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CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH UAIN DÓIBH
QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

1. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to outline what discussions or engagements he has held with his Ministerial colleagues to ensure that every effort is made to minimise the impact on traditional fishing grounds from the development of offshore renewable energy; and if he supports the principle of co-creation when designating areas for offshore renewable energy or marine protected areas. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [34496/23]

2. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine whether his Department has funded campaigns by the National Dairy Council and Bord Bia about the supposed ‘sustainability’ of Irish milk (details supplied); and whether he has concerns around these campaigns regarding climate disinformation or greenwashing, given the state of the climate and biodiversity crises. — Bríd Smith. [35135/23]

3. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will confirm if he sought a higher funding allocation under the Common Agricultural Policy as part of the EU Multi-Annual Financial Framework (MFF) Mid-Term Review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [34634/23]

4. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when he expects details of a cow reduction scheme to be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Berry. [35133/23]

5. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to outline the discussions or engagements he has had with farmer representative bodies with respect to the proposed changes to nitrates limits for derogation farmers from period 1 January 2023 to date; his response to concerns that such changes will inevitably lead to a reduction in herd numbers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [34244/23]

CEISTEANNA EILE
OTHER QUESTIONS

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

6. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when he will revert to the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Agriculture, Food and the Marine to advise when the Island Fisheries

(Heritage Licence) Bill 2017 can be progressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [34612/23]

7. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason all farmers in the SCEP must also be in the Bord Bia scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [34529/23]

8. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide clarification in relation to the recent increase in the UK albacore tuna quota (details supplied) which includes access to EU fishing grounds while the Irish quota for the same species remains unchanged; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O'Sullivan. [34710/23]

9. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of farmers with less than ten suckler cows in the SCEP scheme; the percentage of such farmers estimated to be in the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [34528/23]

10. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 67 of 25 May 2023, for an update on the work of the Wool Council; if the €30,000 in departmental funding promised to support the Wool Council has been drawn down to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [34655/23]

11. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine what welfare measures have been taken in the greyhound sector in the past twelve months to satisfy the Programme for Government commitment that State funding of the sector will be contingent on a guarantee of welfare standards being upheld on an annual basis. — Brian Leddin. [34755/23]

12. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on banning or restriction the use of glyphosate. — Holly Cairns. [28551/23]

13. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will report on social farming in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [34763/23]

14. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on whether Bord Bia should be funding climate disinformation about the supposed 'sustainability' of Irish milk, given the state of the climate and biodiversity crises (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [34761/23]

15. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 268 of 1 June 2023, if consideration will be given to allocating additional money to animal rescue charities in Budget 2024, given the unprecedented amount of surrenders they are dealing with at present and in the aftermath of Covid-19; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [34485/23]

16. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine whether he will support a ban on coursing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [34760/23]

17. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine what steps have been taken to establish an interdepartmental and industry working group on timber in construction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [34756/23]

18. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to detail what efforts his Department is taking to ensure consistent Irish food production into future in the context of more extreme weather conditions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [33501/23]

19. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he intends to expand on the marketing strategy of organic meats; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [34483/23]

20. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine what action is being taken by his Department to improve farmers' knowledge and awareness of the prevention of injury and ill-health on farms, in particular the use of targeted media campaigns, and how awareness is raised in rural communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [34492/23]

21. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the proposals, if any, to have further discussions at the Council of Agriculture and Fisheries Ministers in relation to the need to protect food production in the EU and ensure food security; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [34705/23]

22. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide an update on the actions he is taking to deliver transparency in the food supply chain; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [34771/23]

23. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine what action is being taken by Government to reduce emissions and prevent even further biodiversity loss in the context of extreme sea temperatures that have been seen this year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [34758/23]

24. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine what engagement his Department has had with the Minister and Department of Transport prior and present to the introduction of Statutory Instrument - European Union (International Labour Organisation Work in Fishing Convention) (Safe Manning) Regulations 2023 (S.I. No. 315 of 2023) and its effect on the Irish fishing industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [34754/23]

25. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide an update on the further measures his Department will take to address delays in payments; what outstanding challenges there are to ensuring that BISS and ANC payments can be made on time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [34615/23]

26. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine what action is being taken by Government to tackle the continued extreme deterioration of our water quality driven by increased nitrates and our industrial agriculture model; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [34757/23]

27. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if flexibility will be offered to advisors responsible for scoring land under the ACRES scheme, considering the twelve-day delay in the scoring app being launched and ongoing reports of advisors being under significant pressure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [34614/23]

28. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has had any engagement with the fishing community regarding the statutory instrument which came into effect on 1 July 2023, requiring fishing vessels longer than 15 metres to have a fully qualified second skipper on board at all times; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [33817/23]

29. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department has had discussions with the EPA regarding reported anomalies in its water quality report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [34724/23]

30. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will devise a scheme to help farmers with particularly old tractors, which are in constant use but in a poor state of repair, to upgrade to newer and safer tractors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [34484/23]

31. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the target for afforestation in 2023; the number of hectares of new afforestation to date; and if he intends to revise this target. — Matt Carthy. [34735/23]

32. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps his Department is taking to encourage young people into the agricultural sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [34769/23]

33. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the level of advertising by public bodies funded by his Department. — Thomas Gould. [34714/23]

34. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he remains satisfied that agri-food imports into this country from whatever source are only allowed from countries adhering to similar carbon reduction measures that apply in this jurisdiction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [34623/23]

35. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the interaction there has been with his Department and other Government Departments about the schemes currently underway and in the pipeline for renewable electricity production; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [34672/23]

36. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to outline the details and payments associated with the suckler carbon efficiency programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [34768/23]

37. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide an update in relation to the nitrates derogation and recent discussions regarding the proposed changes to the current levels which are in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [34491/23]

38. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he remains satisfied that productive agricultural land currently contributing to food production in this country is not decommissioned in favour of climate change objectives and that all possible scientific and dietary means are used to ensure carbon reduction without affecting the food-productive capacity of this country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [34622/23]

39. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to outline the progress being made in his Department's engagement with the European Commission pertaining to the forestry programme 2023 – 2027; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [34530/23]

40. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures that will be implemented to ensure that adequate supports are in place to continue to assist in the production of safe, high-quality and sustainably produced food due to this sector's importance in providing food supply at home and in export earnings which are critical to the national economy and employment throughout the country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [34706/23]

41. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine whether a land use strategy is being developed within which aspirations for forestry, for the protection of biodiversity, for climate, for renewables and for the bioeconomy could be evolved in a coherent manner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [34169/23]

42. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if consideration has been given to establishing a dedicated forestry agency within his Department given the significant challenges in forestry and ongoing delays to the forestry programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [34613/23]

43. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 87 of 25 May 2023, for an update on plans for the introduction of measures to protect the sprat fishery, which is concentrated inside the six-nautical-mile zone; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [34656/23]

44. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the targeted number of forestry licences to be issued in 2023; the number of licences issued to date, by type; and if he intends to revise this target. — Matt Carthy. [34736/23]

45. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department has monitored the percentage increase in the cost of fertiliser in each month for the past three years; if so, if he will provide this data, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [33818/23]

46. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will outline the anticipated steps needed in order to implement carbon farming as a reliable source of income for farmers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [34170/23]

47. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his Department's response to the Citizen's Assembly on Biodiversity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Gould. [34713/23]

48. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for an update on the progress of the independent review of the ash dieback scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [34723/23]

49. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of prosecutions in respect of owners failing to chip their horses; the number of horses impounded for non-compliance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [33477/23]

50. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he is considering how there can be better interaction and co-operation between officials and agencies of his Department and other State agencies which are involved in inspections on farms; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [34673/23]

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

51. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she has met with, or whether she intends to meet, a representative body (details supplied) and Fáilte Ireland to raise concerns around hotels price gouging and cancelling bookings without reason, and re-advertising the same rooms at much higher rates when major events, such as a specific concert, are announced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [34582/23]

52. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she met with the Arts Council in relation to the incorrect correspondence promising an award of €25,000 each to 141 artists under the Next Generation Artists Fund at a total cost of €3.525 million; if she is satisfied that measures have been put in place to ensure a repeat of this incident will not occur; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [34774/23]

53. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will engage with the various stakeholders involved in the development of a campaign (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [35132/23]

54. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if the current legal requirement to have a TV licence, the revenue from which goes to RTÉ to carry out public service broadcasting commitments, will be reviewed; if the consideration of providing revenue to local radio stations in respect of news and current affairs output will form part of any review; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [35131/23]

CEISTEANNA EILE OTHER QUESTIONS

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

55. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán sí buartha mar an tAire atá freagrach as cur i bhfeidhm Acht na dTeangacha Oifigiúla 2003 go bhfuil ag teipeadh ar alt 7, sa chomhthéacs nach bhfuil leagan Gaeilge foilsithe seachas i gcás 21% den 511 Acht a bhí le cur ar fáil i nGaeilge faoi 2024 de réir chinneadh na hArdChúirte i 2019, agus an bhfuil sé i gceist aici dul i mbun comhrá leis an Roinn Dlí agus Cirt, Rannóg an Aistriúcháin, nó Seirbhís Thithe an Oireachtais chun a chinntiú go gcuirfear i bhfeidhm an alt seo go luath. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [34777/23]

56. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to detail what further supports her Department is considering with regard to supporting the development of new festivals in Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [33506/23]

57. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she has confidence in the RTÉ board, considering the board directly withheld information in relation to requesting the resignation of a person (details supplied) and the subsequent drip-feeding of information in previous weeks; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [34690/23]

58. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if the review of public service broadcasting will examine the role of advertising and programme sponsorship on influencing public opinion with respect to climate action; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [34707/23]

59. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if her Department has assessed the future patterns of media consumption and the implications this has for public policy. — Richard Bruton. [34167/23]

60. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán chun fiafrí ar an aire cean plan atá aici chun muinín an phobal in RTÉ a aththógaint; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Aindrias Moynihan. [34726/23]

61. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when she became aware of RTÉ's secret payments to a person (details supplied); and what actions she took upon finding out about it. — Gary Gannon. [32524/23]

62. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the engagements she has had with her Cabinet colleagues regarding tourism in County Monaghan. — Matt Carthy. [34731/23]

63. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán cén cur chuige atá idir í féin agus Údarás na Gaeltachta chun cinntiú go mbeidh leas á bhaint as na 60 foirgnimh folamh atá ag Údarás na Gaeltachta; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [34776/23]

64. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán maidir le Ceist Pharlaiminte Uimh. 29 ar an 18 Bealtaine 2023, soiléiriú a thabhairt ar stádas an fheachtais earcaíochta maidir le Coimisinéir Teanga nua a cheapadh; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Catherine Connolly. [34666/23]

65. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the extent to which she believes systemic issues such as advertising commercial pressures and the funding model have negatively impacted on the public service remit of RTÉ and contributed to the controversy that has now emerged in the broadcaster; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [34687/23]

66. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if her Department has engaged with the hotel sector in Dublin in order to discourage high price-increases during busy tourist periods; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [34737/23]

67. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media further to Parliamentary Question No. 681 of 18 April 2023, the details of the review underway by Údarás na Gaeltachta into its property portfolio; the status of the preparation of development

and refurbishment plans; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [34665/23]

68. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media whether, in the aftermath of the RTÉ controversy, she intends to introduce salary caps to rein in the excessive remuneration of a minority of staff and contractors at the top of the organisation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [34685/23]

69. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she has plans to end the commercialisation of RTÉ and replace the licence fee; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [34708/23]

70. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she can confirm if the 345,000 in additional payments were included in the aggregate pay bill reported in the financial statements as stipulated by the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [34770/23]

71. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to initiate reviews of all the boards or executive boards of every State or semi-State company under her Department's remit to ensure the mismanagement displayed at RTÉ is not replicated in other State or semi-State companies; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [34583/23]

72. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media whether she will engage with Cork City Council to progress a museum or commemorative facility recognising the impact of the docks and dockers in Cork city. — Thomas Gould. [34712/23]

73. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if an investigation into the Irish film industry to is planned in view of the issues raised by representatives of actors, performers and crew during the recent hearings at the Budget Scrutiny Committee on Section 481 Film Credit about systemic breaches of employment rights, copyright legislation and suggestions of creative accounting; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [34686/23]

74. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will clarify when the €500,000 earmarked for grassroots girls' programmes, adult women recreational football and women in football leadership programmes will be accessible; the application process to secure funding; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [34693/23]

75. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to clarify when the independent, root and branch examination into RTÉ will commence; how long the process will take; when it is envisaged that the findings of the report will be made available to her Department in order that she can address the recommendations proposed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [34489/23]

76. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the number of individuals who have been prosecuted for failure to pay their TV licence fee; the average length of sentence; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [34589/23]

77. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media what efforts her Department is making to tackle to reduce costs in the tourism sector in an effort to keep

Ireland competitive as a destination; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [33505/23]

78. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the reason a former member of the RTÉ board (details supplied) has been appointed as one of the persons to investigate the work culture at RTÉ, considering there is a perceived conflict of interest; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [34689/23]

79. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide a breakdown of her engagement with a person (details supplied) in relation to the actions being considered by RTÉ's new director general in dealing with those who were complicit or aware of the controversial payments and his intentions on regaining staff and public trust via accountability and transparency; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [34691/23]

80. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will convene a stakeholder forum as a matter of priority in line with Recommendation No. 14 of the Report of the Oireachtas Committee on Budgetary Oversight on the Section 481 tax credit for film; the dates and times of meetings between her officials and the Department of Finance on the matter until now; and to make a statement on the recommendation. — Mairéad Farrell. [34627/23]

81. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media whether the review of sports capital grants indicates the desirability of introducing changes or new elements to the application and selection process. — Richard Bruton. [34168/23]

82. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media what steps her Department is taking to increase tourism in the Boyne Valley. — Peadar Tóibín. [33735/23]

83. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when the national swimming strategy will be published; and if she intends to open a capital grant process for the development of public swimming pools in towns such as Carrickmacross. — Matt Carthy. [34730/23]

84. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to provide an update on the night-time economy and the taskforce to unlock the potential this sector will bring to city, town and village centres; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [34767/23]

85. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to outline the extent of her knowledge regarding RTÉ's secret payments to a host (details supplied). — Gary Gannon. [32523/23]

86. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if and when she intends to convene a stakeholder forum for the Irish film industry as recommended in the recent report on section 481 produced by the Budget Scrutiny Committee; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [34688/23]

87. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if and when she intends to meet representatives of the RTÉ staff to ascertain their views on the payments controversy, the changes in culture and governance needed and to address the employment issues

affecting ordinary staff; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [34684/23]

88. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán maidir le Ceist Pharlaiminte Uimh. 4 ar an 18 Bealtaine 2023, cén dul chun cinn atá déanta maidir leis an obair athbhreithniúcháin atá idir lámha ag Údarás na Gaeltachta i ndáil leis na córais agus an cur chuige atá i ngníomh ag an Údarás faoi láthair chun tacú le cur chun cinn na Gaeilge sna cliantchuideachtaí agus i ndáil leis na bealaí ina ndéantar an t-ábhar a bhaineann leo a riar; cathain a fhoilseofar toradh na hanailíse; soiléiriú a thabhairt ar an scéim phíolótach; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Catherine Connolly. [34667/23]

89. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if, in light of recent statements by the Football Association of Ireland regarding the lack of funding for League of Ireland clubs, he will provide the total amount of funding allocated to soccer clubs and soccer organisations in County Louth through the sports capital funding programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Fitzpatrick. [34692/23]

90. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to elaborate on the measures her Department, in conjunction with Fáilte Ireland, is implementing to address escalating hotel prices, which is causing significant distress to customers and tourists seeking accommodation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [34766/23]

91. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will devise a strategy to maximise the benefit of coach-tour tourism along the Wild Atlantic Way; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [34488/23]

92. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán an bhfuil sí buartha faoin titim leanúnach ar líon na gcainteoir laethúil Gaeilge sa Ghaeltacht atá léirithe i nDaonáirimh 2016 agus 2022; agus an aithníonn sí go léiríonn seo go bhfuil géarchéim teangeolaíoch sa Ghaeltacht; agus ráiteas a thabhairt faoi conas dul i ngleic leis an bhfadhb. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [34778/23]

93. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide an update on the external independent review into governance and culture at RTÉ. — Peadar Tóibín. [33736/23]

94. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will agree to make her issuing of the cultural certificate for applicants for Section 481 film tax relief conditional on the fulfilment of clear metrics for quality employment and training, and compliance with copyright legislation; and if she will convene a stakeholder forum as a matter of priority in line with Recommendation No. 14 of the Report of the Committee on Budgetary Oversight on the Section 481 tax credit for film. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [34775/23]

95. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will ensure that there will be further engagement with the UK government and stakeholders in Northern Ireland in relation to the impact of the electronic travel authorisation scheme for tourists travelling to Northern Ireland via this State; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [34632/23]

96. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the extent to which she continues to ensure the availability of sufficient accommodation for tourism

throughout the season; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [32449/23]

97. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the extent to which she continues to encourage public broadcasting in the wake of recent events; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [32448/23]

98. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán soiléiriú a thabhairt ar an obair athbhreithniúcháin atá déanta ar an gcéad 10 bplean teanga a ceadáodh faoi Acht na Gaeltachta, 2012; cathain a thabharfar an obair athbhreithniúcháin chun críche; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Catherine Connolly. [34668/23]

99. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will convene a stakeholder forum as a matter of urgency in relation to Recommendation No. 14 of the Report of the Committee on Budgetary Oversight on the Section 481 tax credit for film; and to make a statement on the recommendation. — Paul Donnelly. [34732/23]

100. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán an bhfuil na teaghlacha ar fad a choinnigh scoláirí faoi Scéim na bhFoghlaimoirí suas go dtí deireadh mhí an Mheithimh tar éis a gcuid íocaíochtaí a fháil ón Roinn; mura bhfuil, cathain a íocfar iad; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [34527/23]

101. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media what steps her Department has taken to tackle abuse of referees during matches. — Paul McAuliffe. [34738/23]

102. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media when the new sports capital programme will open for applications; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [34727/23]

103. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide an update on her interactions, and those of her Department, with the RTÉ board and executive board in relation to the ongoing issues at the broadcaster; if she will outline the terms of reference for the inquiries into RTÉ that her Department is involved in; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [34631/23]

104. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if consideration would be given to the implementation of regular external reviews of RTÉ whereby an independent, root-and-branch examination of the organisation would be carried out going forward, in view of what has transpired in recent weeks; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [34490/23]

105. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán an aithníonn sí go bhfuil dreachrachtaí fós ann Mná Tí úra a mhealladh nó súid a bhí ina mná tí roimhe a choiméad toisc rialacha mí-réasúnta, roghanna níos solúbtha bheith á mhealladh ón earnáil, costas árachas srl ardaithe as cuimse, agus cén cèimeanna úra a ghlacfar chun cuidiú le Mná Tí sgus na Coláistí Samhradh atá ag brath ortha. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [34779/23]

106. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the expenditure provision for arts and culture in the revised estimates volume this year; the increase this represents on the out-turn for 2019; the expenditure provision for Gaeltacht in the revised

estimate volume for this year; the increase this represents on the out-turn for 2019; the reason for the difference between the two; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [34526/23]

107. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if and when she will meet with representatives of rank-and-file RTÉ workers to discuss their concerns, including the ending of bogus self-employment and precarious contracts at RTÉ; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [34709/23]

108. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she is satisfied that there are sufficient facilities across the country to support the development of athletics; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [34694/23]

109. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if her Department's review of the large-scale sport infrastructure fund (LSSIF) is nearly complete; if she can clarify how much of the money has been drawn down; how the review of the LSSIF is progressing; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [34384/23]

110. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she will provide an update on the progress being made by the Football Association of Ireland (FAI) with regard to corporate governance reform; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [34385/23]

111. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the consultation to date with stakeholders in Northern Ireland in relation to the development of more tourism projects on a cross-Border and all-Ireland basis, with particular reference to funding under the peace plus programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [34633/23]

112. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she intends to review television licensing on foot of the recent RTÉ payments and perks controversy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [34487/23]

113. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media further to Parliamentary Question No. 680 of 18 April 2023, the details of the empty buildings listed that are ready to be brought back into use; the details of plans to bring all empty buildings owned by Údarás na Gaeltachta back into use; the projected timeline for same; the details of any analysis carried out into the resources required to bring these buildings back into use; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [34664/23]

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

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

*114. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he is aware of the case of a person (details supplied) who is fighting for the return of their two sons from Egypt following a case of parental alienation; if he is aware of the High Court order that issued in December 2022

on the case; if he can outline what supports have been offered by the State to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [34826/23]

*115. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if an informative document can be sent to all Garda stations in the State regarding the process and Garda responsibilities relating to the completion of passport applications, following a spate of applications that have been cancelled following the failure of gardaí to stamp and sign documents and record them in the Garda station log book; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34858/23]

*116. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the number of personnel in his Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34923/23]

*117. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs when passports will issue to siblings (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [34997/23]

*118. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs when an application for registration of a foreign birth will be considered (details supplied); the reason for the delay in the processing of said application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [35007/23]

*119. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the outcome of his most recent discussions with the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland and the Foreign Secretary concerning legacy issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [35428/23]

*120. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will raise again with the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland the need to provide an exemption to the electronic travel authorisation scheme for tourists travelling to Northern Ireland via this State taking into account that the island of Ireland is marketed as one tourist destination and the need to avoid barriers to free travel; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [35429/23]

*121. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs for an update on two foreign birth register applications (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [35430/23]

*122. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs when a passport will issue to a person (details supplied); the reason for the delay in processing this application given the fact that it is a renewal application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [35453/23]

*123. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35486/23]

*124. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which Irish Aid continues to arrive in designated countries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35558/23]

*125. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the extent to which overseas aid is determined on the basis of aid for trade in this country, or in other European jurisdictions involved in the provision of aid to poorer countries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35559/23]

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

*126. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which ongoing restocking of rivers and freshwater lakes continues in respect of trout, salmon or other fish species as appropriate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35561/23]

*127. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the extent to which the restocking of freshwater rivers and lakes and other waterways has progressed in the past five years; the degree to which this resulted in improvement as an attraction for angling tourism; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35564/23]

*128. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his plans for the proposed introduction of a levy on disposable cups and on a deposit/return scheme for PET bottles and cans; if he intends to modify proposals in view of submissions; and whether dates for commencement have been set. — Richard Bruton. [34790/23]

*129. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the measures he is taking to ban the production and use of single-use plastics, aside from medical supplies; to encourage the development of environmentally friendly alternatives; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [34824/23]

*130. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will give Ministerial approval for the two-phase increase of 6% pensionable pay in addition to the agreed 2% due from 1 January 2023 due under the An Post superannuation scheme; when approval will be granted for these pension increases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [34828/23]

*131. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he is aware that wholesale electricity prices fell by 35% in June 2023 (details supplied); when he expects this will be passed on to the final customer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34868/23]

*132. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he was aware of comments made by the Taoiseach that energy prices would remain very high this winter; how many times he has met with the Commission for the Regulation of Utilities to discuss this; if he will report on these meetings (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34873/23]

*133. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he was aware of comments (details supplied) made by the Taoiseach that energy prices would remain very high this winter; how many times he has met with energy companies to discuss this; if he will report on these meetings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34874/23]

*134. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on the wholesale price of energy; if he expects the price of gas and electricity to fall; what has informed his conclusion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34875/23]

*135. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications what reliefs will be put in place for high energy prices, and when; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34876/23]

*136. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he is aware that the easing in energy prices inflation for consumers in Ireland has to date lagged in the euro area as a whole (details supplied); what his plans are to address this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34877/23]

*137. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications for an update on the legislation for the cap on market revenues; when he expects it to be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34884/23]

*138. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide an update on the decisions to end the inframarginal revenue cap for electricity; when the revenue will be collected; if an analysis was conducted to estimate how much revenue would be earned by extending the measure to the end of the year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34885/23]

*139. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications how the revenue collected from the inframarginal revenue cap for electricity will be used to fund targeted cost-of-living supports, as detailed by his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34886/23]

*140. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when the revenue from the inframarginal revenue cap for electricity will be collected; how this revenue will be spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34887/23]

*141. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to report on the Cross-Departmental and inter-agency Energy Poverty Steering Group; how many times they met over the past year; the issues they addressed and the actions that followed from this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34909/23]

*142. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to report on the Cross-Departmental and inter-agency Energy Poverty Steering Group progress to address how the revenues earned from the temporary solidarity contribution and the cap on market revenues to address windfall gains in the energy sector will be distributed to provide relief from high-energy prices; how many times they have met; how have stakeholder voices been included; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34910/23]

*143. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the revenue from revenues earned from the temporary solidarity contribution and the cap on market revenues to address windfall gains in the energy sector will be distributed to large energy users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34911/23]

*144. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if large energy users will be excluded from the distribution of revenues earned from the temporary solidarity contribution and the cap on market revenues to address windfall gains in the energy sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34912/23]

*145. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to report on the Energy Poverty Stakeholder Forum on 7 July 2023; the outcomes and any actions to be carried forward; and if there are plans to conduct another forum in the future. — Darren O'Rourke. [34913/23]

*146. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to report on the Government's summit on energy independence held on 6 July 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34914/23]

*147. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide an update on his public comments (details supplied) that he expects energy bills to fall from this autumn; how this conclusion was informed; if he has met energy firms to discuss this; and how much he anticipates they will decrease by. — Darren O'Rourke. [34915/23]

*148. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of personnel in his Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34921/23]

*149. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on the stakeholder engagement with the commercial built environment's working group; how often they have met and met with stakeholders; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34935/23]

*150. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications what measures he is taking to reduce energy demand, in particular the demand coming from large energy users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34950/23]

*151. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications how the CRU will be resourced to carry out its new functions with respect to the cap on market revenues; if new staff will be recruited; when he expects this to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34971/23]

*152. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when the draft Bill for the cap on market revenues will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34972/23]

*153. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the draft Bill for the cap on market revenues contains specific provisions around hedging in the energy market; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34973/23]

*154. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to report on the evidence base for the policies the Government has put in place to address energy poverty. — Darren O'Rourke. [34983/23]

*155. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to report on the evidence base for Government policy that seeks to address Ireland's high energy prices. — Darren O'Rourke. [34984/23]

*156. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to report on the work of the research network on energy poverty; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34988/23]

*157. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the progress to date on the work to match Building Energy Rating (BER) data with the Survey on Income and Living Conditions (SILC); if this data will be released; if a report will be published; when this can be expected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34989/23]

*158. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when the consultation on private wires/direct line renewables will be released; his plans for the consultation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34990/23]

*159. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the date on which the green hydrogen strategy will be published; if he will provide an update on its development; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34994/23]

*160. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when the public consultation document on the design of ORESS auctions in phase two will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34995/23]

*161. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications further to Parliamentary Question No. 72 of 15 June 2023, regarding his request to the CRU to investigate pricing strategies, taking account of the hedging strategies of electricity market participants and any possible market failures, if he will provide an update and report on this request and the outcome of the investigation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35008/23]

*162. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide an update on the Government's energy security review and the review by a person (details supplied), respectively; when he expects both to be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35009/23]

*163. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will provide an update on the Government's electricity storage policy framework; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35010/23]

*164. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on the workforce plan for the CRU, which included the approval of 74 new whole-time positions; how many have been filled to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35011/23]

*165. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of connections under the National Broadband Plan in County Mayo; how that compares to revised targets; the sanctions against the contracted company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35015/23]

*166. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of retrofits completed Q1 2023 and in Q2 2023, by post BER standard, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35106/23]

*167. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to provide a breakdown of the average cost to retrofit a home to a BER cost optimum standard for each retrofit scheme under subhead B4, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [35107/23]

*168. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the total number of retrofits completed under the one-stop shop (national homes retrofit); and the total per post-conversion rating, per scheme in 2022, in Q1 2023, and in Q3 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35108/23]

*169. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the average waiting time for a retrofit under all SEAI schemes in Q2 in 2023, by scheme, per BER rating pre-completion, and per BER rating post-completion, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35109/23]

*170. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the average cost to retrofit a dwelling to a building energy rating of B2 or higher under the better energy warmer homes scheme in 2022, in Q1 2023, and in Q3 2023, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [35112/23]

*171. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the average cost to retrofit a dwelling to a building energy rating of B2 or higher under the one-stop-shop scheme in 2022, in Q1 2023, and in Q3 2023, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [35113/23]

*172. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the average cost to retrofit a dwelling to a building energy rating of B2 or higher under the better energy community grant scheme in 2022, in Q1 2023, and in Q3 2023, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [35114/23]

*173. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to report on the progress of the energy security review (details supplied); when he expects both to be published; if they will be published this quarter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35123/23]

*174. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications further to Parliamentary Question No. 163 of 20 June 2023, to cite the specific law which empowered him or the government to task the CRU to implement the decision. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35115/23]

*175. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of heat pumps installed in 2022, in Q1 2023 and in Q2 in 2023, per scheme, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [35118/23]

*176. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of retrofits completed in 2022, Q1 2023 and in Q2 2023 by post-BER standard, per scheme, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35119/23]

*177. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the percentage of total retrofits completed that were of a standard of B2 or higher post-completion, per scheme,

in 2022, in Q1 2023 and in Q2 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35120/23]

*178. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of total retrofits completed that were of a standard of B2 or higher post completion per scheme, in tabular form in 2022, in Q1 2023 and in Q2 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35121/23]

*179. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of total retrofits completed by post-BER standard per scheme, in tabular form in 2022, in Q1 2023 and in Q2 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35122/23]

*180. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of gas and electricity disconnections in 2022, in Q1 2023 and in Q2 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35125/23]

*181. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of gas and electricity disconnections per local authority in 2022, in Q1 2023 and in Q2 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35126/23]

*182. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he is aware of a survey (details supplied) which highlights that some barriers to achieve retrofit targets; how he plans to address these; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35127/23]

*183. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he is aware of a survey (details supplied) which cites lack of availability of finance/grant funding as key barriers to achieve national retrofitting targets; how he plans to address this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35129/23]

*184. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications further to Parliamentary Question No. 700 of 23 May 2023, to report on the monitoring his Department carries out on the effect of existing supports to address the high cost of energy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35145/23]

*185. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he has discussed with energy providers what proportion of the wholesale energy they use is hedged; if so, to report on this; if not, if he has plans to do so; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35149/23]

*186. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications what incentives, if any, are in place to encourage farmers to grow crops that can be used to produce hydrotreated vegetable oil; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35176/23]

*187. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to outline the plans his Department has to communicate to the public the importance of micro-generation such as solar panels on dwellings to citizen and societal resilience in the event of a cyberattack on the State's energy facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35223/23]

*188. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications whether his Department is, as a matter of urgency, prioritising solar for all dwellings, given its capacity to provide resilience in the event of a cyberattack on the energy system; such plans to include easy-to-apply-for interest-free loans or generous grants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35224/23]

*189. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of applications which are on hand for the warmer homes scheme; whether this list has been divided into the categories of poor building energy rating; the present annual number of energy upgrades now being completed under the scheme; if he will indicate when those households with somewhat better BER will be reached; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [35275/23]

*190. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will outline the installed capacity of renewable energy under all of the various modes; solar, on shore wind, anaerobic digestion and so on; the categories large scale commercial farms, small business units, household and microgeneration and so on; if he is satisfied that the supports; price for supply to the grid in each case is at an appropriate level to encourage rapid uptake of renewable technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [35277/23]

*191. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to provide a breakdown of the number of oil boilers and the number of gas boilers installed in the warmer homes scheme and warmth and wellbeing scheme for 2023 to date, in tabular form. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35279/23]

*192. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to report the percentage of 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, relative to the reference period for the year 2023, in tabular form. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35280/23]

*193. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to outline which other EU member states saw an increase in demand for gas of at least by 8 % in the period from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 compared to the average gas consumption during the reference period per the revised definition in the political agreement related to the proposal for an EU Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2022/1369 as regards prolonging the demand reduction period for reduction measures for gas and reinforcing the reporting and monitoring of their implementation. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35281/23]

*194. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to provide an update on progress towards meeting the 15% demand reduction relative to the original reference period in Regulation (EU) 2022/1369, broken down by sector, in tabular form. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35282/23]

*195. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to provide an update on progress towards meeting the 15% demand reduction relative to the updated reference period in Regulation (EU) 2022/1369, as amended in March 2023, broken down by sector, in tabular form. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35283/23]

*196. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on Q2 2023 targets in the Climate Action Plan to manage our energy transition; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35289/23]

*197. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to report on the number of new grid connections in 2022, in q1 2023 and in q2 2023 for renewable energy per source, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35291/23]

*198. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on the level of funding provided to sustainable energy communities in 2022, in q1 2023 and in q3 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35292/23]

*199. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will report on the number of sustainable energy communities that were funded in 2022, in q1 2023 and in q3 2023, in tabular form; the level of funding provided to each project funded in 2022, in q1 2023 and in q3 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35293/23]

*200. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of retrofits completed to a standard of B2 or higher as part of the National Residential Retrofit Plan per year and per scheme, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35301/23]

*201. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the average wait time for retrofits completed to a standard of B2 or higher as part of the National Residential Retrofit Plan per year and per scheme, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35302/23]

*202. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the average cost for retrofits completed to a standard of B2 or higher as part of the National Residential Retrofit Plan per year and per scheme, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35303/23]

*203. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to report on his plans to develop Ireland's offshore wind energy grid connection capacity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35335/23]

*204. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications his plans to address retrofitting in the rental sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35400/23]

*205. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if will provide an update on the commitment in the Energy Poverty Action Plan to introduce a mechanism to ensure homeowners have the option of paying for upgrades "net of grant", and to explore options to support homeowners to convert from oil and solid fuel to heat pumps; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35401/23]

*206. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications how many rental properties were retrofitting in 2022, q1 2023 and in q2 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35404/23]

*207. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the current average waiting time for the home surveys that are required to access SEAI free energy upgrades. — Seán Crowe. [35448/23]

*208. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to outline the incentives available for households and businesses to install solar panels; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [35450/23]

*209. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications what engagement his Department has had with the relevant stakeholders with regard to reanimating the River Liffey. — Gary Gannon. [35474/23]

*210. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35484/23]

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

*211. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of personnel in his Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34918/23]

*212. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he is aware of reports, as published in a book (details supplied) *Is Ireland Neutral* page 135, that an Irish Defence Forces senior officer was involved in military actions that led the death of members of the Taliban forces in Afghanistan; if members of the Irish Defence Forces Army Ranger wing were involved in similar military actions while serving in Afghanistan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [35156/23]

*213. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence to outline the plans of his Department to rebuild and equip the Defence Forces so they are in the proper position to patrol our territorial waters effectively and defend our neutrality; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35221/23]

*214. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence to outline the plans his Department has to build the cyber-security aspect of the Defence Forces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35222/23]

*215. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence whether his Department is satisfied that the Defence Forces are currently staffed and equipped to a sufficient level in order to fulfil their various functions – military, surveillance, peacekeeping and civil; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35229/23]

*216. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence to outline the various mechanisms by which his Department is working to reach agreement with the Women of Honour on all outstanding issues; the number and grade of staff allotted to this task; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35230/23]

*217. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the progress to date in his Department's assessment of the Report of The Commission on the Defence Force; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [35267/23]

*218. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if in view of the lack of an Army barracks in the central border area if further consideration will be given to the re-opening of Dún Uí Néill, Cavan, as an Army barracks and, in the interim, as a forward operating base as that area has a long land border with a neighbouring jurisdiction, and taking into account that the presence locally of Army personnel played a very important role in the security of this State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [35268/23]

*219. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35481/23]

*220. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of ex-members of the Defence Forces who current receive a restricted/reduced pension based on an award received in court in respect of an injury they sustained during service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35571/23]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*221. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will report on Ireland's biofuel supply and Ireland's capacity to meet EU sustainability requirements; Ireland's current biofuel supply; the increase that will be required to meet EU sustainability requirements; the measures to increase supply that are in place; when is it estimated that supply will increase; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34947/23]

*222. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will report on the engagement between his Department and the European Commission on biofuel, including verification and increasing Ireland's supply; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34948/23]

*223. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will report on Ireland's biofuel supply and capacity to meet 2030 targets; what is Ireland's current biofuel supply; what increase will be required to meet our 2030 targets; what measures to increase supply are in place; when is it estimated that supply will increase; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34949/23]

*224. To ask the Minister for Transport what engagement he has had with his Cabinet colleagues regarding a project (details supplied); to detail those discussions; and the results of same. — Sean Sherlock. [34788/23]

*225. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of persons waiting for a driving test; and the number of persons waiting for a theory test in county Cork, by test centre, in tabular form. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [34796/23]

*226. To ask the Minister for Transport the average waiting time for a driving test in Ballincollig and Sarsfield Road test centres in Cork; and the number of persons waiting for less than 3, 3-6, 6-9, 9-12, 12-18, 18-24 and for over 24 months, in tabular form. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [34797/23]

*227. To ask the Minister for Transport the average waiting time for a theory test in test centres in Cork; and the number of persons waiting for less than 3, 3-6, 6-9, 9-12, 12-18, 18-24 and for over 24 months, in tabular form. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [34798/23]

*228. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will attend a meeting with regard to the proposed N22 route Killarney to Farranfore (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [34813/23]

*229. To ask the Minister for Transport the timeline for the completion of works on the Coonagh to Knockalisheen Road, Limerick; when he expects it to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34857/23]

*230. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide a breakdown of those resigning from Bus Éireann per year between 2017-2023, in tabular form. — Martin Kenny. [34859/23]

*231. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide a breakdown of staffing levels within Bus Éireann per year between 2017-2023, in tabular form. — Martin Kenny. [34860/23]

*232. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide a breakdown of those resigning from Irish Rail/Iarnród Éireann per year between 2017-2023, in tabular form. — Martin Kenny. [34861/23]

*233. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide a breakdown of staffing levels within Irish Rail/Iarnród Éireann per year between 2017-2023, in tabular form. — Martin Kenny. [34862/23]

*234. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department has made funding available for the N17 upgrade works as outlined in the National Development Plan; if he will provide an outline of works set to be undertaken with a timeline for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [34863/23]

*235. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department has made funding available for the N2 upgrade works as outlined in the National Development Plan; if he will provide an outline of works set to be undertaken with a timeline for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [34864/23]

*236. To ask the Minister for Transport if he or his officials have met with stakeholders involved in a campaign (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [34865/23]

*237. To ask the Minister for Transport if he or his Department have discussed the shortage of taxis to serve those who arrive in Dublin airport; whether the €400 charge for taxi drivers should be removed to prevent shortages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [34906/23]

*238. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason taxi drivers who drop people off at the airport are prevented from taking people into their taxis onto onward journeys; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [34907/23]

*239. To ask the Minister for Transport if he or his Department have statistics from the DAA on increased use of taxis, given the parking shortages during peak summer travel times; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [34908/23]

*240. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of personnel in his Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34932/23]

*241. To ask the Minister for Transport to report on the progress of the pathfinder programmes, particularly with reference to increasing momentum to the delivery of projects at a local level, providing templates for replication and scaling up elsewhere; further to Parliamentary Question No. 180 of 29 June 2023, how this incorporates experimental and innovative approaches; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34940/23]

*242. To ask the Minister for Transport when the finalised cycle connects plan will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34941/23]

*243. To ask the Minister for Transport to report on the progress of the all-island strategic rail review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34942/23]

*244. To ask the Minister for Transport his views on the commitment in the Programme for Government to maintain the existing road network to a high standard and fund safety improvements; if he will ensure that much needed additional funding will be provided for the non-national road network in 2023, taking in to account the urgent requirement for additional investment due to the very substantial increase in costs that have arisen over the past two years in road maintenance products and construction work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [34956/23]

*245. To ask the Minister for Transport if consideration will be given to the provision of support for hackney services in rural communities where it is not feasible to have a bus service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [34957/23]

*246. To ask the Minister for Transport if a recipient of a vehicle under the brand ambassador programme from a motor dealership is required to have individual insurance cover for such a vehicle. — Michael Ring. [34976/23]

*247. To ask the Minister for Transport to report on the progress of the National Transport Authority in completing the walking and cycling index in Ireland's main cities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34980/23]

*248. To ask the Minister for Transport when the report of the most recent national household travel survey in 2022 will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34981/23]

*249. To ask the Minister for Transport to report on the work of the sustainable mobility research network; if he can provide an update on the mapping on the research already being undertaken on gaps identified; what research has been conducted or is currently being completed; how this provides an evidence-base for Government policy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34982/23]

*250. To ask the Minister for Transport the total amounts paid for State bodies (details supplied) for each of the years 2020 to date, to include benefit-in-kind payments and any other benefit, similar to the table provided for the DAA returns; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [34985/23]

*251. To ask the Minister for Transport if the benefit-in-kind payments (details supplied) that is paid for by the individual; if not, if it is paid for by the State hence it's inclusion in the final total yearly amounts; the type or types of vehicles used that equates to a payment in 2020 and 2021 of €677 per week; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [34986/23]

*252. To ask the Minister for Transport if consideration will be given to the introduction of a taxi service (details supplied) to ease difficulties with provision of taxis in rural parts of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O'Sullivan. [35004/23]

*253. To ask the Minister for Transport the status of having Leap cards access not just top-ups but use for travel on a smartphone app; and the costs incurred, if any, to date on the development of same. — Sean Sherlock. [35031/23]

*254. To ask the Minister for Transport the date on which he will publish the All-Island Rail Review; and the costs of same to date. — Catherine Murphy. [35033/23]

*255. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will examine the feasibility of eliminating the reverse requirement for trains entering and exiting Killarney train station; his views on whether a lengthening of the platform would be a cost-effective measure to address this issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [35047/23]

*256. To ask the Minister for Transport what actions his Department is taking, in conjunction with the RSA to address the ongoing difficulties in getting driving test appointments, in particular for re-test appointments (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [35144/23]

*257. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason persons suffering from cancer are not eligible for a blue disability badge; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patricia Ryan. [35167/23]

*258. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide an update in respect of the north-eastern MOOR to Moygaddy (details supplied). — Catherine Murphy. [35169/23]

*259. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will directly intervene in a case (details supplied) regarding the maintenance of a roundabout; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [35237/23]

*260. To ask the Minister for Transport when a person (details supplied) will receive their driving test; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [35245/23]

*261. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will seek an update from the MSO on whether access has been granted to board the ship and carry out the necessary examinations, if he will undertake to write to the Drogheda port authority urging action on this matter, considering the anger of the people of Drogheda at the lack of progress to date since it first sank; and if he will seek a finite expected date of removal of the ship from the River Boyne. — Fergus O'Dowd. [35249/23]

*262. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will write to Irish Rail, Louth County Council and the NTA to seek if a feasibility study can be undertaken to look at the provision of a new

Drogheda north railway station to prepare for the introduction of DART services to Drogheda in the coming years given the phenomenal population growth in the town and the need to reduce the significant number of commuter vehicles; the carbon footprint travelling from the north of Drogheda to the south Drogheda railway station (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [35266/23]

*263. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will indicate the total number of new public chargers installed by the ESB and by local authorities over the past four years; their overall power capacity; and how this compares for the target which he believes will be required by 2025. — Richard Bruton. [35270/23]

*264. To ask the Minister for Transport to update on progress to the consultation with the Data Protection Commissioner about issuing a direction under section 8 of the Road Safety Act 2006 to allow for the flow of collision reports. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35278/23]

*265. To ask the Minister for Transport what the specific benefit-in-kind payments within Bus Éireann relate to (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [35381/23]

*266. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide clarity on six points concerning data provided (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [35408/23]

*267. To ask the Minister for Transport the waiting lists for driver tests, by test centre, in tabular form. — Seán Crowe. [35432/23]

*268. To ask the Minister for Transport if he can seek further details on whether the BIK payments for both vehicles and health in a company (details supplied) were paid for by the employee or if it was in addition as part of the employment contract and added into their total remuneration; if he will provide more details on health payments of nearly €12,000 per annum; what this relates to at such a high cost; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [35463/23]

*269. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of cruise liners that have visited each port in Ireland in each of the past ten years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [35475/23]

*270. To ask the Minister for Transport to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35495/23]

*271. To ask the Minister for Transport further to Parliamentary Question No. 72 of 5 July 2023 and the details provided in respect of the IAA and Irish Air Navigation, if he can provide clarity on matters (details supplied). — Fergus O'Dowd. [35521/23]

*272. To ask the Minister for Transport further to Parliamentary Question No. 72 of 5 July 2023, if he can provide further clarity and a breakdown on the requested information (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [35585/23]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*273. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Government will reduce taxation on hydrotreated vegetable oil; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [35176/23]

*274. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of renters availing of the renter’s tax credit in 2022 and to date in 2023, with a breakdown by county and an average credit paid in each county. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35359/23]

*275. To ask the Minister for Finance how many landlords have availed of the tax credit to retrofit their rental properties in 2022, q1 2023 and in q2 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [35402/23]

*276. To ask the Minister for Finance the total amount of winnings from prizebonds in the past twelve months; the extent to which this corresponds with the previous twelve-month period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35557/23]

*277. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will consider a reduction in the rate of VAT for music and live entertainment performers (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [34837/23]

*278. To ask the Minister for Finance if a person (details supplied) will be afforded the opportunity to file form 11, 2022, manually and not on-line, given the person in question does not have access to broadband or the internet; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Frankie Feighan. [34866/23]

*279. To ask the Minister for Finance the expected annual revenue in each of the years 2023 and 2024 of the local property tax, disaggregated by valuation band; and the number of properties within each valuation band. — Pearse Doherty. [34891/23]

*280. To ask the Minister for Finance the tax reliefs/expenditures set to expire at end-2023; the cost of their extension for 2024, and the cost, if any, within the base for each in 2024. — Pearse Doherty. [34892/23]

*281. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue raised on a first- and full-year basis of removing the capital gains tax exemption for a principle private residence where the property is sold within 12 months of its purchase, and restricting the relief by 25%, 50% and 75% in the same circumstances. — Pearse Doherty. [34895/23]

*282. To ask the Minister for Finance the revenue raised on a first- and full-year basis of applying a 1% and 2% stamp duty, respectively, on all forms of share buybacks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [34896/23]

*283. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated aggregate value of share buybacks in each of the years 2018 to 2022; if the Revenue Commissioners collect such data; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [34897/23]

*284. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue raised by the vacant homes tax in 2023 and 2024; and if it is in the revenue base for 2024 as per the Summer Economic Statement. — Pearse Doherty. [34898/23]

*285. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue raised in first- and full-year terms by increasing the vacant homes tax to four, five and six times the LPT base rate, respectively. — Pearse Doherty. [34899/23]

*286. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue raised in first- and full-year terms by increasing the vacant homes tax to four times the LPT base rate and increasing it by a single multiple of the LPT base rate for each further year it is vacant. — Pearse Doherty. [34900/23]

*287. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue raised in first- and full-year terms by increasing the vacant homes tax to five times the LPT base rate and increasing it by a single multiple of the LPT base rate for each further year it is vacant. — Pearse Doherty. [34901/23]

*288. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue raised in first and full-year terms by increasing the vacant homes tax to six times the LPT base rate and increasing it by a single multiple of the LPT base rate for each further year it is vacant. — Pearse Doherty. [34902/23]

*289. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of personnel in his Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34922/23]

*290. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will detail the number of taxpayers who have declared an income from brand ambassadors or equivalent from motor companies over the past ten years, in tabular form. — Michael Ring. [34974/23]

*291. To ask the Minister for Finance if he is considering changing the VAT thresholds in Budget 2024; if he will consider reforms that consider ability to pay or that is graduated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [34975/23]

*292. To ask the Minister for Finance the total rental income declared by non-tax residents as part of their form 11 tax return in each year since 2011 for property located in Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35012/23]

*293. To ask the Minister for Finance if he is aware of supports available for people making a complaint about a financial product or service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [35048/23]

*294. To ask the Minister for Finance if the estimated revenue generated by the temporary solidarity contribution bases on taxable profits in the fossil fuel production and refining sectors, and a cap on the market revenues of certain generators in the electricity sector, are included in the tax base for 2024 as outlined in the Summer Economic Statement; and the amount of revenue with respect to each. — Pearse Doherty. [35178/23]

*295. To ask the Minister for Finance for consideration to expand the help-to-buy scheme for first-time buyers to include second-hand homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [33084/23]

*296. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue raised, in first and full-year terms, by introducing the rate of commercial stamp duty from 7.5 to 12.5 percent, excluding agricultural land. — Pearse Doherty. [35238/23]

*297. To ask the Minister for Finance the revenue raised by increasing the rate of commercial stamp duty from 7.5 to 10 and 12.5 percent, respectively, while increasing the farm consolidation relief accordingly, in first and full-year terms. — Pearse Doherty. [35239/23]

*298. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue generated in first and full-year terms of reducing the Standard Fund Threshold to €1.5 million; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [35241/23]

*299. To ask the Minister for Finance if the revenue raised by the banking levy is in the tax base for 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, respectively, and if so, the quantum of revenue in the base with respect to each year. — Pearse Doherty. [35243/23]

*300. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue raised by introducing a 25% and 50% cap, respectively, on corporation tax loss relief utilised in a single year by NAMA participating banks, and separately, by all banks, in first and full-year terms. — Pearse Doherty. [35250/23]

*301. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated value of deferred tax assets yet to be utilised by NAMA-participating banks; the Government's policy towards corporation tax loss relief with respect to NAMA-participating banks where the State reduces or entirely divests its shareholdings in respective banks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [35260/23]

*302. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated annual revenue generated by the defective concrete products levy; the quantum of revenue generated by the defective concrete products levy in the tax base for the years 2024, 2025 and 2026, as per the Summer Economic Statement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [35269/23]

*303. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue generated, in first and full-year terms, by increasing the rate of stamp duty to 17% with respect to the block-purchase of all residential property (including apartments), by institutional investors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [35285/23]

*304. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue generated, in first and full-year terms, by increasing the rate of dividend withholding tax to 33 per cent with respect to REITs and IREFs. — Pearse Doherty. [35286/23]

*305. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue generated, in first and full-year terms, by applying the 33 per cent rate of capital gains tax to the disposal of property assets by REITs and IREFs. — Pearse Doherty. [35287/23]

*306. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will give detailed consideration to the issues raised in a report (details supplied) which outlines the difficulties that will arise for a sector with the introduction of a levy on products; if he is aware that such levy imposition will adversely affect this sector particularly in the Border region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [35294/23]

*307. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0% in first- and full-year terms, and in each of the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029. — Pearse Doherty. [35334/23]

*308. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost of reducing the 2% of USC to 1.05% and 0%, respectively, in first- and full-year terms, and in each of the years 2024 to 2029. — Pearse Doherty. [35338/23]

*309. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost of reducing the 0.5 per cent rate of USC to 0 per cent, reducing the two per cent rate of USC to 0 per cent and increasing the entry point for the 4.5 per cent rate of USC to €30,000, in first and full-year terms, and in each of the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029. — Pearse Doherty. [35349/23]

*310. To ask the Minister for Finance the latest statistics for the number of persons claiming each category of credit or allowance in the income tax code; and the cost in each case. — Richard Bruton. [35377/23]

*311. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost, in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0%, reducing the 2% rate of USC to 0.5% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5% rate of USC from €22,920 to €23,930. — Pearse Doherty. [35383/23]

*312. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost, in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0%, reducing the 2% rate of USC to 0.5% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5% rate of USC from €22,920 to €24,336. — Pearse Doherty. [35384/23]

*313. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost, in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0%, reducing the 2% rate of USC to 0.5% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5% rate of USC from €22,920 to €24,945. — Pearse Doherty. [35385/23]

*314. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost, in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0%, reducing the 2% rate of USC to 0.5% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5% rate of USC from €22,920 to €25,959. — Pearse Doherty. [35386/23]

*315. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost, in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0%, reducing the 2% rate of USC to 0.5% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5% rate of USC from €22,920 to €26,567. — Pearse Doherty. [35387/23]

*316. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost, in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0%, reducing the 2% rate of USC to 0.5% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5% rate of USC from €22,920 to €28,088. — Pearse Doherty. [35388/23]

*317. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0 per cent, reducing the 2% rate of USC to 1% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5 per cent rate of USC from €22,920 to €23,930. — Pearse Doherty. [35392/23]

*318. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0 per cent,

reducing the 2% rate of USC to 1% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5 per cent rate of USC from €22,920 to €24,336. — Pearse Doherty. [35393/23]

*319. To ask the Minister for Finance The estimated cost in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0 per cent, reducing the 2% rate of USC to 1% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5 per cent rate of USC from €22,920 to €24,945. — Pearse Doherty. [35394/23]

*320. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0 per cent, reducing the 2% rate of USC to 1% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5 per cent rate of USC from €22,920 to €25,959. — Pearse Doherty. [35395/23]

*321. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0 per cent, reducing the 2% rate of USC to 1% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5 per cent rate of USC from €22,920 to €26,567. — Pearse Doherty. [35396/23]

*322. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost in first- and full-year terms, and in the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, of reducing the 0.5% rate of USC to 0 per cent, reducing the 2% rate of USC to 1% and increasing the entry point to the 4.5 per cent rate of USC from €22,920 to €28,088. — Pearse Doherty. [35397/23]

*323. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost, in first and full-year terms, of increasing the personal, employee PAYE and earned income tax credits by €50 respectively, disaggregated by credit type. — Pearse Doherty. [35409/23]

*324. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost, in first and full-year terms, of increasing the personal, employee PAYE and earned income tax credits by €100 respectively, disaggregated by credit type. — Pearse Doherty. [35410/23]

*325. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost, in first and full-year terms, of increasing the personal, employee PAYE and earned income tax credits by €45 respectively, disaggregated by credit type. — Pearse Doherty. [35411/23]

*326. To ask the Minister for Finance the revenue allocated to the disabled drivers and disabled passengers scheme in 2023 and 2025, respectively; if the amount allocated for 2025 is in the tax base, as per the Summer Economic Statement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [35426/23]

*327. To ask the Minister for Finance if the grant scheme to replace the disabled drivers and disabled passengers scheme is provided for in either the expenditure or tax base for 2025, as per the Summer Economic Statement; if so, the numerical impact with respect to same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [35427/23]

*328. To ask the Minister for Finance if the special assignee relief programme is in the tax base for 2025 as per the Summer Economic Statement; and, if so, the value associated with its cost for 2025. — Pearse Doherty. [35431/23]

*329. To ask the Minister for Finance his Department's projections of the increased corporation tax revenue generated in annual terms as a result of Pillar One of the OECD Agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [35451/23]

*330. To ask the Minister for Finance if an in-person meeting could be arranged for an individual (details supplied) to address an ongoing issue they have had with Revenue. — Gary Gannon. [35473/23]

*331. To ask the Minister for Finance to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35485/23]

*332. To ask the Minister for Finance the appropriate tax-free allowance/tax cut-off point in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35565/23]

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.

*333. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform what assessment has been carried out by his Department of the proposed new flood defence approach for the Clontarf seafront; if his Department plans to engage with a detailed design; and if money has been factored into the NDP envelope for its construction. — Richard Bruton. [34791/23]

*334. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform when it is intended to replace the temporary boulders at the fish pass in Bandon with a permanent structure; the estimated cost of these works; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [34823/23]

*335. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the number of personnel in his Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34928/23]

*336. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the progress made by the Interdepartmental Group led by the OPW in putting forward solutions and policies to deal with coastal erosion; if this group considered, as part of its work, necessary remedial work that need to be carried out in a small number of coastal communities along the coast where ever higher tides cut them off more frequently during spring tides stopping residents going about their daily business of going to work or school or services virtually making these place islands for a period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [35142/23]

*337. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the first and full-year cost of abolishing admission charges to Office of Public Works heritage sites. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35183/23]

*338. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the first and full-year cost of increasing all wages in the public sector to a minimum of 13.85. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35184/23]

*339. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the first and full-year cost of increasing all wages in the public sector to the governments living wage. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35185/23]

*340. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the estimated cost of a 25%, 50% and 100% increase in the funding for the OPW for the construction and acquisition of buildings for public sector use. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35187/23]

*341. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the estimated cost of increasing the IGEEES budget by 5, 10 and 20 percent respectively. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35188/23]

*342. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the estimated cost of increasing the Office of the chief information officer budget by 5, 10 and 20 percent respectively. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35189/23]

*343. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform for a breakdown of budgetary decisions, as outlined in Table 1 of the Summer Economic Statement, for the years 2024, 2025 and 2026, by, for example, Demographics, the NDP and public sector pay commitments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [35216/23]

*344. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the capital ceilings, by Department, for the years 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029, as per the revised National Development Plan. — Pearse Doherty. [35218/23]

*345. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform if the €5.2 billion of non-core expenditure allocated for 2023 as per Table 7 of the Summer Economic Statement has been fully drawn down; the amounts that have been drawn down to date across Covid-19 expenditure, Ukraine Humanitarian Contingency and Other; and, in particular, to disaggregate the programmes by amount to which the €1.7 billion under Other has been allocated. — Pearse Doherty. [35219/23]

*346. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform if his Department will outline the enhanced expenditure necessary to bring the Defence Forces up to their full complement and capability in order to defend our neutrality, patrol our waters and airspace and fulfil their international obligations such as peacekeeping; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35228/23]

*347. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform to disaggregate the €0.75 billion allocated to Other in non-core expenditure in 2024, as per Table 7 of the Summer Economic Statement, by programme type. — Pearse Doherty. [35234/23]

*348. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35491/23]

*349. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the total number of National Lottery winners in the past twelve months; the number involving prizes in excess of €1 million or more, €500,000 or more and €500,000 or less in the past twelve months; how this compares with winnings in the previous 12-month period; if the amount spent on advertising is more than in previous twelve months; if it is less; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35556/23]

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

*350. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he is aware of a case of a person (details supplied); if he will ask officials to review the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [34789/23]

*351. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of personnel in his Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34920/23]

*352. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he will consider the introduction of an employment wage support scheme for small to medium sized enterprises; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O'Sullivan. [35002/23]

*353. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if consideration will be given to the introduction of Government-backed low-interest rate loans for small to medium sized enterprises in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O'Sullivan. [35003/23]

*354. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the status of the proposed industrial park for Ballina, County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35018/23]

*355. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment when the IDA began supporting companies to set up data centres in the State. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35116/23]

*356. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if he is aware of a survey (details supplied) which cites labour shortages one of the main barriers to achieve national retrofitting targets; how he plans to address this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35128/23]

*357. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the estimated cost of establishing and fully resourcing the health and social care advisory committee within the Health and Safety Authority; the additional staffing and inspection requirements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35137/23]

*358. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of occupations (details supplied) that have been recruited from outside the EU since these occupations were

added to the critical skills occupations list; if an incentive package has been put in place to attract these occupations from outside the EU; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35370/23]

*359. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment to outline how much in IDA grants and supports have been awarded to a company (details supplied) for their sites at Tullagreen and Springhill since 1997; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [35399/23]

*360. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35483/23]

Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

*361. To ask the Minister for Education if the hall at a school (details supplied) can be returned to school use by September 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [34785/23]

*362. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais cén fáth nach bhfuil Tuarascáil Réitigh Foirgníochta (BFR) curtha ar fáil do Bhord Oideachais agus Oiliúna Chill Dara agus Chill Mhantáin chun gur féidir le scoil (sonraí tugtha) foirgneamh buan nó foirgnimh bhuana a bheith aici amach anseo ar shuíomh amháin. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [34811/23]

*363. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais cén uair a chuirfear suíomh buan ar fáil do scoil amháin (sonraí tugtha) atá scaipthe thar dhá shuíomh faoi láthair i seanfhoirgneamh nach bhfuil oiriúnach chun oideachas ceart a chur ar dhaltai an Ghaelcholáiste, gan aon spás taobh amuigh ná clós scoile a bheith ag an nGaelcholáiste, agus seomraí ranga an Ghaelcholáiste a bheith gan solas an lae cheal fuinneoga. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [34812/23]

*364. To ask the Minister for Education is there any situation where a remote area school transport grant may be awarded for the 2023-2024 school year when the initial application for school transport was late; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [34818/23]

*365. To ask the Minister for Education the intake ratio at secondary level for all school planning areas broken down by individual school planning area, in tabular form. — Patrick Costello. [34903/23]

*366. To ask the Minister for Education the current capacity at secondary level broken down by individual school planning area, in tabular form. — Patrick Costello. [34904/23]

*367. To ask the Minister for Education to provide a map of each school planning area. — Patrick Costello. [34905/23]

*368. To ask the Minister for Education the number of personnel in her Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34919/23]

*369. To ask the Minister for Education to detail the system for the maintenance and recycling of specialist equipment for children with physical disabilities, such as specialist seating and

changing tables; whether other schools or organisations can avail of such equipment when they are no longer needed in the school of origin; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [34963/23]

*370. To ask the Minister for Education the recorded start date of a teacher (details supplied) for pension purposes in her Department's records as there seems to be some confusion about it; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [35104/23]

*371. To ask the Minister for Education the estimated cost to increase guidance counsellor provision by 50%; the number of WTE required; and the estimated cost of providing an additional guidance counsellor in each secondary school. — David Cullinane. [35140/23]

*372. To ask the Minister for Education where the equity and fairness is for the young Irish students in the North of Ireland who are not able to avail of the same postmarking adjustments of final year exams that apply in the South. — Sorca Clarke. [35181/23]

*373. To ask the Minister for Education if she will make adjustments to ensure that final-year students in the North of Ireland will benefit from postmarking of exams in the same way students in the 26 counties do to ensure equity for all students on the island of Ireland. — Sorca Clarke. [35182/23]

*374. To ask the Minister for Education which primary schools in counties Cavan and Monaghan that are taking part in the Summer Programme; the timeframe each school is running the Summer Programme; which post-primary schools in counties Cavan and Monaghan that are taking part in the Summer Programme; the timeframe each school is running the Summer Programme; which special schools in counties Cavan and Monaghan that are taking part in the Summer Programme; the timeframe each school is running the Summer Programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35209/23]

*375. To ask the Minister for Education the number of children in counties Cavan and Monaghan that are awaiting an appointment with a NEPS psychologist; the number that are waiting less than six months; those waiting 6-12 months and those that are waiting more than 12 months; broken down in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35210/23]

*376. To ask the Minister for Education whether her Department will make a new commitment to the position of history on the curriculum, such subject being critical to giving a student a necessary level of continuum and context vis-à-vis current and emerging situations, globally, therefore facilitate a citizen in making a deeper and more reflective response; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35220/23]

*377. To ask the Minister for Education whether her Department is taking a necessary new approach to the school-transport situation, to make it work for children's/parents' needs, given the system extant has little or no bearing on how schools are functioning, spatially in the community, and how families are forced to use them; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35231/23]

*378. To ask the Minister for Education concerning a school transport renewal application for a family (details supplied) as to the reason behind the rejection and refusal of their application for the school bus service to a school for the school year 2023/2024; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [35244/23]

*379. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide in tabular form on a county basis the average class size for primary schools in each county in the school years 2019/2020, 2020/2021, 2021/2022 and 2022/2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [35288/23]

*380. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 245 of 29 June 2023, in respect of essential emergency works required by a school in Dublin 11 (details supplied) if she will ensure that necessary consequential works are also included in order to ensure safe, hygienic and acceptable conditions are created for the children attending this school and that the current intolerable bathroom conditions are addressed without further delay; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [35304/23]

*381. To ask the Minister for Education to outline her plans to provide additional school accommodation required at a location (details supplied) due to the increasing population in recent times; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [35333/23]

*382. To ask the Minister for Education the up-to-date position regarding the application for additional school accommodation; when this project will proceed to the next stage (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [35352/23]

*383. To ask the Minister for Education if she can advise if a child (details supplied) can avail of the July Provision; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [35353/23]

*384. To ask the Minister for Education if predictive grades are an option for students who are unable to sit an exam due to a medical emergency not covered under the SEC Circular S24/23; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35371/23]

*385. To ask the Minister for Education the up-to-date position regarding an application (details supplied) for additional school accommodation; when this project will proceed to the next stage; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [35380/23]

*386. To ask the Minister for Education the up-to-date position regarding an application (details supplied) for additional school accommodation; when this project will proceed to the next stage; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [35382/23]

*387. To ask the Minister for Education the reason a decision has been made by her Department to close a facility (details supplied); when local schools were informed of this decision and how; if consideration has been given to the high-level needs of children in the facility; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [35391/23]

*388. To ask the Minister for Education if she is aware of the school safety deficit being experienced by a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Crowe. [35435/23]

*389. To ask the Minister for Education to consider a case (details supplied) whereby a student had a contagious illness with supporting medical documentation on the day of their Leaving Certificate German exam and was denied the opportunity to retake the exam by the State Examinations Commission; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35452/23]

*390. To ask the Minister for Education if a predictive grade is a possibility for a student (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35478/23]

*391. To ask the Minister for Education to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by her Department and public bodies under the aegis of her Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35482/23]

*392. To ask the Minister for Education the extent to which she remains satisfied regarding the adequacy of school places at primary and second level in Kildare north; if specific arrangements can be made in the event of a shortfall in the area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35569/23]

*393. To ask the Minister for Education if she envisages a change in the school transport system in Kildare north with a view to ensuring that children displaced in the past year can avail of the service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35570/23]

*394. To ask the Minister for Education if school transport can be provided in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35574/23]

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

*395. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the number of TV licences renewed, in tabular form; the number of new TV licences issued for June 2022 and June 2023; if figures for the first two weeks of July 2022 and 2023 are available; if she can account for any variations in the numbers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [35046/23]

*396. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if the Government has submitted an Opinion on the forthcoming "Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on data collection and sharing relating to the short-term accommodation rental services and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1724" on short-term letting across the European Union in relation to data sharing and establishing an effective model for short-term letting property registration; if the Government has not submitted such an opinion, if it will consider doing so; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35171/23]

*397. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media an bhfuil aon iarracht déanta aici chun a chinntiú go mbeidh an éagothromaíocht pá idir oibrithe i Raidió na Gaeltachta agus iad siúd i gcodanna eile de RTÉ san áireamh san athbhreithniú atá beartaithe; agus an ndéanfaidh sí ráiteas ina thaobh. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [35251/23]

*398. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the current funding commitments of the Creative Climate Action II: Agents of Change Programme, a joint initiative of the Creative Ireland Programme and the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [34815/23]

*399. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the extent to which her Department continues to work with all relevant Departments and agencies to assist in the promotion of Ireland as an attractive location for tourism. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24621/23]

*400. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media as referred to in her Department's Strategy Statement 2021-2023, if she continues to make efforts to work with all relevant Departments and agencies to assist in the promotion of Ireland as an attractive location for tourism. — Bernard J. Durkan. [24994/23]

*401. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the number of personnel in her Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34931/23]

*402. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if her Department will provide additional funding to ensure the IMMA satellite museum initiative in Ballina, County Mayo, goes ahead following the suspension of the IIP programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35014/23]

*403. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media what actions the Government have taken, and plan to take, to engage with the European Commission concerning the "Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on data collection and sharing relating to short-term accommodation rental services and amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1724" and the 'Standstill Procedure' therein which has been applied to the General Scheme of the Registration of Short-Term Tourist Letting Bill 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35170/23]

*404. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to set out communication by the European Commission in relation to the General Scheme of the Registration of Short-Term Tourist Letting Bill 2022 as it stands, notably in regard to the proposed restrictions on the current practices of the short-term letting platforms operating in Ireland; if she will publish the correspondence with the European Commission in relation to this; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35172/23]

*405. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media what evidence was provided by the Government to the European Commission to justify the proposed restrictions on the short-term letting platforms currently operating in Ireland as set out in the General Scheme of the Registration of Short-Term Tourist Letting Bill 2022; to provide the European Commission's communication in relation to such evidence; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35173/23]

*406. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media what evidence was provided to the European Commission to show that the proposed measures set out in the General Scheme of the Registration of Short-Term Tourist Letting Bill 2022 would make best use of the existing housing stock; what the European Commission's assessment of this evidence was; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35174/23]

*407. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the estimated value of deferred tax assets yet to be utilised by NAMA-participating banks; the Government's policy towards corporation tax loss relief with respect to NAMA-participating banks where the

State reduces or entirely divests its shareholdings in respective banks; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [35261/23]

*408. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the pay, benefits and bonuses for the boards or executive boards of each State or semi-state company under her Department's remit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [35261/23]

*409. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the number of current State or semi-State board members who are directors or shareholders in companies that have received finance, grants or other supports from State funds; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [35262/23]

*410. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the exact role, expectations and KPIs that the night-time economy manager in Drogheda will be expected to fulfil; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [35263/23]

*411. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to give details of mitigation measures that are being considered to offset the €1.1 billion loss in ancillary tourist services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [35264/23]

*412. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if there is a possibility RTÉ long-wave radio may be re-introduced; to give an update on the previously recommended DAB replacement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Imelda Munster. [35265/23]

*413. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to seek a full update on the Fáilte Ireland Destination Town Plan for Drogheda; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [35296/23]

*414. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to confirm with respect to the provision of a night-time economy manager in Drogheda which will help develop a night-time economy strategy in the town, that the appointed person will work with local businesses and voluntary groups on the Purple Flag award for the town; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [35300/23]

*415. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if, in relation to RTÉ pensioners, many of whom are surviving on low to middle incomes, she intends to sanction RTÉ to release funds so that the pensions' trustees can pay out the pension increase, which has been frozen for a number of years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [35460/23]

*416. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by her Department and public bodies under the aegis of her Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35494/23]

*417. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the extent to which potential growth opportunities for business tourism in this country continue to be identified; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35543/23]

*418. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she and her Department continue to liaise with various sporting groups that have been the beneficiaries of Sports Capital Grants in the past with a view to ensuring that all such grants are used effectively and efficiently and where difficulties have arisen, assistance of a constructive nature might be offered; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35544/23]

*419. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the degree to which she continues to pursue the marketing of the island of Ireland as a tourist location worldwide; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35545/23]

*420. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the extent to which her Department continues to liaise with local community organisations involved in the presentation of music and drama throughout the country; the degree to which financial support can be offered directly or through the Arts Council; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35546/23]

*421. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the extent to which her Department proposes to support cultural projects in the arts and culture sectors in the course of the current year, with particular reference to annual or special events; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35547/23]

*422. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the extent to which she anticipates the film industry here and abroad to utilise the scenery in this country for filming on location; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35548/23]

*423. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the degree to which she expects to develop the image of Irish culture and heritage locations as a means of positive and lucrative promotion of the country internationally; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35549/23]

*424. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the extent to which her Department continues to fund the promotion of the arts at national and local level directly or through the agents of the Arts Council; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35550/23]

*425. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the extent to which the swimming pool development programme is expected to continue, and on what basis, over the next two years; the extent of the programme so far in dealing with the needs as represented by local communities throughout the country; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35551/23]

*426. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the emphasis she expects to place on sport in the coming year with particular reference to the need of facilities in all areas throughout the country; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35552/23]

*427. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the extent to which she remains assured that the national broadcaster's future is secured on a proper business footing, and that private broadcasting continues to be encouraged; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35553/23]

*428. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to outline clearly defined lines between public and private broadcasting in this country, with a view to ensuring that both have a role to play; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35554/23]

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

*429. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the estimated cost of providing one additional procurement officer for each local authority. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35186/23]

*430. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage how much each local authority spent on retrofitting in 2022, in quarter 1 2023 and in quarter 2 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35403/23]

*431. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the extent to which game species such as the red grouse, woodcock, partridge or others continue by way of specific conservation measures; the extent to which the numbers of these various species are being monitored and recorded at this present time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35562/23]

*432. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the extent to which predators are an increasing threat to game birds or songbirds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35563/23]

*433. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on extending the enhanced defective concrete blocks grant scheme to non-principal primary residences, such as holiday homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [34822/23]

*434. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if clarification will be provided regarding a statement by a person (details supplied) in Seanad Éireann on 15 December 2022; if he can confirm that in order for the local authority or State agency to avail of the exemption, the land must have been owned by the local authority or State agency at the proposed residential zoning of that land; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [34827/23]

*435. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount allocated to each local organisation in Limerick from the Economic and Social Intervention Fund through the Limerick Regeneration Programme for the coming year, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34845/23]

*436. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount allocated to each local organisation in Limerick from the Economic and Social Intervention Fund through the Limerick Regeneration Programme since its creation, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34846/23]

*437. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to outline what plans there are for the construction of social and affordable housing in Limerick; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34847/23]

*438. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of applications, per county for the local authority home loan in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34848/23]

*439. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of approvals, per county for the local authority home loan in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34849/23]

*440. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if an impact study has, or will be, commissioned to assess if there has been a change to the number of applicants for social housing support following the change to the social housing support income limit thresholds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34850/23]

*441. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of properties in Limerick whose occupants are currently availing of the rental supplement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34851/23]

*442. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of properties in Limerick whose occupants are currently availing of the rental accommodation scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34852/23]

*443. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of properties in Limerick whose occupants are currently availing of the housing assistance payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34853/23]

*444. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will report on the progress to date to engage specialists in the marine and climate unit in An Bord Pleanála; if the nature of the two in-house roles have been defined including the breadth of disciplines they will cover; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34867/23]

*445. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the progress to date on the strategic workforce plan and skills need assessment in MARA; how this has impacted on the workforce plan and recruitment; how this will be resourced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34882/23]

*446. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the progress to date on the strategic workforce plan and skills need assessment in MARA with reference to environmental and marine expertise specifically; how this has impacted on the workforce plan and recruitment; how this will be resourced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34883/23]

*447. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage for an update on legislation committed to on the renaming of streets. — Thomas Gould. [34890/23]

*448. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the workforce plan in An Bord Pleanála; the full cost per year per post; if there are plans to increase the workforce; how many new posts will be recruited; the full cost per year per new staff, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34893/23]

*449. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of personnel in his Department, at Principal Officer level or above, who on retiring from that

position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34926/23]

*450. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he expects the public consultation on the National Planning Framework will take place; how the issue of climate change will be addressed as part of this process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34934/23]

*451. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if local authorities can in certain cases classify an individual in receipt of HAP as a couple and then add the 35% discretionary increase to their rate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Cannon. [34936/23]

*452. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will consider increasing the current rate of grant for thatching a cottage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [34937/23]

*453. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will report on the staffing levels in the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority; the appointments to date and their salaries, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34939/23]

*454. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will review the level of funding provided to local authorities to fund cleaning and maintenance crews to support tidy towns groups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [34943/23]

*455. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will report on the progress of recruiting new staff following the approval by his Department to add 59 new posts; how many of these new posts had expertise in biodiversity and/or climate change; when he expects this process to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34951/23]

*456. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the funding that was awarded to local authorities for hedgerow work; how much was awarded to each successful application in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and in 2023 to date, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [34953/23]

*457. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the funding that was awarded to local authorities for hedgerow work; the detail of the work carried out by each successful application in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34954/23]

*458. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the funding that was awarded to local authorities via the local biodiversity action fund; how much was awarded to each successful application in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and in 2023 to date, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [34955/23]

*459. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to give an update on the scheme targeting the wastewater collection and treatment needs of villages and settlements without access to public wastewater services; to provide a list of all applications received from local authorities under that scheme; to provide a list of the applications that were approved for

funding; if he will provide a summary of the status of each of those approved projects; the timelines for works to be commenced and completed for those applications that were not approved for funding at this time; the timeline for further funding announcements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [34987/23]

*460. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will report on the staffing levels in An Bord Pleanála; the appointments to date and their salaries, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34996/23]

*461. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of new-build social homes that were delivered in 2022 and to date in 2023 in County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35017/23]

*462. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total number of recipients of HAP and RAS support in County Mayo in 2022 and 2023. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35024/23]

*463. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of persons in receipt of the housing assistance payment that transferred to rental accommodation scheme and vice versa for each county, per annum, since 2016, in tabular form. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35025/23]

*464. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the reason tenants who have the resources to buy out their local authority house are not facilitated to do so irrespective of income under the present tenant purchase incremental scheme; whether he intends on changing the rules of the scheme to facilitate this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [35045/23]

*465. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the post-retrofit BER status of local authority homes retrofitted in 2022, in Q1 2023, and in Q3 2023, by area, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35110/23]

*466. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he expects the guidance on improving energy efficiency on traditional buildings to be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [35111/23]

*467. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total number of affordable homes that have been built in counties Cavan and Monaghan in each of the past five years; the total amount planned for 2023; the total funding allocated each year to the local authority to supply affordable housing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35211/23]

*468. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the average length of time spent on the social housing list in counties Cavan and Monaghan; the plans to reduce these times; the total number on the social housing list for each of the past 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35212/23]

*469. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total number of applicants for Rebuilding Ireland Home Loans from counties Cavan and Monaghan; the total number that have been successful; the total number that have been refused; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35213/23]

*470. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has invited Cavan and Monaghan local authorities to make an application for the vacant properties (voids) programme; if such an application has been submitted; the total amount of funding his Department proposes to allocate to each authority; the expected timeframe for release of the funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35214/23]

*471. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will report on the funding allocated to the National Housing Strategy for Disabled People 2022-2027, broken down by year, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35252/23]

*472. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of local authority home loan applications, approvals and drawdowns to date in 2023, broken down by local authority and with an average amount for the applications, approvals and drawdowns; if he will provide the same information for 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35253/23]

*473. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the social housing output across all delivery streams in 2023, broken down by local authority area, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35254/23]

*474. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of whole-time equivalent vacant homes officers in each local authority, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35255/23]

*475. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of Traveller-specific accommodation units delivered, under construction and going through the planning process as part of the Traveller Accommodation Programme 2019 to 2024, broken down by local authority, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35256/23]

*476. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of affordable purchase homes delivered to date in 2023, broken down by funding stream and local authority area, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35257/23]

*477. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of cost rental homes delivered to date in 2023, broken down by funding stream and local authority area, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35258/23]

*478. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of applications and approvals for the vacant property refurbishment grant, broken down by local authority area, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35259/23]

*479. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will indicate the movement on the waiting lists for social housing in each local authority over the past five years. — Richard Bruton. [35271/23]

*480. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the details of the senior executive officer roles that were assigned to both Drogheda and Dundalk in 2020; if Louth

County Council made a further request to extend the roles in either location; if there was an external recruitment drive for either of the positions; the full job description of the appointees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [35336/23]

*481. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide an update on the provision of emergency funding for interim fire safety works in buildings with fire safety and other defects including how much funding will be made available this year; how it will be accessed; and when the funding scheme will open. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35355/23]

*482. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide an update on the delivery of affordable homes under the affordable housing fund, cost rental equity loan and LDA project Tosaigh stating the number of affordable homes delivered under these schemes to date in 2023 with a breakdown by location and cost/price. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35356/23]

*483. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when the latest social housing pipeline report will be published. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35357/23]

*484. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage in light of the difficulties in publishing the Mulcahy Report in certain planning matters in County Donegal, if he will publish a summary of the report outlining any relevant findings; and set out what actions he intends to take to address these findings. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35358/23]

*485. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to set out in tabular form a progress report on each of the eight policy asks from the Regional Independents Group during the Private Members Motion debate on 21st February 2023 (details supplied) which were incorporated into the Government's counter-motion to the Sinn Féin motion on that date. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35360/23]

*486. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to confirm that a position of Deputy Secretary General has been created in his Department; the reason for the creation of this position; the salary scale for this position; and the date on which the position is expected to be filled. — Eoin Ó Broin. [35361/23]

*487. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has examined the interplay of the help-to-buy scheme with the first-home equity scheme which can operate to prevent applicants drawing upon the full value of each scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [35372/23]

*488. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will indicate his projection of the relative need for cost-rental versus the affordable purchase scheme to be developed by public authorities; and the basis on which this projection has been made. — Richard Bruton. [35373/23]

*489. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of properties that have been approved for upgrades, by each local authority, under the energy efficiency retrofit programme in 2022 and 2023, in tabular form; and the number of upgrade works that have been completed by each local authority in 2022. — Seán Crowe. [35447/23]

*490. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to outline the progress made on the introduction of the interim measures associated with the remediation of fire safety,

structural safety and water ingress defects in purpose-built apartment buildings, including duplexes, constructed between 1991 and 2013. — Louise O'Reilly. [35462/23]

*491. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the level of State support to undertake fire protection standard investments that were not required by the building requirements at the time they were built. — Richard Bruton. [35476/23]

*492. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35489/23]

*493. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether planning permission is likely to be granted in situations to alleviate housing shortages in rural areas where heretofore planning permission has not been readily available for system-built houses or log cabins; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35560/23]

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

*494. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if an application for disability allowance in the name of a person (details supplied) will be expedited and approved. — John McGuinness. [34787/23]

*495. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the current average processing times for all social welfare payments; the number of applications received for each payment; the number of applications processed to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [34799/23]

*496. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the average wait time for an additional needs' payment application. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [34800/23]

*497. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if retained firefighters are entitled to supplementary welfare allowance while the dispute over pay and conditions is ongoing. — Sorca Clarke. [34841/23]

*498. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if renewal and first-time applications for jobseeker's benefit by members of the retained fire services are being processed as normal given the ongoing dispute over pay and conditions. — Sorca Clarke. [34842/23]

*499. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if any action is being taken to streamline the process of applying for jobseeker's benefit for school staff who are reliant on the benefit during school holiday times; if it is being considered to manage such claims through the relevant school rather than individually by the worker; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [34870/23]

*500. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of personnel in her Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34930/23]

*501. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason for the delay in processing a disability allowance application by a person (details supplied); if the appeal lodged by this

Deputy will be expedited and approved; and if not, if an oral hearing will be arranged. — John McGuinness. [34959/23]

*502. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she has any plans to extend eligibility for the living alone allowance to widowers under the State pension age or other persons. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [35141/23]

*503. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 449 of 30 May 2023, the reason for the ongoing delay in completing the reasonable accommodation fund review and consultation, due to be completed by the end of 2019 under commitments within the Comprehensive Employment Strategy and when the review report will be published.; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [35298/23]

*504. To ask the Minister for Social Protection to address an urgent matter concerning Tipperary Community Services Centre in Tipperary town (details supplied); if assistance will be provided to find a solution to this pressing issue, given the urgency of same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [35299/23]

*505. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the proposed start date for auto-enrolment pensions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [35374/23]

*506. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of households which benefit from the fuel scheme; and how this number has grown as a result of the extended eligibility introduced in January 2023. — Richard Bruton. [35376/23]

*507. To ask the Minister for Social Protection for a timeline for a decision on an appeal for disability allowance by a person (details supplied); and if this matter could be expedited. — Marian Harkin. [35398/23]

*508. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the suite of interventions to support placement in developmental roles needs to change now that unemployment is so low and those who need to be placed often have greater needs; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [35412/23]

*509. To ask the Minister for Social Protection how many people have applied for an additional needs payment each year for the past three years; how many of those went through a community welfare officer or by other means; and how many of those applications were successful. — Seán Crowe. [35433/23]

*510. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she is aware of the ongoing challenges being faced by workers who are made redundant and attempt to access a course to upskill through programmes, such as Springboard, only to find that they have missed the start of that course and must wait a period of months for the next start date thereby; and if there are any plans to facilitate easier access to a training. — Seán Crowe. [35434/23]

*511. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated revenue raised, in first- and full-year terms, from a 0.1% 0.5% and 1% point increase in the rate of employers' PRSI, respectively. — Pearse Doherty. [35477/23]

*512. To ask the Minister for Social Protection to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by her Department and public bodies under the aegis of her Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35493/23]

*513. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated cost of a €1, €5 and €10 increase, respectively, in first and full-year terms, in each social insurance payment, with proportionate increase for qualified payments, disaggregated by payment type. — Pearse Doherty. [35497/23]

*514. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated full-year cost of the free travel scheme to the Exchequer. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35522/23]

*515. To ask the Minister for Social Protection how many people are availing of the free travel scheme. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35523/23]

*516. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated cost of a €50 and €100 lump sum payment in 2023, for each social insurance payment, with proportionate increase for qualified payments, disaggregated by payment type. — Pearse Doherty. [35524/23]

*517. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the extent to which disability or other allowance might be available in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35567/23]

*518. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if her Department will record the death of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35568/23]

*519. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a death benefit/allowance is payable in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35572/23]

*520. To ask the Minister for Social Protection to list the case of a person (details supplied) for appeal in respect of basic supplementary welfare or disability allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35578/23]

*521. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the case of a person (details supplied) will be examined; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35579/23]

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

*522. To ask the Minister for Justice what action is being taken to reduce the waiting time for the processing and completion of e-vetting applications for applicants of the Irish citizenship by naturalisation application process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [34801/23]

*523. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of persons coming through the North of Ireland to apply for asylum in this jurisdiction in each of the past five years. — Peadar Tóibín. [34814/23]

*524. To ask the Minister for Justice whether there are plans to legislate to change the requirement for individuals taking up certain public offices in the State, including President and

judge, to swear a religious oath; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [34825/23]

*525. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of persons who re-offended while released on bail for other alleged crimes in each of the past three years, by type of crime allegedly committed while on bail, by county, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [34829/23]

*526. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of crimes that were recorded in which the suspected offenders were on bail, in each of the past three years, by category of crime involved, by county, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [34830/23]

*527. To ask the Minister for Justice if the Government will consider steps to further restrict the granting of bail to serial or repeat offenders; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [34832/23]

*528. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will consider steps to restrict the granting of free legal aid to serial or repeat offenders; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [34833/23]

*529. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of persons who have been granted free legal aid, by category of offence; the number of times these persons have availed of free legal aid previously; the number of previous convictions; the cost of each in the past five years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [34834/23]

*530. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of persons who have been granted free legal-aid in County Galway, by category of offence; the number of times these persons have availed of free legal aid previously; the number of previous convictions; the cost of each in the past five years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [34835/23]

*531. To ask the Minister for Justice the cost of providing free legal aid over each of the past five years, by county; the average cost per alleged offender; the total payment to legal practitioners; the average payment to legal practitioners, over the same period; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [34836/23]

*532. To ask the Minister for Justice if there are plans to scrap the detaining of asylum seekers in Cloverhill Prison, or any prison, prior to deportation as soon as possible given that they have not committed a crime; her views on the criticism of this practice by the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) and on two occasions by the UN Committee against Torture which found that a prison is by definition not a suitable place in which to detain someone who is neither suspected nor convicted of a criminal offence; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [34839/23]

*533. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of personnel in her Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34927/23]

*534. To ask the Minister for Justice whether her Department has considered extending the Criminal Justice (Spent Convictions and Certain Disclosures) Act 2016 to minor crimes such

as shoplifting which were committed outside the State; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [34964/23]

*535. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will provide an update in respect of a citizenship application (details supplied); if her attention has been drawn to delays in the processing of 2020, 2021 and 2022 applications whereas 2023 applications are being expedited; and if she will provide, in tabular form, the number of open applications in each of the years 2020 to date in 2023. — Catherine Murphy. [35032/23]

*536. To ask the Minister for Justice if an original birth certificate of a person (details supplied) that was supplied for visa purposes to the Irish Embassy in Abu Dhabi was returned to them as they claim that after repeated requests, they have not received it; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [35117/23]

*537. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí stationed in the Cavan Monaghan division in each of the past five years; the rank of each of these gardaí; the unit in which each of these gardaí serve; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35215/23]

*538. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 498 of 16 May 2023, if he can outline if this information is now available for review; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [35236/23]

*539. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of under 25-year-olds within the prison population; the average sentence amongst this age group; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35339/23]

*540. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of offences carried out by under 25-year-olds in the years 2011 to 2022 and to-date in 2023; the number of convictions as a result; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35340/23]

*541. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of young people who were diverted to Garda Youth Diversion Programmes in 2011 to 2022 and to-date in 2023, by county; the number that completed the programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35341/23]

*542. To ask the Minister for Justice the funding allocated to Garda Youth Diversion Programmes in 2011 to 2023, by year; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35342/23]

*543. To ask the Minister for Justice the rates of reoffending in the State amongst those who were first sentenced before the age of 25 years; how this compares to other jurisdictions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35343/23]

*544. To ask the Minister for Justice the services that are available to those within the prison population to help further their education; the services available to those who are released for same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35344/23]

*545. To ask the Minister for Justice if there are follow-up services for those that have completed a Garda Youth Diversion Programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35345/23]

*546. To ask the Minister for Justice the percentage of young people who have completed a Garda Youth Diversion Programme who have reoffended; the outcomes in these cases; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35346/23]

*547. To ask the Minister for Justice for an update on the roll-out of the mental health crisis de-escalation pilot in Limerick; when this will be operational; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35347/23]

*548. To ask the Minister for Justice if she has considered a core budget to fund innovative projects for the current initiatives in Dublin 17; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [35413/23]

*549. To ask the Minister for Justice the average waiting time for successful naturalisation applications to be processed at present; the number of applications currently being considered; and the number of live applications still being processed that were submitted prior to 30 June 2021. — Seán Crowe. [35449/23]

*550. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí, by rank, attached to the Carlow-Kilkenny Garda roads policing unit as of 5 July 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [35469/23]

*551. To ask the Minister for Justice to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by her Department and public bodies under the aegis of her Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35490/23]

*552. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of naturalisation cases open from 2020, 2021, 2022 and to-date in 2023; the average waiting time per case; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35503/23]

*553. To ask the Minister for Justice if she has availed of the information available arising from a UN Special Rapporteur report which concluded that the condition known as parental alienation should be banned; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35555/23]

*554. To ask the Minister for Justice the current position in the application for naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35575/23]

*555. To ask the Minister for Justice the current position in the application for naturalisation in the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35576/23]

*556. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of an application for a short-term visa submitted by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35580/23]

*557. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of an application for a short-term visa submitted by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35581/23]

*558. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of an application for a short-term visa submitted by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35582/23]

*559. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of an application for a short-term visa submitted by a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35583/23]

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

*560. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine whether he expects to introduce a suckler reduction scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Berry. [35134/23]

*561. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine what engagement his Department is having with local fishermen around the coast about the construction of offshore wind infrastructure; if he agrees that the impact on traditional fishing grounds should be minimised, that adequate financial compensation is provided, and that agreements reached in advance of construction are adhered to; to outline his engagements with the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications regarding these issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [34611/23]

*562. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures being taken to expand the number of placements for young farmers waiting to complete their green cert; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [26656/23]

*563. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department is analysing the impact on biodiversity and small fishers of the marine heatwave in Irish coastal waters; what measures are planned to address and prevent future heatwaves; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [34733/23]

*564. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will commit to ending the nitrates derogation in light of its negative environmental impact; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [34734/23]

*565. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of applications that have been received to date for the farm safety scheme. — James O'Connor. [34843/23]

*566. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department has had discussions with the European Commission on the nitrates derogation, following the publication of the EPA water quality report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [34844/23]

*567. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of personnel in his Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34916/23]

*568. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for a breakdown on the amount of funds Coillte Teoranta has invested in the maintenance and upkeep of the Western

Way walking route in the properties under their control from Sralagagh West, Ballycastle Forest, through Sheskin Forest, Nephin Beg and other forest properties south to Leenaun from January 2018 to date, in tabular form. — Michael Ring. [34977/23]

*569. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the next open call for funding for European Innovation Partnership will take place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [34979/23]

*570. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he can furnish a person (details supplied) with all documents which prove that their late spouse opted out of the spouse's and children's pension scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [35030/23]

*571. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the pelagic fishing industry in Ireland will receive financial compensation for the huge loss of fish quota that they have endured under the Brexit Reserve Adjustment Fund. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [35143/23]

*572. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he is aware and concerned about the Coillte practice of sending native seeds to the Netherlands, where these seeds develop into saplings and are then purchased and imported back into Ireland by Coillte, running the risk of contamination and the importation of diseases into Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [35136/23]

*573. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will outline the assessment of the need for dredging of Howth Harbour, which his Department has completed; and if he will indicate his plans for the undertaking of needed work over the coming years. — Richard Bruton. [35276/23]

*574. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of non-coursing greyhounds who were microchipped and registered in the Irish Stud Book whose year of birth was 2021, reminding him that Rásaíocht Con Éireann has the power to request this information from the Irish Coursing Club under Section 26 (1) of the Greyhound Industry Act 1958; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [35284/23]

*575. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if, in light of the fact that in 2018 an organisation (details supplied) published beef carcass conformation data for 2015, 2016 and 2017, he will furnish the corresponding data for 2018 to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [35406/23]

*576. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will furnish data on the percentage of dairy-first crosses being used in the suckler herd and their average replacement index, for each of the past ten years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denis Naughten. [35407/23]

*577. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the incentives available for farmers and agri-food businesses to install solar panels; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [35454/23]

*578. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35479/23]

*579. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department has provided the European Commission with the information requested on 21 June 2023 regarding the State-aid application for new Forestry Programme; if he will advise when that information was or will be submitted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [35499/23]

*580. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 159 of 5 July 2023; if he has engaged with an organisation (details supplied) on the concerns it has raised about the TAMS woman farmer capital investment scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [35500/23]

*581. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if there is a funding total available for the TAMS woman farmer capital investment scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [35501/23]

*582. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine whether the claim by an organisation (details supplied) that the annual horse and greyhound racing fund is financed by betting tax income whereas football is not, is accurate; whether this is going to be reviewed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [35525/23]

*583. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he continues to encourage compliance to meet emission reduction targets while at the same time ensuring that the agri-food industry is not damaged, given the prospect of world food shortages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35527/23]

*584. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he remains satisfied regarding the future of the dairy industry here, with particular reference to the need to reduce carbon emissions while at the same time ensuring the development of the industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35528/23]

*585. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he remains satisfied regarding the future of the beef industry here, with particular reference to the need to reduce carbon emissions while at the same time ensuring the development of the industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35529/23]

*586. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he and his Department continue to encourage the fishing industry, with particular reference to ensuring that the industry here can compete with all others; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35530/23]

*587. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which the various export markets for Irish food and food products have been examined with a view to ensuring their continuity, stability and the need to ensure the availability of sufficient food and food products in the face of worldwide shortages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35531/23]

*588. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which the future for Irish lamb remains attractive in both the export and domestic markets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35532/23]

*589. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the efforts ongoing by his Department to address issues around farmer mental health and wellbeing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35533/23]

*590. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which the issue of licenses in the forestry sector continues to receive attention; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35534/23]

*591. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which farm safety continues to be a major issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35535/23]

*592. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which ongoing efforts are made to identify the causes of intermittent outbreaks of bovine TB; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35536/23]

*593. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total number of persons currently employed directly or indirectly in the agri-food sector; the extent to which it is expected to ensure the future of the industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35537/23]

*594. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which a specific plan for the pigmeat industry continues in this country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35538/23]

*595. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which he and his Department continue to monitor production costs in the poultry sector with particular reference to the need to ensure a stable cost base; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35539/23]

*596. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he is satisfied that no further reduction in viable agricultural land is conceded to the forestry industry or other sectors thus reducing the food production capacity of the country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35540/23]

*597. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which rigorous controls exist in terms of animal welfare in the context of the handling and exporting of surplus calves from the dairy sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35541/23]

*598. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the extent to which measures to comply with carbon reduction targets are in consort with those applicable in other European countries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35542/23]

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

*599. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of children on disability service waiting lists for children's disability networks teams, by CHO/CDNT at the end of May and June 2018-2023, inclusive, in tabular form; the average length of wait; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35082/23]

*600. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of people on disability service waiting lists for each service type, excluding children's disability network teams, at the end of May and June 2018-2023, inclusive, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35083/23]

*601. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to outline the number of children with a disability who availed of a service privately where the cost of the private service was paid for by the HSE in 2022 and to date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35102/23]

*602. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of people awaiting a speech and language appointment here; the number who have been waiting less than three months; the number that have been waiting 3- 6 months; the number that have been waiting 6-12 months; the number that have been waiting more than 12 months; broken down in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35201/23]

*603. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of people awaiting a speech and language appointment in counties Cavan and Monaghan; the number who have been waiting less than three months; the number that have been waiting 3- 6 months; the number that have been waiting 6-12 months; the number that have been waiting more than 12 months; broken down in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35202/23]

*604. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of people awaiting a speech and language appointment in counties Cavan and Monaghan; the number who have been waiting less than three months; the number that have been waiting 3-6 months; the number that have been waiting 6-12 months; the number that have been waiting more than 12 months; broken down in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35204/23]

*605. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to outline in tabular form the number of people here that are currently waiting an appointment for early intervention, broken down by therapy; the number that are waiting less than 6 months, those waiting 6-12 months and those that are waiting more than 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35208/23]

*606. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the actions he is taking to liaise with the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment on the warnings issued by certain childcare providers on their possible need to withdraw from core funding, given its insufficiency, such action having a knock-on impact on workers and their employment, and especially on women workers who face a particular barrier; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35226/23]

*607. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth for an update on occupational therapy waiting lists, by CHO and by age, for the years 2020 to 2022 and to date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35331/23]

*608. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when an assessment of needs will be carried out for a child (details supplied) in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [35389/23]

*609. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if school transport can be provided in the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35573/23]

*610. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to publish the process to determine the number of applicants to be assigned to each county as outlined in a whitepaper (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [34782/23]

*611. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to publish a breakdown of the number of bed spaces in IPAS accommodation provided by the private sector through the tender process, accommodation provided by the private sector through emergency accommodation, and State-owned accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [34783/23]

*612. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth whether the IPAS facility at a location (details provided) was procured under a formal tender process or as emergency accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [34784/23]

*613. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the process, if any, of conducting a needs risk analysis of children being considered for foster care prior to any long-term foster care placement taking place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [34819/23]

*614. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to provide a progress update on the Barcelona Declaration 1995 for people with disabilities and its implementation in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [34820/23]

*615. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of eviction notices issued to current and former international protection applicants living in IPAS accommodation, by body, by region between March 2022 to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [34821/23]

*616. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of personnel in his Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34917/23]

*617. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he is aware that payment to a person (details supplied) in County Donegal housing Ukrainian refugees has not been paid since April; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [34965/23]

*618. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of children on waiting lists for an assessment of need at the end of May and June 2018-2023, inclusive, in tabular form; the number overdue for completion; and the average length of wait. — David Cullinane. [35084/23]

*619. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to outline the number of children with a disability and who had an assessment of need carried out privately where the cost of the private assessment was paid for by the HSE in 2022 to date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35101/23]

*620. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to outline, in tabular form, the number of staff employed in each children's disability network team; the number of vacant posts in each team; the percentage of vacant posts in each team, broken down by team; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35103/23]

*621. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of childcare places that have been available in Cork city and Cork county in each of the past five years, including, if possible, the first six months of 2023. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35179/23]

*622. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of childcare places that have been open in Cork city and Cork county in each of the past five years, including, if possible, the first six months of 2023. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35180/23]

*623. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of people here awaiting an assessment of need here; the number who have been waiting less than three months; the number that have been waiting 3- 6 months; the number that have been waiting 6-12 months; the number that have been waiting more than 12 months; broken down in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35197/23]

*624. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to outline the number of people awaiting an assessment of need in counties Cavan and Monaghan; the number who have been waiting less than three months; the number that have been waiting 3- 6 months; the number that have been waiting 6-12 months; the number that have been waiting more than 12 months; broken down in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35198/23]

*625. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of people awaiting a speech and language appointment here; the number who have been waiting less than three months; the number that have been waiting 3- 6 months; the number that have been waiting 6-12 months; the number that have been waiting more than 12 months; broken down in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35199/23]

*626. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to outline in tabular form the total number of respite hours provided to families in counties Cavan and Monaghan over each of the past 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35205/23]

*627. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to outline in tabular form the number of people in counties Cavan and Monaghan that are currently waiting an appointment for early intervention, broken down by therapy; the number that are waiting less than 6 months, those waiting 6-12 months and those that are waiting more than 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35207/23]

*628. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth whether he plans new calls for the integration and employment of migrants, in view of the substantial

increase in inflows since the last call in July 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [35217/23]

*629. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if his Department will move with all alacrity to address the situation whereby certain childcare providers are warning parents of their need to withdraw from core funding given its insufficiency, and so have to increase fees to those parents who are already under major financial pressure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35225/23]

*630. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of children who were initially assessed by a children's disability network team under the preliminary team assessment who have subsequently had an assessment of needs completed; the number of these children who are still waiting to have an assessment of need completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35362/23]

*631. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of disabled people that have been transferred from a congregated setting in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023; the funding that was allocated in the same period to transfer disabled people out of congregated settings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35363/23]

*632. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of disabled people under the age of 65 years that have been transferred from a nursing home in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and to-date in 2023; the funding that was allocated in the same period to transfer disabled people under the age of 65 years out of a nursing home; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35364/23]

*633. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the additional funding allocated for personal assistance; the additional hours created for personal assistance in the same period; the uptake in personal assistance hours; the number of people availing of personal assistance hours; the unmet need for personal assistance hours in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and to-date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35365/23]

*634. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the additional funding that was allocated for respite services; the additional respite hours created; the additional respite centres created; the location of each new respite centre that was created in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and to-date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35366/23]

*635. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the additional funding allocated for day services for disabled people; the additional places created for day services for disabled people; the unmet need identified in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 for day services for disabled people; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35367/23]

*636. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the additional funding allocated for intensive home support packages for disabled children; the number of additional intensive home support packages allocated to disabled children; the unmet need identified for intensive home support packages for disabled children in 2019, 2020, 2021,

2022 and to-date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35368/23]

*637. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth for a list of disabled persons organisations recognised by his Department; how his Department designates a disabled persons organisation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35369/23]

*638. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the average wait time for an assessment of need for children who have been added to the assessment of need waiting list, by children's disability network team; the average wait time for an assessment of need for children who have not been added to the assessment of need waiting list but were referred to a children's disability network team through another pathway (details supplied), by children's disability network team; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [35378/23]

*639. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will outline the participation levels in programmes in disadvantaged areas which use an approach of working with parents, and particularly mothers, from before the birth of the child; his plans for the strengthening and extending of this approach; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [35414/23]

*640. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of children in the CHO 7 area awaiting an assessment of needs, by category of assessment, in tabular form. — Seán Crowe. [35436/23]

*641. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of children in the CHO 7 area currently waiting to access therapies by the CDNT, by category of therapy, in tabular form. — Seán Crowe. [35437/23]

*642. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the average waiting time for an occupational therapist to make an assessment for a housing adaptation in the CHO7 area. — Seán Crowe. [35438/23]

*643. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if a parent or guardian may refer their child directly to their local Primary Care Service or Children's Disability Network Team without an Assessment of Need if a private diagnosis has been received. — Seán Crowe. [35445/23]

*644. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when an individual (details supplied) will begin to receive therapy from their local CDNT unit. — Seán Crowe. [35446/23]

*645. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 507 of 20 June 2023, to provide the waiting times for those children waiting for residential placement from the time they entered the system. — Martin Browne. [35458/23]

*646. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 506 of 20 June 2023, to request a full response to the question raised. — Martin Browne. [35459/23]

*647. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth what supports are available to naíonra-type childcare providers; if additional funding is being considered for Budget 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35461/23]

*648. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the estimated cost if there were an emergency out-of-hours social work team available in each county nationwide; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [35470/23]

*649. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35480/23]

*650. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of children awaiting an assessment of need in Cork south Lee, broken down by whether they are waiting by 3, 6, 9, 12, 18 and 24 months. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35516/23]

*651. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the ongoing efforts to ensure that childcare providers are supported in their efforts to maintain their services for the forthcoming intake in September with a view to ensuring the maximum amount of childcare places possible throughout the country with particular reference to County Kildare in an effort to continue to support working families; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [35577/23]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*652. To ask the Minister for Health the actions his Department is taking to address and urgently the HSE spend of €458 million of external consultants in 2022; whether he will publish his investigations and analysis into that spend; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [35227/23]

*653. To ask the Minister for Health the number of older persons on a waiting list for home care packages in the CHO 7 area; and how many of those have been waiting more than six months. — Seán Crowe. [35443/23]

*654. To ask the Minister for Health the number of adults who presented to the HSE seeking treatment for eating disorders who received inpatient treatment in non-dedicated eating disorder services in each of the years 2018 to 2022 and to date in 2023, by CHO; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [34786/23]

*655. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons employed in July 2020, 2021 and 2022, in community psychiatry, community psychology and community CAMHS areas in County Cork, by area; and the positions recruited since January 2023, in County Cork in these sectors. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [34793/23]

*656. To ask the Minister for Health the current waiting list for CAMHS services in County Cork, by area; the average waiting time; and his plans to address this. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [34794/23]

*657. To ask the Minister for Health the number of young people on the CAMHS waiting list in Cork city for less than 3, 3-6, 6-9, 9-12, 12-18, 18-24 and for over 24 months, in tabular form. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [34795/23]

*658. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a restriction on drugs rehabilitation CE schemes advertising vacant T-coded CE participant places on platforms such as publicjobs.ie; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [34802/23]

*659. To ask the Minister for Health in relation to an application by Meath County Council in February 2023, for capital funding for the new addiction centre project in Navan, County Meath (details supplied), the current status of this application; and the schedule for a decision on this funding.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [34817/23]

*660. To ask the Minister for Health the status of pandemic recognition payments for agency frontline staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [34838/23]

*661. To ask the Minister for Health if employees in an organisation (details supplied) are entitled to the pandemic payment; if this was changed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [34840/23]

*662. To ask the Minister for Health the funding provided to local drugs and alcohol forums in each of the years 2008 to 2022 and in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34854/23]

*663. To ask the Minister for Health if consideration has been given to increasing the funding for drug and alcohol taskforces to assist these organisations to address the increased use of cocaine in the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34855/23]

*664. To ask the Minister for Health if consideration has been given to increasing the funding for drug and alcohol taskforces to assist these organisations to address the worrying increased use of crack cocaine in the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [34856/23]

*665. To ask the Minister for Health the number of personnel in his Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34925/23]

*666. To ask the Minister for Health when a consultant will be allocated and a date for surgery be given for a child (details supplied) in County Donegal who urgently requires scoliosis surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [34938/23]

*667. To ask the Minister for Health to clarify the policy position of his Department with respect to the allegedly carcinogenic impact of red meat consumption; if he agrees that the messaging and promotion of such research needs to be heavily qualified and balanced by stressing the clear health benefits of meat consumption; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [34245/23]

*668. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider leasing or purchasing a vacant commercial unit in Newmarket-on-Fergus, County Clare, for the provision of community-level

healthcare in this populated centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [34944/23]

*669. To ask the Minister for Health if grants are available to help a GP set up a new practice facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [34945/23]

*670. To ask the Minister for Health if there is any funding stream by which a community can undertake capital works to facilitate the establishment of a GP practice in their locality; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [34946/23]

*671. To ask the Minister for Health the action, if any, his Department is taking to raise awareness amongst those in an agricultural setting with respect to the dangers posed by tick bites potentially leading to Lyme disease; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [34675/23]

*672. To ask the Minister for Health the action, if any, his Department is taking to raise awareness amongst those in a forestry setting with respect to the dangers posed by tick bites potentially leading to Lyme disease; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [34676/23]

*673. To ask the Minister for Health how many HSE staff are currently suspended from work awaiting a fitness to practice review; the average time it takes for such reviews to be carried out; the total amount of salaries paid to suspended staff in 2020, 2021 and 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Cannon. [34952/23]

*674. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department has investigated the reason that fewer young pharmacists appear to be going into community practice; if any studies are ongoing in relation to this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [34958/23]

*675. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an application to provide a primary care facility for Ballyhale, County Kilkenny; if the land which is available for the project will be purchased by the HSE; if not, if the GPs concerned will be funded to complete the purchase; and if he will outline the plans in this regard. — John McGuinness. [34960/23]

*676. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive a date for cataract surgery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [34961/23]

*677. To ask the Minister for Health if he will outline the actions he is taking to ensure that the community space allocated through the planning process at Lakeside primary care facility will include representative groups from the immediate locality; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John McGuinness. [34966/23]

*678. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on plans for a primary care centre in Mayfield, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [34967/23]

*679. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on plans for a primary care centre in Glanmire, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [34968/23]

*680. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on plans for a primary care centre in Blarney, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [34969/23]

*681. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) in County Donegal was not paid their annual leave/TOIL after they retired after 23 years of service in Letterkenny University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [34970/23]

*682. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 615 of 4 July 2023, the reason for the disparity in his reply where he stated there had been approximately 8,844 second consultation claims made in 2022 under the PCRS for termination of pregnancy, whilst in Parliamentary Question No. 172 of 10 May 2023, the HSE stated there had been 8,876 claims under the PCRS for termination of pregnancy in 2022; and if he will clearly clarify, the exact number of claims paid out under the PCRS for combined termination of pregnancy procedure and aftercare in 2022. — Seán Canney. [34991/23]

*683. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a list of all informal and formal meetings or engagements held with groups or individuals by him or his Department on the subject of abortion exclusion zones from 2022 to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Seán Canney. [34992/23]

*684. To ask the Minister for Health if the current GP contracts are deterring young GPs from practicing in rural parts of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [34998/23]

*685. To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware of the fact that it is taking up to seven months for applicants to the ICGP non-EU GP programme to have an initial assessment of documents; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [34999/23]

*686. To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware of the difficulties that retired GPs have to renew their medical insurance when they are offering to provide cover for GPs in rural areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [35000/23]

*687. To ask the Minister for Health to provide details of the progress made in extending the usage MAUs and LIUs at model 2 hospitals in the mid-west; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [35005/23]

*688. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the emergency department development in Mayo University Hospital; if there have been follow-up meetings held by the HSE on cost increases; if new cost estimates have been produced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35013/23]

*689. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide a list of vacancies of medical professionals in Mayo University Hospital; the length of time each position has been vacant, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35016/23]

*690. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients presenting at the emergency department at Mayo University Hospital but leaving prior to being seen each month to date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35019/23]

*691. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting on lists as both inpatients and outpatients for Mayo University Hospital; the average wait time; the number waiting more

than one, two, three and four years, respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35020/23]

*692. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting list for elective surgery in Mayo in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35021/23]

*693. To ask the Minister for Health the number of new acute beds that have been provided in Mayo in the past two years. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35022/23]

*694. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the average emergency department waiting times in Mayo University Hospital. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35023/23]

*695. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons waiting for cataracts surgery, by county; the average wait time; the number waiting over one, two, three and four years, respectively by county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35026/23]

*696. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the process to bring parity of pay and conditions of workers in Section 38 and Section 39 organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [35027/23]

*697. To ask the Minister for Health if he can advise on the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [35029/23]

*698. To ask the Minister for Health the number of GPs contracted by the HSE under the GMS scheme for the years 2018 to date, broken down by year and by county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35034/23]

*699. To ask the Minister for Health the number of GPs not contracted under the GMS scheme but who are registered to provide other services including: Primary Childhood Immunisation Scheme, Health (Amendment) Act, 1996, Heartwatch, Methadone Treatment Scheme, the National Cancer Screening Service or any other service for the years 2018 to date, broken down by year, by county and by the service they deliver; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35035/23]

*700. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the number of GPs on the specialist division of the register in general practice for the years 2018 to date, broken down by year and by county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35036/23]

*701. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the nature of State funding by way of subsidy to GPs; the total cost of such subsidies for the years 2018 to 2022, broken down by year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35037/23]

*702. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the number of GPs providing an out-of-hours care service for the years 2018 to date, broken down by year and by county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35038/23]

*703. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the total health budget allocated to Section 38 and Section 39 organisations for the years 2018 to 2023, broken down by total Section 38 cost and Section 39 cost; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35039/23]

*704. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the portion of HSE spend on Section 38 and Section 39 organisations that covers pay; the total HSE spend on funding such organisations in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35040/23]

*705. To ask the Minister for Health to outline what modelling has been done to cost equalising pay for workers who work for the HSE with those who work for Section 38 and 39 organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35041/23]

*706. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the number of HSE-employed staff or contracted staff providing a service for the HSE who earn less than the living wage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35043/23]

*707. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide, in tabular form, the total spend on external legal fees for representing the HSE and/or his Department in third-party industrial relations hearings for the period 2016 to 2023, broken down by company and by case type; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [35049/23]

*708. To ask the Minister for Health the impact on waiting lists and waiting times for children with scoliosis and spina bifida for the period where arrangements and a scheme were in place to treat children abroad in hospitals in England, Germany and France; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35050/23]

*709. To ask the Minister for Health to outline if the Houses of the Oireachtas legislated to deliver free GP care for all children up to 12 years of age; if this is still a commitment from Government; to further outline a timetable to deliver on this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35051/23]

*710. To ask the Minister for Health to outline, in tabular form, the number of children with scoliosis who had surgery carried out from 2018 to date, broken down by month, by hospital and by wait time in the following categories: 0 to 4 months, 4 to 6 months, 6 to 9 months, 9 months to a year, over a year, over 2 years, over 3 years, over 4 years and over 5 years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35052/23]

*711. To ask the Minister for Health to outline in tabular form the number of children with spina bifida who had surgery carried out from 2018 to date, broken down by month and by wait time in the following categories: 0 to 4 months, 4 to 6 months, 6 to 9 months, 9 months to a year, over a year, over 2 years, over 3 years, over 4 years and over 5 years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35053/23]

*712. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children with scoliosis waiting for surgery from 1 June 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, in tabular form, broken down by overall number on waiting list; the length of time they are waiting as in 0 to 4 months, 4 to 6 months, 6 to 9 months, 9 months to a year, over a year, over 2 years, over 3 years, over 4 years and over 5 years, and further broken down by those waiting for spinal fusion, and numbers waiting for other spinal procedures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35054/23]

*713. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital appointments or procedures for children cancelled by a hospital for the years 2018 to 2022, broken down by year, by hospital and by procedure type; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35055/23]

*714. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children with scoliosis and spina bifida who had surgeries cancelled from 2018 to date, broken down by month, by year, by hospital and by procedure, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35056/23]

*715. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children with scoliosis and spina bifida who had procedures carried out by the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore, in hospitals in Germany and France for the years 2017 to date, the cost to the HSE, broken down by month, by year, by hospital, by country; to outline if such arrangements are still in place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35057/23]

*716. To ask the Minister for Health if children with scoliosis are currently offered the option of having treatment and surgery abroad as part of arrangements agreed with hospitals in England, Germany and France in 2017; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35058/23]

*717. To ask the Minister for Health to outline what actions he and the HSE have taken and will take following the publication of a report from the Office of the Ombudsman for Children titled scoliosis treatment for Ivy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35059/23]

*718. To ask the Minister for Health if he, his Department or the HSE met with or corresponded with the Children's Ombudsman following the publication of a report from the Office of the Ombudsman for Children titled scoliosis treatment for Ivy; the nature of any meetings or correspondence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35060/23]

*719. To ask the Minister for Health the average patient experience time to admission via an emergency department for all patients for the period of January to May for each year 2018 to date in 2023, inclusive, statewide and for each location, in tabular form; the average for all patients, the average for patients aged under 75; and the average for patients aged 75 or older. — David Cullinane. [35061/23]

*720. To ask the Minister for Health the average patient experience time to admission via an emergency department for all patients for the period of January to June for each year 2018 to date in 2023, inclusive, statewide and for each location, in tabular form; the average for all patients, the average for patients aged under 75; and the average for patients aged 75 or older. — David Cullinane. [35062/23]

*721. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who attended an emergency department for the period of January to May for each year 2018 to date in 2023, inclusive, statewide and by location, in tabular form; the number and percentage of patients who were admitted via an emergency department; the number and percentage who were waiting 0-6 hours, 0-9 hours, 9-24 hours, and 24+ hours; the number for all patients, the number and percentage for patients aged under 75; and the number and percentage for patients aged over 75. — David Cullinane. [35063/23]

*722. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who attended an emergency department for the period of January to June for each year 2018 to date in 2023, inclusive, statewide and by location, in tabular form; the number and percentage of patients who were admitted via an emergency department; the number and percentage who were waiting 0-6 hours,

0-9 hours, 9-24 hours, and 24+ hours; the number for all patients, the number and percentage for patients aged under 75; and the number and percentage for patients aged over 75. — David Cullinane. [35064/23]

*723. To ask the Minister for Health the maximum patient experience time to admission registered at each emergency department for the period of January to May for each year 2018 to date in 2023, inclusive, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35065/23]

*724. To ask the Minister for Health the maximum patient experience time to admission registered at each emergency department for the period of January to June for each year 2018 to date in 2023, inclusive, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35066/23]

*725. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who left an emergency department without being seen in the month for the period of January to May, by month, for each year 2018 to date in 2023, inclusive, by hospital, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35067/23]

*726. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who left an emergency department without being seen in the month for the period of January to June, by month, for each year 2018-2023 to date, inclusive, by hospital in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35068/23]

*727. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hospital-initiated scheduled care cancellations, by appointment type, for each month for each year 2022-2023 to date, inclusive by hospital group and hospital, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35069/23]

*728. To ask the Minister for Health the number of cancer-related appointments and procedures which were cancelled for each month for each year 2022-2023 to date, inclusive, by hospital, for adults and for children, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35070/23]

*729. To ask the Minister for Health the number of delayed transfers of care for each month for each year 2018-2023 to date, inclusive, at each location, in tabular form; the number of delayed discharges and the number as a percentage of all discharges; the number of bed days lost; and the number as a percentage of all bed days available for the period. — David Cullinane. [35071/23]

*730. To ask the Minister for Health the bed occupancy rates of each public and public voluntary hospital, by hospital group, for each month for each year 2018-2023 to date, inclusive, in tabular form; the national average; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35072/23]

*731. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against patients at HSE facilities for the period January to June or May, whichever is the latest available, each year 2018-2023 to date, inclusive, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35073/23]

*732. To ask the Minister for Health the number of assaults recorded against staff at HSE facilities for the period January to June or May, whichever is the latest available, each year 2018-2023 to date, inclusive, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35074/23]

*733. To ask the Minister for Health whether the risk assessment of the principal health and social care professionals seeking regulation, including athletic therapists, by the Health Research Board ever took place; if it did not take place, the reason it did not take place; if ongoing, when it will be brought to a conclusion; if completed, if its findings were published; what the intended

actions to take as a consequence are; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [35075/23]

*734. To ask the Minister for Health the percentage of clinical status 1 ECHO and clinical status 1 DELTA incidents responded to by a patient-carrying vehicle in 18 minutes and 59 seconds or less for each month for each year 2018-2023 to date, inclusive, nationally and by ambulance region, in tabular form; the average length of such response times nationally and by region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35076/23]

*735. To ask the Minister for Health the number and percentage of incidents responded to by the ambulance service by clinical status and substatus for each month for each year 2018-2023 to date, inclusive. — David Cullinane. [35077/23]

*736. To ask the Minister for Health the average ambulance turnaround time at each emergency department for each month in 2023 to date, inclusive, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35078/23]

*737. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients on primary care and community healthcare waiting lists, for each care service, at the end of May and June 2018-2023, inclusive, in tabular form; and the breakdown by length of wait and by age. — David Cullinane. [35079/23]

*738. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people aged over 65 and over 75 years on NTPF-reported waiting lists by specialty by location for each month for each year 2019-2023 to date, inclusive, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35080/23]

*739. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients on home support waiting lists at the end of May and June 2018-2023, inclusive, in tabular form; and the breakdown by length of wait. — David Cullinane. [35081/23]

*740. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on CAMHS waiting lists, by CHO and length of wait at the end of May and June 2018 to 2023, inclusive, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35085/23]

*741. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on waiting lists for Jigsaw, by CHO and length of wait at the end of May and June 2018 to 2023, inclusive, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35086/23]

*742. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons on diagnostic waiting lists at the end of quarter 2 of 2023; the number for each quarter of 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35087/23]

*743. To ask the Minister for Health the number of claims before the CervicalCheck Tribunal; the number of claims resolved by the tribunal; the timeframe for completion of the tribunal's work; the cost of the tribunal to date, by cost type; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35088/23]

*744. To ask the Minister for Health the number of dentists on the dental treatment services scheme at the end of May and June for each year 2019 to 2023, by LHO, in tabular form; the number of dentists who submitted claims and the total number of claims in quarter 1 of each year and each full year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35089/23]

*745. To ask the Minister for Health the number of adults and children on HSE dental and orthodontic waiting lists at the end of May and June of each year 2019 to 2023, broken down by standard waiting times, by area in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35090/23]

*746. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the value of all claims made against the HSE or hospitals funded by the HSE which incurred a cost, broken down by the cost of the claim and legal costs for the years 2018 to 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35091/23]

*747. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the number of staff working in the HSE and his Department whose income exceeded €100,000 a year in 2022, broken down by the following income brackets: €100,000 to €150,000, €150,001 to €200,000, €200,001 to €300,000, €300,001 to €400,000, €400,001 to €500,000, €500,001 to €600,000, €600,001 to €700,000, €700,001 to €800,000, €800,001 to €900,000, €900,001 to €1,000,000, and greater than €1,000,001; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35092/23]

*748. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the total agency and consultancy spend by his Department and the HSE for the years 2018 to 2022, broken down by year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35093/23]

*749. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the total agency and consultancy spend by his Department and the HSE for the months of January to June for years 2018 to 2023, broken down, by month and by year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35094/23]

*750. To ask the Minister for Health to outline all legal costs incurred by his Department and the HSE for the years 2018 to 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35095/23]

*751. To ask the Minister for Health to outline, in tabular form, all Department of Health and HSE expenditure on non-HSE organisations, including outsourcing of care, assessments, recruitment, diagnostics, legal, professional and consultancy fees and any other service delivered for the HSE or his Department by a non-HSE organisation for the years 2018 to 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35096/23]

*752. To ask the Minister for Health to outline, in tabular form, the number of people employed on a contract for service by his Department and the HSE for the years 2018 to date, broken down by year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35097/23]

*753. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the cost of providing hospitality by his Department and the HSE for the years 2018 to date, further broken down by year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35098/23]

*754. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the value of goods and services procured by the HSE where the procurement was non-compliant with procurement rules and guidelines for the years 2018 to 2022, further broken down by year, by goods or service type and by amount; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35099/23]

*755. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the projected budget overspend in health for 2023; if a financial control framework is in place for 2023, the nature of the framework; if cost-

containment plans have been drawn up by his Department or the HSE; if he will list the areas or sections of the HSE in which cost-containment plans have been drawn up; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [35100/23]

*756. To ask the Minister for Health the all-in revenue and new build capital cost for each type of health service bed, based on recent projects, that is acute inpatient, community transitional care, community nursing unit, CAMHS, palliative care, social inclusion, and rehabilitation beds, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35150/23]

*757. To ask the Minister for Health the full revenue and capital cost of implementing the National Ambulance Service's workforce and strategic plan out to 2031. — David Cullinane. [35151/23]

*758. To ask the Minister for Health the cost of a 10% increase in clinical training places for medical interns, initial specialist training, higher specialist training, GP training, clinical psychology, advanced nurse/midwife practitioners, advanced practice physiotherapy, in tabular form; and the number of places this would result in. — David Cullinane. [35152/23]

*759. To ask the Minister for Health the cost of reducing the drugs payment scheme threshold in increments of €10 to €0, additive, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35153/23]

*760. To ask the Minister for Health the cost of abolishing prescription charges, by age cohort and total. — David Cullinane. [35154/23]

*761. To ask the Minister for Health the total revenue generated by car parking charges and the estimated total cost of abolishing car parking fees, including any potential buyouts or other arrangements. — David Cullinane. [35155/23]

*762. To ask the Minister for Health the fully burdened cost of employing additional (details supplied) inclusive of employers' PRSI, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35157/23]

*763. To ask the Minister for Health the cost of a standardised eye care scheme for under 8s with consistent subsidies across all CHOs, costed by standardising the top end benefits across all CHOs. — David Cullinane. [35158/23]

*764. To ask the Minister for Health the full revenue and capital cost of implementing the HSE's climate action plan by measure and year. — David Cullinane. [35159/23]

*765. To ask the Minister for Health the cost the waive assessment fees for addiction residential, rehabilitation and detox services. — David Cullinane. [35160/23]

*766. To ask the Minister for Health the cost of returning funding to drug and alcohol taskforces to 2010 levels. — David Cullinane. [35161/23]

*767. To ask the Minister for Health the cost of a consistent standardised needle exchange programme rolled out across all taskforces. — David Cullinane. [35162/23]

*768. To ask the Minister for Health the amount paid in legal costs to each of the top ten legal firms representing plaintiffs in medical negligence cases in 2022 and to date in 2023; the number of cases that payments relate to in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [35163/23]

*769. To ask the Minister for Health the amount paid in legal costs to each of the top ten legal firms representing plaintiffs in medical negligence cases in the first six months of 2023; the number of cases that payments relate to in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [35164/23]

*770. To ask the Minister for Health the amount paid out in damages by the SCA in CervicalCheck programme personal injury actions in 2021 and 2022 and to date in 2023. — Catherine Murphy. [35165/23]

*771. To ask the Minister for Health if staff at a home (details supplied) will receive the Covid-19 recognition payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [35168/23]

*772. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children and adults on the dental appointment waiting list in counties Cavan and Monaghan; the average waiting times for appointments in each county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35190/23]

*773. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children and adults on the orthodontic waiting lists in counties Cavan and Monaghan; the average waiting times for appointments in each county; how many are waiting more than six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35191/23]

*774. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people waiting on the CAMHS waiting list in counties Cavan and Monaghan; the average waiting time in each county; the number waiting more than six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35192/23]

*775. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people that are waiting homecare support in counties Cavan and County Monaghan; the total number of hours allocated in each of the past 12 months in counties Cavan and Monaghan; the average number of hours granted to each successful applicant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35193/23]

*776. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people awaiting colonoscopy in counties Cavan and Monaghan; the number of these that have been waiting up to 30 days; 30 – 60 days; 60 – 90 days and more than 90 days broken down in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35194/23]

*777. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people awaiting endoscopy in the counties Cavan and Monaghan; the number of these that have been waiting up to 30 days; 30 – 60 days; 60 – 90 days and more than 90 days, broken down in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35195/23]

*778. To ask the Minister for Health to breakdown the number of vacancies at Cavan General Hospital; the grade of each vacancy; the length of time of the vacancy, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35196/23]

*779. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people awaiting an occupational therapy appointment here; the number who have been waiting less than three months; the number that have been waiting 3- 6 months; the number that have been waiting 6-12 months; the number that have been waiting more than 12 months; broken down in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35200/23]

*780. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people awaiting an occupational therapy appointment in counties Cavan and Monaghan; the number who have been waiting less than three months; the number that have been waiting 3-6 months; the number that have been waiting 6-12 months; the number that have been waiting more than 12 months; broken down in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35203/23]

*781. To ask the Minister for Health to outline in tabular form the total number of people on the waiting list for ophthalmology in counties Cavan and Monaghan; the average waiting time for appointment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pauline Tully. [35206/23]

*782. To ask the Minister for Health what progress he has made in regard to a package of health supports for survivors of mesh surgeries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [35235/23]

*783. To ask the Minister for Health what action is being taking to ensure that pharmacies and hospitals have access to sufficient supplies of insulin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [35242/23]

*784. To ask the Minister for Health to confirm that consideration would be given to removing emergency department charges in public hospitals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [35246/23]

*785. To ask the Minister for Health if he will meet with the NCCP Alliance of Community Cancer Support Centres (CCSCs) to discuss their ongoing shortage in funding to the sector which is having a knock-on effect on cancer patients, their families and the wider HSE acute hospital service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [35247/23]

*786. To ask the Minister for Health why (details supplied) cannot get an answer that the funding she requested months ago has been announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [35248/23]

*787. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the progress in developing a national homecare scheme; whether it envisages a uniform standard for access to care in all parts of the country; whether new oversight of the various private providers of homecare is envisaged; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [35272/23]

*788. To ask the Minister for Health if there are plans to develop the terms and conditions under which homecare workers are employed, in order that more people could be attracted to this work. — Richard Bruton. [35273/23]

*789. To ask the Minister for Health the number of active age groups and the number of day centres for persons being cared for at home, which his Department supports through the HSE or other funding routes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [35274/23]

*790. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the process by which HIQA decides and identifies those residential care centres which are deemed to be of serious concern to them regarding the care and welfare of patients, subsequent to the increased inspection of these seriously non-compliant homes; the way in which HIQA decides to ensure compliance and the internal reporting within HIQA to ensure full compliance as per regulations; if there is a risk

register of these homes; if his Department is informed of these serious concerns; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [35295/23]

*791. To ask the Minister for Health how many people applied for a position and how many were called for interview in respect of a position in the HSE (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [35297/23]

*792. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on CAMHS waiting lists, by CHO and length of wait, for May 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35305/23]

*793. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on CAMHS waiting lists, by CHO and length of wait, for June 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35306/23]

*794. To ask the Minister for Health the number of CAMHS teams per CHO area; if there are any additional CAMHS teams in development; if there is a target number for CAMHS teams nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35307/23]

*795. To ask the Minister for Health the level of staffing in the 73 CAMHS teams; the vacant positions per team; the recruitment campaigns per team; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35308/23]

*796. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on extending CAMHS to cover up to 25-year-olds; what additional training will be provided for staff in this roll-out; the expected timeline for this to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35309/23]

*797. To ask the Minister for Health if additional infrastructure will be required to extend CAMHS to cover up to 25-year-olds; which of the CAMHS teams are currently able to accommodate this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35310/23]

*798. To ask the Minister for Health the number of CAMHS teams that are currently using Healthlink for referrals; the policy for its use by services; if other online referral systems are being used or considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35311/23]

*799. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on waiting times for Jigsaw services, by area; what additional supports have been provided by Jigsaw to reduce these waiting times; the plans to extend Jigsaw teams nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35312/23]

*800. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the roll-out of Jigsaw online services; what funding has been provided for this; the annual cost of running this service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35313/23]

*801. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on CAMHS inpatient capacity; if there are plans to restore capacity; if there are plans to increase current capacity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35314/23]

*802. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on mental health services at primary care level; the waiting times for mental health services at primary care level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35315/23]

*803. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on vacancy levels for mental health staff at primary care level, by CHO; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35316/23]

*804. To ask the Minister for Health the number of mental health-related presentations to emergency departments in each of the years 2019 to 2022 and to date in 2023; the numbers that were accepted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35317/23]

*805. To ask the Minister for Health the number of young people who presented to emergency departments with mental health-related issues in each of the years 2019 to 2022 and to date in 2023; the numbers that were accepted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35318/23]

*806. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who presented to emergency departments with self-harm and/or intentional poisoning, by CHO area, in each of the years 2019 to 2022 and to date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35319/23]

*807. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the roll-out of the eating disorder network and the implementation of the HSE national model of care plan for eating disorders; the target operational dates for the remaining adult and CAMHS teams for eating disorders; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35320/23]

*808. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the regulation of psychology under CORU; when this will be expected to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35321/23]

*809. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the regulation of counselling and psychotherapy under CORU; when this will be expected to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35322/23]

*810. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a model of care for ADHD; for an update on its implementation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35323/23]

*811. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 5 of 1 June 2023, what recommendations have come out of the roundtable discussions on youth mental health; the plans to implement these recommendations; which stakeholders were involved in the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35324/23]

*812. To ask the Minister for Health the number of young people referred to CAMHS, by CHO area, in 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023; the number of referrals accepted and refused; the reason for refusal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35325/23]

*813. To ask the Minister for Health the funding allocated to implementing Sharing the Vision in 2020, 2021, 2022 and to-date in 2023; the estimated funding cost to fully implement the measures in Sharing the Vision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35326/23]

*814. To ask the Minister for Health for a breakdown of the new funding allocated to Sharing the Vision in the National Service Plan 2023; where this funding will be directed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35327/23]

*815. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the differences between money allocated for mental health in Budget 2023 and the National Service Plan 2023; the reason for any differences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35328/23]

*816. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 665 of 30 May 2023, for a breakdown of the funding for new measures in mental health services; what this funding will be spent on; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35329/23]

*817. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on primary care psychology waiting lists, by CHO and by age, for the years 2020 to 2022 and to date in 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35330/23]

*818. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the appointment of the national youth mental health lead; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [35332/23]

*819. To ask the Minister for Health when a child (details supplied) in County Mayo will receive an initial assessment by a hospital for scoliosis in view of the severe impact this condition is having on this child's life. — Michael Ring. [35337/23]

*820. To ask the Minister for Health how many children are waiting for an initial review/assessment for scoliosis in Crumlin Hospital at the present time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [35350/23]

*821. To ask the Minister for Health the average waiting time for a child to be assessed by Crumlin Hospital for scoliosis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [35351/23]

*822. To ask the Minister for Health what measures he is implementing or planning to implement to reduce the waiting times for a scoliosis assessment in Crumlin Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [35354/23]

*823. To ask the Minister for Health the steps he is taking to address medicine shortages, with over 300 medicines in short supply, according to Health Products Regulatory Authority data; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Róisín Shortall. [35379/23]

*824. To ask the Minister for Health the up-to-date position regarding a primary care centre at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [35405/23]

*825. To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware of the proposed reduction in hours of SouthDoc services based in Fermoy, County Cork; the rationale for this reduction; and details of the planned timeline. — Pat Buckley. [35415/23]

*826. To ask the Minister for Health what efforts he and his Department are making in conjunction with the HSE to ensure the best levels of out-of-hours GP care for regional towns and rural areas, especially in the east Cork area. — Pat Buckley. [35416/23]

*827. To ask the Minister for Health if he will make a commitment to work with his Department and the HSE to stop the planned reduction of out-of-hours GP services under SouthDoc in east Cork. — Pat Buckley. [35417/23]

*828. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a breakdown, in tabular form, of the funding provided for SouthDoc out-of-hours services in the east Cork area for the year 2023. — Pat Buckley. [35418/23]

*829. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a breakdown, in tabular form, of the funding provided for SouthDoc out-of-hours services in the east Cork area for the year 2022. — Pat Buckley. [35419/23]

*830. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a breakdown, in tabular form, of the funding provided for SouthDoc out-of-hours services in the east Cork area for the year 2021. — Pat Buckley. [35420/23]

*831. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a breakdown, in tabular form, of the funding provided for SouthDoc out-of-hours services in the east Cork area for the year 2020. — Pat Buckley. [35421/23]

*832. To ask the Minister for Health to provide details of any impact assessments or reports carried out in regard to SouthDoc services in Fermoy and the potential risks of the planned reduction in hours. — Pat Buckley. [35422/23]

*833. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a breakdown of figures relating to the use of SouthDoc out-of-hours services in Fermoy in the past five years respectively, including 2023. — Pat Buckley. [35423/23]

*834. To ask the Minister for Health the up-to-date position regarding a primary care centre at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [35425/23]

*835. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who are overdue for cervical screening; and the number of those who have waited for longer than six months. — Seán Crowe. [35439/23]

*836. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who are overdue for bowel screening; and the number of those who have been waited longer than six months. — Seán Crowe. [35440/23]

*837. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who are overdue for BreastCheck screening; and the number of those who have been waiting for longer than six months. — Seán Crowe. [35441/23]

*838. To ask the Minister for Health the number of dentists operating within the dental treatment services scheme, per CHO area, in each year for the past four years, in tabular form. — Seán Crowe. [35442/23]

*839. To ask the Minister for Health the average waiting time for a lower limb prosthesis in the public hospital system. — Seán Crowe. [35444/23]

*840. To ask the Minister for Health the up-to-date position regarding patients attending a health centre at a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [35455/23]

*841. To ask the Minister for Health the rate of theatre utilisation for both CHI Temple Street and CHI Crumlin in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [35464/23]

*842. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE vacancies, by job title, currently in the eating disorder teams in CHO5; when these vacancies will be filled, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [35465/23]

*843. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE nurses working in St. Luke's General Hospital, Kilkenny, in the years of 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [35466/23]

*844. To ask the Minister for Health the last dates each external in-person fire safety audit was carried out on behalf of the HSE in each hospital part of Ireland East Hospital Group; the frequency in which these audits are carried out; if the reports from these audits are published online; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [35467/23]

*845. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultant neurologists based in University Hospital Waterford in the years of 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [35468/23]

*846. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35488/23]

*847. To ask the Minister for Health the number of new applications for home help that were approved but not allocated due to financial constraints in the south and north Lee areas in County Cork in each of the past twelve months, in tabular form. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35505/23]

*848. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting list for home help in south Lee, Cork. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35506/23]

*849. To ask the Minister for Health whether all home help organiser positions in south Lee and north Lee have been filled; and if not, when they will be filled. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35507/23]

*850. To ask the Minister for Health for an update, on whether a locum paediatric endocrinologist in CUH is now in place; for an update on the recruitment of a full-time paediatric endocrinologist for CUH, and on the proposal to recruit an adult endocrinologist, a business case for which has been submitted to the HSE. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35508/23]

*851. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting list for CAHMS in south Lee and north Lee, broken down by 3, 6, 9, 12, 18 and 24 months. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35509/23]

*852. To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware of concerns on the part of those who suffer thyroid problems including but not limited to hyperthyroidism that the condition is misdiagnosed on occasion. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35510/23]

*853. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting list for rheumatology in CUH and the Mercy Hospital broken down by 3, 6, 9, 12, 18 and 24 months. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35511/23]

*854. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting list for neurology in CUH and the Mercy Hospital broken down by 3, 6, 9, 12, 18 and 24 months. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35512/23]

*855. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting list for pain management in CUH and the Mercy Hospital broken down by 3, 6, 9, 12, 18 and 24 months. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35513/23]

*856. To ask the Minister for Health if he will endeavour to bring the industrial dispute involving ambulance staff to a close by encouraging the HSE to recognise an organisation (details supplied). — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35514/23]

*857. To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacancies for consultants responsible for cancer services in the CUH, including radiation oncology; and what plans exist to replace those consultants who have stepped down in the past three years. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35515/23]

*858. To ask the Minister for Health the timeframe for direct referral for oncology patients to the oncology ward to be implemented in Cork University Hospital. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35517/23]

*859. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting list for ophthalmology in CUH and Mercy Hospital, broken down by whether they are waiting by 3, 6, 9, 12, 18 and 24 months. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35518/23]

*860. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting list for cataracts surgery in Cork broken down by whether they are waiting by 3, 6, 9, 12, 18 and 24 months. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35519/23]

*861. To ask the Minister for Health the number of elective surgeries and procedures cancelled by specialty at Cork University Hospital and Mercy University Hospital for each month in of the past three years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [35520/23]

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

*862. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of personnel in his Department at Principal Officer level or above who, on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34924/23]

*863. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the estimated cost of expanding health and social care undergraduate places by 10%; and the number of course places this would generate, by course, in tabular form. — David Cullinane. [35124/23]

*864. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the estimated full year cost of providing for a scheme to address financial barriers to graduate entry medicine for 100 places. — David Cullinane. [35138/23]

*865. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the estimated full-year cost of purchasing 100 non-EU medical place for EU student. — David Cullinane. [35139/23]

*866. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if, with regard to income thresholds for SUSI eligibility, he will examine the refusal of a SUSI grant to a student (details supplied); if he will investigate whether an exception can be made and expedited given, the deadline for response/appeal to SUSI. — Patricia Ryan. [35166/23]

*867. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the total number of college places now being made available outside the CAO system in the different schemes; how these have grown over the past five years, to include Springboard, apprenticeships, human capital initiative, skillnet, FET, and his new scheme for entry into certain health and practical skills announced recently; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [35375/23]

*868. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will ensure that an adequate number of courses are provided in colleges of further education throughout the country in relation to different professions providing healthcare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [35390/23]

*869. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science when a building project (details supplied) will proceed to the next stage; the timescale for the delivery of this new accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [35424/23]

*870. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the capital budget allocation to his Department in the years of 2022 and 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [35471/23]

*871. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by his Department and public bodies under the aegis of his Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35487/23]

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

*872. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the number of personnel in her Department, at Principal Officer level or above, who on retiring from that position, were subsequently appointed to a State or semi-State board over the past ten years. — Michael Ring. [34929/23]

*873. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development for a breakdown on the amount of funds Coillte Teoranta has invested in the maintenance and upkeep of the Western Way walking route in the properties under their control from Sralagagh West, Ballycastle Forest, through Sheskin Forest, Nephin Beg and other forest properties south to Leenaun from January 2018 to date, in tabular form. — Michael Ring. [34978/23]

*874. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if the next round of the Community Centre Investment Fund will allow for the development of new community centres in areas; if existing community centres will be permitted to apply for funding for carpark and footpaths; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [35001/23]

*875. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development if she will outline, with regard to recommendation 14 of the Report of the Working Group on Control of Dogs, which stakeholders will be involved in this group; how the group's agenda will be set; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [35175/23]

*876. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development when the review of areas eligible for inclusion in the CLÁR Programme will be finalised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [35348/23]

*877. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the capital budget allocation to her Department in the years of 2022 and 2023, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [35472/23]

*878. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development to outline the internships, apprenticeships and graduate schemes run by her Department and public bodies under the aegis of her Department. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [35492/23]