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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

1. To ask the Taoiseach if he will outline the current situation in regard to the development of a national security strategy. — Mick Barry. [16421/23]
2. To ask the Taoiseach if he will outline the current situation in regard to the development of a national security strategy. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [18277/23]
3. To ask the Taoiseach if he will outline the current situation in regard to the development of a national security strategy. — Paul Murphy. [18280/23]
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5. To ask the Taoiseach if he will outline the current situation in regard to the development of a national security strategy. — Ivana Bacik. [19238/23]
6. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the current situation in regard to the development of a national security strategy. — Brendan Smith. [19256/23]
7. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the current situation in regard to the development of a national security strategy. — James Lawless. [19257/23]
8. To ask the Taoiseach if he will outline the current situation in regard to the development of a national security strategy. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [19261/23]
9. To ask the Taoiseach if he will outline the current situation in regard to the development of a national security strategy. — Gary Gannon. [19314/23]
10. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will next meet. — Cian O’Callaghan. [16726/23]
11. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will next meet. — Peadar Tóibín. [17706/23]
12. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will meet next. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [18117/23]
13. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will next meet. — Mary Lou McDonald. [18127/23]

14. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will meet next. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [18278/23]

15. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will meet next. — Paul Murphy. [18281/23]

16. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will meet next. — Bríd Smith. [18284/23]

17. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will meet next. — Mick Barry. [19145/23]

18. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will next meet. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [19218/23]

19. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will next meet. — Robert Troy. [19219/23]

20. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will next meet. — Ivana Bacik. [19239/23]

21. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Economy and Investment will meet next. — Gary Gannon. [19315/23]

22. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the recent meeting of the European Council which he attended; the issues discussed; and the conclusions reached. — Bernard J. Durkan. [15438/23]

23. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the recent European Council meeting. — Mary Lou McDonald. [18128/23]

24. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the recent meeting of the European Council. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [18279/23]

25. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the recent meeting of the European Council. — Paul Murphy. [18282/23]

26. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the recent meeting of the European Council. — Bríd Smith. [18285/23]

27. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the recent meeting of the European Council which he attended. — Mick Barry. [19146/23]

28. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the recent meeting of the European Council which he attended. — Seán Haughey. [19220/23]

29. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the recent meeting of the European Council. — Ivana Bacik. [19240/23]

30. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the recent meeting of the European Council which he attended; the issues discussed; and the conclusions reached. — Gary Gannon. [19316/23]

31. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the proposed child poverty unit in his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [18063/23]

32. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on the child poverty unit to be established within his Department; and when he expects it to first meet. — Mark Ward. [18083/23]

33. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the proposed child poverty unit in his Department. — Paul McAuliffe. [18852/23]

34. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the proposed child poverty unit in his Department. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [19221/23]

35. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the proposed child poverty unit in his Department. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [19260/23]

36. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the proposed child poverty unit in his Department. — Gino Kenny. [19380/23]

37. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the child poverty unit in his Department. — Ivana Bacik. [19241/23]

38. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the proposed child poverty unit in his Department. — Gary Gannon. [19317/23]

39. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the proposed child poverty unit in his Department. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19371/23]

40. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the proposed child poverty unit in his Department. — Paul Murphy. [19374/23]

41. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the proposed child poverty unit in his Department. — Bríd Smith. [19377/23]

42. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the proposed child poverty unit in his Department. — Mick Barry. [19497/23]

43. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the National Economic and Social Council. — Mary Lou McDonald. [18129/23]

44. To ask the Taoiseach his response to the recent National Economic and Social Council's report, Understanding the Irish Economy in a Time of Turbulence. — Christopher O'Sullivan. [19384/23]

45. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the role of his Department in the north-east inner city initiative; and if his Department has any proposals for further such initiatives in other parts of the city, such as Ballymun and Finglas. — Paul McAuliffe. [18902/23]

46. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the Programme for Government. — Aindrias Moynihan. [19258/23]

47. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the Queen's University Belfast conference to mark 25 years of the Good Friday Agreement. — Brendan Smith. [19259/23]

48. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide an update on the working of the shared island unit in his Department. — Peadar Tóibín. [19262/23]

49. To ask the Taoiseach the costs associated with the running of the shared island unit in his Department. — Peadar Tóibín. [19264/23]

50. To ask the Taoiseach if he will list the projects funded by the shared island unit of his Department since he took office. — Peadar Tóibín. [19265/23]

51. To ask the Taoiseach if he will detail what investments have been made through the shared island unit of his Department in the northwest and Border regions. — Peadar Tóibín. [19266/23]

CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

52. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide an update on how her Department is implementing the published guidelines on rural-proofing; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [19544/23]

53. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of local authority requests to date under her Department's Building Acquisition Measure to tackle vacancy and dereliction in rural Ireland. — Sean Sherlock. [19387/23]

54. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide an update on the forthcoming islands strategy; when the strategy will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [19545/23]

55. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will outline her engagement with the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to improve the provision of housing on offshore islands. — Holly Cairns. [19394/23]

CEISTEANNA EILE OTHER QUESTIONS

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

56. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide an update on the roll-out of the Towns First policy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [19347/23]

57. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount of funding drawn down from the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund in each month since she took office. — Peadar Tóibín. [19222/23]

58. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development for an update in relation to work being done by Government and local authorities to combat dog attacks on sheep; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [18576/23]

59. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when local groups in Galway will be able to apply for funding under the outdoor recreation infrastructure fund; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Cannon. [19234/23]

60. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when local groups in Dublin mid-west will be able to apply for funding under the outdoor recreation infrastructure fund; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19237/23]

61. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the steps she is taking to support and promote employment and remote working on offshore islands. — Holly Cairns. [19393/23]

62. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if her Department has assessed the potential for the rural economy of the development of circular economy strategies; and if she will indicate the extent to which initiatives with focus on more sustainable use of products and materials, and on recovery and reuse are figuring among projects receiving support from her Department. — Richard Bruton. [19324/23]

63. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when local authorities in counties Laois and Offaly can expect to receive funding from the Ukrainian refugee Community Recognition Fund. — Brian Stanley. [19281/23]

64. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which she continues dialogue with voluntary rural and community groups throughout the country, including Northern Ireland with a view to maximising efforts likely to contribute to the sentiments of the Good Friday Agreement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19270/23]

65. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the funding available to develop new community centres. — Thomas Gould. [19280/23]

66. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will report on her Department's engagement with the future board leaders' pilot 2023 scheme for individuals who are interested in volunteering their skills with organisations that have board vacancies, in particular those from minority backgrounds. — Paul Donnelly. [19267/23]

67. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the measures she is bringing in to ensure the Public Participation Network is fit for purpose and operating efficiently. — Sean Sherlock. [19390/23]

68. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if the Community Centres Investments Fund would be available to community groups, where the existing community centre

is deemed not fit for purpose; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [19330/23]

69. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the level of funding her Department can make available for a project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [19326/23]

70. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the funding streams available to community centres to help deal with the increase in the cost-of-living, in particular electricity and gas. — Paul McAuliffe. [19332/23]

71. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of schemes operated by her Department likely to contribute to urban and or rural communities by way of support; if she anticipates an expansion of such schemes in 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19271/23]

72. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when local groups in Galway will be able to apply for funding under the town and village renewal scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Cannon. [19233/23]

73. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she has read the Independent Report to Advance Community Wealth Building in Northern Ireland published in October 2022 by the Department for Communities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [19282/23]

74. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if her Department will fund projects where needed to upgrade and protect the IT systems of not-for-profit organisations against ransomware attacks, in view of reports that Irish non-profit organisations have been put at risk following a ransomware attack on a data management company in Northern Ireland. — Paul Donnelly. [19263/23]

75. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the details of any engagement to date in 2023 between her Department and Galway County Council with regard to the transfer of the land on Inisbofin on which the airstrip is situated; the expected timeline for the transfer of the land to her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19313/23]

76. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide a progress update on each project funded under the Rural Regeneration Development Fund in County Mayo; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19134/23]

77. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the way her Department will work with local authorities to encourage them to apply for new funding for the town and village renewal scheme; if there will be a minimum submission requirement for each local authority; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [19346/23]

78. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide an update on the work she is doing to support the development of proposals for a new community hub at Moneymore, Drogheda, as recommended by the Geiran report; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O’Dowd. [19143/23]

79. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when she will announce successful projects under the community recognition fund in County Louth; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19144/23]

80. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the total funding that the constituency of Dublin north west will receive under the social inclusion community activation programme in 2023; the amount received in 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [19331/23]

81. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide an update on the work of the Broadband Mobile Phone Task Force, particularly the work being carried out to provide alternatives for people who are waiting for broadband connection for up to five years under the National Broadband Plan; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [19283/23]

82. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the role her Department is taking in the National Drugs Strategy. — Thomas Gould. [19279/23]

83. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will outline the work being undertaken by her Department to address vacancy and dereliction in rural towns and villages; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [19231/23]

84. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide an update on the work of the Rural Youth Assembly. — Cathal Crowe. [19247/23]

85. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of organisations and initiatives in Cork east that will be in receipt of the Community Support Fund. — James O'Connor. [19382/23]

86. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she is satisfied, under Our Rural Future: Rural Development Policy 2021-2025, specifically in respect of digital, that every household that wishes to have an adequate internet connection, has one. — Sean Sherlock. [19389/23]

87. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the amount of funding provided by her Department to counties Sligo and Leitrim since January 2020; the list of projects supported under the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund, town and village renewal scheme, Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Fund, Building Acquisition Fund and CLÁR Fund during this period in counties Leitrim and Sligo; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Frankie Feighan. [19141/23]

88. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when she will announce successful projects under the Community Support Fund in Cork; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [19400/23]

89. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when she will announce the successful projects under the community recognition fund in counties Sligo and Leitrim; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Frankie Feighan. [19140/23]

90. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she has considered the establishment of a fund which would be open to applications from schools to facilitate the use of

buildings after hours for community purposes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [19232/23]

91. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide an update on the public consultation on the development of a new strategy for the public library service. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [19245/23]

92. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of towns that applied to the 2023 Tidy Towns competition; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [19246/23]

93. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when she will announce successful projects under the community recognition fund in Dublin mid-west; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19236/23]

94. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the development of the National Philanthropy Strategy. — Sean Sherlock. [19392/23]

95. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide an update for the National Outdoor Recreation Strategy 2023-2027; and the plans for County Meath. — Darren O'Rourke. [19318/23]

96. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the position regarding the timing of the next allocations under the town and village renewal scheme; the allocations per local authority for each of the years 2018 to 2022; if any review of the scheme is envisaged given the difference in size and population between local authorities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [19328/23]

97. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the counties which benefited from the CLÁR small scale rural projects in the past year; and the amount of funding allocated to each county. — Peadar Tóibín. [19223/23]

98. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide an update on the rollout of the community recognition fund; if the fund is on track to allocate the target of 60% of funding in 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [19345/23]

99. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if remote working hubs can be expanded in the constituency of Cork east, and in towns such as Midleton and Youghal. — James O'Connor. [19383/23]

100. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the recent engagement her Department has had with the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment regarding remote working to support rural workers and communities, in view of the recent passing of legislation that will provide the legal right to request remote working; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [19349/23]

101. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the anticipated budget per county for the CLÁR Programme in 2023; when the scheme will close for applications; if carparking at sports clubs will be eligible; if stands, terraces and access paths will be covered; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19136/23]

102. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if her Department has received applications from all local authorities in relation to the new building acquisition measure funding to tackle vacancy and dereliction in towns and villages; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [19333/23]

103. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the National Outdoor Recreation Strategy. — Sean Sherlock. [19388/23]

104. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the progress made since 2008 in extending the mountain access scheme beyond Binn Shléibhe in Connemara and the MacGillycuddy Reeks; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [18200/23]

105. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she plans to introduce a non-vehicle related capital funding programme for first responder groups such as groups providing defibrillators in the community; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [19149/23]

106. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development further to Parliamentary Question No. 5 of 23 February 2023, the date on which the new policy for the islands will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19312/23]

107. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when the long-promised policy for the islands will be published; whether this policy will address the high costs of motoring for islanders many of whom have to maintain two cars, one on the island and one on the mainland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [18288/23]

108. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide an update on engagement her Department has had with the Department for Transport on securing joint funding for the local improvement scheme, considering the consistent demand for the scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [19348/23]

109. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when community recognition fund projects will be announced; if she will provide a list of the applicants nationwide and amounts sought; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19135/23]

110. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide an update on the rural regeneration and development fund, including a list of all projects scheduled for completion in 2023, by county; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [19148/23]

111. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the steps her Department is taking to collaborate with the LDA and Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage to support the Town Centre First Policy Objectives in the developments it is involved with in towns with a population over 10,000 people, as outlined in action 9 of the Town Centre First policy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [19381/23]

112. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the types of work eligible for support under the CLÁR Programme in 2023; if upgrades to astro turf pitches and improvements to spectator stands at sports grounds are eligible for funding under this year's

programme; the closing date for applications in County Mayo; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19133/23]

113. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if her Department has assessed the potential of the high-speed broadband network to create potential for rural development and the number of projects emerging for support from her Department's programmes which utilise its potential. — Richard Bruton. [19323/23]

114. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when local groups in Cork will be able to apply for funding under the town and village renewal scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [19401/23]

115. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the level of funding drawn down for local improvements schemes in County Cork for 2022; if all funding allocated to Cork County Council under the scheme for 2022 was drawn down; if not, if monies will be available to drawdown in addition to the 2023 allocation to Cork County Council; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [19329/23]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

*116. To ask the Taoiseach the details of each time his Department, or public bodies under the aegis of his Department, enlisted the services of consultants in 2022; and the purpose and value of each contract. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [18740/23]

*117. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide the attendance list at the State dinner for President Biden. — Alan Kelly. [19204/23]

*118. To ask the Taoiseach if an application (details supplied) will be banned on the phones of all Government Ministers, Government advisers and Government officials phones following the decisions of the European Parliament, European Commission and the EU Council, to ban the application on staff devices, citing cybersecurity concerns. — Alan Kelly. [19273/23]

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

*119. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the dates in 2022, and to date in 2023 that the Irish Ambassador to France has visited Marseille, France; and the purpose of each visit, in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [18959/23]

*120. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he plans to invite his Australian counterpart to Dublin later in 2023. — Paul Donnelly. [18960/23]

*121. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will expedite an application for foreign birth registration for a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [18969/23]

*122. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the steps he is taking to help stop the violence which has broken out in Sudan; if he will add to Ireland's calls for a cessation of the

violence in the country and end to the killing of civilians; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [18987/23]

*123. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will ensure that a passport is processed on time for a child (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19015/23]

*124. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will address an anomaly regarding having passports re-issued in birth names (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [19046/23]

*125. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will provide an update on an application to register a foreign birth (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [19166/23]

*126. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will outline the process in place for the foreign birth registration of a child born to a mother born in the US who is an Irish citizen and a US-citizen father where the parents want to apply for an Irish passport for their child. — Anne Rabbitte. [19198/23]

*127. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his plans to help repatriate a person (details supplied) from the UAE. — Alan Kelly. [19254/23]

*128. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs when an FBR application by a person (details supplied) will be completed, considering that the supporting documents were received by his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19300/23]

*129. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs when an FBR application (details supplied) will be completed, considering that the supporting documents were received by his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19301/23]

*130. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if the current situation in Sudan will be discussed at the next EU Foreign Affairs Council Meeting. — Alan Kelly. [19337/23]

*131. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he has intervened in the case of a person (details supplied) with the Greek government or through any other diplomatic channel, given that criminal charges brought against them and twenty-three other volunteers and aid workers by the Greek government, have been condemned by several human rights organisations as politically motivated, and carry severe prison sentences if upheld; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19466/23]

*132. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs when an application for a foreign birth registration will be processed (details supplied); the reason for the delay in processing the application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [19491/23]

*133. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs when a foreign birth registration will be completed for a person (details supplied), considering that the supporting documents were received by his Department on 7 December 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [19532/23]

*134. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the number and total value of contracts his Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20030/23]

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

*135. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if his attention has been drawn to a request for engagement with all relevant agencies, including his Department by a west Offaly community (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [18912/23]

*136. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide an update on potential funding for a feasibility study and environmental study in relation to the proposed boardwalk in Lanesboro, County Longford and Ballyleague, County Roscommon. — Sorca Clarke. [18936/23]

*137. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the progress that has been made under the Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy to extend brown-bin collections to all parts of rural Ireland; and the timelines he envisages for the rollout of same. — Brendan Griffin. [18990/23]

*138. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if a grant is available for pre-1940s houses (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [18992/23]

*139. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he has consulted with experts and his European counterparts in respect of lithium ion battery energy storage systems regarding international guidelines such as NFPA 855 2020. — Catherine Murphy. [18996/23]

*140. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his recent comments regarding commercially owned LNG terminals (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [19039/23]

*141. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications what motivated his recent comments regarding commercially owned LNGs (details supplied); if this was predominantly driven by economic considerations; how this was influenced by the consultation period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [19040/23]

*142. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the consultation period regarding commercially owned LNG terminals, and how this influenced his recent comments regarding commercially owned LNG terminals (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [19041/23]

*143. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his recently comments regarding LNG terminals (details supplied) and how he believes this will impact achieving emissions targets; the steps, if any, that will be taken to mitigate this impact; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [19042/23]

*144. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide his response to a local authority (details supplied) concerning a motion to support local post offices. — Holly Cairns. [19181/23]

*145. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications further to Parliamentary Question No. 65 of 8 February 2023, if a solution has been found yet; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [19199/23]

*146. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the reason An Post refuses to deliver post addressed using Eircodes; and if he will outline the timeline to amend this. — Alan Kelly. [19211/23]

*147. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications how many offshore windfarms are currently under construction in Ireland; and how much electricity he expects them to generate. — Alan Kelly. [19252/23]

*148. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding broadband; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19469/23]

*149. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the percentage change in demand for gas in all sectors, including electricity generation, residential, and industrial and commercial, broken down by retail, construction, laundry, leisure, air travel, data centres, pharma, hospitals, and any other key sectors for the year 2023, in tabular form. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19507/23]

*150. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the absolute demand for gas in each sector, including electricity generation, residential, and industrial and commercial, broken down by retail, construction, laundry, leisure, air travel, data centres, pharma, hospitals and any other key sectors, for 2022 and 2023, in tabular form. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19508/23]

*151. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number and total value of contracts his Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20028/23]

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

*152. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence when the Pilatus PC-9M aircraft within the Air Corps are next scheduled to be replaced. — Paul Donnelly. [18946/23]

*153. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he is aware that Defence Forces personnel who complete their 21 service and are in receipt of a pension see a 50% reduction in their pension if they enter employment elsewhere in the public sector; his position on such; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [18974/23]

*154. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will clarify the role of the Naval Service in Operation Irini and its planned scope of operations before, during and after the reported seven-week period, from June 2023, when an Irish naval asset is due to join Operation Irini. — Ivana Bacik. [18981/23]

*155. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if his attention has been drawn to the German government's refusal of participation by its armed forces in the training of the Libyan Coast Guard as part of Operation Irini due to ethical concerns; his plans to refuse Irish Naval Service training of the Libyan Coast Guard at any time in the future as part of Operation Irini; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [18982/23]

*156. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence his plans to contribute to a State-led search and rescue programme in the central Mediterranean sea; his views on reports that approximately ten people lose their lives or go missing on the sea migration route between Libya and Italy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [18983/23]

*157. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he intends to regularise through licence agreements the community groups who are utilising Columb barracks, Mullingar since its closure; when he will transfer ownership to the LDA; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert Troy. [19224/23]

*158. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will still sign over the Nenagh Army barracks to Tipperary County Council for future development. — Alan Kelly. [19253/23]

*159. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will provide an overview of capital and current projects and associated funding for Kilkenny Barracks from 2020 to date; and outline future plans to fund projects, including any planned upgrades at the barracks. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [19470/23]

*160. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will provide an update on planned works at Kilkenny Barracks with respect to the squash playing facility; and to update on discussions his Department has had with a club (details supplied). — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [19471/23]

*161. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he will provide a breakdown of the number of Defence Forces personnel, by rank and civilian employees, stationed at Kilkenny Barracks, in tabular form. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [19472/23]

*162. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number and total value of contracts his Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20025/23]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*163. To ask the Minister for Transport if he has received correspondence (details supplied) requesting additional funding to progress phase 3 of the N24 Cahir to Limerick Junction Project; his efforts to ensure that this road project is allocated the appropriate funding as soon as possible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [19453/23]

*164. To ask the Minister for Transport the engagement he has had with Irish Rail regarding the ongoing overcrowding on trains from Sligo via Mullingar to Dublin. — Sorca Clarke. [18937/23]

*165. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of people awaiting a driving test in counties Longford and Westmeath; the current staffing level of the testing centres; and the average waiting time per centre, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [18939/23]

*166. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of electric vehicle charging points currently in use in each of the public carparks and staff carparks areas within Dublin Airport; and if there are plans to increase this number. — Paul Donnelly. [18943/23]

*167. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will reinstate a bus route (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18980/23]

*168. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will examine a bus route (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [18984/23]

*169. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount of revenue generated for CIÉ through advertisement on billboards at train and bus stations in 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and the rates that CIÉ charges for such advertisement. — Paul Donnelly. [19003/23]

*170. To ask the Minister for Transport the progress to date with the construction of ORE port facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [19008/23]

*171. To ask the Minister for Transport the progress to date with the construction of ORE port facilities; if he still agrees with the Government's assessment in October that Ireland will need to develop four to five ORE port facilities, with a capacity to build 500 MW of ORE, and a "number of smaller ports for ORE Operation and Maintenance activities"; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [19009/23]

*172. To ask the Minister for Transport the progress to date with the construction of ORE port facilities; if the number of smaller ports for ORE Operation and maintenance activities has been identified; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [19010/23]

*173. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to a report (details supplied) regarding State support for port infrastructure; if he has considered the report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [19011/23]

*174. To ask the Minister for Transport what funding structures have been considered for the development of ORE port facilities; and if Connecting Europe Facility funding can still be considered the main mechanism for funding port infrastructure supporting ORE. — Darren O'Rourke. [19012/23]

*175. To ask the Minister for Transport if a strategic investment model for the construction of ORE ports has been considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [19013/23]

*176. To ask the Minister for Transport the current situation regarding funding in 2023 for a roads project in County Cork; the significance of correspondence on this matter to his office from TII; and if a revised allocation is anticipated for this project in 2023. — Michael Creed. [19016/23]

*177. To ask the Minister for Transport the projected completion date for the Shannon Crossing project between Ballina and Killaloe. — Alan Kelly. [19054/23]

*178. To ask the Minister for Transport the projected completion date for the South Kerry Greenway. — Alan Kelly. [19055/23]

*179. To ask the Minister for Transport if any measures will be taken by his Department to ensure that there will be an improvement with the problems the frequent flight cancellations at Donegal Airport, Carrickfinn, County Donegal; if he is aware of the problem which exists with flight cancellations; what plans are in place to ensure that all flights are on schedule; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19065/23]

*180. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide information on any plans to expand the Athlone town bus service to take in additional routes, given the success of the recently launched electric bus fleet. — Robert Troy. [19158/23]

*181. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department has plans to create additional bus services between Athlone and other Midlands towns, given Athlone's status as a regional growth centre (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [19162/23]

*182. To ask the Minister for Transport when the pilot bus service identified in the Phoenix Park Transport and Mobility Options Study Post-Consultation Report, and scheduled to commence in Q1 2022 will commence; if the issue around access through the Cabra gate for any such bus has been resolved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19174/23]

*183. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to develop Irish ports infrastructure for the future development of offshore wind. — Alan Kelly. [19203/23]

*184. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will advise on plans to introduce a grant scheme for e-bikes. — Peter Burke. [19212/23]

*185. To ask the Minister for Transport the current average length of time that applicants are waiting for driving tests in each test centre in the country; the number of testers attached to each centre; the plans to increase the number of testers; the locations they will be based from; the extra funding approved by him for this purpose; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [19215/23]

*186. To ask the Minister for Transport if a driving test can be expedited for a person (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19216/23]

*187. To ask the Minister for Transport what plans he has for the Ballybrophy to Limerick rail line over the next five years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [19229/23]

*188. To ask the Minister for Transport when the review of the legislative basis for data sharing by the Road Safety Authority will be complete. — Ivana Bacik. [19249/23]

*189. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to improve the safety of the N24 at Barronstown Cross between Tipperary town and Limerick junction. — Alan Kelly. [19255/23]

*190. To ask the Minister for Transport the works he has planned for the main bridge over the river Suir in Cahir as local councillors are warning that it is deteriorating in structure, with some of the protectors missing stones and some stones underneath having become dislodged and swept away with the current. — Alan Kelly. [19288/23]

*191. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of extra buses added to the Bus Éireann PSO fleet in the years of 2021, 2022 and to-date in 2023; and the number of these buses that were withdrawn from the PSO fleet during same period in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19342/23]

*192. To ask the Minister for Transport if he is aware of the stalled roll-out of the bike bunkers scheme by Dublin City Council, that a review of the scheme is now being undertaken despite commitments over the past eighteen months to expand the scheme by tendering for 350 bike bunkers citywide; his views on whether the stalled nature of this scheme is in keeping with Government Local Authority Climate Action policies; if he will make contact with the Chief Executive of Dublin City Council in order to ensure the expansion of the scheme is delivered so that Dubliners in areas such as, Stoneybatter, the Liberties, the North Strand, for example can benefit from an initiative that has proven popular and where demand is high; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19356/23]

*193. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will explain the rationale and reasoning behind issuing a section 24 letter to the TII as part of the roads allocations to Cork county for 2023, which effectively overruled TII's proposal to fund the Mallow Relief Road to the amount of €1.4 million; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [19406/23]

*194. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount claimed in mileage for business journeys by all categories of car, motorcycle and bicycle, broken down by county and Dublin area, over the past five years, in tabular form. — Sean Sherlock. [19415/23]

*195. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide a figure for the total amount of active travel funding allocated to Galway County Council to date; the amount of that allocation that remains unspent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Cannon. [19417/23]

*196. To ask the Minister for Transport when a person (details supplied) will receive a date for a driving test; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [19451/23]

*197. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide an update on a Standards Working Group which was convened to examine the various guidance and standards documents (details supplied) which should be taken into account by local authorities when constructing new walking and cycling infrastructure to ensure that this infrastructure is designed safely and efficiently in order to encourage more people to use active travel transport modes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [19522/23]

*198. To ask the Minister for Transport if a Standards Working Group convened by his Department plans to examine the MacCurtain Street public transport improvement scheme, currently being implemented by Cork City Council as part of its review, to ensure that the local authority is in line with the various guidelines and standards documents (details supplied) which should be taken into account by local authorities when undertaking to construct new walking and cycling infrastructure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [19523/23]

*199. To ask the Minister for Transport the steps he is taking to increase the number of taxis in Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19525/23]

*200. To ask the Minister for Transport the total number and breakdown by type of SPSV vehicles licensed nationally in each of the years 2019 to 2022 and to date in 2023. — Emer Higgins. [19526/23]

*201. To ask the Minister for Transport the total number and breakdown by type of SPSV vehicles licensed in Dublin in each of the years 2019 to 2022, and to date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19527/23]

*202. To ask the Minister for Transport if he has considered changes to the current licensing regime to tackle the shortage of taxi drivers in cities. — Emer Higgins. [19528/23]

*203. To ask the Minister for Transport if reducing the cost of taxi licences and reducing the cost of airport taxi permits has been considered to increase taxi supply. — Emer Higgins. [19529/23]

*204. To ask the Minister for Transport the breakdown of the current waiting time for SPSV driver entry test in each of the test locations nationwide. — Emer Higgins. [19530/23]

*205. To ask the Minister for Transport if engagement has taken place with online taxi apps (details supplied) with a view to regulating the service and increasing taxi supply. — Emer Higgins. [19531/23]

*206. To ask the Minister for Transport the number and total value of contracts his Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20043/23]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*207. To ask the Minister for Finance the volume of larger boxes of cigarettes non-20-pack cigarettes sold in each of the years 2018 to 2022. — Louise O'Reilly. [19308/23]

*208. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of customers impacted by the 2021 IT calendar divisor issue in respect of under deduction of LPT; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18965/23]

*209. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of customers who pay LPT by means of deduction from social welfare schemes by year and scheme, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18966/23]

*210. To ask the Minister for Finance in respect of the liability letters for LPT recently issued to customers of pension age, the number that related to an underpayment of less than €50; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [18967/23]

*211. To ask the Minister for Finance if the 0% VAT rate for solar panels applies to water heating solar panels and electricity generating solar panels; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [18973/23]

*212. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will address a matter regarding the land tax (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18998/23]

*213. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost to the Exchequer of increasing the single-person child carer credit in Budget 2024, in line with the €150 increase to the married person or civil partner credit in Budget 2023; if consideration is being given to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19106/23]

*214. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost to the Exchequer of increasing the single-person child carer credit by €75, €100 or €150 respectively. — Neasa Hourigan. [19107/23]

*215. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will consider equivalising the tax rate for recipients of the single-person child carer credit with the two-adult single-earner household rate; the estimated cost to the Exchequer of equivalising these two rates; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19108/23]

*216. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of people in receipt of the single-person child carer credit. — Neasa Hourigan. [19109/23]

*217. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will provide an update on the Disabled Drivers Medical Board of Appeal; when the Board will be permitted to resume clinics/hearings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [19118/23]

*218. To ask the Minister for Finance the total income raised from the betting levy in 2021 and 2022; if he will provide a breakdown of which sports that levy arises from; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19156/23]

*219. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will seek EU funding to cover the costs of replacement of the two customs cutter vessel; and if the contract for the replacement of these vessels has been put out to tender. — Alan Kelly. [19341/23]

*220. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 233 of 7 March 2023, if a business or a self-employed business person can specify “card not accepted” or “cash payment only”; and if this will ensure the customer cannot subsequently claim a legal right to pay in card. — Louise O'Reilly. [19386/23]

*221. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount claimed in mileage for business journeys by all categories of car, motorcycle and bicycle, broken down by county and Dublin area, over the past five years, in tabular form. — Sean Sherlock. [19414/23]

*222. To ask the Minister for Finance if an arrangement can be entered into by the Revenue Commissioners with a person (details supplied); if the person qualifies for the dwelling house exemption; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19478/23]

*223. To ask the Minister for Finance the number and total value of contracts his Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20029/23]

Chun an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí, Seachadta ar an bPlean Forbartha Náisiúnta, agus Athchóirithe: To the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform.

*224. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform if he will address a matter (details supplied) regarding coastal erosion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19045/23]

*225. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the number of properties that are owned and rented by the State through the Office of

Public Works; the number of these properties that are vacant; the length of time each property has been vacant; and the location of each. — Peadar Tóibín. [19171/23]

*226. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the number of staff properties that are in the possession of the Office of Public Works; the number that are currently vacant; how long they are vacant for; and the locations of any such vacant staff properties. — Peadar Tóibín. [19172/23]

*227. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the number and total value of contracts his Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19276/23]

*228. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the name of security companies that have contracts with the OPW to provide security personnel in OPW heritage sites; and when each of these contracts will expire, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19334/23]

*229. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the revenue raised by private businesses operating in OPW sites in the years of 2021, 2022 and to-date in 2023, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19335/23]

*230. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform if he will address a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19353/23]

*231. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform if he will provide an update in respect of the bandstand in St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2; the estimated reopening of same; if he will provide a schedule of costs attached to the works; if he will confirm whether a contractor has been appointed; and the budget that has been made available for the restoration works. — Catherine Murphy. [19476/23]

*232. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform if he will provide details of all payments by all Government Departments and agencies to organisations that are members of the Environmental Pillar in 2021 and 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [19610/23]

*233. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform if officials from his Department will investigate significant erosion next to a house (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19612/23]

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

*234. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide an update on when the Media Commission will be in a position to engage with organisations that wish to become trusted flaggers. — Emer Higgins. [19533/23]

*235. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the reason for the delay in the Workplace Relations Commission ruling process (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18904/23]

*236. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of South African companies IDA Ireland has engaged with in relation to setting up in the State in 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [18951/23]

*237. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will outline the oversight role the Health and Safety Authority has in the context of lithium ion battery energy storage systems. — Catherine Murphy. [18994/23]

*238. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will provide an update on the IDA's delivery of an Advanced Building Solution for Castlebar; when the site selection process will be finalised; if the design-and-planning phase will commence in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19123/23]

*239. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the status of the scheme under design aimed at providing support to businesses with increases in their LPG and kerosene oil costs; when the scheme will go live; and what industry experts were consulted in the design of the scheme. — Louise O'Reilly. [19200/23]

*240. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment when he will produce a national semi-conductor plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [19306/23]

*241. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the level of trade between Jamaica and Ireland in the years of 2021 and 2022, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19352/23]

*242. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment to provide a list of the members of the Working Group on Trustworthy AI Principles and Guidelines.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [19357/23]

*243. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the reason for the decision to abandon the commitment in the Programme for Government to conduct a pilot on universal basic income in the lifetime of the Government (details supplied); if it has been decided to carry out microsimulations of UBI, as recommended by the Low Pay Commission and ESRI; if so, what are the parameters of the proposed microsimulations; who is to carry out the microsimulations; and if this work has commenced already. — Gary Gannon. [19422/23]

*244. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number and total value of contracts his Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20027/23]

Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

*245. To ask the Minister for Education the plans in place to avoid delays in the Leaving Certificate results this year; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [18910/23]

*246. To ask the Minister for Education the status of a bus service (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18925/23]

*247. To ask the Minister for Education the number of notices served under section 25 of the Education Act 1998 in each of the years 2018 to 2022, and to date in 2023, and the number that

referred to students with an additional education need and or a requirement to have access and support of an ASD unit. — Sorca Clarke. [18930/23]

*248. To ask the Minister for Education the number of students with additional educational needs that were not provided with transport for the 2022-2023 school year. — Sorca Clarke. [18931/23]

*249. To ask the Minister for Education the schools that have been given revised timelines for the completion of building works, given the recent announcement of the restarting of school building projects; and the revised timelines per school, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [18932/23]

*250. To ask the Minister for Education the number of teaching posts vacant per county in national, primary and secondary schools, per county, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [18940/23]

*251. To ask the Minister for Education the number of permanent teaching post contracts issued to teachers in national, primary and secondary schools in 2022, and to date in 2023. — Sorca Clarke. [18941/23]

*252. To ask the Minister for Education the current number of live studies, reviews and research projects undertaken or commissioned by her Department; and the date by which study, review and research is scheduled to be completed, in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [18944/23]

*253. To ask the Minister for Education what funding that is available to DEIS schools to assist in meeting the costs for school trips to facilitate further learning, integration and social development. — Sorca Clarke. [18968/23]

*254. To ask the Minister for Education when Leaving Certificate results will be published in 2023; if she will ensure that students receive their results in a timely manner to facilitate those studying away from home including those who have conditional offers to third-level institutions outside of the State; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [18979/23]

*255. To ask the Minister for Education if the national school in Kells, County Meath, involving the Christian Brothers up to the year 1988, will be included in the scoping inquiry into historical sexual abuse in schools run by religious orders; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [19031/23]

*256. To ask the Minister for Education the number of reports received of alleged historical sexual abuse in the then Christian Brothers-run national school in Kells, County Meath, for each of the years from 1968 to 1988, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [19032/23]

*257. To ask the Minister for Education for an update on the current position in regard to the provision for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [19044/23]

*258. To ask the Minister for Education if funding is available for DEIS schools to assist with the cost of school tours; if she will consider implementing such a scheme to assist schools and parents; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [19062/23]

*259. To ask the Minister for Education the status of an application by a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [19064/23]

*260. To ask the Minister for Education if she will respond to points of concerns raised by a trainee psychologist (details supplied) in respect of the proposed changes in funding for trainee educational psychologists; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19082/23]

*261. To ask the Minister for Education if approval and funding can be granted for immediate provision of a three-modular classroom unit to accommodate special needs children (details supplied); if this will be granted before September 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19085/23]

*262. To ask the Minister for Education if additional accommodation space will be allocated for an additional teacher allocated by the NCSE (details supplied); if this will be granted before September 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19086/23]

*263. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on a matter (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [19088/23]

*264. To ask the Minister for Education if a teacher (details supplied) is under the pre-2012 pension regime or the post-2012 pension regime; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [19151/23]

*265. To ask the Minister for Education in the situation where a Board of Management has had to refuse an application for an extension to a career break, when the Board can expect a decision from that teacher regarding their position in the school, staying in-situ or resigning, as this information is vital for the best interests of the school community; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19161/23]

*266. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide details of all expansion and new school buildings planned for schools in Athlone town in order to cater for the rapidly increasing population. — Robert Troy. [19164/23]

*267. To ask the Minister for Education her views on a school having a mandatory scheme requiring students to purchase a particular type of educational aid through a specific company (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [19182/23]

*268. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide a breakdown of the number of Ukrainian students being taken in by both primary and secondary schools across each Dublin postal district, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19230/23]

*269. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on plans to build the ASD pod at Dungarvan College, County Waterford; when she expects the pod to be open to students; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [19272/23]

*270. To ask the Minister for Education for an update on the urgently-awaited news of school-places for children in Kilcock; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [19285/23]

*271. To ask the Minister for Education when the BFR for a school (details supplied) will be available, given the long wait for same by the school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [19286/23]

*272. To ask the Minister for Education if she intends to progress a school (details supplied) for Westport; if these types of school have been established in Mayo; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19296/23]

*273. To ask the Minister for Education if she will review proposals to establish a school bus transport service to support parents and pupils of a school (details supplied); if she will outline the guidelines to establish such a service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19302/23]

*274. To ask the Minister for Education the criteria set for accessing the Summer Programme 2023 and home-based programme. — Sorca Clarke. [19307/23]

*275. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 776 of 21 March 2023, the details of her Department's engagement with stakeholders in relation to the Education (Student and Parent Charter) Bill 2019 which is currently awaiting an order for Committee Stage; the expected timeline for the Bill to progress to Committee Stage; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19358/23]

*276. To ask the Minister for Education what analysis her Department has carried out in relation to the efficacy of Circular 0032/2017 in relation to reducing the cost of school uniforms; for details of any monitoring carried out by her Department in relation to the implementation of the Circular; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19359/23]

*277. To ask the Minister for Education her plans in relation to schools that do not allow generic options for uniforms; for details of any engagement her Department has had in 2022 and to-date in 2023 with schools that do not allow generic options for uniforms; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19360/23]

*278. To ask the Minister for Education if a school is held responsible for the delay in circumstances (details supplied) in the same manner as parents are held responsible when they do not meet the specified timeframes regarding appeals of this nature; and if she will provide advice in relation to further options for parents in this situation. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19398/23]

*279. To ask the Minister for Education the teaching measures that will be put in place for a student (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19509/23]

*280. To ask the Minister for Education the number of individuals currently residing in direct provision centres that are enrolled in primary and post-primary education respectively. — Neasa Hourigan. [19556/23]

*281. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide an update on the current status of an approved extension for a school (details supplied) to which a design team was appointed in January 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [19572/23]

*282. To ask the Minister for Education her views on an issue raised in correspondence (details supplied); if she can ask the State Examinations Commission to respond to the issue raised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [19601/23]

*283. To ask the Minister for Education if phase 1 build approved for school (details supplied) will integrate a new staff canteen, as has been proposed by school management and put forward to her Department, as part of the modular building; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [19609/23]

*284. To ask the Minister for Education if she will confirm that her attention has been drawn to a request to meet a person (details supplied); and if she will acquiesce to that. — Catherine Murphy. [19615/23]

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

*285. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the up-to-date position regarding the development of the Wild Atlantic walkway; if the possibility of linking the Kerry Way and Dingle Way via Castlemaine Harbour has been examined; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [18916/23]

*286. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the up-to-date position regarding the development of the coastal route from Carlingford to Cobh as a tourist experience; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [18917/23]

*287. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when the next round of the Sports Capital and Equipment Programme will open to new applicants; if the review of the previous round has been presented to her; if a budget for the next round has been agreed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [18919/23]

*288. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when the next round of the Large Scale-Sporting Infrastructure Fund will open to new applicants; if a budget for the next round has been agreed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [18920/23]

*289. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she has received the 2021 Annual Report from the National Gallery of Ireland; and if so, when same will be published online. — Paul Donnelly. [18952/23]

*290. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if all scholarships under the DEIS Gaeltachta have been allocated for 2023; and if she will provide a breakdown of all scholarships allocations by school and county, in tabular form. — Gary Gannon. [19427/23]

*291. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide information in respect of the broadcasting levy (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19490/23]

*292. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the number and total value of contracts her Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20042/23]

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

*293. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of criminal investigations and prosecutions for illegally starting wildfires since the Government came to office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [19450/23]

*294. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will outline the Government's policy regarding finding a solution to Dublin's future water requirements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [19579/23]

*295. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of households that registered a septic tank in actual numbers and not percentage, in 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016, in tabular form; the actual number of households that noted they had a septic tank in the 2016 census; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19599/23]

*296. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of affordable housing units delivered via the cost rental equity loan, the affordable housing fund and Project Tosaigh in the constituency of Dublin Bay south in each of the years 2016 to 2022; and the number planned to be delivered in 2023, the breakdown of units per scheme and average price of units by unit size, in tabular form. — Chris Andrews. [18903/23]

*297. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the Exchequer funding lines that are available to local authorities to assist them in any facet of delivering current Government policy on housing, with the total funding allocated, in tabular form. — Sean Sherlock. [18908/23]

*298. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount of funding drawn down by each local authority in 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in each separate housing policy fund from his Department, in tabular form. — Sean Sherlock. [18909/23]

*299. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when the next round of the Community Monuments Fund will open; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [18923/23]

*300. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if concerns were raised by the EU Commission in respect of Part 9 of the Draft Planning and Development Bill 2022 in any engagement of his Department with the EU Commission, DG ENVI, following the publication in January of the Bill, including on sections 249 and 250, in any meetings held to date and in any associated minutes and related correspondence; if so, the concerns expressed; if he will share the minutes and correspondence in relation to same; if not, the reason; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [18928/23]

*301. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of individuals and families per local authority who are supported via HAP, RAS, leases and long-term rentals, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [18934/23]

*302. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he plans to immediately review planning guidelines to permit planning permission for log cabins as a means to relieve pressure on housing demand; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18942/23]

*303. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the whole-term staff by job title vacancies currently in the Office of Planning Regulator; and when these vacancies will be filled, in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [18945/23]

*304. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when a review of the National Planning Framework will take place; what form the NPF review will take; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charles Flanagan. [18962/23]

*305. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on whether the review of the National Planning Framework needs to be brought forward; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charles Flanagan. [18963/23]

*306. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will detail the steps his Department has taken or will take to identify the resourcing needs of An Bord Pleanála; the future constitution of an Coimisiún Pleanála; local and regional planning bodies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charles Flanagan. [18964/23]

*307. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps that must be taken by a local authority to secure supports for modular housing for use as social housing whereby the council has identified suitable locations; if he will consider reinstating the eviction ban until such a time as measures to mitigate the result of the lifting of the ban have been put in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [18975/23]

*308. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the position regarding provisions put in place by his Department to action Part 2 Section 6(2) or the Affordable Housing Act 2021 in relation to arrangement for community-led housing organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [18976/23]

*309. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will review the qualifying criteria for the ready-to-build scheme so as to include community-led housing projects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [18977/23]

*310. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the reason the co-existence of standards I.S. 20 Concrete Building Blocks and I.S. EN771-3:2011 Specification for Masonry Units were allowed to continue, when the EU standard was first introduced in other EU states; the reason it took time to be implemented here; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [18988/23]

*311. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he plans to ensure that lithium ion battery energy storage systems are subject to the environmental impact assessments in the Planning and Development Act 2000. — Catherine Murphy. [18993/23]

*312. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if there is any legal proscription on cutting turf by persons with turbary rights for one's own use in the Tullagher Lough and Bog (SAC); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [19023/23]

*313. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if, in any engagement between the Department and the EU Commission or the Directorate-General for Environment, concerns were raised by the Commission in respect of Part 9 of the Draft Planning and Development Bill 2022, including on sections 249 and 250, including in any meetings held to

date or in any associated minutes or related correspondence; if so, the nature of those concerns; if copies of related minutes and correspondence will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19043/23]

*314. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to set out how the cost rental tenant situ scheme will work; the person or body that landlords/tenants should approach if they are interested in applying for the scheme; the eligibility criteria; and if he intends to publish a regular report on the purchases through this scheme. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19056/23]

*315. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he is aware that some lenders are refusing to allow mortgage borrowers to draw down their mortgage in conjunction with the croí cónaithe towns refurbishment grant scheme due to uncertainty regarding the operation of the clawback provisions; his plans to resolve this matter; and the number of grant approvals and drawdowns to date broken down by local authority area. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19057/23]

*316. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide a breakdown of the 7,433 new-build social homes delivered in 2022, by delivery scheme, including SHIP construction, SHIP turnkey, CALF construction, CALF turnkey, CAS construction, CAS turnkey, Part V and PPP. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19060/23]

*317. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he is aware that a park (details supplied) has been promised regeneration since the first Traveller Accommodation Plan was introduced 23 years ago in 1999; the status of a funding application for the regeneration of the park which was made by Dublin City Council to his Department on 3 December 2022; if a response to DCC is imminent given that it is over 19 weeks since the application was submitted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [19061/23]

*318. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if local authorities are in a position to assist with the tenant-in-situ schemes or other relevant schemes that will provide assistance where a social housing applicant is resident in a neighbouring local authority, and where that social housing applicant has received a termination notice (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19102/23]

*319. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of affordable housing units delivered via the Cost Rental Equity Loan, the Affordable Housing Fund and Project Tosaigh in Sligo for the years, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, and planned to be delivered in 2023, with a breakdown of units per scheme; and average price of units by unit size, in tabular form. — Martin Kenny. [19104/23]

*320. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of affordable housing units delivered via the Cost Rental Equity Loan, the Affordable Housing Fund and Project Tosaigh in Leitrim for the years, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, and planned to be delivered in 2023, with a breakdown of units per scheme; and average price of units by unit size, in tabular form. — Martin Kenny. [19105/23]

*321. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he can clarify if a person who transfers from one local authority within County Dublin to another local authority can retain their length of time on the list, or if the local authority to whom they transfer will reassess them. — Duncan Smith. [19119/23]

*322. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has any plans in place to sanction that people who are currently on the HAP/Homeless HAP scheme who have received an eviction notice and find a new property can transfer their HAP payment to the new property, rather than having to apply for HAP at the new property. — Duncan Smith. [19125/23]

*323. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on introducing regulations concerning the use of rock-breaking equipment for the purposes of re-contouring and enlarging agricultural land. — Holly Cairns. [19184/23]

*324. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his Department has a dedicated vacant property section which deals solely with this issue; if so, the number of staff working exclusively in this section; the grade of each; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [19208/23]

*325. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of affordable housing units delivered via the cost rental equity loan, the affordable housing fund and project Tosaigh in Dublin Bay north for each of the years 2016 to 2022; and the number planned to be delivered in 2023, with a breakdown of units per scheme and average price of units by unit size, in tabular form. — Denise Mitchell. [19209/23]

*326. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if the review of the pilot caravan loan scheme has been completed; when the new scheme will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc Ó Cathasaigh. [19210/23]

*327. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will open up applications for the local authority home loan to those who wish to ‘buy out’ an ex-partner/husband/wife from a property so that they can remain in the family home with their children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [19274/23]

*328. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide details on how much of the Department of Housing’s budget for 2022 was returned to the Exchequer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [19275/23]

*329. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the breakdown of all funding under the heading of Limerick regeneration since 2016, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19284/23]

*330. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of HAP and RAS tenancies respectively targeted for delivery by Cork City Council in each of the years 2022-2026, in tabular form. — Thomas Gould. [19304/23]

*331. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of acquisitions targeted for delivery by Cork City Council in each of the years 2022-2026, in tabular form. — Thomas Gould. [19305/23]

*332. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of WTE Park Rangers that are based in each National Parks under the remit of National Parks and Wildlife Service as of 18 April 2023; and if he will provide the same figures as of 30 April 2021, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19336/23]

*333. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to confirm that all local authorities are obligated to provide AHBs developing under the capital assistance scheme in their local authority area with the applicable unit cost ceilings, if he is aware of any circumstances where this is the case; and whether has a circular or guidance been issued on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19361/23]

*334. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to outline the circumstances under which cost rental tenants may be eligible to access the housing assistance payment. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19362/23]

*335. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will now implement a tenancy deposit protection scheme for renters, as provided for in the Residential Tenancies (Amendment) Act 2015; if he will outline his reasons for not commencing such a scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [19363/23]

*336. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage how many staff have been hired to deal with the tenant-in-situ scheme; the number of vacant positions still available; the breakdown by local authority of the number of persons hired to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [19367/23]

*337. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he will issue a circular to local authorities setting out the guidelines for the tenant-in-situ, for common situations where a tenant receives their HAP payment from one local authority, but it is a different local authority that wishes to purchase the property; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [19402/23]

*338. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide a breakdown of the number and cost of bathroom conversions for council tenants for each local authority in each of the years 2019 to 2022. — Paul McAuliffe. [19429/23]

*339. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will consider allowing council tenants to apply for the housing aid for older persons grant and the disabled persons grants to speed up the process following long delays with local authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [19430/23]

*340. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if additional details will be provided on the housing in-situ-scheme for counties Cavan and Monaghan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19446/23]

*341. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when the circular with details of the 1 May changes to the vacant property grant will issue to local authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19474/23]

*342. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on whether the enforcement of wildlife crime should now become a greater priority following the successful agreement of a UN Action Plan for Biodiversity at COP 15 and following the report of the Irish Citizens' Assembly on Biodiversity Loss; how he envisages that the greater enforcement of wildlife crime will help Ireland to meet its '30 x 30' goals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [19498/23]

*343. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide, in statistical form, a record of wildlife crimes, by county, registered, prosecuted and convicted in Ireland in each year over the past decade; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [19499/23]

*344. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he intends to use legislation to protect tenants of purpose-built retirement villages to ensure they cannot be evicted, unless a tenant breaches the tenancy agreement; if he will ensure that purpose built retirement villages remain retirement villages under planning law; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [19511/23]

*345. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the options available to a person whose income takes them over the social housing threshold but is not enough to meet the criteria for repayments of a local authority home loan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19513/23]

*346. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will an update on any plans of proposed changes to reduce the voting age to 16 years of age; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19518/23]

*347. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he plans to allow Irish-born citizens living outside Ireland to vote in Irish elections; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19519/23]

*348. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when the croí cónaithe refurbishment grant scheme will be extended to include properties for rent; and how landlords can apply for this. — Francis Noel Duffy. [19520/23]

*349. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he is aware that Louth County Council has 'suspended receipt of applications for the various DPG schemes due to the vast over subscription which exceeds both budgets and capacity to manage and process applications'; if his Department intends to provide additional budget and capacity to Louth County Council in 2023 in order for them to deal with the applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [19558/23]

*350. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number and total value of contracts his Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20033/23]

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

*351. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of a disability allowance application by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [18906/23]

*352. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of approvals made for the Workplace Equipment Adaptation Grant in each of the years 2018 to 2023, inclusive; the average timeline for approval; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [18924/23]

*353. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will provide an update on the provision of a pension for carers; when she expects these pension entitlements to commence; what the limitations of the scheme will be; how long will a person have to have been a carer; the progress on establishing a register of family carers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [18961/23]

*354. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the cost of disability payment was extended to those on CE schemes. — Thomas Gould. [19021/23]

*355. To ask the Minister for Social Protection how many people received the fuel allowance in each of the years 2020, 2021 and 2022; the cost of this scheme to the State in each of these years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [19036/23]

*356. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason invalidity pension reviews are taking so long to process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [19058/23]

*357. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the supports that are in place for self-employed people who fall ill; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [19070/23]

*358. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the steps she is taking to ensure that all eligible persons can access the treatment benefit scheme under the Social Welfare (Convention on Social Security between the Government of Ireland and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) Order 2020. — Holly Cairns. [19081/23]

*359. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her plans in the next Budget to increase financial supports for carers in Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19096/23]

*360. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her views on foster carers who give up work to care for children being eligible to avail of the full State contributory pension; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19099/23]

*361. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will consider ending the practice of means-testing PhD stipends for recipients of one-parent family and jobseeker’s transitional payments by implementing the same disregard she granted recipients of disability allowance and their spouses/partners in 2021; the estimated cost of implementing such a disregard; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [19155/23]

*362. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will instruct the appeals section of the State pension (contributory) section to issue a decision on the case of a person (details supplied). — Emer Higgins. [19217/23]

*363. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 908 of 18 April 2023, if she will make a statement on the continued vacancy of a property which housed the Citizens’ Information Centre in Rathmines. — Ivana Bacik. [19250/23]

*364. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will make a statement on the BearingPoint review of volunteers in the Citizens Information Services; if she agrees that volunteers should be reintegrated into the CIS. — Ivana Bacik. [19251/23]

*365. To ask the Minister for Social Protection to list in tabular form how much it would cost to increase the increase for a qualified child for over 12s by 10, 12 and 15 euro; and how much it would cost to increase the under 12s rate by 5,7 and 10 euro. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [19289/23]

*366. To ask the Minister for Social Protection to list in tabular form the number of recipients of one parent family payment and jobseeker's transitional payment who are also in receipt of the fuel allowance. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [19291/23]

*367. To ask the Minister for Social Protection how much it would cost to increase the fuel allowance by €15 per week; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [19292/23]

*368. To ask the Minister for Social Protection how much it would cost to increase the payable period for the fuel allowance by four weeks; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [19293/23]

*369. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her Department has conducted an analysis of the cost of extending the child benefit payment to all second level students over the age of 18 years; if there are plans to extend the payment in this way as a response to the cost-of-living crisis; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [19294/23]

*370. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of a pension and fuel allowance for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19295/23]

*371. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a decision has been made on a carer's allowance appeal in respect of a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19368/23]

*372. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of persons on jobseeker's benefit who transferred on to the back to education allowance in 2019; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [19369/23]

*373. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the total number of people in receipt of one-parent family payment; the total number of people in receipt of jobseeker's transitional payment; and the number of recipients of each payment who are self-employed, in tabular form. — Gary Gannon. [19423/23]

*374. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when the ending of means testing of child maintenance for lone parents accessing social welfare payments will come into effect. — Gary Gannon. [19424/23]

*375. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the total number of people in receipt of working family payment; the estimated cost of extending eligibility for the fuel allowance to recipients of the working family payment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [19425/23]

*376. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of one-parent families that availed of parent's benefit and leave in 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [19426/23]

*377. To ask the Minister for Social Protection her views on matters raised in correspondence (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19475/23]

*378. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a person (details supplied) can expect a decision from the officer in relation to an appeal lodged for the carer's allowance; the reason for the delay; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [19546/23]

*379. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a person (details supplied) can expect a decision from the officer in relation to an appeal lodged for a carer's allowance; the reason for the delay; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [19547/23]

*380. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a person (details supplied) can expect a decision from the officer in relation to a financial appeal lodged for a disability allowance; the reason for the delay; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [19548/23]

*381. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will outline how working part-time hours affects a person's entitlement to jobseeker's allowance; how it affects entitlement to jobseeker's benefit; and the number of claimants in each case who receive payment while working part-time. — Richard Bruton. [19553/23]

*382. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the status of carer's allowance for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19559/23]

*383. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will remove the means test from carer's allowance given the vital role and the significant contribution carers provide to the State; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19591/23]

*384. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will increase the carer's allowance income threshold for carers, given the significant increase in the cost-of-living; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [19593/23]

*385. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number and total value of contracts her Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20040/23]

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

*386. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 1146 of 18 January 2023, when it is expected that an appointment will be made to the role of County Registrar at the Courts Service in Dundalk; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [18922/23]

*387. To ask the Minister for Justice if international protection applicants have their records checked for criminal convictions; if so, the databases they are checked against; the countries that take part in those databases; how long does the process take; the process if an international protection applicant is found to have a criminal conviction; if they are allowed to remain in the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [18927/23]

*388. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of unmarked Garda vans in each Garda division as of 17 April 2023, in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [18953/23]

*389. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of times that gardaí have objected to renewal of pub licences in each Garda district within Dublin due to concerns of public order issues in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [18954/23]

*390. To ask the Minister for Justice when each of the boats currently in the Garda water unit are next scheduled to be replaced, in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [18955/23]

*391. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 520 of 14 February 2023, if he has received the necessary information from the Garda authorities to answer the question. — Paul Donnelly. [18956/23]

*392. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 461 of 24 January 2023, if he has received the necessary information from the Garda authorities to answer the question. — Paul Donnelly. [18957/23]

*393. To ask the Minister for Justice how many successful applicants there are for the scheme for long-term undocumented migrants; the number of applicants in total; the number that were refused as they arrived later than the cut-off point; and if there are plans to assist those who missed the cut off point by less than six months. — Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. [19004/23]

*394. To ask the Minister for Justice the total cost to the State of providing security for the visit of the US President; and for a breakdown of this cost in as detailed a manner as possible. — Louise O'Reilly. [19028/23]

*395. To ask the Minister for Justice the additional gardaí seconded to Dublin, Louth and Mayo (or other) to provide security for the visit of the US President. — Louise O'Reilly. [19029/23]

*396. To ask the Minister for Justice when he will consult with the members of two groups (details supplied) who are frustrated by a lack of engagement in relation to your review of firearms legislation and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19048/23]

*397. To ask the Minister for Justice when he intends to meet with stakeholders following the report of the Firearms Expert Committee; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [19059/23]

*398. To ask the Minister for Justice if there is an active animal welfare unit within An Garda Síochána; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19066/23]

*399. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of the review of the Special Criminal Court; the date that the final report is expected to be submitted; and the schedule of costs to date. — Catherine Murphy. [19074/23]

*400. To ask the Minister for Justice if he will engage with stakeholder groups (details supplied) concerning the Firearms Expert Committee: First Report. — Holly Cairns. [19080/23]

*401. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of full-time equivalent gardaí currently stationed at Kevin Street Garda Station, Irishtown Garda Station, Donnybrook Garda Station, Rathmines Garda Station, Terenure Garda Station, Sundrive Road Garda Station and Pearse Street Garda Station, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [19110/23]

*402. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of garda vehicles assigned full-time to Kevin Street Garda Station, Irishtown Garda Station, Donnybrook Garda Station, Rathmines Garda Station, Terenure Garda Station, Sundrive Road Garda Station and Pearse Street Garda Station, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [19111/23]

*403. To ask the Minister for Justice if his Department records the average time between the making of a call to a garda station and the arrival of members of An Garda Síochána at the scene; the average wait time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [19112/23]

*404. To ask the Minister for Justice the average time between the making of a call to emergency services and deployment of members of An Garda Síochána in each month of 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [19113/23]

*405. To ask the Minister for Justice if he will provide an update on the measures his Department has taken to examine the role of sheriffs in respect of State work; the rationale underpinning the need for this examination; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [19130/23]

*406. To ask the Minister for Justice the current total number of gardaí; the number currently in training; the number currently on leave; the number currently deployed overseas in an official capacity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [19185/23]

*407. To ask the Minister for Justice the current number of gardaí based in Dublin, broken down by rank and district, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [19186/23]

*408. To ask the Minister for Justice when the next batch of trainee gardaí will graduate from Templemore; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [19187/23]

*409. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí who have received CBD 1 and CBD 2 training, broken down by district, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [19188/23]

*410. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of firearms offences within the Dublin Metropolitan Area over the past five years, broken down by district and offence, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [19189/23]

*411. To ask the Minister for Justice if there is a set time period during which a multi-entry visa is valid; if this time period is dependent on the applicant's circumstances; if he will clarify how the amount of time a multi-entry visa remains valid is decided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [19191/23]

*412. To ask the Minister for Justice the crime figure statistics from each of the Garda stations in Cork city by category in March 2022 and March 2023. — Thomas Gould. [19192/23]

*413. To ask the Minister for Justice when a person (details supplied) will receive a decision on their citizenship application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [19225/23]

*414. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of the promised SAVI II Report; when the report will be finished; when the report will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19311/23]

*415. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of Garda public order unit vans attached to each Garda division as of 18 April 2023; and if he will provide the same figures as of 30 April 2021, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19338/23]

*416. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 518 of 7 March 2023, if he has received the necessary information from the Garda authorities, to answer this question. — Alan Kelly. [19339/23]

*417. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of WTE civilian cyber security specialist working in the Garda National Cyber Crime Bureau in the years of 2021, 2022 and to-date in 2023, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19340/23]

*418. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 604 of 28 March 2023, if he has received the necessary information from the Garda authorities to have this PQ answered. — Alan Kelly. [19370/23]

*419. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of Ministerial authorisations that have been sought to have a male-born prisoner housed in a women's prison as is a requirement under section 52 of Prison Rules, in the past ten years; the number granted; and if he will provide details of each case. — Peadar Tóibín. [19431/23]

*420. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of evictions An Garda Síochána has been present at in the past five years, broken down by whether members of the force have been in attendance at the request of the landlord or the tenant, respectively. — Paul Murphy. [19448/23]

*421. To ask the Minister for Justice if it is still the intention to extend opening hours of nightclubs; and if so, if a timeframe can be provided for when the change is expected to come into effect. — Eoin Ó Broin. [19452/23]

*422. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of prosecutions that were made in 2022 for failure to pay a television licence. — Pa Daly. [19457/23]

*423. To ask the Minister for Justice if he will provide a breakdown of the number of times restorative justice was used in both adult and juvenile cases over the past five years, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [19481/23]

*424. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of trainees, actual and projected, who have attested into the gardaí in each of the years 2020 to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [19502/23]

*425. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardai that have been redeployed in 2020, 2021 and 2022 as a result of the hiring of civilian/non-sworn staff. — Pa Daly. [19504/23]

*426. To ask the Minister for Justice when he or the Firearms Expert Committee intend to consult with the firearm user groups or representative organisations of the almost quarter-of-a-million licensed firearms holders in Ireland, in relation to the comprehensive review of firearms licensing in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [19512/23]

*427. To ask the Minister for Justice if he will detail how a request submitted for an Irish national, currently in a prison within the EU, is repatriated to an Irish prison under the new Criminal Justice (Mutual Recognition of Custodial Sentences) Act 2023; if advice in this regard has been circulated to relevant advocacy groups to assist families in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19516/23]

*428. To ask the Minister for Justice if consideration is being given to reducing the minimum salary for family reunification concerning non-EEA healthcare assistants under the general employment permit, in view of changes to the scheme in 2021 which set the annual minimum salary at €27,000 for healthcare assistants under the general employment permit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19534/23]

*429. To ask the Minister for Justice if he will address a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19574/23]

*430. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 164 of 29 March 2023, when he will make the reports by the Firearms Expert Committee available in full; when his Department will convene a broader consultation process with firearms stakeholders to address any recommended policy or legislative changes resulting from the Committee's final report and recommendations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [19577/23]

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

*431. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of hectares of the Coillte estate on peatland soils that are currently planted with trees and where forestry productivity is projected to be a particular yield class (details supplied). — Marian Harkin. [18913/23]

*432. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 206 of 26 October 2022, of the remaining 58,000 hectares of Coillte lands on peat soil (details supplied), the area in hectares that is planted with trees managed by Coillte primarily for commercial timber production; and the area in hectares that is planted with trees managed by Coillte primarily for biodiversity protection. — Marian Harkin. [18918/23]

*433. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of times that his Department has hired out external ornithologists to carry out works on behalf of his Department in the years of 2022 and to date in 2023; the name of the ornithologist; and the amount paid for such works project in tabular form. — Paul Donnelly. [18950/23]

*434. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will revise the criteria for the current ACRES scheme (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [18971/23]

*435. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the situation in relation to agricultural payments for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [18986/23]

*436. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if grants and premiums will be available in the next forestry programme for sufferers of Ash Dieback; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [19024/23]

*437. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a compensation package for loss of income will be introduced for sufferers of Ash Dieback; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [19025/23]

*438. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 1552 of 21 March 2023, if he will outline the number of engagements he or his officials have had with the relevant Algerian ministry regarding plans for a sanitary agreement to be established between Ireland and Algeria for dairy and infant formula; the most recent engagements he or his officials have had on the matter; if he will indicate the timelines for the implementation of the agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [19117/23]

*439. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine how his Department intends to engage on the recently published Citizens Assembly report on Biodiversity, with regard to the potential impact of the report on agriculture and the farming community; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [19124/23]

*440. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will outline the licensing requirements for companies supplying AI services to farmers; what sanctions apply if the licensing requirements are not adhered to; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [19126/23]

*441. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if tillage land was eligible for ANC payments prior to 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [19168/23]

*442. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the forestry programme will commence; when it will provide income for stakeholders; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [19177/23]

*443. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of badgers culled, by county in 2022 and to date in 2023, the number of these badgers found dead in the snares; and the number that were alive and were killed by gunshot or other method. — Holly Cairns. [19178/23]

*444. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of farmers affected by Chalara Fraxinea (Ash Dieback) disease; the support measures introduced by his Department to address this matter; the number of farmers who have applied for these measures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [19193/23]

*445. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if health and safety risks with dead or rotten ash trees increase the longer these trees are left in situ; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [19194/23]

*446. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if rotten ash trees on plantations under ten hectares in size require planning permission when replanted with commercial conifers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [19195/23]

*447. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of ACRES applications that are awaiting a response; the number of these outstanding applications that are

from organic farmers; if he will confirm what actions are being taken to address any applications awaiting a response; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [19196/23]

*448. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of farmers that ruled out of the ANC scheme for reasons other than not meeting stocking density criteria in 2020, 2021 and 2022, by county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [19277/23]

*449. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide an update on the Hen Harrier Programme payment; if there are delays in processing applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [19287/23]

*450. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will confirm that the Coillte Group is fully committed to keeping a company (details supplied) as a wholly owned subsidiary; if he will confirm that the Coillte Group does not intend selling this subsidiary or an external third party; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [19468/23]

*451. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when his Department will be advertising again for positions on a committee (details supplied) in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [19492/23]

*452. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when he expects approval from the European Commission in respect of the scheme of investment aid for the development of the commercial horticulture sector (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [19500/23]

*453. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the scheme of investment aid for the development of the commercial horticulture sector will be launched; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [19501/23]

*454. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the investment aid for the development of the commercial horticulture sector will be in place in 2023 in order to give security to the industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [19521/23]

*455. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on proposed changes to payment dates for his Department's grants including ANC payments for 2023; the rationale behind this proposed date change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [19535/23]

*456. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a landowner who is getting his agriculture payments (details supplied) is allowed to deny access to people with turbary rights to cut their own turf for their own use; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19561/23]

*457. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of a refund for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19576/23]

*458. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the status of payments (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [19578/23]

*459. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number and total value of contracts his Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20023/23]

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

*460. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when a review of allowances for people going through IVF will be examined (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19049/23]

*461. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the plans the Government has to introduce paid leave for people going through IVF treatment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [19176/23]

*462. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the amounts paid by the HSE to the Galro Centre, Kilbixy Paddocks, County Westmeath for the provision of weekend day-respite services for children with additional needs; the criteria and conditions of this funding; whether the centre remains entitled to exclude children from the service; whether a review will be conducted in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [19571/23]

*463. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if the HSE will provide funding for a facility (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19594/23]

*464. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the reason those who are undertaking community service have had their access to Columb Barracks, Mullingar removed, given the ongoing work that they were participating in on that site. — Sorca Clarke. [18929/23]

*465. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when an accommodation provider for Ukrainian refugees (details supplied) who is experiencing financial difficulties will receive payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [19007/23]

*466. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when he expects the first person who was a child in the Mother and Baby Homes to receive redress under the new scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [19050/23]

*467. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his plans in Budget 2024 to increase financial supports for carers in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19090/23]

*468. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if the weekly allowance payable to foster carers will be increased in line with inflation or if retrospective payment will be made as current rates have remained static since 2009; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19091/23]

*469. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of individuals and couples currently registered as foster carers with Tusla; if he will provide a

breakdown of the number of foster carers in the State from 2009 to 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19092/23]

*470. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his views on foster carers who give up work to care for children being eligible to avail of the full State pension (contributory); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19093/23]

*471. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will examine additional payments for foster carers in order to recruit more foster carers into the system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19094/23]

*472. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide a breakdown on the number of payments foster carers are currently entitled to; what those payments were in monetary value from 2009 to 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [19095/23]

*473. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the position regarding any Departmental initiatives that seek to increase environmentally friendly practices in the early years' sector, with a particular emphasis on promoting biodiversity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [19159/23]

*474. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he plans to establish a reception centre at a site (details supplied); the proposed duration that it is envisioned the location will be a permanent base for persons; and the supports that will be available to those arising over and above what is available locally, that is additional GP services, early learning centres and so on. — Catherine Murphy. [19175/23]

*475. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will make supports available to children under three years who require tube feeding who must attend childcare. — Holly Cairns. [19179/23]

*476. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will outline the funding streams and training options available to assist in caring for children with disabilities who require tube feeding but are under three-years-of-age. — Holly Cairns. [19180/23]

*477. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the reason a child (details supplied) who is nearly four years of age has still not had an assessment of need carried out. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [19190/23]

*478. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide an update on the case of a child (details supplied) who two years ago was referred to East Limerick Children's Services for an ASD cognitive assessment and has yet to receive an appointment date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [19197/23]

*479. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if she will provide a breakdown of the children's disability network teams' interdisciplinary supports and therapies provided within County Mayo's CDNTs 1-3; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19297/23]

*480. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if she will outline the reason children (details supplied) are waiting up to 12 months for access to interdisciplinary supports and therapies; the steps being taken to reduce this wait time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19298/23]

*481. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the reason the allowance paid in respect of children taken into care is different for a relative and a non-relative of the child; if he will agree that the preference is to keep a child within the family unit if at all possible; if he accepts that the costs for providing care by a family member or non-family member will be similar and in low-income families these costs could be a barrier to such care being provided by a family relative; if he proposes to change the present arrangements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [19355/23]

*482. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the long-term situation in relation to IPAS locations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [19365/23]

*483. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth how many children are in Tusla's care; and how many of them have allocated social workers. — Paul Murphy. [19443/23]

*484. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth how social workers are employed by Tusla; how many social care workers are employed by Tusla; how many unfilled positions for social workers there are; and how many unfilled positions for social care workers there are,. — Paul Murphy. [19444/23]

*485. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth how many units of stepdown accommodation nationally are allocated to aftercare for 18-year-olds progressing from Tusla care. — Paul Murphy. [19445/23]

*486. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he is aware of the lack of wheelchair accessibility at Spike Island tours; what steps his Department is taking to ensure that tourist sites are accessible to all; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Collins. [19479/23]

*487. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he is aware of the case of a proposed exhibition (details supplied) at Spike Island being put in jeopardy due to the lack of a wheelchair-accessible bus on the island; if he will take steps to ensure that issues of accessibility are appropriately addressed by a company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joan Collins. [19480/23]

*488. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if IPAS is providing accommodation for Ukrainian beneficiaries of temporary protection or international protection applicants at a property (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [19510/23]

*489. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of minors currently residing in direct provision centres across the State. — Neasa Hourigan. [19555/23]

*490. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the procedures in place to ensure minors residing in direct provision centres are enrolled in education; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19557/23]

*491. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the reason the hydrotherapy pool (details supplied) in Cavan is still without clinical staff trained to deliver hydrotherapy for an organisation in Cavan to users in need of the service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19560/23]

*492. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 430 of 8 February 2023, when a person (details supplied) will be provided with alternative weekend day-respite services following their exclusion from those services at Galro Centre, Kilbixy Paddocks, County Westmeath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [19570/23]

*493. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when a person (details supplied) who is awaiting a substantial payment for housing Ukrainian families will receive this payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [19596/23]

*494. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he has read a report (details supplied), specifically as it relates to pay for early years' educators; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [19604/23]

*495. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his views on the adequacy of childcare provision in Tubbercurry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [19606/23]

*496. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will report on proposed research on early learning and care, and school-age childcare need of parents who work atypical hours or live in rural communities, and develop recommendations for future action, as required by the Rural Development Policy 2021-2025. — Ivana Bacik. [19608/23]

*497. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide a memo in respect of the basis for proceeding with the use of a building (details supplied) that is subject to determinations made regarding restrictions and or limitations of its use by a local authority. — Catherine Murphy. [19613/23]

*498. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will meet with a person (details supplied) as a matter of priority. — Catherine Murphy. [19616/23]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*499. To ask the Minister for Health the average time between the making of a call to emergency services and deployment of members of the Ambulance Service, in each month of 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [19113/23]

*500. To ask the Minister for Health if the medical card levy, which places a financial burden on many older and vulnerable people, will be removed completely in Budget 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19506/23]

*501. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1999 of 8 September 2022, if he will state clearly when those frontline staff who have to date not received a pandemic payment will receive the payment; the number of eligible staff still awaiting same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [18914/23]

*502. To ask the Minister for Health if all agencies that had workers providing services during Covid-19 have now received the pandemic bonus payment into their accounts. — Brian Stanley. [18915/23]

*503. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding funding allocations for those pursuing doctorates in educational and child psychology at Mary Immaculate College and UCD; if his attention has been drawn to the inequity in funding when compared to similar doctorate courses (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [18921/23]

*504. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the case of a person (details supplied) who following a referral, in April 2022, to the ENT section at University Hospital Limerick has yet to receive an appointment date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [18926/23]

*505. To ask the Minister for Health the current vacancies in Mullingar Regional Hospital per department and speciality; and the length of time each post has been vacant, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [18938/23]

*506. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full-year cost of recruiting two additional WTE senior dietitians in eating disorders for CHI Connolly. — Paul Donnelly. [18947/23]

*507. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE midwives working in each of the maternity hospitals within Dublin in 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; if this number will be further increased; and if so, when. — Paul Donnelly. [18948/23]

*508. To ask the Minister for Health how the additional €1.75 million will be spent on the meals-on-wheels service during 2023. — Paul Donnelly. [18949/23]

*509. To ask the Minister for Health if the scheme for paid leave for public health service employees unfit for work post-Covid infection will be continued past the proposed finish date of 30 June, especially given the number of these staff still suffering ongoing effects of long-Covid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marian Harkin. [18970/23]

*510. To ask the Minister for Health when a retired nurse's pension arrears will issue to a person (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [18972/23]

*511. To ask the Minister for Health if financial assistance can be given to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [18978/23]

*512. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a hospital appointment for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [18985/23]

*513. To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware of the drug seroquel being given to nursing home residents in cases in which the resident suffers from dementia; if there are known

contraindications for such administration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [18991/23]

*514. To ask the Minister for Health if he will set out the plans that the National Ambulance Service and hospitals have in the context for catastrophic incidents at lithium ion battery energy storage system failures. — Catherine Murphy. [18995/23]

*515. To ask the Minister for Health when a reply will be provided in relation to a representation sent to the HSE regarding a person (details supplied) in Meath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [18997/23]

*516. To ask the Minister for Health if he will outline for the past ten years each time the income threshold to qualify for a medical card got updated or altered; and if he will respond with details of each or any update to qualify for a medical card. — Gino Kenny. [18999/23]

*517. To ask the Minister for Health if he plans to update the income threshold for a medical card to align with the current cost-of-living. — Gino Kenny. [19000/23]

*518. To ask the Minister for Health if he plans to update the qualification criteria for a medical card to consider long-term illness that have a cost burden on a household; and if he will make the qualification for a medical card to be more flexible to take in cost factors that are not on the current list. — Gino Kenny. [19001/23]

*519. To ask the Minister for Health if he plans to expand the medical card to all cancer patients under treatment. — Gino Kenny. [19002/23]

*520. To ask the Minister for Health if the drug melatonin is available under the discretionary hardship scheme for a person (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19005/23]

*521. To ask the Minister for Health when a review will be completed into the reimbursement process for cariban, the first-line treatment for hyperemesis gravidarum; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Donnelly. [19006/23]

*522. To ask the Minister for Health if he will give a commitment that a service (details supplied) in County Cork will be continued; if he will confirm that there will be no disruption to night-time services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [19014/23]

*523. To ask the Minister for Health the current situation regarding replacement of GP services at a location in County Cork (details supplied). — Michael Creed. [19017/23]

*524. To ask the Minister for Health if consideration has been given to allow a person (details supplied) use the National Purchase Treatment Fund to access urgent surgery; if each and every possible option available has been explored; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [19022/23]

*525. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on radiotherapy services across the country; the number of linear accelerators currently closed; what facilities these are located in; the impact of these closures on cancer treatment services; the number of radiotherapist

vacancies nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O’Callaghan. [19027/23]

*526. To ask the Minister for Health how many people received a medical card in each of the years 2020, 2021 and 2022; and the cost of this scheme to the State in each of these years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [19035/23]

*527. To ask the Minister for Health the percentage of endoscopy capacity the BowelScreen programme has access to on a yearly basis; if this capacity varies per year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [19037/23]

*528. To ask the Minister for Health how much income was generated from the car parks of public hospitals in the years 2021 and 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [19038/23]

*529. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a cost on replacing 10% of acute hospital beds in multi-bed wards with single isolation room units; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19051/23]

*530. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the replacement of multi-bed wards with single isolation rooms over the coming years, in tabular form; the number of single isolation units; the number of beds in multi-unit wards; the cost of and budget for the replacement programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19052/23]

*531. To ask the Minister for Health the update on the status of employing a person as a consultant (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [19053/23]

*532. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people currently availing of the services in each long-Covid clinic; the total funding available for long-Covid clinics; the breakdown of the funding allocated to each clinic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [19063/23]

*533. To ask the Minister for Health the measures that are being taken to ensure that all employees who are entitled to the €1,000 payment are paid out, particularly a person (details supplied); if they are entitled to the payment; when it will be paid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19069/23]

*534. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 158 of 25 January 2023, the reason for the delay in issuing Covid-19 recognition payments; when he expects outstanding payments to be made to frontline workers in private nursing homes, hospices and agency healthcare assistants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [19071/23]

*535. To ask the Minister for Health the reason an emergency medical card is not issued to the spouse of a self-employed person even through the spouse is employed on a PAYE basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [19072/23]

*536. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the In Sickness and in Debt Report relating to the administration of the treatment abroad scheme, the EU cross-Border directive scheme and the Northern Ireland planned healthcare scheme; his plans to implement its recommendations; his

plans to promote and advertise the use of these schemes to help alleviate waiting lists for medical procedures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19073/23]

*537. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he is taking in response to a HIQA report (details supplied). — Holly Cairns. [19077/23]

*538. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide details of the number of people on waiting lists for eye treatments, including the length of time spent waiting broken down on a quarterly basis, in tabular form. — Holly Cairns. [19078/23]

*539. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he is taking to ensure that private opticians will accept medical cards to cover eye tests and eye-related healthcare. — Holly Cairns. [19079/23]

*540. To ask the Minister for Health if he will respond to points of concerns raised by a trainee psychologist (details supplied) in respect of the proposed changes in funding for trainee educational psychologists; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19083/23]

*541. To ask the Minister for Health if the concerns raised by the family of a person (details supplied) in County Cork will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Moynihan. [19087/23]

*542. To ask the Minister for Health if an appointment for a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19089/23]

*543. To ask the Minister for Health if recommendations (details supplied) have been put in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [19114/23]

*544. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the commitment in the Programme for Government to review and improve the national policy document entitled 'Safeguarding Vulnerable Persons at Risks of Abuses, National Policy and Procedures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [19115/23]

*545. To ask the Minister for Health if minutes of a meeting (details supplied) can be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [19116/23]

*546. To ask the Minister for Health his Department's plans for providing the public with access to information about alcohol; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19120/23]

*547. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people visiting askaboutalcohol.ie in search of information regarding alcohol in each year since 2018 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19121/23]

*548. To ask the Minister for Health if information regarding alcohol is now deemed less important given the discontinuation of the 'Ask About Alcohol' website; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19122/23]

*549. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 123 of 4 April 2019, the measures being taken to assist a person (details supplied) who urgently needs the drug sativex.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [19127/23]

*550. To ask the Minister for Health if the proposed new national maternity hospital at St. Vincent's will be offering gender-affirming care; if this will include the provision of sex-reassignment surgery; if so, which age groups this service will be extended to; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [19131/23]

*551. To ask the Minister for Health if the new national children's hospital will be offering gender-affirming care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [19132/23]

*552. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the work of his Department with respect to the WHO International Treaty on Pandemic Preparedness, Response and Recovery (Pandemic Treaty); if his Department supports the treaty; if his Department has made any submissions to the deliberative process of the international treaty; if so, if he will publish same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [19152/23]

*553. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1385 of 21 March 2023, when there was a full case conference in relation to the patient; if a patient advocate had been appointed on his behalf; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19160/23]

*554. To ask the Minister for Health the progress to date in the determination of an application for the fair deal scheme in the case of a person (details supplied), given their spouse is currently paying €1,145 per week for their care; when funding is likely to issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19163/23]

*555. To ask the Minister for Health if he will ensure that payments due under the PCRS to a medical practice (details supplied) will be paid; the reason for the long delay in making payments to this practice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [19165/23]

*556. To ask the Minister for Health when frontline healthcare workers who were employed by an agency (details supplied) to give vaccinations in a hospital will be paid the Covid bonus payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [19167/23]

*557. To ask the Minister for Health if, in light of the recent report of the Ombudsman in relation to the treatment of some applicants under the treatment abroad scheme, he will request the HSE to review a case (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [19169/23]

*558. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a medication (details supplied) has been removed from the list of medication available for free under the medical card scheme; if this can be reversed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [19170/23]

*559. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the review by the HSE of the current arrangement around the provision of cariban under the community drug schemes, and in particular the requirement that the initial prescriber be a consultant obstetrician; the terms of reference of the review; the timeline for the completion of the review; his plans to publish the recommendations of the review; if he will provide details of any representative groups being consulted as part of the review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19173/23]

*560. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he is taking to ensure that current trainee educational psychologists in a third-level institution (details supplied) will receive the same remuneration and funding supports as incoming first years. — Holly Cairns. [19183/23]

*561. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update and timeline for the commencement and completion of the review on the reimbursement process for cariban for the first-line treatment for hyperemesis gravidarum, which was announced in early February 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marian Harkin. [19202/23]

*562. To ask the Minister for Health if the plans that the Government has committed to in relation to ensuring that terminally-ill patients have access to medical cards have been implemented in full. — Alan Kelly. [19205/23]

*563. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the medical card application by a person (details supplied) who has been asked for documentation repeatedly even after submitting the requested information. — Paul McAuliffe. [19206/23]

*564. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1496 of 21 March 2023, if he will now ensure that guidelines are put in place immediately by his Department regarding value for money and risks in relation to the potential purchase of and/or purchase of private nursing homes. — Alan Kelly. [19207/23]

*565. To ask the Minister for Health when the new St. Conlon's home in Nenagh will be completed and open to residents. — Alan Kelly. [19213/23]

*566. To ask the Minister for Health if kitchen staff in hospitals will receive the pandemic bonus of €1,000. — Alan Kelly. [19214/23]

*567. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a breakdown of the number of in-patients in each acute hospital at present that have been admitted for more than one year, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [19226/23]

*568. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a breakdown of the number of in-patients in each acute hospital over the past ten years that have been admitted for more than one year, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19227/23]

*569. To ask the Minister for Health if he will address matters raised in correspondence by a person (details supplied). — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [19228/23]

*570. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding an appeal against the refusal to pay out the pandemic special recognition payment for a group of frontline healthcare workers (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19278/23]

*571. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a breakdown of funding including all annual operational, clinical and one-off funding provided to an organisation (details supplied) in partnership with the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19299/23]

*572. To ask the Minister for Health his views on whether the sale of larger boxes of cigarettes non-20-pack cigarettes constitutes promotional pricing; and if they are distorting demand for cigarettes upwards. — Louise O'Reilly. [19309/23]

*573. To ask the Minister for Health if consideration has been given to a unit price per cigarette, or if the pricing of larger boxes will be set as a derivative of the price of a 20-pack of cigarettes to ensure against promotional pricing. — Louise O'Reilly. [19310/23]

*574. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultant neurosurgeons attached to University Hospital Limerick in the years of 2022 and to-date in 2023, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19343/23]

*575. To ask the Minister for Health the number of funded paediatric ICU and HDU beds in each children's ward of major hospitals outside of Dublin as of 18 April 2023; and if he will provide the same figures as of 31 March 2021, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [19344/23]

*576. To ask the Minister for Health the capital works projects that were carried out at Nenagh Hospital in the years of 2021, 2022 and to-date in 2023, in tabular form; and the estimated costs of each project. — Alan Kelly. [19351/23]

*577. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) cannot get their appointment in Merlin Park Hospital, Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [19364/23]

*578. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons with diabetes who were funded for the Dexcom G6 continuous glucose monitoring CGM sensors by the HSE; and the number who were over 21 years of age in 2021 and 2022, in tabular form. — Cathal Crowe. [19407/23]

*579. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons with diabetes who were funded for the Dexcom G7 continuous glucose monitoring CGM sensors by the HSE; and the number who were over 21 years of age in 2021 and 2022, in tabular form. — Cathal Crowe. [19408/23]

*580. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of people using Medtronic insulin pumps who are aged between 0-17 years and those aged 18 years or greater, in each county, in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, in tabular form. — Cathal Crowe. [19409/23]

*581. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of people using YpsoPumps insulin pumps who are aged between 0-17 years and those aged 18 years or greater in each county, in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, in tabular form. — Cathal Crowe. [19410/23]

*582. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of people using Roche AccuChek insulin pumps who are aged between 0-17 years and those aged 18 years or greater in each county, in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, in tabular form. — Cathal Crowe. [19411/23]

*583. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of people using Medtronic insulin pumps who are aged between 0-17 years, and those aged 18 years or greater, in each county, in 2022. — Cathal Crowe. [19412/23]

*584. To ask the Minister for Health the number of new insulin pump starts done in each hospitals' group in 2019, 2020 and 2021, in tabular form. — Cathal Crowe. [19413/23]

*585. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the provision of mental health services in CHO9 for a person residing there (details supplied). — Jim O'Callaghan. [19416/23]

*586. To ask the Minister for Health how many concerns were raised in regard to standards of care in St. Vincent's University Hospital, Elm Park in 2020, 2021 and 2022. — Paul Murphy. [19432/23]

*587. To ask the Minister for Health how many concerns were received in relation to CUH in 2020, 2021, 2022; and what they relate to. — Paul Murphy. [19433/23]

*588. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a breakdown of the process of TAPS funding received by nursing homes; the oversight and criteria that was in place in order to draw it down; and an up-to-date total list of allocations to each facility. — Paul Murphy. [19434/23]

*589. To ask the Minister for Health how many concerns were made in 2020, 2021, 2022 in regard to a nursing home (details supplied); and what they relate to. — Paul Murphy. [19435/23]

*590. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a breakdown by CHO of concerns relating to community care, end-of-life; and the breakdown of the areas of concern. — Paul Murphy. [19436/23]

*591. To ask the Minister for Health how many concerns were received in relation to a nursing home (details supplied); and what they relate to. — Paul Murphy. [19437/23]

*592. To ask the Minister for Health how many concerns were received in relation to a nursing home (details supplied); and what they relate to. — Paul Murphy. [19438/23]

*593. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the continued use of the LD-50 test on animals given the availability of alternative tests that do not cause suffering to animals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [19449/23]

*594. To ask the Minister for Health if nurses who worked for South Doc during the Covid-19 pandemic will receive the bonus payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Collins. [19454/23]

*595. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1530 of 18 April 2023, if a timeline can be provided for the confirmed evaluation of the community ophthalmic services medical treatment scheme; if any basis for the delay to date in commencing this can be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [19456/23]

*596. To ask the Minister for Health in what context and by whom was the Board of the Mental Health Commission informed that some residents of the Owenacurra Centre, Midleton were “happy to move from the Owenacurra Centre and are satisfied with where they have been moved to”, as stated in a letter from the Chairperson to a current resident dated 24 March 2023 and as reported in a newspaper (details supplied) on 17 April 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19458/23]

*597. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 170 of 9 February 2022, how the HSE's Capital Plan for Cork residential mental health services can be in accordance with either the UN Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities or the HSE's own Model of Care for People with Severe and Enduring Mental Illness and Complex Needs when it involves replacement of facilities for ‘continuing care’ residents on the grounds of St. Stephen's Hospital, Glanmire and St. Finbarr's Hospital, Cork, as opposed to the further

development of community-integrated services for this cohort of service-users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19459/23]

*598. To ask the Minister for Health the projected time-frame for the re-opening of Millfield House, Cork to residents with severe and enduring mental health difficulties; the estimated costs associated with renovations planned for Millfield House; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19460/23]

*599. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on renovations planned for the Carraig Mór intensive care mental health facility in Cork in particular, a projected time-frame for the completion of works and projected costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19461/23]

*600. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide details of any enforcement actions the Mental Health Commission may have taken against the HSE as part of its oversight of the Owenacurra Centre closure, including dates of the actions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19462/23]

*601. To ask the Minister for Health if the Mental Health Commission has concerns about the provision of three community mental health residence placements in east Cork and the apparent lack of progress on appointing a development team to appraise options for a new ten-bed service in Midleton, eleven months after this team was announced as being formed by the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19463/23]

*602. To ask the Minister for Health the reasons the Mental Health Commission has declined a request from the Oireachtas Health Committee to comment on the provision of community residential mental health placement serving the combined HSE catchments of the Cobh/Glenville and Midleton/Youghal adult mental health teams with respect to allocations set out in A Vision for Change when the Mental Health Commission reviewed such services nationally in 2019 and benchmarked those provisions against A Vision for Change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19464/23]

*603. To ask the Minister for Health the precise obligations of the HSE in respect of residents of the Owenacurra Centre, Midleton in respect of the closure of that service, and the obligations of the Mental Health Commission as an oversight body; whether each entity has fulfilled their obligations to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19465/23]

*604. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people with severe and enduring mental health difficulties under the care of the Cobh/Glenville and Midleton/Youghal adult mental health teams who have been transferred to continuing care or high support hostels outside those HSE catchments since June 2021; the number of people in this cohort of service-users within those HSE catchments who have been transferred in the same time-frame to nursing-homes, either within those HSE catchments or outside them; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19467/23]

*605. To ask the Minister for Health if he will intervene and direct the HSE to recognise foetal alcohol spectrum disorder as a lifelong neurodevelopmental disability in its own right, to ensure that those who are affected by FASD can access the required medication under the long-term illness scheme (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [19473/23]

*606. To ask the Minister for Health the HSE's plans to update its GMS contract policies around doctors providing locum services, particularly around hourly locum rates and doctors' eligibility to locum; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19477/23]

*607. To ask the Minister for Health if he will outline the advice currently provided by his Department to maternity units on best practice inpatient partner supports nationwide; the oversight of those recommendations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19482/23]

*608. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a timeline on the reopening of the Midwest homebirth scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19483/23]

*609. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the progression and the timeline for the establishment of a Commission on Care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19484/23]

*610. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide information on the commencement and funding of the Model of Care for Specialist Mental Health Services for Older People; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19485/23]

*611. To ask the Minister for Health if he will outline data gathering undertaken from 2020-2023 inclusive on levels of mental health difficulties amongst older cohorts by either the HSE or his Department; the data gathering that is planned for 2023-2024; and if he will make data on this issue publicly available. — Neasa Hourigan. [19486/23]

*612. To ask the Minister for Health if he will outline his work on the development of an Action Plan on Loneliness, committed to in the Programme for Government, the Roadmap for Social Inclusion and the Healthy Ireland Strategic Plan; if he will outline timelines for the publication of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19487/23]

*613. To ask the Minister for Health the funding allocated to the National Positive Ageing Strategy from 2016 to 2023, inclusive; if he will outline the targets that have completed, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [19488/23]

*614. To ask the Minister for Health if he will publish the review of Ireland's terminations of pregnancy law; the timeline he is working towards; if he will present the review to the Oireachtas Committee on Health; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [19489/23]

*615. To ask the Minister for Health when a surgical procedure will be rescheduled for a person (details supplied) given that the procedure has been cancelled on three occasions already which is causing undue distress; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [19515/23]

*616. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be called for a hip replacement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19549/23]

*617. To ask the Minister for Health when a group of frontline healthcare workers (details supplied) will receive their Covid €1,000 payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [19550/23]

*618. To ask the Minister for Health if expenses for emergency dental care while abroad are recoupable in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19551/23]

*619. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he has taken to amend defective legislation that denies children over the age of 16 years with a mental illness access to free medicine; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19562/23]

*620. To ask the Minister for Health the date by which he will bring in new legislation to regularise the legislative anomaly, revealed by the Attorney General, where minors between 16 and 18 years of age do not qualify for free medicine for mental illness; the current state of preparation of such legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19563/23]

*621. To ask the Minister for Health the date by which he will bring in new legislation to regularise the legislative anomaly, revealed by the Attorney General, where people over 18 years of age do not qualify for free medicine for mental illness; the current state of preparation of such legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19564/23]

*622. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he and his Department have taken to address CAMHS waiting lists across the country given that figures from that the CAMHS waiting list almost doubled nationally between 2019 and 2022 from 2,327 in 2019 - the last year before the pandemic - compared to 4,293 in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19565/23]

*623. To ask the Minister for Health if he has sought an explanation/report from his Department and/or the HSE over the scenario where the CAMHS waiting list almost doubled nationally between 2019 and 2022 from 2,327 in 2019 - the last year before the pandemic - compared to 4,293 in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19566/23]

*624. To ask the Minister for Health the explanation his Department and/or the HSE have provided for the doubling of the CAMHS waiting nationally between 2019 and 2022 from 2,327 in 2019 - the last year before the pandemic - compared to 4,293 in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19567/23]

*625. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons rejected for referral by child and adolescent mental health services by CHO and LHO; and the reasons for rejection, in tabular form, by gender and age. — Sean Sherlock. [19568/23]

*626. To ask the Minister for Health if employees of the Irish Wheelchair Association have been deemed eligible for the Covid-19 pandemic recognition payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [19569/23]

*627. To ask the Minister for Health the facilities that are in place to diabetes patients for the safe disposal of used needles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [19573/23]

*628. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding a full-time cardiologist in University Hospital Kerry; when the matter will be rectified; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19575/23]

*629. To ask the Minister for Health the number of prescriptions issued for oxycodone as part of a public drug scheme or in a HSE hospital, psychiatric facility or primary care setting and by a private GP from 2011 to date, in tabular form. — Colm Burke. [19580/23]

*630. To ask the Minister for Health if hearing aids will be expedited for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [19592/23]

*631. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will be called for a hip replacement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [19595/23]

*632. To ask the Minister for Health the number of applications made for medicine price increases in each quarter of 2022 and in the first quarter of 2023, in tabular form; the number sanctioned; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [19600/23]

*633. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide details of the hacking of the Secretary General of his Department; if the hacking was reported to the Data Protection Commissioner, the National Cyber Security Centre and other relevant officials; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [19602/23]

*634. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on staffing issues for respite services provided through Ability West in Galway; when these services will be back in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [19611/23]

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

*635. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his Department has engaged with HEIs on the cost of the Professional Masters in Education; and if so, his views on the cost of the PME. — Sean Sherlock. [19030/23]

*636. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if a €1,000 reduction in tuition fees is to be applied for the college academic year beginning 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [19067/23]

*637. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will ensure that ETB tutors are given full-time contracts including holiday pay cover and pension entitlements. — Holly Cairns. [19075/23]

*638. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will ensure that the remuneration received by ETB tutors is allotted on an incremental basis comparable with other educational professionals and reflecting experience/years of service. — Holly Cairns. [19076/23]

*639. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will respond to correspondence (details supplied) in respect of personal assistants in ETBs and their long-term working conditions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [19103/23]

*640. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the reason an apprentice has not yet been called by Solas to complete their block release training; the avenues that are open to someone in such a position; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [19128/23]

*641. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will provide the list of first-year, second-year, third-year and fourth-year apprentices that have completed the requisite on-the-job training for that year, but have yet to be called by Solas to undertake their block release training, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [19129/23]

*642. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will consider expanding eligibility for the SUSI grant scheme to part-time and online courses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [19153/23]

*643. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the estimated cost of a 1% increase in the SUSI maintenance grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [19154/23]

*644. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of apprentice electricians recorded in the State in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [19536/23]

*645. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of apprentice plumbers were recorded in the State in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [19537/23]

*646. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of apprentice plasterers recorded in the State in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [19538/23]

*647. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of apprentice bricklayers recorded in the State in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [19539/23]

*648. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of apprentice plumbers recorded in the State in 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [19540/23]

*649. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of apprentice bricklayers recorded in the State in 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [19541/23]

*650. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of apprentice plasterers recorded in the State in 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [19542/23]

*651. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of apprentice electricians recorded in the State in 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [19543/23]

*652. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if an individual support worker will be made available to a person (details supplied) who is profoundly deaf, to allow them to complete their college course. — Chris Andrews. [19552/23]

*653. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number and total value of contracts his Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20031/23]

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

*654. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if he is aware that the Local Government Management Agency recently changed library borrowing rules for children and young people borrowing age appropriate books, so that they now require signed consent from a parent to move up an age group for example, to the 12-14 age category when they have reached 12 years of age, and that this change appears to be in response to pressure from anti-LGBTQ+ hate groups; if he will reverse this decision; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [19399/23]

*655. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will provide a update on works (details supplied) under the small-scale capital works programme; the timeline for these works; when they are expected to conclude; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [18989/23]

*656. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development how many applications for charitable status are currently pending decision, where there are no outstanding queries to be submitted by the applicant; the timeframe for a decision on applications for charitable status with no outstanding queries; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [19026/23]

*657. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she is aware that funding granted under the 2022 Town and Village Programme for former Garda stations in Sligo/Leitrim cannot proceed because of delays at the Office of the Chief State Solicitor following discussions between the OPW and the local authorities; and if she will consider extending the deadline for the drawdown of funding for those projects affected which clearly is not the fault of the local communities who are deeply frustrated by the current delays. — Frankie Feighan. [19142/23]

*658. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when local authorities will be informed of the outcome of their applications for funding from the community recognition fund; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [19157/23]

*659. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development further to Parliamentary Question No. 18 of 23 February 2023, if she will provide an update on the development of Caladh Mór on Inis Meáin; if her Department has received the draft business case to date; if she will provide details of any engagement between her Department and representatives of the island community on this matter to date in 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19418/23]

*660. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development further to Parliamentary Question No. 5 of 23 February 2023, the status of the action plan to accompany the new policy for the islands; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19419/23]

*661. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development further to Parliamentary Question No. 42 of 23 February 2023, the status of the development of the pier on Inis Oírr; the status of the CPO process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19420/23]

*662. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the status of the development of the rural proofing model as promised in Our Rural Future: Rural Development Policy 2021-2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [19421/23]

*663. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which she continues to liaise with various community groups in Kildare north and throughout the country with a view to assisting them with their requirements under the appropriate headings; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19581/23]

*664. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which she and her Department have assisted various community groups throughout the country and north Kildare over the past three years, her intentions to continue in this regard; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19582/23]

*665. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the total value of assistance offered to rural and community groups throughout Kildare north and throughout the country in each of the past three years to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19583/23]

*666. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which she continues to engage with rural and community groups with a view to identifying the most pertinent needs of the respective communities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19584/23]

*667. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the extent to which she continues to adopt rural and community programmes specifically aimed at the particular needs of relevant communities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19585/23]

*668. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development her proposals if any to expand eligibility and the number of schemes aimed at assisting communities in urban or rural settings; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19586/23]

*669. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of unsuccessful applications by communities for inclusion by schemes operated by her Department in each of the past two years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19587/23]

*670. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of successful applications by communities for inclusion by schemes operated by her Department in each of the past two years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19588/23]

*671. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she intends to expand the mission statement of her Department to meet particular areas that did not previously qualify for assistance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19589/23]

*672. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development her intentions for the current year in respect of the Leader Programme, whether she intends to introduce any modifications; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [19590/23]

*673. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will report her representations to the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth regarding research on early learning and care, and school-age childcare needs of parents who work atypical hours or live in rural communities, and develop recommendations for future action, as required by the Rural Development Policy 2021-2025. — Ivana Bacik. [19607/23]

*674. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number and total value of contracts her Department has had over the past 12 months with KPMG; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [20039/23]

**CEISTEANNA, SEACHAS CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH,
I gCOMHAIR FREAGRA Ó BHÉAL DÉ CÉADAIOIN, 26 AIBREÁN, 2023
QUESTIONS, OTHER THAN QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY, FOR ORAL
ANSWER ON WEDNESDAY, 26 APRIL, 2023**

Chun an Taoiseach: To the Taoiseach.

1. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his plan for constitutional amendments. — Mary Lou McDonald. [19137/23]

2. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the social policy and public service reform division of his Department. — Mary Lou McDonald. [19138/23]

3. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the work of the public service, justice and police reform division of his Department. — Alan Dillon. [19441/23]

4. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the publication of the fifteenth interim report of the IBRC Commission of Investigation. — Ivana Bacik. [19244/23]

5. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on European Union and International Affairs will next meet. — Seán Haughey. [19385/23]