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Chun an Taoiseach: To the Taoiseach.

*1. To ask the Taoiseach if the Central Statistics Office owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43702/23]

*2. To ask the Taoiseach the breakdown of the amounts paid by the DPP to prosecuting counsel in each of the years 2018 to 2022 and date in 2023, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [43994/23]

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

*3. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he will expedite a passport for a person (details supplied) given the circumstances of the case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [43469/23]

*4. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the amount that was spent on the recent refurbishment of the Irish Consulate General Office in Chicago; if this refurbishment programme is completed or still ongoing; and the number of companies that applied for the contract to refurbish the Irish Consulate General Office but were unsuccessful. — Darren O'Rourke. [43641/23]

*5. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if the situation in the Nagorno-Karabakh region was discussed at the most recent EU Foreign Affairs Council Meeting. — Darren O'Rourke. [43642/23]

*6. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he intends to press for the renewal of the mandate of the UN Assistance Mission in Afghanistan when it expires in March 2024. — Holly Cairns. [43711/23]

*7. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if his Department has considered bringing forward an action in the International Court of Justice against Afghanistan over the violation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. — Holly Cairns. [43712/23]

*8. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the progress made to date in achieving the target for overseas development assistance of 0.7% of gross national income by 2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [43722/23]

*9. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs to provide a detailed breakdown of the organisations in Canada that have made applications under the emigrant support programme since January 2021, including the names and funding amount approved to each respective applicant, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [43728/23]

*10. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs to provide an overview of the status of an application made under the emigrant support programme by an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [43729/23]

*11. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs if he had requested to visit any part of Palestine or Israel during his recent visit to the Middle East for which permission was not granted; if so, the authority that refused the request; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [43803/23]

*12. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs his views on a report in the media (details supplied) that he had requested to visit Palestinian towns in Area C of the West Bank and that he was denied access. — Matt Carthy. [43804/23]

*13. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs when a decision will be made in the application for foreign birth registration by a person (details supplied) who applied in February 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [43894/23]

*14. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs further to his recent visit to Israel/Palestine, if he can confirm several reports that the Israeli Government refused his request to visit Palestinian towns in Area C of the West Bank; if he was given a reason for this refusal, and if he accepts the explanation given; if he agrees that the areas in question are not part of Israel but illegally occupied; if this rejection by Israel significantly reduced his capacity to see and experience the effects of the illegal occupation in areas where schools have recently been destroyed and residents have been forced to flee because of settler attacks; if he regards this denial of access as a further rebuff to the International community by Israel; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [44083/23]

*15. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs further to his recent visit to Israel/Palestine, if he planned or attempted to visit Ein Samiya in Area C of the West Bank, where, according to reports from the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, schools were destroyed in August and Palestinian residents were forced to flee following attacks from illegal settlers; if he had any engagement with Israeli authorities with regard to a visit to this area, and what the result of these discussions was; if he feels that the policy of the Israeli authorities with regard to the role of the international community has changed since the new Government was formed; what his plans are now to address the deteriorating situation in the Occupied Palestinian territory; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [44084/23]

*16. 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 issuing this passport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [44112/23]

*17. 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 issuing this passport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [44113/23]

*18. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the reason applications for passports where additional documentation is requested and fully supplied cannot be finalised within a week of the supply of this information; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Éamon Ó Cuív. [44114/23]

*19. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department, in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44158/23]

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

*20. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he plans to provide funding and support for people who, despite being in an area eligible for fibre, cannot access the fibre network due to infrastructural complications impeding their local access, for example, ducts running under a neighbour's property requiring digging; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [43453/23]

*21. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the allocation for all of the different retrofit schemes accounting for any changes post revised estimates; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [43463/23]

*22. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the number of prospecting licences that have issued in each of the past five years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [43471/23]

*23. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he will consider expanding the SEAI individual upgrade scheme as part of Budget 2024 to include windows and external doors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [43473/23]

*24. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of An Post's transformation programme; when the programme will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Gould. [43623/23]

*25. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the status of An Post's transformation programme; the status of proposed sorting office closures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Gould. [43624/23]

*26. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the Commission for Regulation of Utilities owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43704/23]

*27. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to provide a timeline on the publication of a report (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [43750/23]

*28. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the specific conservation limits for the Nore and Suir rivers for 2018-2022, inclusive, in relation to snap net salmon fishing. — John Paul Phelan. [43806/23]

*29. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the total number of salmon recorded by anglers for the Nore and Suir rivers for 2018-2022, inclusive, in relation to snap net salmon fishing. — John Paul Phelan. [43807/23]

*30. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the allowances that were given for the dry summers of 2018, 2019 and 2022 for the rivers Nore and Suir, inclusive, in relation to snap net salmon fishing. — John Paul Phelan. [43808/23]

*31. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the allowances that were given for the Covid years of 2020 and 2021 for the rivers Nore and Suir regarding snap net salmon fishing. — John Paul Phelan. [43809/23]

*32. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the exploitation rates were used to determine the total allowable catch for the Nore and Suir rivers for the years 2018-2022, inclusive, regarding snap net salmon fishing. — John Paul Phelan. [43810/23]

*33. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if the Environmental Protection Agency owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [43861/23]

*34. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if ComReg owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43862/23]

*35. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to provide an update with regard to increases to An Post pensions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43885/23]

*36. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to examine an energy issue (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [43899/23]

*37. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications when broadband infrastructure in new builds in Ireland will be completed, and in particular the Estate of Kenure Gate, Rush; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [43944/23]

*38. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the total amount of funding awarded and community energy grants awarded in 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023; the average level of funding awarded per each successful grant application; the total number of applications rejected; the total number of successful applications per county; the target for community energy grants in the same period, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [44016/23]

*39. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications if he is satisfied that there is good oversight of the safety of telecommunications infrastructure in residential areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [44018/23]

*40. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications regarding community energy grants awarded in 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023; the total amount of funding awarded in 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023; the average level of funding awarded in 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023 per successful grant application; the total number of applications rejected in 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023; the total number of successful applications per county in 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 and to date in 2023; the target for community energy grants in 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [44023/23]

*41. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the steps being taken to introduce the EU Textile EPR Directive of July 2023 for fashion brands in Ireland; whether retailers and producers will be encouraged to work with social enterprise and charitable companies primarily to deliver on the intention to extend the lifetime of textiles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [44068/23]

*42. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the progress that has been made in relation to the measures set out in the A Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy Ireland's National Waste Policy 2020-2025 in relation to developing a separate collection framework proposals which would take account of the potential global impacts of the international trade in used textiles and whether any consultation has been had with Ireland's recycled textile collection operators. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [44074/23]

*43. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the regulations that exist to regulate the distribution, location and operation of textile collection banks. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [44075/23]

*44. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the timeframe for the roll-out of at least 30mb broadband speeds to a location (details supplied) in County Donegal as part of the national broadband plan; if such areas with poor or no broadband coverage shall be prioritised during the roll-out phase as part of the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [44105/23]

*45. To ask the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44156/23]

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

*46. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if he has spoken to the United States Secretary for Defence to date in 2023. — Darren O'Rourke. [43650/23]

*47. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the nature of refurbishment works that were carried out Gormanstown Camp to date in 2023; if each refurbishment works programme is completed or still ongoing; and if still ongoing, when those refurbishment works will be completed, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [43651/23]

*48. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if the Defence Forces own properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43706/23]

*49. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence following the successful operation of the Joint Task Force in interdicting a huge drugs consignment off the Irish coast, and acknowledging the importance of having members of An Garda Síochána and the Revenue Commissioners on secondment to the Maritime Operations Centre in Lisbon, if it is intended that an Irish naval officer would also be seconded there; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [43764/23]

*50. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44153/23]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*51. To ask the Minister for Transport if arrangements are in place for high-ranking staff of State bodies under his remit to receive free cars or benefit-in-kind reliefs in relation to cars; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [43404/23]

*52. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide any further details with regard to the projected dates of removal of the Hebble Dredge from the River Boyne in Drogheda; the details in relation to the application and certification that is required prior to release; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [43467/23]

*53. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will detail the policy rationale for charging different motor tax rates between private vehicles registered from 1 July 2008 and 31 December 2020 and vehicles registered after 1 January 2021, in circumstances where they have the same emissions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [43472/23]

*54. To ask the Minister for Transport if the stakeholder engagement relating to horse-drawn carriages has been satisfactorily completed; and when he plans to bring forward legislation to allow local authorities to regulate horse-drawn carriages for hire or reward, the associated insurance, registration, horse welfare and other related issues. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [43545/23]

*55. To ask the Minister for Transport the date for the next round of BusConnects Cork consultation will open. — Sean Sherlock. [43617/23]

*56. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated cost in 2024 if the budget for the National Transport Authority Connecting Ireland Rural Mobility Plan increased by 50%. — Darren O'Rourke. [43643/23]

*57. To ask the Minister for Transport when a bridge connecting Chapelizod to the C-Spine services will be built; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [43664/23]

*58. To ask the Minister for Transport if Irish Rail owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy

or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43667/23]

*59. To ask the Minister for Transport if the NTA owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43668/23]

*60. To ask the Minister for Transport if the Road Safety Authority owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43669/23]

*61. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will clarify the situation regarding the requirement for a valid IBT certificate for motorcyclists and whether it is possible to drive legally with a renewed learner permit for a motorcycle though the IBT certificate has expired; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [43767/23]

*62. To ask the Minister for Transport the consultation that took place with residents when deciding to remove two bus stops (details supplied) on the North Strand Road, Dublin 3; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [43772/23]

*63. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will expedite a driving test for a motorcyclist (details supplied) given that their two-year IBT certificate will expire in December 2023 and yet he cannot secure a test for a motorcycle for the next six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [43773/23]

*64. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will address a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43778/23]

*65. To ask the Minister for Transport how many private jet flights landed and departed the State in 2022, excluding military or diplomatic flights; where those flights landed and departed from; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [43786/23]

*66. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will outline the recent changes to regulations for electric bikes and electric scooters in the Road Traffic and Roads Act, 2023; if he will provide a summary of the key amendments and updates made to the regulations concerning electric bikes and electric scooters; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [43813/23]

*67. To ask the Minister for Transport if information will be provided in relation to a series of matters regarding busses (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43837/23]

*68. To ask the Minister for Transport whether the Northern Distributor Road in Cork will reduce traffic on the R635. — Thomas Gould. [43881/23]

*69. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide an update on the implementation of legislation with regard to e-scooters and e-bikes; what safety measures he is considering; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43883/23]

*70. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of drivers currently on a provisional licence, per county, in tabular form; the average number of years a person has provisional licence status; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [43895/23]

*71. To ask the Minister for Transport if the Government will ensure that the Western Rail Corridor is added to the TEN-T network following the publication of the All-Island Rail Review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [43921/23]

*72. To ask the Minister for Transport the update on progressing measures and actions to reduce total car kilometres by 20% by 2030 in accordance with Climate Action Plan 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [43957/23]

*73. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide an update and timeline on the roll-out of the proposed B and E spines as part of the BusConnects service improvements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [44069/23]

*74. To ask the Minister for Transport if he is aware that the Aircoach services have not resumed to a full service since Covid 19 restrictions were lifted, and that this is having a negative impact on service users; if he will request a report on the matter from the NTA to ensure they are operating to the terms of their service licence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [44070/23]

*75. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason the NTA extension of vehicle age limits for taxis during the Covid pandemic applied only to vehicles up to 151 registrations but not 152 and subsequent years up until the pandemic itself; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [44106/23]

*76. To ask the Minister for Transport whether he has plans to install recycling bins on trains. — Thomas Gould. [44110/23]

*77. To ask the Minister for Transport whether the food carriage on trains will reopen or whether this could be converted to a passenger carriage. — Thomas Gould. [44111/23]

*78. To ask the Minister for Transport if the recently published public road speed limit review was peer reviewed as per international standards and recommendations (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [44123/23]

*79. To ask the Minister for Transport if, following the publication of the speed limit review, it is proposed to remove the statutory reserved function of local authority members to set speed limits; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Sherlock. [44124/23]

*80. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to increase the public bus service capacity, particularly at peak times, in an area (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [44126/23]

*81. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to increase the public bus service capacity, particularly at peak times, in an area (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [44127/23]

*82. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide an update on plans for the electrification of the rail service to Wicklow Town; to outline plans for the development of battery charging

facilities for the trains in Wicklow town; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [44130/23]

*83. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide an update on the public consultation process for the DART+ Coastal South project; if he will provide a timeframe for the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [44131/23]

*84. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide details on the implementation of the recommendations from the East Coast Erosion Study; if he will provide a timeframe for the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [44132/23]

*85. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide a copy of the document compiled by Transport Infrastructure Ireland, titled 'Briefing Note to the Department of Transport on the Consequences of the Funding Scenarios for 2023'; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [44142/23]

*86. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide a comprehensive response on the document compiled by Transport Infrastructure Ireland, titled 'Briefing Note to the Department of Transport on the Consequences of the Funding Scenarios for 2023', detailing the actions he intends to take to prevent the anticipated loss of life, if investment in road projects do not take place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [44143/23]

*87. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of people in County Clare on a waiting list for a category B driving test; length of time each applicant has been waiting, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44150/23]

*88. To ask the Minister for Transport the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44167/23]

*89. To ask the Minister for Transport when he will meet with the A5/N2 Cross-Border Committee of councillors and council officials, as they have requested, to discuss the Irish government's plans to co-fund or fund these two road upgrade projects. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [44184/23]

*90. To ask the Minister for Transport to detail the engagement he has had with local authorities regarding their involvement with the announced plan to lower speed limits in regard to alteration or replacement of currently installed speed limit signs. — Sorca Clarke. [44209/23]

*91. To ask the Minister for Transport the engagement his Department has had with Local Link Longford regarding the expansion of the service to facilitate students in Cavan IT. — Sorca Clarke. [44216/23]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

*92. To ask the Minister for Finance to review correspondence (details supplied); if he will outline if HVO falls under such rebate scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [44015/23]

*93. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of access officers within the Revenue Commissioners available to assist people with a disability complete tax return; what offices they are located in; and what tax returns are available to them to provide assistance. — Sorca Clarke. [44212/23]

*94. To ask the Minister for Finance if the classification of hydrotreated vegetable oil from a substitute fuel to a biofuel will be considered in the forthcoming Finance Act (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43457/23]

*95. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason his Department categorises approved retirement funds not as a pension, but as savings and investments; if consideration has been given to categorising approved retirement funds as a pension; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Francis Noel Duffy. [43477/23]

*96. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will outline, in view of the Low Pay Commission's recommendation that the hourly rate of the national minimum wage should rise to €12.70 in 2024, the estimated full-year cost of adjusting USC rates to avoid a cliff edge for full-time workers on the national minimum wage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [43507/23]

*97. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will provide the gross rental income tax take and the number of tax units charged for rental income during 2021 and 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [43557/23]

*98. To ask the Minister for Finance where the intellectual property rights of a designated activity company, established for the purpose of section 481 tax relief, go upon the dissolution of the said company. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [43580/23]

*99. To ask the Minister for Finance if there will be a return to full customer service within Revenue for the public, following the withdrawal of many in-person services (details supplied) during the pandemic; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [43584/23]

*100. To ask the Minister for Finance if there are any plans to update VAT regulations for a sector (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [43633/23]

*101. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Office of the Revenue Commissioners owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43670/23]

*102. To ask the Minister for Finance if the Central Bank owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43700/23]

*103. To ask the Minister for Finance whether he is aware of a recent report (details supplied) on total tax revenue as a proportion of national income in the United Kingdom; if his Department monitors any similar measure of the overall level of taxation in Ireland; and if so, to outline the findings of any such research in recent years. — John Paul Phelan. [43720/23]

*104. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 166 of 26 September 2023, if he will provide the equivalent figures for 2007 to 2020, inclusive. — John Paul Phelan. [43723/23]

*105. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the adequacy of the Disabled Drivers Medical Board of Appeal; the number of applications awaiting a decision from the Board; the average waiting time for a decision; and the number of appeals considered and determined in each of the past 12 months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [43733/23]

*106. To ask the Minister for Finance how many requests for appeal hearings with the DDMBA (Disabled Drivers Medical Board of Appeal) are currently in hand; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43738/23]

*107. To ask the Minister for Finance when appeal hearings with the DDMBA (Disabled Drivers Medical Board of Appeal) will recommence for persons who have had a primary medical certificate application deemed ineligible. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43739/23]

*108. To ask the Minister for Finance to provide an update on his Department's engagement with NRH (National Rehabilitation Hospital) regarding the DDMBA (Disabled Drivers Medical Board Of Appeal); have financial arrangements been agreed with NRH (National Rehabilitation Hospital); have the NRH (National Rehabilitation Hospital) agreed to host the DDMBA (Disabled Drivers Medical Board of Appeal (DDMBA)); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43740/23]

*109. To ask the Minister for Finance the progress made to date by his Department regarding the replacement of the disabled drivers and disabled passengers scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43741/23]

*110. To ask the Minister for Finance whether a review of regulations underpinning the disabled drivers and disabled passengers scheme and primary medical certificate scheme has taken place arising from the Supreme Court challenge to the conflict between the regulations and primary legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43742/23]

*111. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will consider extending the temporary business energy support scheme, as many small businesses in County Donegal and across the country are still facing extreme difficulty with the inflation crisis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [43743/23]

*112. To ask the Minister for Finance what legislative instruments exist to allow local authorities to introduce a 'tourist tax' as a revenue-raising initiative. — Pearse Doherty. [43744/23]

*113. To ask the Minister for Finance what measures have been implemented to allow for investigation of properties which may be liable for the vacant home tax; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [43745/23]

*114. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will request that the Revenue Commissioners change their plans to make all GPs in partnerships, individually responsible for the income they receive from the general medical scheme and to pay tax accordingly given the problems this will

cause in respect of the provision of GP services generally; the reason this change was considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [43756/23]

*115. To ask the Minister for Finance his plans to organise the stakeholder forum to discuss how to maximise the benefits of the Section 481 credit for all concerned stakeholders and facilitate discussion of relevant issues, as recommended in the Budgetary Oversight Committee Report on Section 481 Film Tax Credit; when he expects this forum will take place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [43785/23]

*116. To ask the Minister for Finance the steps she and her Department are taking to pressure insurance companies to pass on savings, following the publication of an article (details supplied) outlining how the implementation of judicial guidelines has caused a slump in the number of personal injury cases being taken to the courts; if she will consider supporting a windfall tax gain on insurance companies that are failing to pass on considerable savings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Shanahan. [43836/23]

*117. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will review the level of pension contributions that qualify for the higher rate of tax relief introduced in 2014; if he accepts that the purchasing power of those impacted by this cap not changing since its introduction has been significantly reduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [43903/23]

*118. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 232 of 27 June 2023, if he will outline the current situation regarding the functioning of the Disabled Drivers Medical Board of Appeal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [43904/23]

*119. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on the current effectiveness of the minimum excise duty trigger price applicable to tobacco products; the proposals, if any, there are to change this price; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [43915/23]

*120. To ask the Minister for Finance if he is aware of a change of approach by the Revenue Commissioners to the tax affairs of general practitioners who hold general medical services contracts with the HSE, specifically those who operate within a partnership structure, as is common practice (details supplied); his views on whether the position should be reconsidered, as outlined in the correspondence provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [43916/23]

*121. To ask the Minister for Finance when a decision will be made on implementation of the recommendations of the final report of the NDIS transport working group's review of the disabled drivers and disabled passengers scheme. — Patrick Costello. [43923/23]

*122. To ask the Minister for Finance to consider proposals (details supplied) in respect of exit tax applicable to life insurance investment arrangements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [43945/23]

*123. To ask the Minister for Finance if he is reviewing the position as regards the exit tax applicable to life insurance investment arrangements in the context of the forthcoming Finance Bill; his views on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [43970/23]

*124. To ask the Minister for Finance if he can detail the consultations his Department have had with GP representative groups regarding proposed changes to the tax treatment of GMS income, specifically the proposal to have this income declared as income by individual GPs who at present are in partnerships or have such income mandated to employers; if he can detail any research on the possible impact of this proposal in terms of tax revenue and impact on GP partnerships; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [43975/23]

*125. To ask the Minister for Finance if his Department has a proposal to change the tax treatment of GP partnerships and their income from the GMS scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [43976/23]

*126. To ask the Minister for Finance for an update on a matter (details supplied) in relation to long-term rental; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [43977/23]

*127. To ask the Minister for Finance if his Department maintains an updated list of the number of vacant units deemed ineligible for the vacant homes tax as they are uninhabitable; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [43981/23]

*128. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on a taxation matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [43983/23]

*129. To ask the Minister for Finance if his Department maintains an updated list of the number of structures deemed ineligible for local property tax as they are uninhabitable; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [43995/23]

*130. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will make a commitment that there will be no change to the excise duty applied to agri-diesel due to low road usage of farm machinery and no viable alternative for use in farm machinery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [44027/23]

*131. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will retain section 664A of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997 and extend it to include agricultural contractors to mitigate the increased cost of production; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [44028/23]

*132. To ask the Minister for Finance if there will be a suspension of LPG carbon tax for 2023 and 2024 for farmers and agri-contractors (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [44029/23]

*133. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will support a proposal that glasshouse growers of food crops using CO₂ enrichment, should be granted a carbon tax relief/rebate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [44030/23]

*134. To ask the Minister for Finance if he will support a permanent retention of two step-out years per five-year cycle in cases in which a farmer is allowed to step-out of income averaging more than once in a five-year period (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [44031/23]

*135. To ask the Minister for Finance whether there is any legislative basis to the change proposed by the Revenue Commissioners on the way it treats the income GPs receive as payment for GMS/medical card services on 1 January 2024; if he can identify the basis and reason for such change; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [44044/23]

*136. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated cost of increasing the home carer tax credit to €2000 per annum. — Paul McAuliffe. [44050/23]

*137. To ask the Minister for Finance if he is aware of inconsistencies occurring on the migration of debt management practices from the Credit Bureau to the Credit Central Register (CCR), and current operational practices by some financial institutions with respect to statute barred loan defaults and the CCR (details supplied); if his Department has raised this issue with the CCR/Central Bank; if he and the CCR intend to remedy the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [44051/23]

*138. To ask the Minister for Finance the reason Revenue Commissioners are changing their approach to reckoning general medical services income being attributed to partnerships or employers, meaning that any such GMS income will need to be declared as income by the individual GMS list holder in their tax return from January 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [44077/23]

*139. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on extending the terms of the disabled drivers and disabled passengers scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [44128/23]

*140. To ask the Minister for Finance to provide an update on the work of ‘The Office to Promote Competition in the Insurance Market’ in engaging with current insurance market operators and attracting new entrants into the sector; his further plans for the work of this office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Stanton. [44129/23]

*141. To ask the Minister for Finance the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44157/23]

*142. To ask the Minister for Finance to provide an update on his Department’s implementation of the recommendations contained in the Budgetary Oversight Committee report on the examination of the Section 481 Film Tax Credit. — Sorca Clarke. [44214/23]

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.

*143. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform if he will fully honour the commitments made in the ‘Programme for Government Our Shared Future’ to ring-fence €1.5 billion of carbon tax receipts over the next ten years for agri-environment schemes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [44089/23]

*144. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the reason weddings are allowed at some OPW sites but not at Corcomroe Abbey, County Clare; the reason his office felt the need to post a notice to that effect at the site of Corcomroe Abbey; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [43570/23]

*145. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform if the Office of Public Works owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so,

the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43594/23]

*146. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform if the OPW retains an ability to initiate a compulsory purchase lands and buildings; and if not, if he will point to the amending legislation. — Catherine Murphy. [43632/23]

*147. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the reason TVE staff in the Houses of the Oireachtas/Government Departments are not eligible for maternity leave. — Patrick Costello. [43665/23]

*148. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform to provide a complete list of all buildings owned by the State or any of the State agencies across Dún Laoghaire Rathdown; the occupancy rates and status of each; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [43681/23]

*149. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform given the requirement of some public servants to retire at 60-years-of-age and given that some public servants wish to continue working, and if they seek to transfer across to another position within the public service, it appears that they must begin on a starting salary scale; the actions he is considering with regard to remedying the situation and bringing it to a point where people can move on their existing salary scale or a similar salary scale when they transfer. — John Lahart. [43708/23]

*150. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform whether the Office of Public Works is responsible for land in County Dublin (details supplied). — Mary Lou McDonald. [43800/23]

*151. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform when the Minister of State for the OPW will meet with the elected members of the Inishowen municipal district, Donegal County Council, as they have repeatedly requested, to examine how the flood defence works at Burnfoot, County Donegal, can be advanced more speedily, in order that eight families can be returned to their council homes that were vacated for safety reasons after the August 2017 flood in the area and to assure other local affected homeowners and businesses. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [44003/23]

*152. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform when the OPW will meet with the elected members of the Inishowen municipal district, Donegal County Council and other important local stakeholders in relation to plans to develop An Grianán of Aileach, County Donegal, as they recently committed to. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [44004/23]

*153. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform for an update on the status of the proposed new station at Kilmore Quay; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [44056/23]

*154. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44163/23]

*155. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, National Development Plan Delivery and Reform if he will extend the paid leave for public health service employees unfit for work post Covid 19 infection scheme beyond 31 October 31 recognising the severity of the illness and providing some comfort to those suffering from it; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [44170/23]

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

*156. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his Department was notified of proposed redundancies at a company (details supplied) announced in August 2023; if he will intervene to try and avoid these redundancies or reduce the numbers involved and to try to get a fair redundancy package for these workers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [43476/23]

*157. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his Department remains on course to announce in October 2023, as per a previous response, the replacement of the abolished atypical work permit scheme for non-EEA fishers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [43499/23]

*158. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the reason Article 26 of the European Copyright Directive has not been transposed in full; to outline any plans she has to do so; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [43579/23]

*159. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the assistance that can he give to help companies (details supplied) that are struggling to deal with the NSAI and that want products listed on the NSAI system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43627/23]

*160. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if a trade and investment mission to Italy will happen in Quarter 4 of 2023. — Darren O'Rourke. [43648/23]

*161. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the number of Mexican companies that the IDA Ireland has engaged with in relation to setting up in the State in 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [43649/23]

*162. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if Enterprise Ireland owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43707/23]

*163. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if the IDA owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43856/23]

*164. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if the Health and Safety Authority owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43857/23]

*165. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if the review, promised within 12 months of its transposition, into the impact of the European Copyright Directive was conducted; if he will publish it; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [43948/23]

*166. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the reason the stakeholder consultation forum, promised by the end of Q3 of 2023 on the operation of the European Copyright Directive, has not yet taken place; when it will take place; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [43949/23]

*167. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment if his Department remains on course to announce in October 2023, as per a previous response, the replacement of the abolished atypical work permit scheme for non-EEA fishers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [44036/23]

*168. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44155/23]

Chun an Aire Oideachais: To the Minister for Education.

*169. To ask the Minister for Education if she will source drivers for an organisation (details supplied) for children going to school in Ballyragget, County Kilkenny. — Kathleen Funchion. [43406/23]

*170. To ask the Minister for Education the number of enquiries to Tulsa's education welfare officers in the north Kildare area on behalf of pupils refused places in local schools for the 2022/23 and 2023/24 academic calendars; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Murphy. [43686/23]

*171. To ask the Minister for Education the reason no schools have been fitted with solar panels under the Climate Action Fund; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [43942/23]

*172. To ask the Minister for Education to provide an update on required works at a school (details supplied); if her Department will immediately replace the fire damaged and hazardous prefab buildings in situ; if her Department will commit to prioritising the school's infrastructure needs; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [43452/23]

*173. To ask the Minister for Education if her Department will review a decision (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [43460/23]

*174. To ask the Minister for Education if she will ensure that an application for additional staff by a school (details supplied) is granted; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43464/23]

*175. To ask the Minister for Education if a response will issue to proposals as set out in a plan by an organisation (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [43486/23]

*176. To ask the Minister for Education if there is a procedure whereby a person (details supplied) can make application to be reimbursed for the cost of transport in respect of a school bus that did not turn up for the first number of weeks their child; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [43491/23]

*177. To ask the Minister for Education when a school (details supplied) can expect to receive appointments for NEPS assessments; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [43497/23]

*178. To ask the Minister for Education the reason a co-educational secondary school was refused at a location (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [43513/23]

*179. To ask the Minister for Education the number of staff suffering from long-Covid who have had their employment terminated by her Department (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [43525/23]

*180. To ask the Minister for Education if student teachers who have completed 240 ECTS in home economics and Irish secondary school teaching at a college (details supplied) and achieved a Level 8 degree, are now qualified to teach; if this can be confirmed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [43531/23]

*181. To ask the Minister for Education for an update in relation to the provision of school accommodation for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [43541/23]

*182. To ask the Minister for Education for an update in relation to the provision of school accommodation for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [43542/23]

*183. To ask the Minister for Education for an update in relation to the provision of school accommodation for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [43543/23]

*184. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 78 of 27 September 2023, if a timeline is available for when her Department expects to receive and review the 2nd tender report. — Eoin Ó Broin. [43573/23]

*185. To ask the Minister for Education the steps her Department is taking to address the school transport routes in Clare that are currently without a driver; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [43577/23]

*186. To ask the Minister for Education for an update on a school (details supplied); if her Department will start the process to immediately replace the fire-damaged and hazardous prefab buildings; if she will give a commitment to prioritise the school's infrastructure need; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [43581/23]

*187. To ask the Minister for Education if all efforts are being made to secure a school place for a child (details supplied) who is non-verbal and currently has no school place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [43582/23]

*188. To ask the Minister for Education if she will meet with a person (details supplied) to discuss the allocation model used to distribute HSCL to secondary schools in the DEIS scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [43587/23]

*189. To ask the Minister for Education if all efforts can be made to ensure that the daughter of a person (details supplied) has the appropriate SNA resources, who has just started in junior infants and whose parents have been advised that they require one-to-one SNA assistance; if a one-to-one SNA can be provided in this case; the procedure to apply for same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [43608/23]

*190. To ask the Minister for Education when an appropriate secondary school placement will be found for a child (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [43631/23]

*191. To ask the Minister for Education the number of buses in the Bus Éireann school transport fleet for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school term, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [43634/23]

*192. To ask the Minister for Education her plans to provide funding to ensure that defibrillators are in place in all special schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [43662/23]

*193. To ask the Minister for Education when a response will be issued to correspondence from this Deputy (details supplied). — Mary Lou McDonald. [43684/23]

*194. To ask the Minister for Education if she will facilitate a meeting requested by a school (details supplied) in Dublin. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43685/23]

*195. To ask the Minister for Education the funding and grants available to schools for ICT infrastructure, such as desktop PCs, projectors and printers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [43687/23]

*196. To ask the Minister for Education for an update on a building (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [43691/23]

*197. To ask the Minister for Education if she is aware of the current difficulties facing many parents in accessing school bus routes (details supplied); and if she plans to address the lack of capacity in the school bus service. — Martin Browne. [43694/23]

*198. To ask the Minister for Education for an update on the school transport review; when the review will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [43697/23]

*199. To ask the Minister for Education the efforts being made by her Department and the NCSE to ensure a person (details supplied) obtains a school place suitable to their specified educational needs for the 2024/2025 school year where the family have applied to all schools on the list provided by their local SENO but are unlikely to be offered a place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [43721/23]

*200. To ask the Minister for Education if she will ensure that a bus is sourced for a school (details supplied), to ensure that children with additional needs can get to and from school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [43731/23]

*201. To ask the Minister for Education if she will give consideration to a number of measures (details supplied) to tackle the school transport issues in County Clare at present. — Cathal Crowe. [43752/23]

*202. To ask the Minister for Education if any assistance in respect of school transport can be provided to a number of local families (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [43762/23]

*203. To ask the Minister for Education if it is expected that a Citizens' Assembly on the Future of Education will be established during the lifetime of the Government; and, if so, when it is expected that its terms of reference will be published. — Ivana Bacik. [43766/23]

*204. To ask the Minister for Education if she will address a matter (details supplied) regarding bus tickets for children. — Niamh Smyth. [43782/23]

*205. To ask the Minister for Education when a resolution will be reached (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [43982/23]

*206. To ask the Minister for Education the position regarding school bus routes (details supplied) in County Wicklow; if there is a timeline for the provision of these services; if an explanation for the delays in these routes commencing can be provided; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [43825/23]

*207. To ask the Minister for Education to provide an update on a school building project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43884/23]

*208. To ask the Minister for Education to provide an update on a school building project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43890/23]

*209. To ask the Minister for Education to provide an update on a school building project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43891/23]

*210. To ask the Minister for Education to provide an update on a school building project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43892/23]

*211. To ask the Minister for Education the progress to date in the determination of the provision of an ASD unit at a school (details supplied), given plans were submitted in February 2023 for same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [43902/23]

*212. To ask the Minister for Education further to Parliamentary Question No. 281 of 26 September 2023, when her Department expects to receive the 2nd tender report for a school (details supplied); when the school can expect to be contacted on this issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [43937/23]

*213. To ask the Minister for Education the status of the works at a school (details supplied) for the provision of modular units on site; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [43940/23]

*214. To ask the Minister for Education for an update on the replacement of prefabs at a school (details supplied). — Gino Kenny. [43954/23]

*215. To ask the Minister for Education to provide funding to replace the prefabs at a school (details supplied) as a matter of urgency due to serious health and safety concerns for students and teachers. — Gino Kenny. [43955/23]

*216. To ask the Minister for Education the total number of 6th-class students currently enrolled in primary schools in the Dublin 8 SPA (2022-2023) in tabular form, specifying the number of students in Catholic, Church of Ireland, and multi-denominational primary schools; and the total number of first-year secondary school places that will be available next year (2023-2024) in the SPA, specifying the total number of spaces available in Catholic, Church of Ireland, and multi-denominational secondary schools. — Patrick Costello. [43962/23]

*217. To ask the Minister for Education if an individual who completes an IPGCE with QTS in a UK university which requires students to complete their training in an Irish school setting, while completing the academic aspects online, will meet the induction requirements for the Irish Teaching Council when applying for registration; if a person who is registered with the UK Teaching Regulation Agency (TRA) in Northern Ireland can teach in the south of Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [43979/23]

*218. To ask the Minister for Education when a school (details supplied) will receive approval to proceed with the proposed permanent extension comprising of three classroom SEN base, five additional classrooms, two special education tuition rooms, one music room, one textiles room, one science laboratory and preparation room, associated circulation and WC, and ancillary areas; the reason for the delay to date in this approval; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [43988/23]

*219. To ask the Minister for Education the number of places made available, by ethos that is, Catholic, Church of Ireland or multi-denominational, in first year in secondary schools in the Dublin 8 SPA in each of the years 2016 to 2022, in tabular form. — Patrick Costello. [43990/23]

*220. To ask the Minister for Education the total number of 6th-class students enrolled in primary schools in the Dublin 8 SPA in each of the years from 2015-2016 to 2021-2022, specifying the number of students in Catholic, Church of Ireland, and multi-denominational primary schools. — Patrick Costello. [43991/23]

*221. To ask the Minister for Education the reason a school (details supplied) has not received the ICT grant for this academic year; and the timeframe within which the grant will be issued. — Pauline Tully. [43992/23]

*222. To ask the Minister for Education when the modular building proposal for a school (details supplied) will be completed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [43993/23]

*223. To ask the Minister for Education whether consideration has been given to the differing staffing needs of special schools, particularly regarding administrative deputy principals, resourcing for high and low-incidence needs and extra funding for additional CPD and health and safety training. — Thomas Gould. [44001/23]

*224. To ask the Minister for Education the timeline for the roll-out of solar panels to all schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Francis Noel Duffy. [44005/23]

*225. To ask the Minister for Education if appropriate planning will take place to ensure that there are a sufficient number of autism classes in mainstream schools provided in the Killester, Raheny and Clontarf school planning area to meet the anticipated demand for places in the 2024/2025 academic year; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Haughey. [44017/23]

*226. To ask the Minister for Education the reason the announced additional two modular buildings of 80 square metres are not yet in place in a school (details supplied); the reason that in October of this school year, more urgency has not been placed on the installation of these buildings; when these much-needed class rooms will be installed and be fully functional; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [44020/23]

*227. To ask the Minister for Education if she will ensure that a school's proposals (details supplied) are considered and responded to in full by the relevant Department officials due to the increasing pupil numbers at the school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [44021/23]

*228. To ask the Minister for Education when the JCSP review commenced; to outline the scope and guidelines for this review; when the review is expected to be concluded; when its findings will be issued; if it is his intention to reopen the programme once the review is completed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [44022/23]

*229. To ask the Minister for Education when payment will be made to a school (details supplied) in County Mayo in respect of works carried out under the School Extension Programme approval; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [44045/23]

*230. To ask the Minister for Education if a Gaelcholáiste will be provided for an area of Dublin (details supplied). — Holly Cairns. [44052/23]

*231. To ask the Minister for Education if she will outline her plans to grow the number of children accessing secondary school education through Irish. — Holly Cairns. [44053/23]

*232. To ask the Minister for Education if she is aware of necessary alterations needed in relation to the construction of a school (details supplied); if she can confirm receipt of correspondence regarding same; if she can detail the process her Department will make to address these needs; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [44061/23]

*233. To ask the Minister for Education if she will provide a solution to a situation regarding a school bus (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Réada Cronin. [44066/23]

*234. To ask the Minister for Education if she is aware of the ongoing issue pertaining to the need for additional accommodation at a school (details supplied); what is the long-term plan for this school accommodation needs; if a permanent structure will be built on the school grounds or is it anticipated that additional modular units will be provided as a short-term measure; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [44081/23]

*235. To ask the Minister for Education if she will advise on an appointment for a child (details supplied). — Peter Burke. [44090/23]

*236. To ask the Minister for Education to provide an update on the capital project for a school (details supplied); if a timeframe is available for the commencement of the project; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [44091/23]

*237. To ask the Minister for Education the full complement of buildings and lands owned by her Department, or by agencies under the aegis of her Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44154/23]

*238. To ask the Minister for Education to allocate a teacher to a school (details supplied) to cover shortages there. — Pa Daly. [44187/23]

*239. To ask the Minister for Education if she is aware that a number of primary school children in Donabate (details supplied) have been unable to find a school placement locally and will now have to now travel by public transport to Swords to school; if she will immediately begin the process of acquiring a site for the other proposed primary schools which form part of the proposed educational hub in the Donabate Local Area Plan, given this unacceptable situation that has now arisen with local children in Donabate having to go to primary school outside of their hometown; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [44208/23]

*240. To ask the Minister for Education the number of school transport routes in Longford and Westmeath which are currently not running; and the number of children affected. — Sorca Clarke. [44217/23]

*241. To ask the Minister for Education the number of teachers and staff recruited by schools over the summer period who have not yet received their salaries or wages, per county, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [44220/23]

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

*242. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to provide an update on the progress of the digital games relief under section 481A of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [43578/23]

*243. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if the Arts Council owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43603/23]

*244. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she has had any further notice of the return of Irish artefacts held in overseas museums (details supplied). — Sean Sherlock. [43618/23]

*245. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if she has received the 2022 Annual Report from the National Concert Hall; and if so, when the report will be published. — Darren O'Rourke. [43635/23]

*246. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media if Fáilte Ireland owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43699/23]

*247. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the current position regarding an initiative to erect a commemorative plaque at the birthplace of War of Independence leader, Rory O'Connor, as we approach the close of the Decade of Centenaries. — Gary Gannon. [43768/23]

*248. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media her plans to organise the stakeholder forum to discuss how to maximise the benefits of the Section 481 credit for all concerned stakeholders and facilitate discussion of relevant issues, as recommended in the Budgetary Oversight Committee Report on Section 481 Film Tax Credit; when she expects this forum will take place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [43784/23]

*249. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media what engagements she has had with social media companies with regard to tackling hate speech and sharing of offensive materials online; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43887/23]

*250. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media the full complement of buildings and lands owned by her Department, or by agencies under the aegis of her Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44166/23]

*251. To ask the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to provide an update on her Department's implementation of the recommendations contained in the Budgetary Oversight Committee report on the examination of the Section 481 Film Tax Credit. — Sorca Clarke. [44213/23]

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

*252. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount of funding allocated to Ervia in each of the years 2014 to 2022 and to date in 2023. — Ivana Bacik. [43956/23]

*253. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to a significant delay in HAP and HHAP payments being made to landlords from local authorities; if he is aware that tenants in these cases have not received information from HAP services regarding their own rent contributions; the reason for the delays; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [43407/23]

*254. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of properties that have been purchased by councils under the tenant-in-situ scheme since it was introduced, by council, in tabular form. — Paul Murphy. [43410/23]

*255. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will report on the confirmation by Limerick City and County Council that no funding remains to complete housing

adaptation grant works in 2023 and that such works are being deferred to 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [43450/23]

*256. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if additional funding will be provided to Limerick City and County Council in order that works scheduled for successful applicants for the housing adaptation grant can be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [43451/23]

*257. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the housing supports available to women who have suffered domestic abuse and have had to flee the marital home (details supplied); if such persons will be approved for housing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [43495/23]

*258. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of tenant-in-situ scheme acquisitions in Fingal that have been impacted by the withdrawal of an organisation (details supplied) due to capacity issues; the timeline to expedite these cases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [43511/23]

*259. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will issue a response to correspondence from a person (details supplied) to his office; if he will outline the efforts, if any, made by his Department to verify the claims put forward; and if he will outline the plans, if any, to conduct upgrade or refurbishment works at Sí an Bhrú in the Brú na Bóinne UNESCO World Heritage Site. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [43521/23]

*260. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the progress that is being made with the provision of a municipal wastewater treatment plant for Craughwell, County Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [43537/23]

*261. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will allow work in the public service in England to be eligible in order to meet the requirement for an applicant for the local authority home loan to be in continuous employment for a minimum of two years as the primary earner given this work is in the public service and can be easily proven; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [43554/23]

*262. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if local authorities are experiencing delays in housing acquisitions from members of the public. — Brian Stanley. [43559/23]

*263. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the percentage of housing acquisitions by local authorities that go beyond 12 weeks during the conveyancing process. — Brian Stanley. [43560/23]

*264. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total number of social housing tenant-in-situ purchases that have been completed broken down, by local authority for 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Eoin Ó Broin. [43563/23]

*265. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether any housing developments or projects under the aegis of an organisation (details supplied) have been paused at the moment as a result of a lack of funding; if so, the number; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [43569/23]

*266. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if An Bord Pleanála owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43600/23]

*267. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the position regarding the Rural Water Working Group; when it is expected that their recommendations in respect of measures for inclusion for funding under the upcoming multi-annual programme will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [43619/23]

*268. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he is aware of the scale of no-reason evictions being carried out by a corporate landlord (details supplied) in Dublin in recent months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [43656/23]

*269. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether he is aware of the scale of no-reason evictions being carried out by other corporate landlords in recent months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [43657/23]

*270. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he intends to amend the law to offer protections to people whose pre-June 2022 tenancies are terminated by landlords refusing to offer further part-four tenancies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [43658/23]

*271. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he intends to allow compulsory purchase of residential properties in circumstances, consistent with section 43.2 of the Constitution; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [43659/23]

*272. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage for an update on any plans he and his Department have to utilise modular homes in order to meet housing demand in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [43692/23]

*273. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the research his Department has undertaken to examine the experiences and impact of in-work homelessness; if he will outline the supports in place for people who are working whilst experiencing homelessness; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [43696/23]

*274. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if Uisce Éireann owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43705/23]

*275. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the way planning permission is granted; if the case of a development (details supplied) will be investigated and expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Collins. [43710/23]

*276. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his views on the new national park; to outline, in tabular form, the rent which the previous owners will pay for continued use of the land for research purposes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [43725/23]

*277. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage how many staff are employed in each local authority to investigate properties which may be liable for the vacant home tax; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [43747/23]

*278. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage how many staff are employed in each local authority to investigate properties which may be liable for the derelict sites levy. — Pearse Doherty. [43748/23]

*279. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide a breakdown of the number of sites, per local authority, deemed currently liable for the derelict sites levy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [43749/23]

*280. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide a list of income received by each local authority in 2022 as a result of the derelict sites levy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [43751/23]

*281. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage for a breakdown of income collected in each local authority in 2022 as a result of NPPR charges; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [43754/23]

*282. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if a tenant-in-situ application, whereby a couple qualifies for the scheme, but it is not the landlord's intention to sell the house but rather to take up occupancy themselves, can still be processed; and if an applicant can access the help-to-buy scheme and the first-home scheme in respect of the same property. — Joe Flaherty. [43761/23]

*283. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his plans to increase funding of the housing adaptation grants for older persons and those with a disability; his views on the adequacy of funding allocated in Budget 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [43814/23]

*284. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide a progress report on the recommendations of the research commissioned by government entitled Preventing Homelessness among Care Leavers: Review of the Capital Assistance Scheme (CAS) for Care Leavers; if he plans to implement the recommendations of this report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [43821/23]

*285. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if all agricultural land in Ireland could be designated as an ecologically sensitive area with regard to the EU Water Quality Directive, given that the EU Nitrates Directive is applied on a state-wide basis, while other states have designated vulnerable zones under their respective plans; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [43826/23]

*286. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will outline his plans to address the waiting lists for housing adaptation grants, as reported by several local authorities. — Ivana Bacik. [43830/23]

*287. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the up-to-date position regarding efforts to have a Kerry housing development (details supplied) completed as a turn-key project and allocated as homes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [43849/23]

*288. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if the Housing Agency owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43859/23]

*289. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will report on progress to activate State-owned vacant properties, per objective 4.5 of Housing for All; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [43882/23]

*290. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage what efforts are being made to ensure the integrity of local elections taking place in 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43889/23]

*291. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will detail, in tabular form, the current number of valid but un-commenced residential planning permissions, per local authority area, in chronological order, indicating the date that permission was granted and the date that permission will expire. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43905/23]

*292. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of residential planning applications, per local authority area, in each of the years 2016 to 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43906/23]

*293. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of valid residential planning applications appealed to An Bord Pleanála, per local authority area, in each of the years 2016 to 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43907/23]

*294. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of valid residential planning applications appealed and upheld by An Bord Pleanála, per local authority area, in each of the years 2016 to 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43908/23]

*295. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of valid residential planning applications referred for judicial review, per local authority area, in each of the years 2016 to 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43909/23]

*296. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of valid residential planning applications referred and vindicated by judicial review, per local authority area, in each of the years 2016 to 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43910/23]

*297. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the update on developing his plans for Transit Oriented Development in Limerick, Cork, Galway and Waterford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Leddin. [43946/23]

*298. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if any survey has taken place to analyse the level of human sewage entering watercourses, rivers, and lakes in County Tipperary; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [43958/23]

*299. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if expert analysis has taken place to assess the impact of human sewage entering watercourses, lakes, and rivers in County Tipperary; if expert analysis has taken place to assess the likely effects if human sewage

was not entering watercourses, lakes and rivers in County Tipperary; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [43959/23]

*300. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of settlements in County Tipperary have no wastewater treatment facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [43960/23]

*301. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage should a Defective Concrete Block (DCB) affected apartment owner in County Donegal apply to the enhanced defective concrete blocks grant scheme or the proposed remediation of apartments and duplexes scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [43985/23]

*302. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when it is envisaged that the proposed remediation of apartments and duplexes scheme be commenced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [43986/23]

*303. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage for an update on the proposed housing development at Ardscoil Mhuire, Gweedore, County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [44025/23]

*304. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether he is aware that people with outstanding loans of relatively small amounts are being offered mortgages with proportionately large reductions because of the outstanding loan under the local authority home loans scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [44041/23]

*305. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when his Department officials will establish the Banking Working Group to engage with the banks and financial institutions and assist families affected by defective concrete blocks; if, the homeowner representatives that have engaged with all of the stakeholders including the Minister for Finance, the Central Bank and the Banking and Payments Federation, over recent months, will serve on this Working Group. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [44048/23]

*306. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when Mayo County Council can expect to receive documents (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [44062/23]

*307. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will consider increasing the maximum grants available for housing adaptations, particularly in the case of priority one and priority two cases, to ensure they are fit for purpose; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [44071/23]

*308. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will consider increasing the maximum grants available for housing adaptations in Budget 2024, particularly in the case of priority one and priority two cases, to ensure they are fit for purpose; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [44085/23]

*309. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44161/23]

*310. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if will establish a working group that will include the banking and insurance sectors to deal with the defective blocks scheme; if residents will be represented on the group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [44172/23]

*311. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of applicants, per county in need of housing suitable on medical or disability grounds based upon a HMD 1 form, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [44215/23]

*312. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of housing developments and total housing units approved under strategic housing developments by An Bord Pleanála following rejection by Longford County Council previously. — Sorca Clarke. [44218/23]

*313. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of applications received under the tenant purchase scheme per local authority area; the number refused; and the number approved following the change in criteria for the scheme, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [44222/23]

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

*314. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the financial supports that are available to employers and workplaces to support the employment of persons with a disability, particularly for the provision of lifts in workplaces for employees who are wheelchair bound; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [44042/23]

*315. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will review the ceasing of the payment of the State pension to a person (details supplied) who suffers from dementia and did not respond to questions posed by her Department due to the condition; if she accepts that the questions asked have now been responded to; if she acknowledges that any delay in restoring this person's pension is imposing severe financial hardship on them; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [43459/23]

*316. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if there are plans to extend the fuel allowance to jobs initiative scheme participants in Budget 2024, given their very low income and struggles with spiralling cost of living; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [43468/23]

*317. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a claim (details supplied) will be dealt with; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [43492/23]

*318. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will outline, in view of the Low Pay Commission's recommendation that the hourly rate of the national minimum wage should rise to €12.70 in 2024, the estimated full-year cost of adjusting PRSI rates to avoid a cliff edge for full-time workers on the national minimum wage and employers in terms of any impact on them; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [43508/23]

*319. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if, in line with the recommendations of the Pensions Commission, a smoothed earnings method to calculating a benchmarked/indexed rate of State pension payments will be introduced as an input to the annual budget process and submitted to Government for its consideration in September each year, commencing in 2023; if the

benchmarking report has been submitted to Government; if so, when the report will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [43510/23]

*320. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when a claim for disability allowance will be approved for a person (details supplied) in view of their medical condition; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [43516/23]

*321. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason that the benefit payment for 65-year-olds is not a qualifying payment for the fuel allowance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [43625/23]

*322. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason a person (details supplied) has no entitlement to the household benefits package; the options available at this time; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [43652/23]

*323. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a benchmarking report (details supplied) has been submitted to Government; and if so, when the report will be published. — Joan Collins. [43655/23]

*324. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason for the delay in reinstating a disability allowance for a person (details supplied) following the cessation of CE scheme; when the payment will be reinstated; when all arrears will be paid; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Anne Rabbitte. [43661/23]

*325. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the Citizens Information Board owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43703/23]

*326. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will support the request from an organisation (details supplied) for funding support to enable its vital work of providing financial assistance directly to parents of children with life-limiting or chronic complex care needs across Ireland to help with the non-medical expenses related to caring for their child; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [43758/23]

*327. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if he will address a matter (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43779/23]

*328. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will intervene to allow a person (details supplied) to register the birth of their baby born in July 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [43780/23]

*329. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the report on benchmarking or indexation of State pension payments has been submitted to the Government; if so, when the report will be published; her views on the recommendations of the Pensions Committee to the effect that such a report should form part of the annual budget negotiation process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [43832/23]

*330. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will expedite a disability allowance appeal for a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [43835/23]

*331. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when an appeal for disability allowance is expected to be finalised in the case of a person (details supplied), given the appeal was submitted ten weeks ago; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [43911/23]

*332. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason direct phone contact to local Intreo offices has been withdrawn and replaced with a centralised service; the rationale for this decision; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [43938/23]

*333. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will expedite a decision on an application for carers allowance by a person (details supplied) in County Cork; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Creed. [44059/23]

*334. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if she will expedite a decision on an application for domiciliary care allowance by a person (details supplied). — Michael Creed. [44060/23]

*335. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the full complement of buildings and lands owned by her Department, or by agencies under the aegis of her Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44165/23]

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

*336. To ask the Minister for Justice if it is legal for management companies, which takes ownership of a substantial amount of apartments in an apartment complex that, that a management company then has the majority vote when it comes to increasing the management fee on the owner/occupiers in the remaining part of the apartment complex; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [44115/23]

*337. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of GoSafe speed camera vehicles at present. — Catherine Murphy. [43458/23]

*338. To ask the Minister for Justice if, in relation to officers in the Irish Prison Service who is compelled to leave their role at the age of 60 years, she is aware that nothing is put in place to enable persons in this position to move to another role within other areas of the civil or public service without having to start at the entry-level, ignoring relevant experience gained in their role as officers in the Irish Prison Service; if she will ensure a seamless transition into appropriate roles for these officers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [43512/23]

*339. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of people currently awaiting a decision on their visa appeals (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [43522/23]

*340. To ask the Minister for Justice the reason it is taking so long for people to get visas to travel into the State; the number of people currently waiting for a visa to be approved or waiting for an visa appeal to be finalised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [43523/23]

*341. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of staff suffering from long-Covid who have had their employment terminated by her Department (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [43526/23]

*342. To ask the Minister for Justice the engagements she has had with the Department of Health in relation to proposed amendments to the licensing laws; if a health assessment for the Sale of Alcohol Bill 2022 has been carried out; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [43527/23]

*343. To ask the Minister for Justice if discussions are planned to restore FEMPI cuts to the fees of legal aid service providers, including solicitors; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard O'Donoghue. [43535/23]

*344. To ask the Minister for Justice if the Irish Prison Service owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43596/23]

*345. To ask the Minister for Justice if An Garda Síochána owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers. — Ivana Bacik. [43597/23]

*346. To ask the Minister for Justice if progress has been made by his Department and the Department of Justice in relation to the withdrawal of services of an organisation (details supplied); if he will engage directly with the organisation on this issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [43616/23]

*347. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of asset profilers based in the Meath Garda division as of 3 October 2023; and if she will provide the corresponding figures as of 1 April 2021, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [43646/23]

*348. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of unmarked Garda mountain bikes in the fleet. — Darren O'Rourke. [43647/23]

*349. To ask the Minister for Justice if she is aware whether there have been any prosecutions brought between 2019 to date in 2023 of an entry way to a premises being blocked by participants involved in a public pro-life assembly; if so, to provide details on such events; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [43680/23]

*350. To ask the Minister for Justice if an invitation to a citizenship ceremony can reissue to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [43688/23]

*351. To ask the Minister for Justice the steps being taken to finalise an application for citizenship in the case of a person (details supplied); when it is expected that the application will be finalised given, that they applied two years ago; if any outstanding matters on this application remain to be addressed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [43689/23]

*352. To ask the Minister for Justice if the Garda Ombudsman owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43701/23]

*353. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of aggravated burglaries reported to gardaí in the L district of DMR in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43788/23]

*354. To ask the Minister for Justice if the new post of CEO of the Domestic Sexual and Gender Based Violence Agency is being advertised outside of the State or if this advertisement is just restricted to within the State; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43789/23]

*355. To ask the Minister for Justice the percentage of the Garda roads policing fleet are aged between 0-2 years old, between 3-5 years old, between 6-10 years old and over 10 years old, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43790/23]

*356. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of vehicles seized by gardaí in the M district of DMR for having no insurance in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43791/23]

*357. To ask the Minister for Justice the budget allocation for the Garda National Drugs and Organised Crime Bureau in 2021, 2022 and 2023, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43792/23]

*358. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 1215 on 11 September 2023, if she has received the necessary information from the Garda authorities to have this answered; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43793/23]

*359. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí by rank attached to each divisional protective services unit as of 2 October 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43794/23]

*360. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of full-time staff by job title working in the Office of the State Pathologist; the number of vacancies by job title in this office; when each of these vacancies will be filled, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43795/23]

*361. To ask the Minister for Justice the current status of the Sale of Alcohol Bill 2022; when this Bill will progress; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43796/23]

*362. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of violent disorder offences reported to gardaí within the H district of DMR in 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43797/23]

*363. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of mountain bikes attached to each Garda district within DMR as of 2 October 2023, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43799/23]

*364. To ask the Minister for Justice her views on a matter (details supplied; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [43802/23]

*365. To ask the Minister for Justice what consideration has been given to automatically notifying and supporting victims of sexual assaults when perpetrators are due for release; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [43833/23]

*366. To ask the Minister for Justice what efforts her Department is making to tackle extremist groups operating within the State; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43886/23]

*367. To ask the Minister for Justice to provide an update on the number of people charged with offences relating to anti-social behaviour for the years 2018 to 2022 and to date in 2023, respectively; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43888/23]

*368. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of prisoners, per year, by institution, from 2010 to date; and the number of probation officers by institution for the corresponding period, in tabular form. — Patrick Costello. [43924/23]

*369. To ask the Minister for Justice for a breakdown of the costs of all inquiries established under Section 42 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005 (as amended) for the years 2010-2023, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [43971/23]

*370. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 183 of 12 July 2023, the number of approvals and negative decisions made to date under the Afghan Admission Programme; the number of applicants who have been informed that their applications were not eligible under the terms of the Programme; the number of visas which have been issued to beneficiaries of the programme; the timeline for when all applications to the programme will be processed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [43978/23]

*371. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of people who have had charges entered against them in relation to the cultivation of cannabis. — Ivana Bacik. [43984/23]

*372. To ask the Minister for Justice the breakdown of the amounts paid through the legal aid scheme to defence counsel in each of the years 2018 to 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [43989/23]

*373. To ask the Minister for Justice to review correspondence (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [44024/23]

*374. To ask the Minister for Justice the status of a citizenship application (details supplied); when a decision is likely to issue, in light of the fact that the application was made over two years ago; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [44049/23]

*375. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of prisoners granted probation, by institution, by year, in tabular form from 2010 to date. — Patrick Costello. [44108/23]

*376. To ask the Minister for Justice when the prison probation trams stopped running any type of group therapy interventions due to the lack of staff by prison institution and, if available, the number of group therapy interventions that took place from 2010 to date by institution; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [44116/23]

*377. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of addiction councillors by institution in the IPS, by year in tabular form; the number of vacancies; the number of prisoners by institution

classified with addiction issues; and if she feels the current staffing levels are sufficient to adequately deal with the number of prisoners with addition issues. — Patrick Costello. [44118/23]

*378. To ask the Minister for Justice the full complement of buildings and lands owned by her Department, or by agencies under the aegis of her Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44162/23]

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

*379. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will extend a 2023 Brexit inshore fisheries business model adjustment scheme grant approval for a fisherman (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [43408/23]

*380. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department will accept applications submitted to the ACRES scheme by a planner which for technical reasons were never properly accepted by his Department (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [43409/23]

*381. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress by his Department regarding securing Brexit Adjustment Reserve funding for the sheep sector; if he has engaged directly with the sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [43461/23]

*382. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has explored new trade deals between Britain and other states as rationale for drawing funding from the Brexit Adjustment Reserve for the sheep sector, considering this demonstrates a Brexit-related impact on the Irish sheep sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [43462/23]

*383. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he can direct Bord Iascaigh Mhara to engage with the representations of by organisation (details supplied) on behalf of a number of migrant fishers who have not received the share of crew compensation due to them under the Brexit voluntary decommissioning scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [43500/23]

*384. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for an update on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [43533/23]

*385. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide an extension of time to the slurry spreading period. — Peter Burke. [43571/23]

*386. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43601/23]

*387. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if Bord Bia owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43602/23]

*388. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will extend the slurry spreading season on a one-off basis in 2023 to allow for spreading of slurry should the weather allow for it (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [43654/23]

*389. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if Greyhound Racing Ireland owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43671/23]

*390. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if Horse Racing Ireland owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43672/23]

*391. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for clarification on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [43765/23]

*392. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will address a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43781/23]

*393. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will address a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43847/23]

*394. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if Teagasc owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43864/23]

*395. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the action his Department is taking to improve the timeline from when livestock in a herd have been tested and identified positive with tuberculosis and when these animals are collected and removed from the herd; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [43872/23]

*396. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to confirm the average timeline from when an animal/animals have been tested and identified positive with tuberculosis in a herd and when they are collected and removed from the herd; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [43873/23]

*397. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if consideration would be given to amending the start date for the loss of income support for a farmer (details supplied), in view that the timeline for the identification of tuberculosis in the herd and the date of collection of the animals and removal from the herd is managed by his Department and not the farmer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [43874/23]

*398. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of staff working at the Sea Fisheries Protection Authority in each of the years 2007 to 2023, in tabular form. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [43896/23]

*399. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the budget allocated to the Sea Fisheries Protection Authority for each of the years 2007 to 2023, in tabular form. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [43897/23]

*400. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide €90 million in funding for TAMS in 2024 to keep it in line with current levels of inflation costing which must be updated before the opening of each tranche; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [44032/23]

*401. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will include grant-aid for dribble bars, rubber mats and quad gates under TAMS in 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [44033/23]

*402. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will support a proposal that a young farmer capital investment scheme and the women capital investment scheme needs to be established (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [44034/23]

*403. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he accepts that there is a need for a significant upward revision of TAMS 3 for the pig sector to facilitate the significant investment required at farm level and consideration of funding this through a separate mechanism to TAMS 3; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [44035/23]

*404. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44151/23]

*405. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will review Parliamentary Question No. 472 of 3 October 2023 and the case of goat milk farmers (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [44190/23]

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

*406. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to outline the funding that goes towards youth services and youth work, broken down into two categories, universal services and targeted programmes, such as UBU (Your Place Your Space); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [43941/23]

*407. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will consider converting St. Patricks, Loughboy, Kilkenny for respite and other badly needed services for people with disabilities in Kilkenny; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [44119/23]

*408. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the reason that the parent (details supplied) of a child has been informed that their son is not entitled to

funding for a day service; the options that are available to ensure that this young autistic person is able to access a day service and is not left confined to his residential unit. — Pauline Tully. [43466/23]

*409. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he and his officials will arrange a meeting with Oireachtas members from the Dún Laoghaire constituency to provide an update on a project (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [43475/23]

*410. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his plans to improve speech and language and occupational therapy supports for children with additional needs in Carlow (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [43496/23]

*411. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the current position in relation to transport for people with disabilities aged 18 years and over attending day services to facilitate attendance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [43501/23]

*412. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide an update on the case of a child (details supplied) who, having been referred to St. Gabriel's Foundation, Limerick, by the HSE's child and adolescent mental health services, has yet to receive an assessment date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [43509/23]

*413. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the amount expended on an annual basis for foster care service providers since the year commencing 2013 to date in 2023; if he will provide a breakdown paid to agencies and to private individuals over that time period; and the number of active and inactive foster carers and agencies as of 1 October 2023. — Catherine Murphy. [43514/23]

*414. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will outline the policy of the children's disability network teams for scheduling interventions for children in different age groups, aged two years and under, aged over two and under six, aged six and over, and so on; whether there has been a change in the way resources are allocated to different age groups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Bruton. [43530/23]

*415. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when the parents of a child (details supplied) in County Donegal can expect to receive an assessment of needs for their child; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [43532/23]

*416. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the solutions that can be offered in relation to a strike (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43556/23]

*417. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the value of core funding for 2022/2023 for each individual early learning and care and school age childcare service, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [43583/23]

*418. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if Tusla owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43595/23]

*419. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if the Adoption Authority of Ireland owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43598/23]

*420. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to provide an update on the return of essential therapists including a psychologist, an occupational therapist, a speech and language therapist, play/behaviour therapists and social worker to a special school (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [43621/23]

*421. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the reason a special school (details supplied) is still without essential therapists, including a psychologist, an occupational therapist, a speech and language therapist, play/behaviour therapists and a social worker; the date they will start; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [43622/23]

*422. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide assistance with an accommodation matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [43630/23]

*423. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43676/23]

*424. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the status of funding for an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43677/23]

*425. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if the long-term costs of a nursing home are being paid by the State for people who were in mother and baby homes; what assistance is available for nursing home costs in such situations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [43682/23]

*426. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the protocols that are put in place when a serious incident takes place under the supervision of a care team (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43690/23]

*427. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will advocate for a child benefit-type payment for IPATs as included in the Government White Paper to end Direct Provision. — Patrick Costello. [43693/23]

*428. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if IPAS owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such

properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43698/23]

*429. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if additional resources will be immediately provided to address the five-year waiting list for intervention for children who have been accepted by the Swords disability network team; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [43732/23]

*430. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the dedicated supports currently available to children and families impacted by foetal alcohol spectrum disorder (details supplied); what dedicated supports, if any are currently available and the plans there are in child and family services to address the needs of children on the foetal alcohol spectrum; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [43734/23]

*431. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth whether Tusla has estimates for the number of children involved with social work services who may be on the fetal alcohol spectrum, given that fetal alcohol spectrum disorder is the leading known cause of preventable intellectual disability in the world; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [43735/23]

*432. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if Tusla plans to quantify the number of children involved with social work services who may be on the foetal alcohol spectrum; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [43736/23]

*433. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will allocate therapists to a school (details supplied). — Thomas Gould. [43737/23]

*434. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to examine a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [43753/23]

*435. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if the HSE will pay the costs of private psychology occupational therapy and speech and language therapy for a child in County Dublin (details supplied) who has been placed on a five-year waiting list for HSE child intervention services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [43755/23]

*436. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will support the request from an organisation (details supplied) for funding support to enable its vital work of providing financial assistance directly to parents of children with life-limiting or chronic complex care needs across Ireland to help with the non-medical expenses related to caring for their child; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [43759/23]

*437. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when the parents of a child in Donegal (details supplied) can expect to receive services and support for their autistic child; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [43760/23]

*438. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of complaints received by Tusla in relation to an organisation (details supplied) since 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [43770/23]

*439. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to provide Tusla inspection records since 2021 regarding an organisation (details supplied). — Gary Gannon. [43771/23]

*440. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of unaccompanied and separated children that have been taken into care of the Child and Family Agency annually since 2020, up to and including 2023; the number of children within this cohort that are from Ukraine; a breakdown of how many children are accommodated in the care system under a Care Order or section 4, Child Care Act, 1991 compared to how many are accommodated under section 5, Child Care Act, 1991 by age, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [43818/23]

*441. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of unaccompanied and separated children that have been accommodated in special emergency arrangements over the past twelve months; the duration they have spent in these placements, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [43819/23]

*442. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth his views on recent media coverage of both a lack of special care beds and a step-down facilities for children in care with complex needs; if he plans to provide further funding in future to allow for more publicly provided special care units; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [43820/23]

*443. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if a date is available for when the mother and baby institution redress scheme will commence accepting applications from institution survivors; and the date for when enhanced medical cards will be issued to survivors. — Eoin Ó Broin. [43846/23]

*444. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when the next round of the play and recreation grant scheme will open for applications. — Cathal Crowe. [43848/23]

*445. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth when capital grants for childcare extensions will be announced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Burke. [43913/23]

*446. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the maximum number of hours allocated to a person (details supplied); the reason it appears that a decision was made to reduce these hours; when this review took place; whether or not there are two packages in place, that is, a home care package and an education package; if so, if the education package infringed on the home care package hours, given that the HSE plans to increase these hours as the 17.5 hours currently provided is not sufficient; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [43920/23]

*447. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the funding that goes towards youth services and youth work, broken down in to two categories, universal services and targeted programmes such UBU (Your Place Your Space); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Kehoe. [43943/23]

*448. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth for an update on the return of therapists to a facility (details supplied). — Thomas Gould. [43999/23]

*449. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth for an update on the return of therapists to a facility (details supplied). — Thomas Gould. [44000/23]

*450. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No.268 of 28 September 2023, if further funding will be available under Pillar 1 Building Blocks - Improvement Grants in 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel Grealish. [44002/23]

*451. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth to provide a report on the number of applications for birth information that have been made by persons who were illegally adopted, since the arrangements were put in place; the number still awaiting processing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [44088/23]

*452. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth if he will provide a breakdown of how the hundreds of millions of euro in Government expenditure on childcare has been allocated in 2022 and 2023, in tabular form. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [44096/23]

*453. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44152/23]

*454. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of respite nights available for people with a disability in each of the years 2020 to 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marian Harkin. [44178/23]

*455. To ask the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth the number of additional residential places and new emergency residential places for people with a disability in each of the years 2020 to 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marian Harkin. [44179/23]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*456. To ask the Minister for Health if he has received a copy of correspondence originally sent to An Taoiseach by a person (details supplied); if he will provide an additional €115 million for mental health services in Budget 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [43454/23]

*457. To ask the Minister for Health if his Department plans to re-open the civil registration office in Roscrea, County Tipperary, following its closure earlier in 2023, given that its closure has been a huge loss to the community; if not, if his Department will examine the feasibility of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [43455/23]

*458. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the Programme for Government commitment to update the National Carers Strategy; when he expects the Strategy to be finalised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jim O'Callaghan. [43465/23]

*459. To ask the Minister for Health if he will review an application for funding under the Cross Border Directive and/or HSE reimbursement scheme (details supplied) with a view to granting the costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [43470/23]

*460. To ask the Minister for Health if, further to the Government commitment to develop an action plan to combat loneliness in the Programme for Government: the Roadmap for Social Inclusion and the Healthy Ireland Strategic Plan, he will identify the unit in his Department that has responsibility for developing this plan; when the plan will be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [43479/23]

*461. To ask the Minister for Health to respond to concerns raised by an organisation (details supplied) on the use of disposable vapes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [43480/23]

*462. To ask the Minister for Health if he will ensure that there is sufficient provision for ringfenced funding in Budget 2024 to cover the running costs of meals-on-wheels services. — Peadar Tóibín. [43481/23]

*463. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a proposal to not fund any new medicines that are approved for Irish patients in 2024; if so, the justification for this proposal; and the impact this will have on patients with cancer or rare diseases, and children in Ireland. — Alan Dillon. [43482/23]

*464. To ask the Minister for Health the amount the Government spent on new medicines in each of the years 2021, 2022 and 2023; and the projected spend on new medicines in 2024, if the current spending is cut; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [43483/23]

*465. To ask the Minister for Health the progress that has been made on implementing on the recommendations made by an organisation (details supplied) on the reimbursement of new medicines; which recommendations have been implemented to date; which recommendations have not been implemented to date; and the timeline for implementing the remaining recommendations. — Alan Dillon. [43484/23]

*466. To ask the Minister for Health the Government's priorities for funding new medicines; how the Government balances the need to provide access to new medicines with the need to be fiscally responsible; and the Government's plans to ensure that all patients in Ireland have access to the medicines they need, regardless of their ability to pay. — Alan Dillon. [43485/23]

*467. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made to date in the urgent and emergency care operational plan for 2023 at University Hospital Limerick; the progress made to date in immediately addressing the overcrowding and capacity issues at University Hospital Limerick ahead of a further increase due to winter demand; if further use will be made of Nenagh, Ennis and St. John's Hospitals in addition to the measures taken already; the additional measures put in place in communities across the Mid-West to reduce presentations at UHL; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Browne. [43488/23]

*468. To ask the Minister for Health if private autism assessments can be funded under the National Treatment Purchase Fund; if so, the steps; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [43489/23]

*469. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to introduce mandatory fortification of foodstuffs with folic acid following his Department's Folic Acid Policy Committee report on the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [43498/23]

*470. To ask the Minister for Health if a bus service can be offered to a person (details supplied) who attends a day care centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43502/23]

*471. To ask the Minister for Health if, in view of the large increase in numbers of people presenting to services identifying as being addicted to smoking crack cocaine, he will provide additional funding for residential treatment services. — Thomas Gould. [43503/23]

*472. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff suffering from long-Covid who have had their employment terminated by his Department (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [43524/23]

*473. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a clinic (details supplied) is being closed down; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [43534/23]

*474. To ask the Minister for Health when a registration application with an organisation (details supplied) will be processed for a person in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [43536/23]

*475. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on an operation for a child (details supplied). — Paul McAuliffe. [43544/23]

*476. To ask the Minister for Health the person or body that will be representing Ireland at the High-level Meeting on Childhood Obesity-A comprehensive framework to reduce childhood obesity in the EU in Spain; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [43547/23]

*477. To ask the Minister for Health the resources that are being made available for the research of the evaluation of the sugar sweetened drinks tax in Ireland; the funding that is being made available to access data sources such as household panel purchasing data; if sufficient resources will be made available such that a comprehensive study can be carried out; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [43548/23]

*478. To ask the Minister for Health if he will set up a diabetes taskforce of relevant stakeholders to develop a National Diabetes Strategy that will ensure the provision of optimum care to every person with diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [43550/23]

*479. To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware of the decision by the Health Secretary in the UK to implement a single sex policy in NHS hospitals meaning that transgender women who were born biological males will no longer have access to female-only wards; if he will support such a policy here for the HSE; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [43553/23]

*480. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to appeals regarding payment of the pandemic payment by frontline workers (details supplied); if the matter is under review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [43558/23]

*481. To ask the Minister for Health if he will review correspondence (details supplied) regarding disposable vapes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [43562/23]

*482. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a HSE tender (details supplied); if he will give a guarantee that the Waterford surgical hub will be nominated first to be constructed and awarded the highest priority, given the high level of surgical activity at University Hospital, Waterford and in its subsidiary unit in Kilcrene, County Kilkenny; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Shanahan. [43565/23]

*483. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on CAMHS waiting lists by CHO and length of wait for September 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [43566/23]

*484. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting times for Jigsaw services, by area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [43567/23]

*485. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people waiting on primary care psychology services, by age and the length of time waiting, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [43568/23]

*486. To ask the Minister for Health if CMTX1 can be added to the list of conditions covered by the long-term illness scheme in view of the fact that it is similar to muscular dystrophy, which is already on the list (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marc MacSharry. [43572/23]

*487. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the recruitment process for new genomic resource associate roles at the department of clinical genetics at CHI Crumlin; and when it is expected to fill these posts. — Holly Cairns. [43576/23]

*488. To ask the Minister for Health if an organisation has been appointed by the Government to review the criteria set out to pay the pandemic bonus payment to frontline workers and make recommendations regarding the potential expansion of the criteria to include other workers; and if so, if they have made any recommendations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [43585/23]

*489. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 465 of 27 September 2022, if he will outline which five recommendations are still in progress as part of the full implementation of the Chief Medical Officer's report on The Use of Uro-Gynaecological Mesh in Surgical Procedures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [43586/23]

*490. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultant rheumatologists at St. James's Hospital in 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Joan Collins. [43589/23]

*491. To ask the Minister for Health the way the €2.1 million allocated in 2023 for the full resumption of dementia specific day care services will be spent, in tabular form. — Joan Collins. [43590/23]

*492. To ask the Minister for Health the number of craniosynostosis surgeries performed at CHI Temple Street in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Joan Collins. [43591/23]

*493. To ask the Minister for Health the way the €2.7 million allocated for the implementation of the national strategy for accelerating genomic medicine in Ireland will be spent in 2023, in tabular form. — Joan Collins. [43592/23]

*494. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43593/23]

*495. To ask the Minister for Health the counselling services offered within the adolescent addiction services; and the number of staff within these services. — Joan Collins. [43606/23]

*496. To ask the Minister for Health the number of respite centres in CHO7 in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Joan Collins. [43605/23]

*497. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost in 2024 to provide an additional 120 GP training places. — Joan Collins. [43610/23]

*498. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to establish a centre of excellence for adult deficit hyperactivity disorder; and the costs of these plans. — Joan Collins. [43611/23]

*499. To ask the Minister for Health the number of vascular stenting procedures carried out in each public hospital in 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Joan Collins. [43612/23]

*500. To ask the Minister for Health if assistance can be given to persons (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [43614/23]

*501. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the establishment of a National Psychology Placement Office; and the funding for this establishment, including staff costs. — Joan Collins. [43615/23]

*502. To ask the Minister for Health if a child (details supplied) will be seen by a public ophthalmologist sooner than 2026/2027; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [43626/23]

*503. To ask the Minister for Health if medical cards are being issued on discretionary grounds due to urgent medical need; if a person may be granted a medical card based on medical need (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [43628/23]

*504. To ask the Minister for Health the capital funding that has been awarded to each community cancer support centre in each of the past five years, in tabular form; the current funding that has been awarded to each community cancer support centre in the corresponding timeframe to cover staffing costs; and the current funding that has been awarded to each community cancer support centre in each of the past five years to cover operating costs. — Pauline Tully. [43629/23]

*505. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE nurses working in Cappagh Orthopaedic Hospital in 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [43636/23]

*506. To ask the Minister for Health the number of operating theatres available in each hospital part of Ireland East Hospital Group, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [43637/23]

*507. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE senior house officers in neurodisability at CHI Temple Street Hospital in 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [43638/23]

*508. To ask the Minister for Health the accident and emergency departments that currently have a general practitioner on site; and the hours of the week when each of the GPs are based in each of the accident and emergency departments, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [43639/23]

*509. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultant psychiatrists based at Our Lady's Hospital, Navan, in 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [43640/23]

*510. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hepatitis C tests carried out each year from 2018-2023; how this compares to the goals under Roadmap to Zero; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [43653/23]

*511. To ask the Minister for Health when the correct salary will be reinstated for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [43660/23]

*512. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to provide funding to ensure that defibrillators are available in public places, such as community centres and schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [43663/23]

*513. To ask the Minister for Health how much territory, in metres, in Táilte Éireann or any other relevant body, which has informed the Government's introduction of exclusion zone legislation, it is estimated will be covered by prospective abortion exclusion zones; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [43678/23]

*514. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 528 and 532 of 13 December 2022, if he will review correspondence from the chairperson of an organisation (details supplied) concerning an increase in the number of proposed palliative care beds in Clonmel at the new development in St. Anthony's unit on the grounds of Tipperary University Hospital; if he will agree to review the current complement of palliative care beds in the Clonmel region; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [43683/23]

*515. To ask the Minister for Health his plans to ensure hospital pharmacy technicians are subject to a statutory professional regulatory regime and that their qualification is standardised across the various providers of pharmacy technician education and training; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Neasa Hourigan. [43709/23]

*516. To ask the Minister for Health the number of primary medical certificate applications received in each CHO in each of the years 2020 to 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43714/23]

*517. To ask the Minister for Health the number of primary medical certificates approved and awarded in each CHO in each of the years 2020 to 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43715/23]

*518. To ask the Minister for Health the number of primary medical certificate applications that have been deemed ineligible and subsequently refused in each CHO in each of the years 2020 to 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43716/23]

*519. To ask the Minister for Health the number of primary medical certificate applications that are currently in hand awaiting processing in each CHO; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43717/23]

*520. To ask the Minister for Health the number of primary medical certificate applications that are currently in hand which have been deemed ineligible and cannot access an appeal process in each CHO; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43718/23]

*521. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on appointments to the Disabled Drivers Medical Board of Appeal; and when appeal hearings will recommence for persons who have had a primary medical certificate deemed ineligible. — Mary Lou McDonald. [43719/23]

*522. To ask the Minister for Health to confirm he is aware of the report by clinicians from the National Cancer Control Programme to an Implementation Working Group (details supplied) that 25% of cancer patients do not receive standard of care due to lack of access to new medicines which are available elsewhere in Europe; if he is concerned by this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [43726/23]

*523. To ask the Minister for Health if he will consider increasing funding in 2024 to prevent Ireland's average timelines for patient access to new medicines from deteriorating relative to our European peers in 2024 in view of the fact Ireland now ranks 27th out of 35 European countries according to the latest IQVIA Patients WAIT Indicator; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [43727/23]

*524. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an operation for a person (details supplied). — Paul McAuliffe. [43730/23]

*525. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the non-EU doctor scheme; how many GPs have been recruited to date; to provide a breakdown, by county, of the number and location of GPs recruited; how many more are planned to be recruited in 2023 and 2024; the criteria for placement of recruited doctors across the country; what the national average of GPs-to-CHO population in the State currently stands at; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dara Calleary. [43746/23]

*526. To ask the Minister for Health if he will support the request from an organisation (details supplied) for funding support to enable its vital work of providing financial assistance directly to parents of children with life-limiting or chronic complex care needs across Ireland to help with the non-medical expenses related to caring for their child; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [43757/23]

*527. To ask the Minister for Health to examine an urgent matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [43763/23]

*528. To ask the Minister for Health his views on legislating for folic acid fortification of certain staple food products to aid the prevention of certain brain and spinal conditions and neural tube defects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [43774/23]

*529. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Donegal can expect to receive a date for an operation in Letterkenny University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [43787/23]

*530. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) in County Wicklow will have the results of a biopsy carried out on 22 August at University Hospital, Waterford; the reason for the delay in receiving the results; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul Phelan. [43812/23]

*531. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to proposed changes for January 2024 in the way the Revenue Commissioners treat general medical services income within general practitioner partnerships; if he is concerned that this will impact the number of GPs operating; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Steven Matthews. [43811/23]

*532. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons approved for homecare supports who are currently waiting on delivery of support hours in County Wexford as of 30 September 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [43815/23]

*533. To ask the Minister for Health the number of current clients approved for additional homecare support hours awaiting allocation of those additional hours in County Wexford as of 30 September 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [43816/23]

*534. To ask the Minister for Health the number of new persons approved for HSE homecare support hours since 1 January 2023 who are currently awaiting delivery of support hours in County Wexford as of 30 September 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [43817/23]

*535. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the Irish National Accreditation Board accreditation was not obtained before opening the new cervical screening laboratory in December 2022; the reason the laboratory was shut in March 2023; and if he will provide an update on the current status of the project. — Peadar Tóibín. [43838/23]

*536. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of women screened by CervicalCheck in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023. — Peadar Tóibín. [43839/23]

*537. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of CervicalCheck slides sent abroad to foreign laboratories in each of the past ten years and to date in 2023. — Peadar Tóibín. [43840/23]

*538. To ask the Minister for Health if the Health Information and Quality Authority owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43858/23]

*539. To ask the Minister for Health if the Food Safety Authority owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43863/23]

*540. To ask the Minister for Health his views on the present rate of the minimum excise duty on cigarettes, with particular reference to public health; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [43914/23]

*541. To ask the Minister for Health for a breakdown of all the radiotherapy machines in UHL; the type of machine; when it was first used in the hospital; and any gaps in service for any machine, between 1 January 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [43928/23]

*542. To ask the Minister for Health for a breakdown of all the radiotherapy machines in University Hospital Cork, by the type of machine, when it was first used in the hospital, any gaps in service for any machine between the following dates 1 January 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [43929/23]

*543. To ask the Minister for Health for a breakdown of all the radiotherapy machines in St. Vincent's Hospital, by the type of machine, when it was first used in the hospital, any gaps in service for any machine between the following dates 1 January 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [43930/23]

*544. To ask the Minister for Health for a breakdown of all the radiotherapy machines in St. James's Hospital, by the type of machine, when it was first used in the hospital, any gaps in service for any machine between the following dates 1 January 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [43931/23]

*545. To ask the Minister for Health for a breakdown of all the radiotherapy machines in Galway University Hospital, by the type of machine, when it was first used in the hospital, any gaps in service for any machine between the following dates 1 January 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [43932/23]

*546. To ask the Minister for Health for a breakdown of all the radiotherapy machines in Tallaght Hospital, by the type of machine, when it was first used in the hospital, any gaps in service for any machine between the following dates 1 January 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [43933/23]

*547. To ask the Minister for Health if he will set up a diabetes taskforce of relevant stakeholders to develop a national diabetes strategy that will ensure the provision of optimum care to every person with diabetes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [43934/23]

*548. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an application for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael McNamara. [43947/23]

*549. To ask the Minister for Health to give urgent attention to a problem (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [43964/23]

*550. To ask the Minister for Health the reason (details supplied) is waiting so long on a procedure in Cappagh Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [43966/23]

*551. To ask the Minister for Health to examine an issue where a person (details supplied) is unable to register with a GP; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [43968/23]

*552. To ask the Minister for Health the number of days from January 2022 to the end of September 2023 during which radiation oncology services at University Hospital Limerick were unavailable due to breakdowns in radiotherapy machinery/equipment, in tabular form; the average duration required to repair radiotherapy machinery/equipment at UHL; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Lowry. [43973/23]

*553. To ask the Minister for Health if he, his Department and the HSE are aware of proposals to change the tax treatment of GMS income for GP partnerships (details supplied); if he or his Department was consulted on these proposed changes; if the HSE has examined the potential impact of these changes to the provision of GP care; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bríd Smith. [43974/23]

*554. To ask the Minister for Health whether he is aware that many GP practices are charging fees to medical card holders for the administration of necessary injections (including blood tests) contrary to the Provision of Services under Section 58 of the Health Act 1970; his plans to make patients aware that they should not be charged these fees; the action he is taking to prevent this situation from continuing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [43980/23]

*555. To ask the Minister for Health if he plans to upgrade the status of Letterkenny University Hospital from a model 3 hospital. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [44006/23]

*556. To ask the Minister for Health if he will ask the HSE to include Donegal town as one of the locations for a surgical hub, due to its location between Sligo University Hospital and Letterkenny University Hospital and to support the ability of surgeons and consultants to work through the long waiting lists for surgical procedures at both hospitals and to deliver equality of access to healthcare for the people of the north-west. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [44007/23]

*557. To ask the Minister for Health the number of inpatient discharges for every acute hospital in the State in 2022 and 2023, in tabular form. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [44008/23]

*558. To ask the Minister for Health the budget allocated to every acute hospital in the State in 2022 and 2023, in tabular form. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [44009/23]

*559. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of beds in use in each HSE area in public nursing homes for the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [44010/23]

*560. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on the payment of the Covid bonus; and whether he has an estimate of those who have yet to receive payment. — Richard Bruton. [44019/23]

*561. To ask the Minister for Health if there are plans to address the fact that there are no chiropractors currently available under the public health system in Finglas (details supplied); his plans to address the matter; the actions that have been taken to provide this type of care in the Finglas area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Dessie Ellis. [44026/23]

*562. To ask the Minister for Health the steps that are being taken to improve the early diagnosis and treatment of Lyme disease; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mick Barry. [44038/23]

*563. To ask the Minister for Health if he is aware that there are an estimated 3,000 trained nurses from India and the Philippines currently working in Ireland; if he plans to allow those who wish to have their nursing qualifications recognised by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland and those who need additional language training to progress to recognition as nurses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Howlin. [44039/23]

*564. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the HSE now no longer helps people find a GP accepting medical card patients; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Higgins. [44040/23]

*565. 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. — Fergus O'Dowd. [44043/23]

*566. To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to staff dissatisfaction at the removal of 480 staff car parking spaces from the CUH/CUMH campus to accommodate new capital projects; whether staff and their representative unions will be consulted in regard to the removal of car parking spaces; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [44054/23]

*567. To ask the Minister for Health the average time it takes for physiotherapists who received their qualification in Ireland to be accredited by CORU; the average time it takes for physiotherapists who received their qualification outside of Ireland to be accredited by CORU; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [44055/23]

*568. To ask the Minister for Health if transfers can be made for families who are on the waiting list for surgery in Temple Street Hospital for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [44057/23]

*569. To ask the Minister for Health if he is concerned by the warning in a presentation by senior oncologists (details supplied); if he is considering making a statement on the matter; if he is taking steps to ensure that timelines for Irish patients to access new medicines do not continue to worsen; if he is considering how much funding will be required to prevent a deterioration in 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [44063/23]

*570. To ask the Minister for Health to examine an issue with the chiropody card system whereby a new system introduced recently has now caused a delay in clinics receiving payment on time (details supplied); if he can assess this system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Lawless. [44064/23]

*571. To ask the Minister for Health how Ireland ranks according to the latest IQVIA Patients WAIT Indicator Survey; what the rate of availability of new medicines are in Ireland compared to the EU average; what the average waiting time for access to new medicines in Ireland is in comparison to the EU average and what the average waiting time for patients in Ireland is. — John Lahart. [44065/23]

*572. To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on an appeal in relation to a home care support package (details supplied) as advised by a home care support office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Verona Murphy. [44067/23]

*573. To ask the Minister for Health whether the external review being commissioned into aspects of orthopaedic surgery at Children's Health Ireland at Temple Street will include operations carried out by the consultant in respect of whom a referral has been made to the Irish Medical Council, at the National Orthopaedic Hospital Cappagh. — Paul Murphy. [44073/23]

*574. To ask the Minister for Health if he has had any engagement with the Minister for Finance or the Revenue Commissioners regarding plans to prohibit GMS income being mandated to partnerships or employers, meaning that any GMS income will need to be declared as income by the individual GMS list holder in their tax return from January 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [44076/23]

*575. To ask the Minister for Health for an update in relation to the creation of a national spina bifida register. — Paul Murphy. [44078/23]

*576. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the rationale behind the decision to restrict or cap the number of assigned patients that each GP has to take on; the current cap for each GP; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [44079/23]

*577. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the reason for removing the obligation on GPs to take patients assigned by the HSE; the consultation, if any that was undertaken with community-based organisations who provide support and care to vulnerable persons seeking access to healthcare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [44080/23]

*578. To ask the Minister for Health to confirm what is meant by “limited ability to assign a GP providing GP visit card/medical card services”, further to correspondence received at my office (details supplied). — Mary Lou McDonald. [44092/23]

*579. To ask the Minister for Health to confirm the arrangements that are currently in place to assign a GP to persons holding a GMS or GP only card have tried unsuccessfully to access three GP's in their area and cannot find a GP to accept them. — Mary Lou McDonald. [44093/23]

*580. To ask the Minister for Health how many new GP visit and GMS cards were issued in 2022; how many of the persons to whom these cards were issued in 2022 were unable to find a GP; how many of these persons were assigned a GP by the HSE in 2022; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [44094/23]

*581. To ask the Minister for Health if he will grant NMBI nursing registration after the successful completion of adaptation training or RCSI aptitude test, to those health care assistants with a nursing degree diploma from their home country and have been working in Ireland for at least two years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [44095/23]

*582. To ask the Minister for Health if he will expedite an appointment for a person (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [44107/23]

*583. To ask the Minister for Health the number of GPs operating in Mayo each year since 2006, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [44141/23]

*584. To ask the Minister for Health the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department in County Clare; if they are

currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44160/23]

*585. To ask the Minister for Health if he will approve long Covid clinics around the country recognising the ongoing suffering and need for care of a large proportion of Covid sufferers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [44171/23]

*586. To ask the Minister for Health if he will intervene to ensure CIT nurses in Care Doc, Carlow receive the pandemic bonus (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Kathleen Funchion. [44175/23]

*587. To ask the Minister for Health when his attention has been drawn to (details supplied); to provide detail on the temporary closure of the centre; to outline the care plan for current and potential service users in the event of a temporary closure; to detail who been consulted in regards to the planned temporary closure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Holly Cairns. [44185/23]

*588. To ask the Minister for Health whether the HSE has examined the possibility of moving (details supplied) to a temporary alternative site in the event of temporary closure due to building works. — Holly Cairns. [44186/23]

*589. To ask the Minister for Health to confirm the number of overpayments made by HSE Pensions Management and subsequent requests for repayment letters issued to retired staff in each of the years, 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023; and to make a statement on the concerns of retired staff in respect of the volume of calculation errors arising. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [44188/23]

*590. To ask the Minister for Health in light of the current situation in Temple Street and Cappagh Orthopaedic service, the arrangements that have been put in place for children with non-spinal surgical needs to have their ongoing therapy continue. — Sorca Clarke. [44210/23]

*591. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children with hip dysplasia who have had treatment, x-rays or assessments cancelled or delayed because of the current ongoing investigations and reviews at Childrens Health Ireland. — Sorca Clarke. [44211/23]

*592. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will have their cancelled x-ray and proposed surgery before school age following ongoing treatment for hip dysplasia. — Sorca Clarke. [44219/23]

*593. To ask the Minister for Health the current situation with staffing in relation to the paediatric diabetes service in Midland Regional Hospital, Mullingar; the number of children currently attending; and the number of children awaiting an appointment. — Sorca Clarke. [44221/23]

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

*594. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if she will review a SUSI application by a person (details supplied). — John McGuinness. [43418/23]

*595. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if the additional €307 million in core funding annually, promised in May 2022, will be provided to financially stressed universities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Francis Noel Duffy. [43478/23]

*596. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will provide details of the means by which students can prove that they are not supported by their parents in the circumstances where they do not have a record with TUSLA or An Garda Síochána; if there is another person or group that they can apply in order to prove that they have no support from their parents; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [43549/23]

*597. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science what progress is being made with the establishment of a new veterinary programme in the Atlantic Technological University; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Canney. [43588/23]

*598. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the accommodations that can be provided to a student who has commenced third-level education and is deemed liable for non-EU student fees, whilst their naturalisation application is currently being processed, and, as it stands with current processing times, will have to wait up to 18-24 months, if not longer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jackie Cahill. [43604/23]

*599. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the options available to a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [43613/23]

*600. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science when he will respond to correspondence (details supplied) which was issued to him, following a motion by Cavan County Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [43620/23]

*601. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science when he is next scheduled to meet the CEO of the Higher Education Authority. — Darren O'Rourke. [43645/23]

*602. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will review correspondence from a person (details supplied); if he will assist with this matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [43695/23]

*603. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will provide an update on the funding of on-campus student accommodation that was announced for Maynooth University in November 2022 (details supplied). — Catherine Murphy. [43713/23]

*604. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if the Higher Education Authority owns properties or sites which are vacant or derelict; if so, the number and addresses of such properties; if they are recorded on the vacancy or dereliction

registers; and the reason for which they are vacant or derelict, in tabular form. — Ivana Bacik. [43860/23]

*605. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the position regarding funding (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Ring. [43898/23]

*606. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if future supports for PhD students will be distributed equitably amongst students, including students who conduct research under Department of Agriculture, Food, and the Marine-funded projects. — Louise O'Reilly. [43922/23]

*607. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science to provide an update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from the National Review of State Supports for PhD Researchers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Patrick Costello. [43967/23]

*608. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science to provide details on studying in the UK (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [43969/23]

*609. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will address a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [43972/23]

*610. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the full complement of buildings and lands owned by his Department, or by agencies under the aegis of his Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44159/23]

*611. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will address the case of a person (details supplied) regarding an apprenticeship; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [44189/23]

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

*612. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the budget allocation for the Charities Regulator in 2021, 2022 and 2023, in tabular form. — Darren O'Rourke. [43644/23]

*613. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development her views on the Control of Dogs and Dog Breeding Establishment Miscellaneous Bill; to outline the proposed changes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [43724/23]

*614. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the position regarding a grant funding for a Mens Shed in Mayo which was announced in November 2022 (details supplied). — Dara Calleary. [43777/23]

*615. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development the full complement of buildings and lands owned by her Department, or by agencies under the aegis of her Department in County Clare; if they are currently in use, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44164/23]

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QUESTIONS, OTHER THAN QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY, FOR ORAL
ANSWER ON WEDNESDAY, 11 OCTOBER, 2023**

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

1. To ask the Minister for Justice to outline her proposals for family law reform, with particular reference to the need for an indicative timescale; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [44100/23]

2. To ask the Minister for Justice the measures undertaken by her Department to reduce citizenship application processing times, particularly in respect of applications submitted in 2021 and 2022; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [43951/23]

3. To ask the Minister for Justice her views on a report (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44145/23]

4. To ask the Minister for Justice to detail the actions her Department has taken to date to ensure the provision of appropriate facilities and interview suites in court service buildings for those who are vulnerable or who have invisible or visible disabilities. — Pauline Tully. [44122/23]

5. To ask the Minister for Justice what steps her Department has taken in relation to recent industrial action at the Criminal Courts of Justice; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [43853/23]

6. To ask the Minister for Justice the total number of gardaí in Meath at present; the total number newly employed; and the total number who resigned in each of the years 2020 to 2022 and to date in 2023; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [44011/23]

7. To ask the Minister for Justice to provide an update on the Garda recruitment campaign; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [44098/23]

8. To ask the Minister for Justice how she intends to strengthen community policing in Mayo; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Dillon. [43518/23]

9. To ask the Minister for Justice what measures are being taken to ensure increased applications are received in future Garda recruitment drives; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [43829/23]

10. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will comment on her plans to increase step-down accommodation for survivors of domestic violence; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Violet-Anne Wynne. [44144/23]

11. To ask the Minister for Justice the measures being taken to protect public and civil servants from far Right demonstrations. — Patrick Costello. [44125/23]

12. To ask the Minister for Justice the extent to which provision can be made to increase the throughput of gardaí from Templemore to meet current and expanding needs; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Bernard J. Durkan. [44099/23]

13. To ask the Minister for Justice to provide an update on the Drogheda Implementation Plan; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Fergus O'Dowd. [44097/23]

14. To ask the Minister for Justice the steps her Department is taking, in conjunction with An Garda Síochána, to ensure that anti-social behaviour is being tackled in our towns and cities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43842/23]

15. To ask the Minister for Justice the steps her Department is taking to support communities and tackle organised crime; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Farrell. [43843/23]

16. To ask the Minister for Justice the efforts being made to counteract drug trafficking and dealing in our communities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [43901/23]

17. To ask the Minister for Justice the efforts being made to tackle waiting times for mental health services within prisons; the funding that has been allocated to this within the budget; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [44104/23]

18. To ask the Minister for Justice further to Parliamentary Question No. 49 of 11 July 2023, the status of the independent review of part 4 of the Criminal Law (Sexual Offences) Act 2017, which was due for completion by the end of 2022; the status of the recruitment process to replace the individual who had previously been engaged to carry out the study, and if the new person has been appointed; if the Minister has received the completed report to-date; the expected timeline for the publication of the final report; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Connolly. [43950/23]

19. To ask the Minister for Justice if, in light of the new polling published by the Commission for Victims and Survivors Northern Ireland on the impact of the Troubles on the population of this State, she will examine the introduction of bespoke troubles impact payments as exist in the North of Ireland and the island of Britain. — Patrick Costello. [44117/23]

20. To ask the Minister for Justice who is responsible for Garda recruitment; if it is outsourced; if intake targets have been provided and met; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [43953/23]

21. To ask the Minister for Justice the progress made towards establishing a women's refuge in Carlow. — Jennifer Murnane O'Connor. [44014/23]

22. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will establish a public enquiry into the death of a person (details supplied) and the circumstances around their death; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [43850/23]

23. To ask the Minister for Justice the number of gardaí in each of the Cork divisions comparing figures from 2020, 2021, 2022 and to date in 2023, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [43952/23]

24. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will instigate a statutory review of the Prison Service as a safe working environment. — Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. [44137/23]

25. To ask the Minister for Justice her response to a petition by a group (details supplied) in relation to a case recently submitted to her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Thomas Pringle. [44146/23]

26. To ask the Minister for Justice the up-to-date position regarding the possible posthumous pardoning in the historic cases of Poff and Barrett in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Griffin. [43900/23]

27. To ask the Minister for Justice for an update on the Gambling Regulation Bill 2022, given the ESRI report into gambling harm. — Thomas Gould. [44120/23]

28. To ask the Minister for Justice what measures have been taken to put the Prison Service on a statutory footing. — Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. [44136/23]

29. To ask the Minister for Justice her views on the effectiveness of youth diversion projects and their impact of diverting young people away from crime; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [43851/23]

30. To ask the Minister for Justice if her Department has cooperated with investigations into historical allegations of abuse in an organisation (details supplied) and alleged cross over with probation service employees. — Paul McAuliffe. [43965/23]

31. To ask the Minister for Justice the work that has been carried out by her Department to review and increase payments to solicitors and barristers in the criminal legal aid scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [43927/23]

32. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will provide details on the number of Garda personnel in the Clare-Tipperary Garda division, by county; the number of superintendents in the Clare-Tipperary Garda division and the Garda stations in which they are typically based; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [44102/23]

33. To ask the Minister for Justice her plans to address historical allegations of abuse in the Probation Service by a deceased individual and whether an investigation to determine whether abuse was more widespread or should have been detected will take place. — Paul McAuliffe. [43963/23]

34. To ask the Minister for Justice her views on her Department’s engagement with An Garda Síochána, an organisation (details supplied) and the local authorities in regard to the late night soccer leagues; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gino Kenny. [43852/23]

35. To ask the Minister for Justice if there is an outstanding WRC award to a prison officer (details supplied); and if so, the reason the award has not been paid. — Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. [44138/23]

36. To ask the Minister for Justice if she will report on her plans to respond to the strikes of criminal law barristers; if she has plans to raise legal aid fees to pre-2008 levels; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [44012/23]

37. To ask the Minister for Justice the efforts being made to tackle waiting times for addiction services within prisons; the funding that has been allocated to this within the budget; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [44103/23]