Justice if he will provide an update on the recruitment of new gardaí with respect to increasing diversity and gender balance in the force. Cathal Crowe. [4907/23]
- \*184. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of new Garda vehicles allocated to the Garda Technical Bureau in 2022; the number of vehicles withdrawn from the Technical Bureau during the same period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [4982/23]
- \*185. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of each category of public order training courses that were held in either the Garda training college or Garda headquarters in 2022; the number of gardaí per course; the duration of each course, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [4983/23]
- \*186. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of vehicles seized by Garda authorities in the J district for having no insurance in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [4984/23]
- \*187. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of road traffic collisions in each of the years 2019 to 2022 in each Garda district in County Waterford; the number that resulted in a fatality or serious injury; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [4985/23]
- \*188. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of Garda cars and vans attached to Dundalk and Drogheda Garda districts as of 25 January 2023; if he will provide the corresponding figures for 31 January 2021, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [4986/23]
- \*189. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of persons arrested and charged with burglary offences in the R district on 24, 25 and 26 December 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [4987/23]
- \*190. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 509 of 13 December 2022, if he has received the necessary information from the Garda authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [4988/23]
- \*191. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 556 of 25 October 2022, if he has received the necessary information from the Garda authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [4989/23]
- \*192. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of inspections carried out by Garda authorities in each district within the Dublin region on pubs, clubs and nightclubs to ensure full compliance with alcohol licensing legislation in 2022 and to date in 2023; the percentage of premises that were in breach of the legislation and the frequency in which inspections are carried out, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jim O'Callaghan. [4990/23]
- \*193. To ask the Minister for Justice the process to be followed by a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [5128/23]

- \*194. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of male-born prisoners who are in women's prisons in Ireland; and the details of the crimes they were convicted of. Peadar Tóibín. [5190/23]
- \*195. To ask the Minister for Justice the current wait time for citizenship applications in the State; the longest anyone has been left waiting for citizenship; the number of staff currently employed for the purposes of processing citizenship applications; the number of staff employed as of January 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [5220/23]
- \*196. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of persons who died as prisoners in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023; and the cause of death, in tabular form. Peadar Tóibín. [5271/23]

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

- \*197. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the impact of the European Commission's proposed timeline extension for the EU Medical Devices Regulation for notified bodies in Ireland. John Paul Phelan. [5065/23]
- \*198. To ask the Minister for Health what his Department is doing to resolve CORU registration delay issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5241/23]
- \*199. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that women who suffer from hyperemesis gravidarum during pregnancy have to pay for vital medication; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [4819/23]
- \*200. To ask the Minister for Health the number of acute inpatient beds at University Hospital Limerick at the start of each year from 2000 to 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. David Cullinane. [4824/23]
- \*201. To ask the Minister for Health the number of beds at University Hospital Limerick, by bed classification, at the start of each year from 2000 to 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. David Cullinane. [4825/23]
- \*202. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff, by staff grade, employed to work in the emergency department at University Hospital Limerick at the start of each year from 2000 to 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4826/23]
- \*203. To ask the Minister for Health the plans that University Hospital Limerick has to expand capacity in the coming years; the number of beds with capital project approval; the number of applications or other such submissions made for further capacity by the hospital and hospital group; the stage at which each application is at; and the level of capacity they would add, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4827/23]
- \*204. To ask the Minister for Health the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4854/23]

- \*205. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4872/23]
- \*206. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children on disability service waiting lists for children's disability networks teams in the Kilbarrack area; the number of additional staff recruitments that are needed to reduce this waiting list; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cian O'Callaghan. [4881/23]
- \*207. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of claims issued against the State via the State Claims Agency which relate to the deaths of persons from Covid-19, after they contracted the virus either in a hospital or nursing home. Peadar Tóibín. [4886/23]
- \*208. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children currently waiting on a CAMHS waiting list in each county in the State; the number who have been waiting for more than a year; the number who have been waiting for more than three months; and the number of children waiting more than six months, in tabular form. Peadar Tóibín. [4887/23]
- \*209. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who died on hospital trolleys in each of the past ten years, by hospital, in tabular form. Peadar Tóibín. [4888/23]
- \*210. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who have left emergency departments without being seen, in each of the past ten years, and to date in 2023. Peadar Tóibín. [4889/23]
- \*211. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who have left emergency departments without being seen, in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, by hospital, in tabular form. Peadar Tóibín. [4890/23]
- \*212. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people screened by BreastCheck in each of the past ten years. Peadar Tóibín. [4891/23]
- \*213. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people screened by CervicalCheck in each of the past ten years. Peadar Tóibín. [4892/23]
- \*214. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons diagnosed with cancer in the State in each of the past ten years, by cancer type, in tabular form. Peadar Tóibín. [4893/23]
- \*215. To ask the Minister for Health if he has held any meetings or discussions either within his Department or with external experts to seek to ascertain the reason that Ireland is suffering from an increase or perceived increase in the death rate in comparison with previous years; if he will detail the dates upon which these meetings took place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4894/23]
- \*216. To ask the Minister for Health if he will ensure affordable access to cariban treatment for women who are pregnant and suffering with hyperemisis gravidarum; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Christopher O'Sullivan. [4899/23]

- \*217. To ask the Minister for Health the progress on the community neuro-rehabilitation team set up for in CHO4; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Christopher O'Sullivan. [4905/23]
- \*218. To ask the Minister for Health the number of consultant posts by location and by specialty; the number which are consultant appointment advisory committee-approved; the number which are not; the number which are vacant; the number which are filled on a permanent basis; the number which are filled on a temporary, agency, or locum basis; the number which have previously been filled but which are now vacant or filled on a non-permanent basis; and the number which are new posts, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4913/23]
- \*219. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against patients at Beaumont Hospital for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and in January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4917/23]
- \*220. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against staff, by staff category, at Beaumont Hospital for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and in January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4918/23]
- \*221. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against patients at Children's Health Ireland hospitals for each month of the years 2019 to 2022, and in January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4920/23]
- \*222. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against staff, by staff category, at Children's Health Ireland hospitals for each month of 2019 to 2022, and in January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4921/23]
- \*223. To ask the Minister for Health the number of wholetime equivalent specialist neurology nurses employed at University Hospital Waterford; if there are plans to recruit additional neurology nurses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. David Cullinane. [4922/23]
- \*224. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against patients at HSE hospitals and community healthcare facilities for each month of 2019 to 2022, and in January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4923/23]
- \*225. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against staff, by staff category, at HSE hospitals and community healthcare facilities for each month of 2019 to 2022, and in January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4924/23]
- \*226. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against patients at the Mater Hospital and facilities for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4925/23]
- \*227. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against staff, by staff category, at the Mater hospitals and facilities for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4926/23]
- \*228. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against patients at South Infirmary, Victoria University Hospital for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and in January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4927/23]

- \*229. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against staff, by staff category, at South Infirmary, Victoria University Hospital for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and in January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4928/23]
- \*230. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against patients at Mercy Hospital, Cork for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4929/23]
- \*231. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against staff, by staff category, at Mercy Hospital, Cork for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4930/23]
- \*232. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against patients at St. James's Hospital for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4932/23]
- \*233. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against staff, by staff category, at St. James's Hospital for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4933/23]
- \*234. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against patients at St. Vincent's Hospital for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4941/23]
- \*235. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against staff, by staff category, at St. Vincent's Hospital for each month of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4942/23]
- \*236. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against patients at Tallaght Hospital for each month of 2019 to 2022, and in January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4953/23]
- \*237. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against staff, by staff category, at Tallaght Hospital for each month of 2019 to 2022, and in January 2023, in tabular form. David Cullinane. [4954/23]
- \*238. To ask the Minister for Health when he will publish the report into the secondment of a doctor (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. David Cullinane. [4956/23]
- \*239. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the claims made on the HSE website in which it is outlined that the national clinical programme for eating disorders focusses on four main eating disorders, including avoidant restrictive food intake disorder; if his attention has been drawn to reports that a number of children with this condition cannot receive the services they need; if his attention has been further drawn to the fact that, despite reference on the website to a national clinical lead, some children with ARFID are without a clinical lead; if he will outline the services that are available and accessible to children with ARFID, including those children with autism, in each CHO; the services available for children in CHOs where such services are not available; the access routes available to families and children in CHOs where such services and clinical leads or experienced professionals are not available; if he will consider requesting that the HSE website be amended to reflect the deficit of services and the way that any services that may

- be available can be accessed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Martin Browne. [4963/23]
- \*240. To ask the Minister for Health the number of beds, by bed category, funded for each hospital for 2019 and for 2022, in tabular form; and the number available on average for each month of 2019 and 2022. David Cullinane. [4965/23]
- \*241. To ask the Minister for Health the number of adult ADHD specialists that are working in CHO9; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Duncan Smith. [4974/23]
- \*242. To ask the Minister for Health the number of lactation consultants that will be appointed in CHO4 in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Christopher O'Sullivan. [4977/23]
- \*243. To ask the Minister for Health the number of lactation consultants that will be appointed in Bandon, Kinsale, and Carrigaline networks of network 13 in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Christopher O'Sullivan. [4978/23]
- \*244. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE will separate out the public health nurse role in order that public health nurses can have a choice between working with children and babies (child welfare clinics) or the elderly; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Christopher O'Sullivan. [4980/23]
- \*245. To ask the Minister for Health if there will be any specialist posts created in community healthcare under the field of maternity care, including anti-natal education, anti-natal clinics, post-natal care and mother and babies, and so on; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

  Christopher O'Sullivan. [4981/23]
- \*246. To ask the Minister for Health when he expects the ongoing medicine shortages problem to end; and if he will make a statement on the matter. David Cullinane. [4991/23]
- \*247. To ask the Minister for Health if he expects the medicine shortages problem and record levels of out-of-stock medicines to end after the winter flu season; and if he will make a statement on the matter. David Cullinane. [4992/23]
- \*248. To ask the Minister for Health if, given research showing medicine manufacturers in Ireland are getting paid up to four times as much for their products in the UK and seven other EU member states, he accepts that price is one of the factors contributing to the ongoing high level of medicine shortages. David Cullinane. [4993/23]
- \*249. To ask the Minister for Health if, in light of comments from the executive director of the European Medicines Agency stating that the very low price of generic medicines threatens the sustainability of supply of medicines, he will now move to initiate a full review of the 2019 medicines pricing agreements. David Cullinane. [4994/23]
- \*250. To ask the Minister for Health if, further to a public statement by his Departmental spokesperson indicating that the HSE completed a comprehensive review of the published HPRA shortages list on 16 January 2023, he will publish this review in full. David Cullinane. [4995/23]

- \*251. To ask the Minister for Health the annual spend under the health vote on ingredient cost elements, excluding fees, of exempt medicinal products in each of the years 2020 to 2022. David Cullinane. [4996/23]
- \*252. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of staff working in all CAMHS services in County Louth, by name and location of service, total number of staff employed, and the number of vacant posts, in each of the years 2020 to 2022 and to date in 2023 in tabular form covering south Louth and east Meath as of 1 December 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Fergus O'Dowd. [4997/23]
- \*253. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full year cost of recruiting additional ten whole-time equivalent midwives for the maternity unit at Cavan General Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [5022/23]
- \*254. To ask the Minister for Health the number of whole-time equivalent vacancies by job title currently in the oncology day unit at Cavan General Hospital; when these vacancies will be filled, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [5023/23]
- \*255. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff who are needed to reach full staffing levels in each of the children's disability network teams in CHO1; the number of staff who are currently in place in each of the children's disability network teams in CHO1; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [5024/23]
- \*256. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the purported 552-week waiting list for children awaiting tonsilitis assessment and surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sorca Clarke. [5047/23]
- \*257. To ask the Minister for Health further to section 43 of the Residential Institutions Statutory Fund Act 2012; the amount paid into the special account maintained by the Minister for Health to be used as contributions towards the costs of the National Children's Hospital to date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly. [5050/23]
- \*258. To ask the Minister for Health the number of meetings he has held with his European counterparts to discuss the EU Medical Devices Regulation and its impact on the certification of medical devices; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Paul Phelan. [5067/23]
- \*259. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to a rodent infestation in University Hospital Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [5068/23]
- \*260. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by his Department and aegis bodies, excluding the Health Service Executive, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5070/23]
- \*261. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by his Department and aegis bodies, excluding the Health Service Executive, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5071/23]

- \*262. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the Health Service Executive, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5072/23]
- \*263. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the Health Service Executive, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5073/23]
- \*264. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by Beaumont Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5074/23]
- \*265. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by Beaumont Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5075/23]
- \*266. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by Children's Health Ireland, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5076/23]
- \*267. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by Children's Health Ireland, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5077/23]
- \*268. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5078/23]
- \*269. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5079/23]
- \*270. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the Mercy University Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the

- value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5080/23]
- \*271. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the Mercy University Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5081/23]
- \*272. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the South Infirmary/Victoria Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5082/23]
- \*273. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the South Infirmary/Victoria Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5083/23]
- \*274. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by St James's Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5084/23]
- \*275. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by St James's Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5085/23]
- \*276. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by St Vincent's Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5086/23]
- \*277. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by St Vincent's Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5087/23]
- \*278. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by Tallaght Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5088/23]

- \*279. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by Tallaght Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5089/23]
- \*280. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by Cappagh Orthopaedic Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5090/23]
- \*281. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by Cappagh Orthopaedic Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5091/23]
- \*282. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the National Rehabilitation Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5092/23]
- \*283. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the National Rehabilitation Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5093/23]
- \*284. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by St John's Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5094/23]
- \*285. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by St John's Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5095/23]
- \*286. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the National Maternity Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5096/23]
- \*287. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the National Maternity Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the

- awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5097/23]
- \*288. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by Coombe Women's Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5098/23]
- \*289. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by Coombe Women's Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5099/23]
- \*290. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made following a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the Rotunda Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5100/23]
- \*291. To ask the Minister for Health the awards made without a tender process to management consultancy firms, by firm, by the Rotunda Hospital, in each of the years 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form; the purpose and a brief description of the awards; the value of the awards and the total amounts paid; the timeline or timeframe of the contracts; and the desired or completed output. David Cullinane. [5101/23]
- \*292. To ask the Minister for Health when comprehensive supports, including speech therapy, occupational therapy, psychology and physiotherapy, will be provided by the children's disability network team for a child (details supplied), in view of the fact that it is proven that high-quality early intervention has a profound positive effect on outcomes for children with a disability; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Éamon Ó Cuív. [5106/23]
- \*293. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of Irish patients suffering from sleep apnoea in the State, by HSE CHO area, in tabular form. John Lahart. [5107/23]
- \*294. To ask the Minister for Health the number of Irish patients who are waiting for a sleep disorder screening appointment, by HSE CHO area, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Lahart. [5108/23]
- \*295. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of persons who are waiting for sleep disorder care (details supplied); and the average waiting time for such services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Lahart. [5109/23]
- \*296. To ask the Minister for Health following the failure to bring in the GP card for children of ages six and seven years as promised in 2022, if he will provide an update in relation to this; and if he will ensure that this is introduced as a matter of urgency. Paul Murphy. [5114/23]
- \*297. To ask the Minister for Health if staff within an organisation (details supplied) are eligible for the pandemic bonus payment given the essential service they provided throughout the Covid-19 pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [5118/23]

- \*298. To ask the Minister for Health when it is anticipated that consideration of the method of implementing the Expert Review Body on Nursing and Midwifery is expected to be completed; and if he plans to communicate to relevant stakeholders how those recommendations will be implemented. Ivana Bacik. [5120/23]
- \*299. To ask the Minister for Health if there are plans to extend prescribing authority to GPs for the nausea drug, cariban, which presently is planned to only be prescribed by consultants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Kathleen Funchion. [5126/23]
- \*300. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide waiting list figures for CAMHS services in CHO 3 and CHO5; the number of children waiting 0-3, 3-6, 6-12 months, and over 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Martin Browne. [5173/23]
- \*301. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that fully-operational specialist eating disorder teams are not available in CHO3 and CHO5; if he will provide data on the staffing of each of the teams nationally, including staffing vacancies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Martin Browne. [5174/23]
- \*302. To ask the Minister for Health the number of full-time psychiatrists allocated to CAMHS in each CHO; and the number of vacancies that exist in these positions in each CHO. Martin Browne. [5175/23]
- \*303. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide details of all CAMHS teams that are operational on a seven-days-a-week basis; and the availability of staff in each discipline. Martin Browne. [5176/23]
- \*304. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the suitability of the environments provided to cater for crisis mental health presentations to the emergency department at Tipperary University Hospital; if it provides the privacy needed to cater for multiple patients at one time; if he has plans to invest in this area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Martin Browne. [5177/23]
- \*305. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the national clinical programme for dual diagnosis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mark Ward. [5180/23]
- \*306. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital admissions that occurred through the University of Limerick Hospitals Group accident and emergency or the acute medical assessment units due to hypoglycaemia in each of the years 2017 to 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5230/23]
- \*307. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital admissions that occurred through the University of Limerick Hospitals Group accident and emergency or the acute medical assessment units due to hypoglycaemia in each of the years 2017 to 2022, in the age ranges of 18-24 years, 25-34 years, 35-44 years, 45-54 years, 55-64 years, and over 65 years of age, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5231/23]
- \*308. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital admissions that occurred through the University of Limerick Hospitals Group accident and emergency or the acute medical assessment units due to diabetic ketoacidosis in each of the years 2017 to 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5232/23]

- \*309. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital admissions that occurred through the University of Limerick Hospitals Group accident and emergency or the acute medical assessment units due to diabetic ketoacidosis in each of the years 2017 to 2022 in the age ranges of 18-24 years, 25-34 years, 35-44 years, 45-54 years, 55-64 years, and over 65 years of age, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5233/23]
- \*310. To ask the Minister for Health the dedicated whole-time equivalents of consultant endocrinologists, dietitians, advanced nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, staff nurses and administrative support posts currently dedicated to the outpatient adult diabetes clinic in each of the hospitals under the University of Limerick Hospitals Group; the dedicated whole-time equivalents of consultant endocrinologists, dietitians, advanced nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, staff nurses and administrative support posts currently in place in the paediatric diabetes and endocrinology service at University Hospital Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5234/23]
- \*311. To ask the Minister for Health the number of occasions that the adult diabetes outpatient clinic was cancelled at University Hospital Limerick during the years 2021 and 2022; the number of patients that were scheduled to attend each date that was cancelled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5235/23]
- \*312. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a review into the primary medical certificate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5236/23]
- \*313. To ask the Minister for Health the aggressive recruitment strategy that his Department will engage in, with respect to significant vacancies in CAMHS mid-west; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5237/23]
- \*314. To ask the Minister for Health the population that each community healthcare team serves in CH03, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5240/23]
- \*315. To ask the Minister for Health if he has received the open letter from 87 consultants working out of University Hospital Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5243/23]

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

- \*316. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount spent by his Department on online advertising in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if he will provide details in relation to this spending; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peadar Tóibín. [4845/23]
- \*317. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his attention has been drawn to any instances where the public relations unit and or press office of his Department undertook to create social media accounts under false names, which were operated in order to further the messaging or communications of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

  Peadar Tóibín. [4863/23]
- \*318. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the implications of a proposed acquisition (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [4883/23]

- \*319. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total amount of all farm payments in euro paid out to farmers in each county, in tabular form, since the formation of this Government; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [4901/23]
- \*320. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total number of farmers paid under the basic payment scheme; the total amount of payments in euro paid out under this scheme by county, in tabular form since the formation of this Government; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [4902/23]
- \*321. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total number of farmers paid under the areas of natural constraint; the total amount of payments in euro paid out under this scheme by county, in tabular form, since the formation of this Government; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [4903/23]
- \*322. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total amount of payments in euro paid out under to beef and sheep farmers in each county, in tabular form since the formation of this Government; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [4904/23]
- \*323. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will confirm that it is essential for an animal welfare charity to have a dog-breeding establishment licence in order to access the annual grant funding (details supplied). Eoin Ó Broin. [4955/23]
- \*324. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a beam scheme penalty will be withdrawn in respect of a farmer (details supplied) in County Kerry given they were informed that they had met all the conditions of the scheme in August 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Griffin. [5000/23]
- \*325. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will directly intervene in a national reserve application by a person (details supplied) under 5.10 of the terms and conditions and allow force majeure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Griffin. [5001/23]
- \*326. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way that he intends to reimburse those affected by the decommissioning scheme; if the scheme will leave those affected in debt or financially secure (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Alan Dillon. [5069/23]

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### Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

1. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the status of the investigation into the killing of a member of the Defence Forces in Lebanon in December 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Cowen. [4946/23]

- 2. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the strategies and improvements required to attract females to enlist in the Defence Forces and to feel fully respected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [5032/23]
- 3. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of new recruits to the Defence Forces; and the number of discharges in each of the years 2018 to 2022, inclusive. Matt Carthy. [4694/23]
- 4. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the future plans for Custume Barracks, Athlone; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Denis Naughten. [2033/23]
- 5. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence his Department's response to the change in practice where the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform will no longer allow his Department to retain budget savings arising from the shortfall in the establishment figure of the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brady. [5160/23]
- 6. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he has had engagement with his counterparts in the European Union; if he will report on those engagements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Gino Kenny. [5168/23]
- 7. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence his plans for the Reserve Defence Force in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul McAuliffe. [5135/23]
- 8. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the strength of the Naval Service, Army and Air Corps in each of the years from 2020 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul Kehoe. [5021/23]
- 9. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the priorities for 2023 with regard to the implementation of the recommendations of the report of the Commission on the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [5045/23]
- 10. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the plans that are in place in relation to the Government jet; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [4738/23]
- 11. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence his Department's plans in relation to further investment to update and procure new aircraft for the Air Corps; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James O'Connor. [5102/23]
- 12. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if the independent assessment (details supplied) with regard to the independent review to examine the effectiveness of the policies, systems and procedures in place for dealing with bullying, harassment, discrimination, sexual harassment and sexual assault in the Defence Forces, has been received by the independent review group to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly. [4834/23]
- 13. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of fully-qualified doctors in the Defence Forces; the establishment figure for doctors in the Defence Forces; the number that are currently active in Ireland at this time; the roles they are employed in; the number of locums that are being used by the Defence Forces; the number that are serving abroad; the specific missions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brady. [5157/23]

- 14. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will declare any conflict of interest in defence matters; if any matters came to him as Taoiseach that required his decision that now mean he has a prior position on them; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5226/23]
- 15. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if has met with the representative organisations from the permanent Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [5044/23]
- 16. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if Collins Barracks, Cork will be the location of the headquarters of the military formation that will control military operations in the southern region of the country, in the new Defence Forces structure that emerges as a result of the recommendations set out in the Report of the Commission on the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Colm Burke. [4948/23]
- 17. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the initiatives he will be taking in relation to recruitment and retention in the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter.Cathal Crowe. [4739/23]
- 18. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of times that planned Naval Service operations did not go ahead in each of the past five years due to low staffing numbers. Thomas Gould. [5137/23]
- 19. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence his assessment of the UNIFIL mission at present; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Cowen. [4945/23]
- 20. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he has met or is intending to meet with a group (details supplied) since assuming office as Minister. Brendan Howlin. [5153/23]
- 21. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will review the State's overall handing of the Jadotville case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Griffin. [5199/23]
- 22. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the status of the review by his Department and the Defence Forces of the recommendations in the Report of the Commission on the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [5145/23]
- 23. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the anticipated future role of the Defence Forces, Army, Naval Service, and Air Corps in future national and or European defence measures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [5172/23]
- 24. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will provide an update on the work to implement the Defence Forces Pay Agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Alan Farrell. [4092/23]
- 25. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence his priorities for 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Griffin. [5208/23]
- 26. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if there will be a new army headquarters in Athlone; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Robert Troy. [4785/23]

- 27. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of enlisted members, by rank, who left the Naval Service in 2021 and 2022, respectively, in tabular form; the reasons for leaving; the policies in place to encourage the retention of personnel in the Naval Service; the effectiveness of these policies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. David Stanton. [4780/23]
- 28. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the plans that are in place or under discussion for the role of the Defence Forces in Mali, particularly given the volatile and mutable nature of the security situation in the wider Sahel region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brady. [5159/23]
- 29. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will outline his proposals to tackle the recruitment crisis in the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Gino Kenny. [5169/23]
- 30. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the total number of the Defence Force members who are eligible to receive the Covid pandemic recognition payment; the total number who have received the payment to date (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Colm Burke. [4947/23]
- 31. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence his views on Ireland's participation in a German-led EU battlegroup; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul Murphy. [5205/23]
- 32. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence his Department's position on the challenges of retaining qualified maritime engineers and service personnel in the Naval Service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James O'Connor. [5103/23]
- 33. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the measures he will take to boost retention rates in the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Robert Troy. [4786/23]
- 34. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the arrangements that have been made to ensure that former members of the Defence Forces who were involved in the Covid-19 response, for example, administering vaccines, and met the criteria to be categorised as frontline workers, will receive the €1,000 pandemic bonus payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

  Sorca Clarke. [4775/23]
- 35. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence his plans, if any, to expand the role of the Air Corps air ambulance service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Denis Naughten. [2032/23]
- 36. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence his plans to introduce or amend relevant legislation to allow Ireland to send the Defence Forces overseas on protection missions (details supplied). Brian Leddin. [5222/23]
- 37. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the specific additional equipment for the Army, Naval Service and Air Corps that he expects to acquire during 2023; the capital allocated to these acquisitions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Howlin. [5152/23]

- 38. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the progress that has been made to date on the strategic defence review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brady. [5161/23]
- 39. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he or other Ministers have sought or looked for legal advice in relation to Ireland's participation in EU battlegroups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bríd Smith. [5134/23]
- 40. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence when he expects to receive the final report of the independent review into dignity and equality issues in the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Moynihan. [4740/23]
- 41. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he has received the final judge-led report into the allegations made by a group (details supplied); and when he will publish this report. Matt Carthy. [4695/23]
- 42. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of Defence Forces personnel currently serving on the UNIFIL mission; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Seán Haughey. [4700/23]
- 43. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will outline his priorities for his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Gino Kenny. [5166/23]
- 44. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he has ordered any reviews into training procedures and gender discrimination in the Defence Forces since becoming Minister; the number of reviews ongoing presently; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Violet-Anne Wynne. [5227/23]
- 45. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will outline the implications of the ongoing war in Ukraine for Ireland's security and defence. Richard Bruton. [5216/23]
- 46. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the rationale for Ireland's participation in EU battlegroups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Gino Kenny. [5170/23]
- 47. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence how European defence policy has evolved since the start of the war in Ukraine. Richard Bruton. [5217/23]
- 48. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of enlisted members, by rank, who left the Air Corps in 2021 and 2022, respectively, in tabular form; the reasons for leaving; the policies in place to encourage the retention of personnel in the Air Corps; the effectiveness of these policies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. David Stanton. [4781/23]
- 49. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the properties that have been identified to accommodate Ukrainians; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul Kehoe. [5020/23]
- 50. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the progress being made in the investigation into the death in Lebanon of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [4386/23]

- 51. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will review the structures and organisation of the Defence Forces with particular reference to the security needs of the Border region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [5146/23]
- 52. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will engage with representative bodies of the Defence Forces to discuss concerns regarding patrol duty allowances, the Naval Service tax credit and the sea service commitment scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [4805/23]
- 53. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence how it is proposed to enhance Ireland's defence capability in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul McAuliffe. [5136/23]
- 54. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the up-to-date position on the appointment of an independent chair for the oversight committee for the implementation of the Report of the Commission on Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Howlin. [5151/23]
- 55. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will report on his recent trip to Lebanon; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Gino Kenny. [5167/23]
- 56. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence further to Parliamentary Question No. 34 of 24 November 2022, the status of the final report of the independent review to examine the effectiveness of the policies, systems and procedures in place for dealing with bullying, harassment, discrimination, sexual harassment and sexual assault in the Defence Forces, which was to be provided to him by the end of 2022 in line with the terms of reference; when he expects to bring the final report before Government; when he expects to publish the final report; his plans for the publication of all interim reports received by him from the review group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly. [4833/23]
- 57. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the progress in relation to plans for the protection of critical State infrastructure in the coming months and years, including against cyber and hybrid attacks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [4385/23]
- 58. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if has he full confidence in the investigation into the death of a person (details supplied) following his visit to Lebanon; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [5031/23]
- 59. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will report on his trip to Lebanon; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James Lawless. [4736/23]
- 60. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the progress to date in the implementation of the Working Time Directive in the Defence Forces; if he intends to apply the Directive to the Defence Forces in the same way as it is applied to An Garda Síochána, the Prison Service and other public sector organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Howlin. [5154/23]
- 61. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of family quarters and homes managed by his Department; the number that are currently unoccupied; if there are plans to bring them back into use; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Berry. [5129/23]

- 62. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will provide an update regarding the proposed transfer of lands from his Department to the Land Development Agency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sorca Clarke. [4774/23]
- 63. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if there are plans to review the security and safety of Irish troops serving in Lebanon following the death of a soldier (details supplied), particularly with growing geo-political tensions in the region, and the potential impact of events outside their area of operations on the Irish Defence Force Forces in southern Lebanon; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brady. [5158/23]
- 64. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the status of the progress made by the Government in terms of reaching the targeted number of Defence Forces personnel; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Alan Dillon. [5028/23]
- 65. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will report on his meeting with the Lebanese Defence Minister; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Seán Haughey. [4699/23]
- 66. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of Defence Forces personnel current serving on United Nations missions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James Lawless. [4737/23]
- 67. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence his plans to work with the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage to bring the derelict houses in the Curragh Camp, County Kildare, back into the State housing stock and make them available once again for service members; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Howlin. [5150/23]
- 68. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will provide the details of the protections on coastlines to prevent entry of illegal migrants and the importation of drugs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Alan Dillon. [5027/23]
- 69. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the extent of progress in recent months in implementing the reforms in the Defence Forces identified in a recent report with particular reference to all of the major recommendations, including on recruitment, pay and conditions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [5171/23]
- 70. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the plans that are in place for capital investment in defence capability in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Moynihan. [4741/23]
- 71. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will provide an update on efforts to improve gender diversity and equality within the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Alan Farrell. [4093/23]
- 72. To ask the Minister for Education if she will outline plans for new primary and secondary school developments in Limerick city in order to support the steep population growth targeted for the city under the National Planning Framework; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brian Leddin. [5225/23]

- 73. To ask the Minister for Education if there are proposals to extend the current Delivering Equality of Opportunity in Schools Programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

  Brendan Smith. [4950/23]
- 74. To ask the Minister for Education if she is satisfied that there are sufficient special school places in Cork city and county for the September 2023 intake; the engagement she has had with the National Council for Special Education in relation to same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [4808/23]
- 75. To ask the Minister for Education the steps she is taking to increase the number of places in secondary schools for young people with autism in County Cork. Holly Cairns. [4782/23]
- 76. To ask the Minister for Education if consideration will be given to the use of the rapid promoting method to assist learning for children with autism who are non-verbal in primary and secondary schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [4387/23]
- 77. To ask the Minister for Education the timeframe for the completion of the full review of the school transport scheme; the timeframe for the publication of the review and its recommendations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pauline Tully. [4556/23]
- 78. To ask the Minister for Education how she intends to ensure that the 10% of post primary schools without school halls can be provided with same. Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [5248/23]
- 79. To ask the Minister for Education if she will examine the development of a national strategy on physical literacy and interventions for children who are not able to reach certain developmental benchmarks in physical literacy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [4538/23]
- 80. To ask the Minister for Education the steps that can be taken to increase the admissions at a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Christopher O'Sullivan. [4642/23]
- 81. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 947 of 26 April 2022, if her Department has completed the proposed review of the guidelines on the use of school buildings outside of school hours; if new guidelines have or will be issued to schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. David Stanton. [5035/23]
- 82. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the work of her Department in ensuring that special education teachers, and special needs assistants, are not used to plug gaps in mainstream classes in schools suffering from a teacher shortage. Gary Gannon. [5163/23]
- 83. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the Raheny primary school reconfiguration review undertaken by her Department and the Catholic Church Archdiocese. Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. [4714/23]
- 84. To ask the Minister for Education if she will investigate the reason that students (details supplied) from Kilnaleck, County Cavan are paying private bus fees each week to get to school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [4940/23]

- 85. To ask the Minister for Education the plans in place in her Department to deliver a greater number of ASD units in County Louth, particularly to address the issue of creating additional space in a number of schools and other logistical difficulties; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [4388/23]
- 86. To ask the Minister for Education her views on the recent change in position with regard to funding for an organisation (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter.

  Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [5250/23]
- 87. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the provision of training for relationships and sexuality education and social, personal and health education teachers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Willie O'Dea. [5181/23]
- 88. To ask the Minister for Education if she is satisfied with the model being piloted for the transfer of patronage in schools; and if modifications in that approach are planned. Richard Bruton. [5215/23]
- 89. To ask the Minister for Education if she will review the process by which DEIS designation is given to schools to ensure that all schools that cater for students from all backgrounds, including refugees, are properly recognised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Seán Canney. [2881/23]
- 90. To ask the Minister for Education the status of an extension for a school (details supplied). Thomas Gould. [5057/23]
- 91. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the minor works grant; when she expects the grant to be paid in 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Robert Troy. [4938/23]
- 92. To ask the Minister for Education the up-to-date position on a site purchased by her Department in Clonard, County Wexford; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Kehoe. [5004/23]
- 93. To ask the Minister for Education the number of schools that have invested in HEPA filters or other ventilation or filtration mechanisms to ensure clean air. Paul Murphy. [5212/23]
- 94. To ask the Minister for Education if the Junior Certificate results in 2023 will be available earlier than the wait time for the 2022 results; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Griffin. [5203/23]
- 95. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais an ndearna agus an ndéanann an Roinn Oideachais conradh le comhlachtaí príobháideacha tacsaí nó bus chun seirbhís a sholáthar do dhaltaí a bhfuil cónaí orthu i gceantair iargúlta nach bhfuil seirbhís ag feidhmiú iontu faoin Scéim Iompair Scoile; mura bhfuil seirbhís ar fáil faoin Scéim Iompair Scoile, an bhféadfaí an Deontas Ceantar Iargúlta a mheas agus a bhronnadh bunaithe ar chostas seirbhís tacsaí/bus don aistear; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [5038/23]
- 96. To ask the Minister for Education the position regarding the rollout of free solar panels to all schools; the timeline for the initiative to commence; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Steven Matthews. [4713/23]

- 97. To ask the Minister for Education if she intends to improve and reform the school transport scheme in time for the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Éamon Ó Cuív. [4662/23]
- 98. To ask the Minister for Education if she will examine the situation in relation to school transport in north Kildare whereby some students still find themselves unable to access the school transport system, even on a concessionary basis, and notwithstanding the fact that the service can be availed of and put in place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [5179/23]
- 99. To ask the Minister for Education the research her Department has considered in the context of the value or otherwise of homework for students at primary and secondary level; if her Department has studied outcomes for schools that have adopted a no homework policy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Griffin. [5202/23]
- 100. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to extend the provision of DEIS for those schools with a greater need; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul McAuliffe. [5034/23]
- 101. To ask the Minister for Education the regulations and guidelines from her Department for primary and post-primary schools with regard to the operation of any private for-profit companies on school grounds; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Richard Boyd Barrett. [5207/23]
- 102. To ask the Minister for Education the steps she is taking to increase the lack of places in primary and secondary schools for young people with special educational needs and disabilities.
  Holly Cairns. [4783/23]
- 103. To ask the Minister for Education if she has considered suspending the proposed  $\leqslant$ 65 increase in summer Gaeltacht fees that have risen to  $\leqslant$ 815, given the difficulties faced by college students; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Alan Dillon. [5026/23]
- 104. To ask the Minister for Education the up-to-date position on the delivery of a new building for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [5132/23]
- 105. To ask the Minister for Education her immediate plans to deal with the concerning issue school place shortages at all levels in north Kildare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bernard J. Durkan. [5178/23]
- 106. To ask the Minister for Education the progress to date in a new ASD class for a school (details supplied). Paul McAuliffe. [5033/23]
- 107. To ask the Minister for Education how her Department assesses standards of literacy and numeracy at school entry and through primary education. Richard Bruton. [5214/23]
- 108. To ask the Minister for Education when the new Gaelscoil national and secondary school campus for Athenry, County Galway, will be completed; the stage that it is at; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Seán Canney. [2880/23]

- 109. To ask the Minister for Education if she will report on the level of funding and plans for the 2023 July Provision; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [4949/23]
- 110. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the revamped relationships and sexuality education junior cycle curriculum, which is due to be introduced in the coming months. Gary Gannon. [5058/23]
- 111. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the approval process for the building of two additional module classrooms sanctioned by her Department in August 2022 for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Frankie Feighan. [5193/23]
- 112. To ask the Minister for Education her views on whether the two-year length of the Professional Master's in Education is a prohibiting factor for many wishing to enter the profession; and if she is considering shortening its length and lessening its cost. Gary Gannon. [5139/23]
- 113. To ask the Minister for Education if she will report on the School Building Programme; if she is satisfied with the progress to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Moynihan. [4944/23]
- 114. To ask the Minister for Education when the primary school which is mentioned in the Woodbrook-Shanganagh Local Area Plan, Shankill, County Dublin will be provided; and the planned patronage for same. Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. [4717/23]
- 115. To ask the Minister for Education the total number of late applications received for the school transport scheme in relation to the 2022-2023 academic year; the number from County Monaghan; the number of which have been processed and approved; and the number outstanding. Matt Carthy. [4692/23]
- 116. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the provision of autism spectrum disorder class provision in Carlow; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [4935/23]
- 117. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide a full report on a school building (details supplied); the details of the reasons for the delay with construction; and if she will outline the plans for September 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Richard Boyd Barrett. [5206/23]
- 118. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the implementation of the recommendations of the November 2022 Report on the Summer Programme, by the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Autism; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly, [4835/23]
- 119. To ask the Minister for Education the timeframe for a decision in respect of the application for capital funding, under the additional school accommodation scheme by a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [4693/23]
- 120. To ask the Minister for Education the progress of the summer works scheme 2023; when she expects the announcement of approved works; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

  Brian Leddin. [5224/23]

- 121. To ask the Minister for Education the status of an extension for a school (details supplied). Thomas Gould. [5056/23]
- 122. To ask the Minister for Education the status of digital funding for special education in 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Alan Farrell. [4095/23]
- 123. To ask the Minister for Education if she will report on the impact of the delivering equality of opportunity in schools' programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. David Stanton. [5036/23]
- 124. To ask the Minister for Education the number of applications for assistive technology for students with special educational needs received by the National Council for Special Education since the inception of the scheme by county; the number of these applications that have been successful; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [4939/23]
- 125. To ask the Minister for Education the action she is taking to ensure that schools have an atmosphere which is welcoming to LGBTQ+ students. Paul Murphy. [5213/23]
- 126. To ask the Minister for Education when a new school (details supplied) for Tuam, County Galway, is expected to be delivered; the stage that it is at presently; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Seán Canney. [2879/23]
- 127. To ask the Minister for Education the position regarding a review of the provision of school bus services; if efforts are ongoing to ensure that more students than ever are accommodated for the next school year; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Steven Matthews. [4082/23]
- 128. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the Longford Westmeath Education and Training Board's application for a new headquarters; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Robert Troy. [4936/23]
- 129. To ask the Minister for Education the progress to date in ensuring that children attending a school (details supplied) have access to school transport. Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [5251/23]
- 130. To ask the Minister for Education if she will outline the improvements to deliver on the physical education curriculum in primary and secondary schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Alan Dillon. [5025/23]
- 131. To ask the Minister for Education her views on providing a Dublin allowance for teachers given the high costs-of-living and accommodation in particular. Paul Murphy. [5211/23]
- 132. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the development of a new literacy, numeracy and digital strategy; the revised timeframe for same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Christopher O'Sullivan. [4943/23]
- 133. To ask the Minister for Education the status of a former school building (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Frankie Feighan. [5192/23]

- 134. To ask the Minister for Education if she will consider extending the free school transport scheme announced as a one-year measure; and if she will ensure that the capacity issues will be addressed well in advance of September 2023. Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. [4716/23]
- 135. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais maidir le Ceist Pharlaiminte Uimh. 77 den 11 Deireadh Fómhair 2022, an ndéanfaidh sí soiléiriú a thabhairt ar an dul chun cinn atá déanta maidir leis an bplean chun beartas cuimsitheach don Ghaeilge sa chóras oideachais, ó leibhéal an oideachais réamhscoile go leibhéal an oideachais do mhúinteoirí, a fhorbairt agus a fhoilsiú; an ndéanfaidh sí sonraí a thabhairt faoin gcoiste stiúrtha; cé mhéad uair a bhuail an coiste le chéile go dtí seo; an mbreactar miontuairiscí le linn cruinnithe den choiste; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. Catherine Connolly. [4836/23]
- 136. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais an bhfuil i gceist aici suirbhé a dhéanamh maidir leis an éileamh atá i ngach pobal ar oideachas dara léibhéal trí Ghaeilge agus an gá atá ann, bunaithe ar an suirbhé seo, le tuilleadh scoileanna dara leibhéal a chur ar fáil a bheidh ag Teagasc trí Ghaeilge le go mbeidh deis reasúnach ag gach dalta gur mian leo oideachas a fháil trí mheán na Gaeilge ag an dara leibhéal é sin a dhéanamh; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. Éamon Ó Cuív. [4661/23]
- 137. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide a progress report on a special education site in Glanmire County Cork (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [4809/23]
- 138. To ask the Minister for Education the proposed date of the 2023 Leaving Certificate results. Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. [4715/23]
- 139. To ask the Minister for Education the discussions or arrangements that occur with her Department or local schools in cases in which children, as refugees or asylum seekers, in primary and secondary schools are moved, with little formal notice to the parents or staff involved; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Bríd Smith. [5246/23]
- 140. To ask the Minister for Education the action her Department will take in the provision of additional capacity for school transport for the 2023-2024 academic year (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Colm Burke. [4951/23]
- 141. To ask the Minister for Education the steps being taken to address teacher recruitment issues in primary and post-primary schools; the actions being taken to recognise foreign-based qualifications of teachers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [4934/23]
- 142. To ask the Minister for Education the ongoing efforts her Department is making to recruit SNAs and the number of SNAs gaining qualifications; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Alan Farrell. [4094/23]
- 143. To ask the Minister for Education the number of primary and post-primary schools that have access to home school liaison services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. James O'Connor. [5105/23]
- 144. To ask the Minister for Education the number of face-to-face and online meetings and engagements that she has had with representatives of an organisation (details supplied) in each

- of the years from 2011 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Kehoe. [5019/23]
- 145. To ask the Minister for Education the timeline for the consultation on the review of the Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs Act 2004. Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [5247/23]
- 146. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the efforts of her Department to address teacher shortages. Gary Gannon. [5138/23]
- 147. To ask the Minister for Education the progress on delivery of additional ASD spaces for students in Ballincollig, Cork; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [5131/23]
- 148. To ask the Minister for Education the status of SEN provision in Cork; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Colm Burke. [4952/23]
- 149. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the development of L1 and L2 specifications in Leaving Certificate Irish; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Willie O'Dea. [5187/23]
- 150. To ask the Minister for Education if she will revise the ratio of clerical and administration staff to pupils in both primary and post-primary schools to ensure that they increase concurrently; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pauline Tully. [4557/23]
- 151. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais cén dáta faoin bhfuil sé i gceist aici an tuarascáil de chuid na Comhairle Náisiúnta Curaclaim agus Measúnachta (CNCM) maidir le sonraíochtaí T1 agus T2 don Ardteist a fhoilsiú; an bhfuil aon nuashonrú le tabhairt aici faoin tuarascáil athbhreithnithe de chuid CNCM maidir le sonraíochtaí T1 agus T2 don Teastas Sóisearach; agus an n-aithníonn sí go mbeidh díspreagadh ann do dhaoine tabhairt faoi chúrsa T1 atá níos dúshlánaí mura bhfuil buntáiste, spreagadh nó pointí breise ar leith i gceist leis. Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [5037/23]
- 152. To ask the Minister for Education if she will consider paying teachers in training for their work in placement schools. Gary Gannon. [5164/23]
- 153. To ask the Minister for Education the allocation of resource hours and supports for schools under the National Council for Special Education that are for the 2023-2024 academic year; when these resources will be made known to schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Moynihan. [4937/23]
- 154. To ask the Minister for Education if her attention has been drawn to enrolment challenges in the primary and secondary schools in Shannon, County Clare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [4539/23]
- 155. To ask the Minister for Education if she will outline the progress in delivering objective sex education in schools. Paul Murphy. [5209/23]
- 156. To ask the Minister for Education her views on the policy of schools which require a utility bill for proof of address, and the difficulty this presents for families in emergency accommodation. Paul Murphy. [5210/23]

157. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to ensure energy use in schools is addressed, with particular reference to installation of solar panels and retrofitting. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [5249/23]