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Chun an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí, Bonneagair, Athchóiriúcháin Seirbhíse Poiblí agus Digitiúcháin: To the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure; Public Service Reform and Digitalisation.

- 1. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on general budgetary expenditure measures. Mairéad Farrell. [39486/25]
- 2. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the amount that will be allocated under the review of the National Development Plan to public capital investment in housing, public transport and renewable energy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul Murphy. [39718/25]
- 3. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if his Department's submission to the EU review of the protected disclosures regime will refer to the views of whistleblowers from the Farrelly commission and Children's Health Ireland (children's hip surgeries) about the reprisals they faced. Mairéad Farrell. [39487/25]
- 4. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will outline the specific reforms under consideration following his Department's review of barriers to infrastructure delivery; if these reforms will include changes to procurement processes, planning timelines, or inter-agency coordination; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Heneghan. [40188/25]

CEISTEANNA EILE OTHER QUESTIONS

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5. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on the permanent solution for flooding in Lough Funshinagh in County Roscommon; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [38435/25]

- 6. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation when work will be undertaken to renew the exterior protective finish of Rathfarnham Castle; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Lahart. [39992/25]
- 7. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the status of flood schemes for Rathcormac, Midleton, Castlemartyr & Mogeely, Killeagh, and any others in Cork East that his Department is considering; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James O'Connor. [40173/25]
- 8. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if Dundalk and Drogheda will remain a key priority as key economic growth areas due to their location on the Dublin to Belfast economic corridor Dundalk; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paula Butterly. [39512/25]
- 9. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if his Department will consider a new retrospective scheme for residents of Midleton who wish to purchase higher barriers to protect their premises from any flooding that may occur in the future considering parts of Midleton town were under four feet of water and higher during Storm Babet; if his Department is aware of any delays installing the current IPP scheme in Midleton; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James O'Connor. [40172/25]
- 10. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 363 of 20 May and 79 of 1 July 2025, if he will carry out a feasibility study to assess whether the remains of the Invincibles (details supplied) can be reinterred in Glasnevin Cemetery from their unmarked graves in Kilmainham Gaol, where they were interred in 1883; if his office will engage with family members of the Invincibles on this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mark Ward. [38413/25]
- 11. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress being made on plans for additional funding to Uisce Éireann to progress large scale infrastructure projects following the review of the National Development Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [40118/25]
- 12. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if there is long-term financial planning for capital infrastructure projects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Edward Timmins. [40182/25]
- 13. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he is reviewing the infrastructure guidelines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Seán Fleming. [39797/25]
- 14. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide an overview of OPW drainage, flood protection and coastal erosion defence works that are planned to be undertaken in County Clare in 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [39855/25]
- 15. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide an update on his scoping exercise for the overpayment of civil servants and ministers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mairéad Farrell. [39499/25]

- 16. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the safeguards that are now in place to ensure large-scale public infrastructure contracts are completed on time and within budget; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

 Séamus McGrath. [40074/25]
- 17. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will report on the public engagement event he hosted on accelerating infrastructure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Erin McGreehan. [39950/25]
- 18. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide funding to tackle costal erosion and flooding in Rossbeigh, Waterville, Kenmare, Tralee, Listowel, Glenbeigh, Dooks, Cromane Lower, Killorglin and Glosha; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [39792/25]
- 19. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will ensure that the new National Development Plan sets an enhanced level of ambition for collaborative cross-Border public investment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [39837/25]
- 20. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation when the remaining three payment requests under the EU's Recovery and Resilience Facility will be formally submitted to the European Commission; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Cearúil. [39987/25]
- 21. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an overview of the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome 5 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Ardagh. [39719/25]
- 22. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the current status and occupancy of the OPW-owned Garda station in An Rinn, County Waterford. Conor D. McGuinness. [40161/25]
- 23. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will report on the new Accelerating Infrastructure Taskforce; when it will report; what are the emerging issues that have been identified; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Seán Fleming. [39796/25]
- 24. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an overview of the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome 1 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Willie O'Dea. [39824/25]
- 25. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will report on the progress of the new accelerating infrastructure taskforce; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40159/25]
- 26. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the position regarding discussions his Department has had with other Government Departments about reducing or increasing third level college fees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [40117/25]

- 27. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for a report on Ireland's second payment under the EU's Recovery and Resilience Facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Cearúil. [39986/25]
- 28. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation when the allocations for the Infrastructure, Climate and Nature Fund operated by his Department will be made known; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [39171/25]
- 29. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation when he will bring forward a public investment Bill; the rationale for the Bill; the likely objectives of such legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cormac Devlin. [40119/25]
- 30. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation when flood defence works will commence for a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [40142/25]
- 31. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide a breakdown of capital allocations made to public infrastructure projects located in Dublin Bay north, including investments in schools, transport, and healthcare facilities, in each of the years 2022, 2023 and 2024, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Heneghan. [40187/25]
- 32. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress being made in his Department on reviewing the infrastructure guidelines and creating a public investment Act, requiring sponsoring agencies to meet timelines on development of project appraisals and other evaluations so as to reduce delays in decision making and embed value for money across all capital projects, as per the Programme for Government commitment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Connolly. [40076/25]
- 33. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if a preferred site has been identified by the OPW for Northern Cross Garda station; the expected capacity of the site; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40160/25]
- 34. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on the review of the National Development Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Darren O'Rourke. [38945/25]
- 35. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on flood protection measures currently being undertaken in Rathcormac, Killeagh, Mogeely, Castlemartyr and Midleton in east Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Noel McCarthy. [39572/25]
- 36. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation further to Parliamentary Question No. 100 of 13 February 2025, for an update on the Coirib go Cósta project; the timeline for its delivery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly. [39985/25]

- 37. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if meeting Ireland's climate targets will be a consideration in the allocation of the final tranche of money raised from AIB share sales, as part of the National Development Plan review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [39896/25]
- 38. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on a flood relief scheme for Ballinasloe; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Claire Kerrane. [38436/25]
- 39. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation his response to the recent IMF report on the Irish economy, especially in relation to the areas under his remit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Shay Brennan. [39789/25]
- 40. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide an update on the proposed new Garda station for Northern Cross in Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cian O'Callaghan. [40130/25]
- 41. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an overview of the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome 9 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Ryan O'Meara. [39787/25]
- 42. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome 4 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Seán Ó Fearghaíl. [39689/25]
- 43. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the new protocols implemented to ensure that future IT upgrades of State or public bodies will be fully thought out, have robust procurement-tender documentation, including penalty clauses for failure to deliver; have the relevant IT expertise or access to it to ensure assessment; monitoring of any such IT project till full completion of tender; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [38421/25]
- 44. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an overview of the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome 8 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [39808/25]
- 45. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation further to Parliamentary Question No. 101 of 29 May 2025, for a further update on a commencement date for the construction of the new south Tipperary Garda Community HQ based in Clonmel; and if the project is still on track for a completion date of the end of 2026. Michael Murphy. [38412/25]
- 46. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on the plans for the proposed new visitor centre development at Trim Castle; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aisling Dempsey. [39714/25]

- 47. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the position regarding the National Public Procurement Strategy review; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Ward. [39587/25]
- 48. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an overview of the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome 6 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Ardagh. [39720/25]
- 49. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to confirm the level of capital spending on Cork and Dublin in the years 2022 to 2024; the major capital spending plans for Cork going forward; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Colm Burke. [40138/25]
- 50. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the way in which public expenditure to date in 2025 compares to the same period in 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Shay Brennan. [39790/25]
- 51. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the measures he is taking to speed up the delivery of local projects on publicly owned land; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pa Daly. [40156/25]
- 52. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if sustainable management of water and other environmental resources will be a key priority of the new National Development Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Ryan O'Meara. [39788/25]
- 53. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation further to Parliamentary Question No. 25 of 9 July 2025, if his Department will liaise directly with Cork County Council to consider re-opening the retrospective element of the Midleton and east Cork individual property protection (IPP) scheme to applicants who are seeking the installation of higher barriers for the protection of their property than what is currently being provided, and who, having received quotations, did not proceed with the original installation of such barriers by a private contractor given their expected availability under the finalised IPP scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Noel McCarthy. [39571/25]
- 54. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation when the National Development Plan 2026-2035 will be published; if it will include a section on childcare infrastructure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Shane Moynihan. [40005/25]
- 55. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an overview of the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome 7 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [39806/25]
- 56. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide an update on his Department's work to recover pension overpayments from existing and former ministers and senior-grade civil servants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cian O'Callaghan. [40129/25]

- 57. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide an overview of cases before his Department for certain workers to be re-categorised as public service workers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [39854/25]
- 58. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an overview of the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome 10 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Erin McGreehan. [39951/25]
- 59. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the recent efforts made to progress the Blackpool flood relief scheme given the continual delays on the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [38580/25]
- 60. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on the south Galway flood relief scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Albert Dolan. [39681/25]
- 61. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on the rollout of the guidelines for responsible use of artificial intelligence in the public service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Malcolm Byrne. [40068/25]
- 62. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will urgently address the long delays signing a lease for a playground to be developed in conjunction with Kerry County Council on OPW lands at An Cheathrúin, Dún Chaoin, County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [39791/25]
- 63. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome 3 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Seán Ó Fearghaíl. [39688/25]
- 64. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the measures put in place to ensure value for money as a result of the expansion of civil and public service numbers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Malcolm Byrne. [40067/25]
- 65. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress to date with the proposed Cavan town drainage scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [39853/25]
- 66. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the up-to-date position on advancing flood defence works in the Upper River Lee area of County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [40141/25]
- 67. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the timeline for when the public consultation will be established in relation to the

Blackpool flood relief scheme given the proposal for this project has been approved by the OPW and before it can be progressed it must also receive approval from his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [38715/25]

- 68. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the Roscommon Courthouse refurbishment has been considered for inclusion in the National Development Plan, following positive engagement with the Minister for Justice and the Minister of State at the Office of Public Works, and in view of the Government's stated commitment to advancing works on the site in time to come. Martin Daly. [40063/25]
- 69. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation his plans to broaden the remit of the National Development Finance Agency to provide expert advice for major infrastructure delivery; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cormac Devlin. [40120/25]
- 70. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide an update on reform of the ethics in public office legislation, given that the review of the statutory framework was completed in December 2022; the reason for the delay in publishing the heads of a Bill; if he expects this Bill to be introduced this year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cian O'Callaghan. [40131/25]
- 71. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation his views on the merits of producing national and local authority level statistics to outline how an individual's income taxes are spent, broken down by Department, local services, and so on (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Barry Ward. [38836/25]
- 72. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an overview of the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome 2 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Willie O'Dea. [39825/25]
- 73. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on the establishment and the work programme of the new infrastructure taskforce; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Connolly. [40075/25]
- 74. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the stage at which the new infrastructure taskforce is; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Edward Timmins. [40181/25]
- 75. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the actions the Government is taking to improve the delivery of, and value for money in, infrastructure in the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Eoin Hayes. [40003/25]
- 76. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for progress reports on the Whitechurch flood alleviation scheme and Poddle flood alleviation scheme; when these will be completed and all obstacles to movements in local parks such as St. Enda's and Tymon removed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Lahart. [39993/25]

77. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on vacant publicly owned buildings; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [40155/25]

CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH TOSAÍOCHT DÓIBH OUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

Chun an Aire Oideachais agus Óige: To the Minister for Education and Youth.

- 78. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of children identified by the NCSE by the February deadline who have yet to be offered a school place for September 2025; the total number of children now identified with a recommendation for a special class or special school place who have not been offered a school place for September; to outline her efforts to ensure that all children with additional educational needs will have a physical school place and the necessary SET, SNA and other resources and supports in place for September; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Darren O'Rourke. [40610/25]
- 79. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide an update on her plans to address the projected population growth in Portmarnock; the projected impact this will have on school places; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Duncan Smith. [39781/25]
- 80. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of children who applied and paid on time that were refused a place on school transport in September 2024; the specific changes that will be made to the school transport system in 2025-2026 compared to 2024-2025 to ensure that all children who want to avail of the scheme are accommodated; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Darren O'Rourke. [40611/25]
- 81. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update on implementation of the opportunities for youth work strategy. Jen Cummins. [39687/25]
- 82. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if children attending a school (details supplied) who have applied for a place in a special school and have a letter from the NCSE that they are entitled to such a place, will get a place in one of the two news autism classes being established in the school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40455/25]
- 83. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will consider introducing a three-week mandatory Gaeltacht course for every student studying Irish at Leaving Certificate level; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Ryan O'Meara. [40612/25]

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Chun an Aire Oideachais agus Óige: To the Minister for Education and Youth.

- 84. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department will bring forward a plan to support children with dyslexia; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Duncan Smith. [39783/25]
- 85. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the status of school building projects across Cork county of which her Department is aware, in tabular form; the stage of the process they are currently at; and if she will make a statement on the matter. James O'Connor. [40175/25]

- 86. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of sanctioned classes nationally for children with additional needs, as announced earlier this year; the number hoped to be operational in autumn 2025 in the Dublin north-west constituency; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul McAuliffe. [40000/25]
- 87. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will provide a list of all capital projects currently underway in Cork city and county, in tabular form; the stages the various projects are at; the amount of capital estimated and spent on each project to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [38583/25]
- 88. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the position regarding the percentage of eligible schools that have completed or commenced work to install solar panels under the free scheme for schools; if she will consider providing funding to allow private schools take part in this scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Barry Ward. [38827/25]
- 89. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department will work with the DDLETB to fast track the application for a new building for a school (details supplied) which has faced significant delays; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Duncan Smith. [39784/25]
- 90. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide an updated list of all primary and post-primary schools that have been sanctioned for an ASD class for the 2025-2026 school year.

 Sorca Clarke. [39382/25]
- 91. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will provide an update on the progress of the €5 million pilot programme of counselling and wellbeing/mental health supports for the academic years 2024-2025; to provide a breakdown of the progress in Cork in particular; if there are plans to expand the programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Colm Burke. [40008/25]
- 92. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update on the status of the extension to a school (details supplied); the timeline for the delivery of the extension; when the project is expected to be completed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly. [39982/25]
- 93. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth further to the roll out and installation of solar panels in schools, if there are plans to work the ESB in relation to prioritising schools for installation or adjusting the payment rate for schools without smart metres to sell electricity back into the grid (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Edward Timmins. [40201/25]
- 94. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if there are plans to review the transition year programme to include 'practical life skills' as part of the compulsory requirement across all schools: personal legal rights, household management, personal finance, taxation and social welfare, and the driver theory test; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Edward Timmins. [40202/25]
- 95. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she recognises that the introduction of one-to-one digital policies in schools can put an impossible financial burden on some parents; the measures she is taking to support parents and students who are unable to afford digital devices in

one-to-one digital schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [40113/25]

- 96. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to outline the supports that are available for capital development for youth facilities from her Department; the plans she has to expand these; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Malcolm Byrne. [40070/25]
- 97. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the actions she will take to ensure that every child has an appropriate school place with all necessary supports in their local area in September. Paul Murphy. [39845/25]
- 98. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the criteria for schools to qualify for DEIS status; the progress of a DEIS+ model; when this will be delivered; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Mark Ward. [40132/25]
- 99. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will ensure that adequate financial provision is made to enable the appointment of SNAs to all schools from September where such needs have been identified, and ensure that all pupils needing such support will not be deprived of same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [39776/25]
- 100. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of children currently awaiting a place in a secondary school; her Department's plans to ensure that every child who finished sixth class in 2025 is able to progress to secondary school in September; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Mairéad Farrell. [40176/25]
- 101. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if a review can be carried out on the process for assessing teaching allocations, given a number of primary schools in County Louth have been affected by the loss of a teacher while managing class sizes in excess of 30 pupils per class, contrary to the recently published figure of 22 pupils per class being the national average; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paula Butterly. [39428/25]
- 102. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide an update on plans to roll out senior cycle redevelopment in light of the rejection of the implementation plan by an organisation (details supplied); the level of engagement and progress with the ASTI and other second level stakeholders since that ballot; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Darren O'Rourke. [40115/25]
- 103. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the progress to date in providing a new school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [39777/25]
- 104. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if there is any intention within the Department to progress the development of guidelines and additional supports for schools on supporting transitions of children as they move from early years to junior infants, including the extension of AIM supports into primary education; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

 John Connolly. [40077/25]
- 105. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department is aware of financial constraints currently being experienced by independent youth projects in Dublin; if she will put in place a bespoke solution to alleviate any constraints, in partnership with the City of Dublin Youth Services board; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul McAuliffe. [39999/25]

- 106. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will intervene to ensure that a school (details supplied) receive a decision on their emergency works grant application to enable the numerous leaks in the school roof be repaired; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40072/25]
- 107. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she is considering a strategic plan to attract qualified teachers, who have left the service to work abroad, back to the education service in Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Duncan Smith. [39786/25]
- 108. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department has considered increasing the availability of Irish phonics resources to assist students with dyslexia studying Irish; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40158/25]
- 109. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will provide an update on school building projects in Dublin mid-west (details supplied) and their projected completion dates. Shane Moynihan. [40006/25]
- 110. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of applications made for an additional SNA in counties Galway and Roscommon, where the application has been denied by the NCSE; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Claire Kerrane. [38438/25]
- 111. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when schools will be added to the DEIS list; and when the next list of additional schools to the DEIS programme will be announced (details supplied). Michael Murphy. [36846/25]
- 112. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth her Department's plans to provide alternative models of learning for children who struggle with the larger conventional classroom model and prefer learning in smaller groups; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Donna McGettigan. [40163/25]
- 113. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will address concerns from parents and schools about suggestions by her Department that parents should no longer apply directly to schools geared towards mild disability, and that the decision on who attends should no longer be made by the board of management based on medical advice and the parents' submissions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [39850/25]
- 114. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she has plans to provide for specialised support for students with speech and sound disorders of a known origin, given that these children are currently excluded from enrolling in DLD/SSD special classes, and that no alternative supports are available to them, despite their needs being no less significant than those of children currently eligible to enrol. Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [40064/25]
- 115. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will provide an update of the timeline for the budget allocation and commencement of the new school building for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. William Aird. [40185/25]
- 116. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will intervene to allow a school (details supplied) access to land owned by Fingal County Council immediately adjacent to the school for the duration of building works that will be commencing soon, so school students have access to some play areas while building works are taking place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40071/25]

- 117. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide further clarity on the reason a school (details supplied) was not facilitated to open a new autism classroom; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Duncan Smith. [39782/25]
- 118. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of speech and language therapists assigned to schools in Dublin for each year from 2020 to 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Barry Heneghan. [40200/25]
- 119. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the up-to-date position on her Department's evaluation of pilots run under the revised school transport scheme for 2025-2026; the next stage in the rollout of the revised school transport scheme 2025-2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [40144/25]
- 120. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide a list of schools in Mayo which are due to open autism classes in September 2025; the names of schools which were due to open autism classes but which are not now proceeding; to provide the reasons scheduled autism classes may not be opening in September; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Rose Conway-Walsh. [39774/25]
- 121. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of children still without an appropriate school place for September; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Murphy. [39848/25]
- 122. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for reconfiguration numbers at the end of the 2025 academic year. Jen Cummins. [39684/25]
- 123. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when she will announce the next pilot routes on the school transport scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Aisling Dempsey. [39997/25]
- 124. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the status of the timeline for the budget allocation and commencement of a new two-storey extension comprising four classrooms, specialist rooms, toilets, stores at a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. William Aird. [40184/25]
- 125. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais agus Óige na céimeanna atá glactha aici chun déileáil leis an easpa téascleabhar as Gaeilge atá ar fáil do dhaltaí Ghaelcholáistí an Stáit ionas gur féidir leo, ar comhchéim le daltaí i gcoláistí Béarla, staidéar i nGaeilge a dhéanamh ar na hábhair don Teastas Sóisearach nó don Ardteistiméireacht. Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [38422/25]
- 126. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the reason two secondary schools in Tipperary town have no resources under the DEIS programme (details supplied) given they serve the same families as five DEIS schools in the area. Michael Murphy. [36847/25]
- 127. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth her plans to pause the reconfiguration of MGLD schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jen Cummins. [39685/25]
- 128. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to outline the plans there are to offer educational solutions at primary and secondary schools for students with mild learning disabilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [39353/25]

- 129. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the actions underway in primary schools to ensure that children have adequate digital literacy skills. Erin McGreehan. [40002/25]
- 130. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth her plans to acknowledge and provide restitution for survivors who experienced abuse in Irish schools under the guideline of 'corporal punishment'. Conor D. McGuinness. [40147/25]
- 131. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 330 of 8 May 2025, the position regarding the school transport pilot scheme; if the scheme will be extended beyond the 14 schools from the 2024/2025 school year; if the students in this pilot project from last year will be granted eligible tickets for the 2025/26 school year instead of concessionary tickets; and if she will make a statement on the matter. James O'Connor. [40174/25]
- 132. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the action she is taking to increase the numbers of SNAs and special education teachers available to teach in schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Murphy. [39847/25]
- 133. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the steps she is taking to ensure that children have access to summer provision and adequate supports during the summer months; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Lawless. [32483/25]
- 134. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will introduce pension parity for school secretaries and caretakers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Louis O'Hara. [38943/25]
- 135. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Oideachais agus Óige an aontaíonn sí go bhfuil líon na ndaltaí atá ag fáil díolúintí ó staidéar a dhéanamh ar an nGaeilge ag leibhéal na meánscolaíochta as alt go hiomlán agus ag déanamh scigmhagadh den riachtanas gur gá do chuile dhalta an Ghaeilge a bheith mar ábhar acu mar chuid dá meánscolaíocht, agus cén céimeanna atá glactha aici chun an líon sin a ísliú. Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [38424/25]
- 136. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of children that will be affected by the decision not to open autism classes in Mayo which had been scheduled to open in September 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Rose Conway-Walsh. [39775/25]
- 137. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the measures she is taking to increase ASD unit capacity; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pa Daly. [40140/25]
- 138. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 205 of 1 October 2024, if it is still the intention of her Department to make a green area available for use as a playing field by local schools; if so, to provide an update on the progress made within her Department in this regard; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Noel McCarthy. [39996/25]
- 139. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will consider introducing a funding stream in her Department in order that all secondary school students would be entitled to have a free Irish college experience at least once during their schooling; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [39852/25]

- 140. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the immediate steps her Department is taking to address the urgent issue of Special Needs Assistant (SNA) resourcing in the Roscommon–Galway constituency, particularly in light of the current pause in the allocation process and the restriction that appeals may only be submitted in July 2025; and if she will consider interim measures or fast-tracking appeals for schools in rural areas, where children with complex medical and educational needs are being supported in mainstream classrooms without current SNA allocations, placing school communities in an unsafe and unsustainable position heading into September. Martin Daly. [40066/25]
- 141. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if the Government will address the shortage of early intervention classes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pa Daly. [40139/25]
- 142. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if, before issuing 0039/2025, she has considered the unique and complex situation of the cohort of students that currently benefit from the specialised education provided at MGLD special schools across the country; if her Department is aware of the potential negative impacts of a forced redesignation on these students, as expressed by parents, teachers, principals and the students themselves; if she will consider revising her decision in light of recent testimonies; and if she plans on engaging with stakeholders on the matter. Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [40065/25]
- 143. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she is aware of children who, according to their autism reports, require one-on-one SNA support, being denied this by the NCSE; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Claire Kerrane. [38437/25]
- 144. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the steps her Department have undertaken to reduce the pupil teacher ratio in an effort to maintain teaching posts while there is a temporary dip in primary school enrolment numbers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Grace Boland. [40137/25]
- 145. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the steps her Department is taking to address the urgent issue of special needs assistant (SNA) resourcing in the Roscommon-Galway constituency, particularly in light of the current pause in the allocation process and the restriction that appeals may only be submitted in July 2025; and if she will consider interim measures or fast tracking appeals for schools in rural areas, where children with complex medical and educational needs are being supported in mainstream classrooms without current SNA allocations, placing school communities in an unsafe and unsustainable position heading into September. Martin Daly. [40062/25]
- 146. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the measures she is taking to address the teacher supply crisis in advance of September 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Darren O'Rourke. [40112/25]
- 147. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of children with additional needs who have yet to secure appropriate places in primary and secondary schools in the next academic year; what plans there are to address this issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [39352/25]
- 148. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the up-to-date position on a design team been appointed to a new school project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Aindrias Moynihan. [40143/25]

- 149. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of children attending Gaelscoileanna and Gaelcholáistí, including in Gaeltacht areas, in each of the past three years; the indicative number for 2025-2026; her plans to increase the number of children who complete their primary and second level education through Irish; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Darren O'Rourke. [40116/25]
- 150. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the efforts her Department are making to ensure a sufficient supply of primary school teachers are available to fill all outstanding vacancies within the sector; and if she will make a statement on the matter. John Connolly. [40078/25]
- 151. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of children from Dublin Bay north who were on a waiting list for a place in a special school in each of the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

 Barry Heneghan. [40199/25]
- 152. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update on the long-awaited capital works at a school (details supplied). Conor D. McGuinness. [40148/25]
- 153. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will ensure that all children who meet the criteria for a special needs class will get a place in a special needs class in September 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Martin Kenny. [38426/25]
- 154. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the measures she is taking to amend this criterion following the dissemination of circular 0024/2025 (details supplied) to be inclusive of children with a disability and speech sound disorder; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Mairéad Farrell. [39679/25]
- 155. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she is concerned by reports that large numbers of students in post-primary schools are receiving exemptions for Irish; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40157/25]
- 156. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if the projected population growth in Donabate outpaces her Department's delivery of new primary and secondary schools for the area; if her Department, via the capital plan for the area, will ensure that the delivery of new schools is prioritised to meet the demand; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Duncan Smith. [39785/25]
- 157. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the position regarding any initiatives that seek to increase the provision of Gaelscoileanna and Gaelcholáistí at a national level; her views on the importance of offering parents this option of school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Barry Ward. [38828/25]
- 158. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the urgent steps being taken to ensure equality for school secretaries and caretakers; the details of her engagement to date with their trade union and with the Department of Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation in this regard; if the analysis of the survey undertaken by her Department to understand the current working patterns and the terms of work for school caretakers has completed; the results of same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly. [39983/25]

- 159. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide an update in relation to the implementation of the terms of the school transport review to reduce distance criteria and expand eligibility, as set out in the Programme for Government; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Colm Burke. [40009/25]
- 160. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will increase funding for SNAs and SNA allocations for schools to ensure that lack of SNAs is not a barrier to any child accessing an appropriate school place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Murphy. [39846/25]
- 161. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth her plans to ensure schools that are operating via Windows 10 are supported to upgrade all ICT infrastructure; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jen Cummins. [39683/25]
- 162. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will confirm that pupils with a diagnosis of dyslexia will be allowed additional time to complete their State exams in 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Grace Boland. [40136/25]
- 163. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the work that has been undertaken since youth work came under her remit. Jen Cummins. [39686/25]
- 164. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the steps her Department is taking to combat the use of AI in assessments; the concerns her Department has; the steps she is taking to reduce its prevalence; if she will engage with stakeholders to insure the integrity of assessment practices can be protected; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [38582/25]
- 165. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she has engaged with the Minister for Transport and the Road Safety Authority regarding allowing those over 70 years to drive for school transport; if this will now be allowed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brian Stanley. [39574/25]
- 166. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth her plans to invest in and expand early intervention classes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Darren O'Rourke. [40114/25]
- 167. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will provide an overview of steps she is taking to ensure that school secretaries and care-takers receive better pay and conditions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [39851/25]
- 168. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if a review of the number of special needs assistants will be carried out for a school (details supplied); to outline the recommended student-SNA ratio; the average SNA allocation per 100 students; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Mark Ward. [40133/25]
- 169. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department will reassess the need for a secondary school for Newcastle given the population is growing faster than projected in the 2022-2028 South Dublin County Development Plan; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Shane Moynihan. [40007/25]

- 170. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update on a new primary school for Carrick on Shannon; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Martin Kenny. [38425/25]
- 171. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the accommodations currently in place for visually impaired students sitting the Leaving Certificate examinations. Erin McGreehan. [40001/25]
- 172. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she has engaged with an organisation (details supplied) regarding the treatment of abuse survivors and the need for a redress scheme for survivors of abuse; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Louis O'Hara. [38944/25]
- 173. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide an update on the development of a school (details supplied); and to outline plans for its future growth. Malcolm Byrne. [40069/25]
- 174. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will urgently review the sanction and subsequent withdrawal of sanction for a new ASD class at a school (details supplied) in Tipperary; the reasons this sanction was removed; if she is satisfied with the manner in which this matter has been dealt with; if she will instruct the NCSE to re-instate the ASD class that she approved and announced in March 2025 to ensure this much-needed class proceeds; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Mattie McGrath. [39235/25]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

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

- *175. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40392/25]
- *176. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40415/25]
- *177. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40548/25]

- *178. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide an update on Ireland's contributions at the fourth International Conference on Financing for Development which was held in Seville recently; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40568/25]
- *179. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his Department's position on sovereign debt restructuring and debt forgiveness in the global south in the context of the fourth International Conference on Financing for Development which was held in Seville recently; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40569/25]
- *180. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his Department has raised concerns at EU level over the cuts to aid and development funding and increased emphasis on military spending, and its potential impact on diplomatic relations with countries across the global south; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40570/25]
- *181. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his Department has created contingency plans to help Irish citizens in the US should they be deported by the Trump administration to imprisonment in El Salvador. Sinéad Gibney. [40635/25]
- *182. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if there are response plans in place to assist Irish citizens in the US should they be deported by the Trump administration to a third country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40636/25]
- *183. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his Department is aware of the number of Irish citizens are currently detained by ICE in the United States; if his Department is aware of where these citizens are being held; if they have been able to provide consular assistance to them; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40637/25]
- *184. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if his Department will conduct an impact assessment on the potential application of tariffs between the EU and US markets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40672/25]
- *185. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade his views on the cause of the breakdown of negotiations between the EU and the US which has resulted in the imposition of tariffs on the EU by the current US administration; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40673/25]
- *186. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the current and future engagements he has had in relation to Ukraine in terms of meetings here in Ireland or with European counterparts, planned visits and committed funding over the next six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cormac Devlin. [40691/25]

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

*187. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment his plans to review the sectoral emissions ceilings for carbon budgets 1 and 2 in view of the Environmental Protection Agency's recent call that 'sectoral ceilings must be revised to account for updated science in

emissions inventory data'; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Marie Sherlock. [40367/25]

- *188. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40386/25]
- *189. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40409/25]
- *190. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40546/25]

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

- *191. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40388/25]
- *192. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40411/25]
- *193. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to

- internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40543/25]
- *194. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the number of Naval Service which are operational, and currently able to patrol Irish waters. Sinéad Gibney. [40639/25]
- *195. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence the steps his Department is taking to ensure Ireland has adequate personnel to staff Naval Service ships and adequately patrol Irish waters. Sinéad Gibney. [40640/25]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

- *196. To ask the Minister for Transport the length of time an applicant (details supplied) can expect to continue to wait for a retest for a driving licence and if he will outline the average maximum waiting times in this area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [40216/25]
- *197. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will consider improving the frequencies of the Westport to Dublin train service to a two hourly service similar to Sligo and Galway train services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40222/25]
- *198. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will consider restoring the catering services across all railway networks, including Westport to Dublin, by Public Service Obligation funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40223/25]
- *199. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason the previously implemented Covid-related extensions to taxi licence age limits, specifically for vehicles originally reaching their ten-year limit that were initially extended to 2025, were limited to taxi licences and not extended to hackney licences; if there are plans to extend the extensions to hackney licences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40226/25]
- *200. To ask the Minister for Transport for an update on the requirements for a limousine licence; if there are any plans to introduce an age limit for vehicles as is the case for taxi and hackney licences; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40227/25]
- *201. To ask the Minister for Transport for an update on the progress made in identifying a new permanent site for the RSA test centre in the west of Galway City, which is intended to replace the former location at Westside Shopping Centre and the current temporary site at location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Connolly. [40262/25]
- *202. To ask the Minister for Transport the waiting times across the State for the walkaround test to complete a driver certificate of professional competence for bus drivers, in tabular form; the steps being taken to reduce this waiting time; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

 Mark Ward. [40277/25]
- *203. To ask the Minister for Transport the rationale given for mandating that disabled parking permits have a validity length of two years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Louis O'Hara. [40280/25]

- *204. To ask the Minister for Transport the services he has designated as emergency services for the purposes of the road traffic Acts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [40299/25]
- *205. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will request Irish Rail to provide luggage storage lockers at the principal railways stations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40326/25]
- *206. To ask the Minister for Transport the steps he has taken to implement Directive (EU) 2019/1936 of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2008/96/EC on road infrastructure safety management. Roderic O'Gorman. [40327/25]
- *207. To ask the Minister for Transport the projected cost of a transport development (details supplied); the services envisaged to operate from this facility; the timeline for the commencement and completion of works; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Emer Currie. [40342/25]
- *208. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will clarify the operational status of a test centre (details supplied); when a driving test was last held at this facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Emer Currie. [40345/25]
- *209. To ask the Minister for Transport further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40401/25]
- *210. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40424/25]
- *211. To ask the Minister for Transport if there are plans to put in place a bilateral reciprocal driving licence exchange agreement between Ireland and the US; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paula Butterly. [40459/25]
- *212. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of people who entered and exited the State through seaports this year to date and in each of the last five years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [40466/25]
- *213. To ask the Minister for Transport when the free public transport for children under nine years of age as committed to in Budget 2025, will be implemented; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40473/25]

- *214. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40486/25]
- *215. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount of funding given to each county under the active travel investment programme in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40551/25]
- *216. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount of funding given to each county under the low-emissions vehicle toll incentive in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40554/25]
- *217. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount of funding given to each county under the zero-emission heavy-duty vehicle scheme in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40555/25]
- *218. To ask the Minister for Transport if any assistance is given for people who have limited reading and writing capacity for CPC tests; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Réada Cronin. [40592/25]
- *219. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will request Bus Éireann to consider adding a stop for the route 2 service from Arklow to Dublin Airport at UCD Belfield; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James Geoghegan. [40634/25]
- *220. To ask the Minister for Transport to detail the volume of seafarers that applied and were subsequently registered annually by his Departments Mercantile Marine Office in each of the past six years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cormac Devlin. [40697/25]
- *221. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of ship inspections, by port, that were carried out annually by officials in each of the past five years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cormac Devlin. [40698/25]

Chun an Aire Airgeadais: To the Minister for Finance.

- *222. To ask the Minister for Finance the amount of funding given to each county under the vehicle registration tax relief scheme in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40552/25]
- *223. To ask the Minister for Finance whether his Department has raised any concerns around the high level of fossil fuel financing which comes through Ireland, its potential impact on Ireland's climate targets and global decarbonisation efforts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40638/25]
- *224. To ask the Minister for Finance if he is considering reform of the capital acquisitions tax thresholds in Budget 2025 to address the disparity facing individuals without children or whose closest relationships fall outside group A; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Albert Dolan. [40382/25]

- *225. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40391/25]
- *226. To ask the Minister for Finance to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40414/25]
- *227. To ask the Minister for Finance to review and remove VAT on sunscreen protection products, as they are an essential health product; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Séamus McGrath. [40441/25]
- *228. To ask the Minister for Finance his views on whether the Central Bank has gone beyond the requirements of EU rules on the regulation of financial services; if in the regulation of any financial services or products, the Central Bank is applying additional rules beyond that set out in EU law; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Malcolm Byrne. [40458/25]
- *229. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost to the Exchequer of the approved profit-sharing scheme in 2025 and 2026. Pearse Doherty. [40520/25]
- *230. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost to the Exchequer of the deduction for retrofitting expenditure in 2025 and 2026. Pearse Doherty. [40521/25]
- *231. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost to the Exchequer of the Employment Investment Incentive in 2025 and 2026. Pearse Doherty. [40522/25]
- *232. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost to the Exchequer of the foreign earnings deduction in 2025 and 2026. Pearse Doherty. [40523/25]
- *233. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost to the Exchequer of the Key Employee Engagement Programme in 2025 and 2026. Pearse Doherty. [40524/25]
- *234. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost to the exchequer of medical insurance relief in 2025 and 2026. Pearse Doherty. [40531/25]
- *235. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost to the exchequer of the tax relief at source in 2025 and 2026. Pearse Doherty. [40532/25]
- *236. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost to the exchequer of the remote working relief in 2025 and 2026. Pearse Doherty. [40533/25]

- *237. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost to the exchequer of the rental tax credit in 2024. Pearse Doherty. [40534/25]
- *238. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue raised by introducing a 25% or 50% cap, respectively, on corporation tax relief utilised in a single year by all banks, in first- and full-year terms; and had it been introduced in the year 2024. Pearse Doherty. [40535/25]
- *239. To ask the Minister for Finance the cost to the exchequer of SARP in 2026. Pearse Doherty. [40536/25]
- *240. To ask the Minister for Finance the total number of individuals subject to high-income individuals' restriction; the estimated additional income tax raised each year since 2007, in tabular form; to outline any reasons for the severe drop-off in the number of individuals subject to the tax and the falling revenue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40539/25]
- *241. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of revenue staff based in the O'Connell Street offices; the total office space used by the revenue office on O'Connell Street; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40540/25]
- *242. To ask the Minister for Finance if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40547/25]
- *243. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated number of workers that avail of the full 40% income tax relief on pensions; the share of workers eligible for the 40% income tax relief on pensions who avail of the full relief; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40557/25]
- *244. To ask the Minister for Finance the first- and full-year costs of reducing the first rate of USC from 0.5 to 0%; reducing the second rate of USC from 2 to 0%; and increasing the threshold to the third rate of USC from €27,382 to €40,000. Pearse Doherty. [40558/25]
- *245. To ask the Minister for Finance the first- and full-year costs of reducing the first rate of USC from 0.5 to 0%; reducing the second rate of USC from 2 to 0%; and increasing the threshold to the third rate of USC from €27,382 to €35,000. Pearse Doherty. [40559/25]
- *246. To ask the Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 296 of 12 June 2025, if he will clarify that c.€350 million is the projected cost of the renters' tax credit in 2025; to outline the allocation in the projection for 2026 to cover the cost of claims for the tax credit from 2023, 2024 and 2025. Pearse Doherty. [40560/25]
- *247. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated amount a three-year waiver on capital gains tax for the sale of above-the-shop units in Ireland would cost under various scenarios with regard to the number of units sold; and if he will make a statement on the matter. James Geoghegan. [40631/25]
- *248. To ask the Minister for Finance the number of taxpayer units who have self-assessed with Revenue as non-domiciled in each of the years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024; and the total

- number of taxpayer units with non-domiciled status that are resident or ordinarily resident in the State. Pearse Doherty. [40679/25]
- *249. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue that would be raised by ending the non-domiciled status for individuals that are resident or ordinarily resident in the State. Pearse Doherty. [40680/25]
- *250. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue raise by applying a 1% increase on the tax rate for capital gains tax, capital acquisitions tax and deposit interest retention tax. Pearse Doherty. [40681/25]
- *251. To ask the Minister for Finance the total amount of Israeli bonds held by any State body under the aegis of his Department; the details of any purchase or sale of Israeli bonds in the past three years, specifying the date of the purchase or sale, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40682/25]
- *252. To ask the Minister for Finance to outline any engagement his Department or bodies under the aegis of his Department have had with the Department of Social Protection to tackle bogus self-employment; the annual estimated cost in lost revenue as a result of bogus self-employment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40683/25]
- *253. To ask the Minister for Finance how foreign earnings are treated for capital acquisitions tax purposes. Pearse Doherty. [40699/25]
- *254. To ask the Minister for Finance the estimated revenue raise by applying a mandatory surcharge of 100% on all cases of tax avoidance above €10,000, €50,000 and €100,000 respectively. Pearse Doherty. [40700/25]
- Chun an Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí, Bonneagair, Athchóiriúcháin Seirbhíse Poiblí agus Digitiúcháin: To the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure; Public Service Reform and Digitalisation.
- *255. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the net cost to the exchequer of a 1% increase in the public sector pay agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40538/25]
- *256. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40397/25]

- *257. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to clarify which Department or agency holds overall responsibility for the monitoring, governance, and financial oversight of Public-Private Partnership (PPP) projects across the State; and if he will provide a list of all Departments, bodies or agencies currently involved in PPP project delivery or management. Albert Dolan. [40402/25]
- *258. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if a central register or database of all active and completed Public-Private Partnership projects exists; and if so, to provide a link or reference to this register, including project name, sponsoring Department, value, start/end dates and any annual cost commitments.

 Albert Dolan. [40403/25]
- *259. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to outline the reporting obligations that are in place for Departments or agencies involved in Public-Private Partnership projects (PPPs); and whether Departments are required to report on PPP expenditure, contract variations, long-term liabilities, or performance metrics to any central oversight body or the Oireachtas. Albert Dolan. [40404/25]
- *260. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide a breakdown of the annual expenditure on Public-Private Partnership (PPP) projects for each of the past ten years, in tabular form; and to indicate the projected liabilities and repayment schedules due over the lifetime of existing PPP contracts. Albert Dolan. [40405/25]
- *261. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to confirm if value-for-money reviews, audits, or post-project evaluations are required for Public-Private Partnership (PPP) projects; and if so, to provide a list of all PPPs reviewed in the past five years, the reviewing body, and whether those reviews are published. Albert Dolan. [40406/25]
- *262. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40420/25]
- *263. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40482/25]
- *264. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the total floor space of the properties held by the OPW on O'Connell Street; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40556/25]

- Chun an Aire Fiontar, Turasóireachta agus Fostaíochta: To the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment.
- *265. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the initiatives in place to monitor supermarket price inflation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jen Cummins. [40315/25]
- *266. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if his Department has engaged with representative groups for voice actors on the protection of their work and their voices from use by artificial intelligence (AI) companies to train models or to provide AI-generated voiceovers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40643/25]
- *267. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to provide an update on the increased cost of business grant and power-up scheme appeals process that was recently approved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Ryan O'Meara. [40371/25]
- *268. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Albert Dolan. [40390/25]
- *269. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40413/25]
- *270. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to take into consideration the serious implications that a short-term let register will have on established short-term let accommodation providers in County Kerry (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40439/25]
- *271. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if he will task the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission with investigating the practice whereby supermarkets are mandating customers use loyalty cards to avail of cheaper prices for groceries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor Sheehan. [40448/25]
- *272. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the number of retailers being investigated for anti-competitive behaviour, namely misleading discount practices, by the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor Sheehan. [40449/25]

- *273. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment in view of the concerns of employees at a company (details supplied) if he will outline the supports being provided by his Department and the industrial promotion agencies to secure the maximum possible level of employment in that company and protect the best interests of employees; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [40467/25]
- *274. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment whether additional funding will be granted to the competent authorities and fundamental rights authorities designated under the EU Artificial Intelligence Act in order to facilitate the exercise of their duties under the act and ensure a high quality of regulation and application of the Act; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40469/25]
- *275. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if he is aware of the proposed omnibus legislation which seeks to weaken the EU's Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD), which legislation was scrutinised by the Committee on Enterprise, Tourism and Employment on 11 and 18 June 2025, and in relation to which Minister for State for International Development and Diaspora made a public commitment to defend core elements of CSDDD in Seanad Éireann on 19 June 2025; if he is aware that the European Council at its COREPER II meeting on 23 June adopted a general approach that nevertheless weakens even further the core elements of CSDDD; to clarify, in that context, whether or not Ireland's representatives at that meeting communicated the commitment made by Minister Richmond and rejected the proposal put forward by the Polish Presidency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly. [40506/25]
- *276. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40545/25]
- *277. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment when he plans to sign the draft Employment Regulation Order from the Security JLC which he received in June; when the Order will be laid before both Houses of the Oireachtas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Ged Nash. [40621/25]
- *278. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if his Department has engaged with representative groups for musicians and music producers on how to best legislate for reform of copyright laws and ensure fair remuneration for their work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40641/25]
- *279. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if his Department will release a timeline on the publishing of the Government's action plan on the promotion of collective bargaining; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40671/25]
- *280. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the supports his Department has provided to SMEs to reduce the impact of tariffs on their businesses; if these supports were financial or non-financial; if they were targeted to particular sectors; and if they were targeted to SMEs or to all businesses, in tabular form. Sinéad Gibney. [40675/25]
- *281. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the steps his Department have taken to mitigate job losses, job displacement, and lower levels of new recruitment due

- to the adoption of artificial intelligence, as reported (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40701/25]
- *282. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if his Department is collecting or tracking any data on labour displacement due to artificial intelligence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40702/25]

Chun an Aire Oideachais agus Óige: To the Minister for Education and Youth.

- *283. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether the new doctorate in educational psychology at Maynooth University, scheduled to commence in September 2025, includes mandatory placements in health and social care settings, including primary care, disability services and CAMHS, in line with current Psychological Society of Ireland accreditation standards and expected CORU registration requirements. Jen Cummins. [40301/25]
- *284. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if the new doctorate in educational psychology at Maynooth University is structured to ensure that graduates are eligible to practice across all public psychology services, and not solely within the National Educational Psychological Service. Jen Cummins. [40302/25]
- *285. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if any assessment has been carried out on the implications of limiting public funding for professional training to psychologists who may be qualified for only one employment context. Jen Cummins. [40303/25]
- *286. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if the new doctorate in educational psychology at Maynooth University has received formal approval from PSI and confirmation from CORU that it will meet professional training and registration standards within 18 months.

 Jen Cummins. [40304/25]
- *287. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will commit to reviewing public funding of educational psychology training to ensure that future cohorts are equipped to work across the full range of educational, health and social care settings, in line with the Taoiseach's stated objective to break down silos in children's disability services. Jen Cummins. [40305/25]
- *288. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to report on engagements he has had with representatives of school secretaries and caretakers in relation to their demand to be included in civil service pension schemes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Ruth Coppinger. [40676/25]
- *289. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth her plans to pause the reconfiguration of mild general learning disability schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jen Cummins. [40609/25]
- *290. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the work undertaken since youth work came under her remit. Jen Cummins. [40608/25]
- *291. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update on the provision of improved access to therapeutic services for children with additional needs, regardless of their school setting; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Mary Lou McDonald. [40207/25]

- *292. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department is taking any steps to streamline the application process for the summer programme for parents; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Emer Currie. [40215/25]
- *293. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if the number of teachers allocated in a school (details supplied) for the academic year 2025/2026 has been reduced; and if so, the reason.

 Jen Cummins. [40217/25]
- *294. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of special education teachers and SNA's allocated to a school (details supplied), in tabular form. Jen Cummins. [40218/25]
- *295. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if he plans to deliver pension parity for school secretaries and caretakers to remedy the current situation of unfair situation under which different rights are extended to different types of employees with the same employer; if he will engage with the trade unions on the issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [40219/25]
- *296. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department offers senior cycle students talks or workshops from election registration teams about the election voting process, to ensure that children aged 16 are informed of their rights to register to vote; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Donna McGettigan. [40165/25]
- *297. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of special needs assistants working in all schools, by county, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

 Eoghan Kenny. [40234/25]
- *298. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update on the proposed opening of a new special school in Carrignavar, County Cork; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

 Eoghan Kenny. [40235/25]
- *299. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update on proposed central application system for NCSE; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Eoghan Kenny. [40236/25]
- *300. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update as of July 2025 on the roll out, resourcing, and training required to deliver Leaving Certificate reform by September 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Eoghan Kenny. [40237/25]
- *301. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if the minister or her Department are considering changing parental leave options for teachers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Eoghan Kenny. [40238/25]
- *302. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update as of July 2025 on her engagement with a trade union (details supplied) with regard to school secretaries and caretakers recent ballot to take industrial action; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Eoghan Kenny. [40239/25]
- *303. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will be proposing an increase in allocation for funding per student in her budgetary process within her Department; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Eoghan Kenny. [40240/25]

- *304. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of schools referred to the FSSU in academic year 2024-2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Eoghan Kenny. [40241/25]
- *305. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of schools who have accepted funding for phone pouches scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Eoghan Kenny. [40242/25]
- *306. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of teachers allocated into special education needs schools in the 2024-2025 school year; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Eoghan Kenny. [40243/25]
- *307. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department has reviewed international models of one-stop-shop State run support services tailored to young people; if so, how these insights have informed policy development in Ireland; if not, if she intends to do so; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Rose Conway-Walsh. [40244/25]
- *308. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the means by which she will support schools facing funding challenges; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Shane Moynihan. [40259/25]
- *309. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth her plans to increase the SNA allocation for a school (details supplied). Jen Cummins. [40274/25]
- *310. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will provide a list of all capital projects currently underway in Kilkenny city and county, in tabular form; the stages the various projects are at; the amount of capital estimated and spent on each project to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [40292/25]
- *311. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will provide a list of all capital projects currently underway in County Carlow, in tabular form; the stages the various projects are at; the amount of capital estimated and spent on each project to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [40293/25]
- *312. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of primary school classrooms during the 2024-2025 school year of 30 pupils or more; the location of each nationwide; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Malcolm Byrne. [40297/25]
- *313. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the percentage of schools in Dublin south-central that currently operate under multi-denominational patronage; and the specific actions being taken to expedite patronage transfers. Jen Cummins. [40306/25]
- *314. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if there is a timetable for rolling out DEIS+ in Dublin south central, including confirmation of funding allocations and implementation dates, in tabular form. Jen Cummins. [40307/25]
- *315. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of additional resource teaching posts allocated to DEIS schools in Dublin south central for the upcoming academic year, broken down by school, in tabular form. Jen Cummins. [40308/25]

- *316. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the measures in place to eliminate voluntary parent contributions in all schools and ensure full equitable funding. Jen Cummins. [40309/25]
- *317. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if funding is being ring-fenced for school-based mental health provision in schools in Dublin south central, broken down by school, in tabular form. Jen Cummins. [40311/25]
- *318. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if there is an emergency energy support fund for DEIS schools facing sharply increased utility costs and how schools can apply. Jen Cummins. [40316/25]
- *319. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the reason there is no mention of the school completion programme in her most recent publication Education Indicators for Ireland, July 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jen Cummins. [40325/25]
- *320. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she plans on introducing changes to the Irish-language requirements for PME courses to allow access to increased numbers and in turn more teachers to deal with current shortages; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brian Brennan. [40331/25]
- *321. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the estimated first and full year cost of providing an additional nurture room to every DEIS school with a special educational class. Darren O'Rourke. [40347/25]
- *322. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the estimated first and full year cost of providing an additional nurture room in one school. Darren O'Rourke. [40348/25]
- *323. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of nurture rooms there are in schools across the State. Darren O'Rourke. [40349/25]
- *324. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the estimated cost of providing a nurture room to all DEIS primary schools that do not currently have one. Darren O'Rourke. [40350/25]
- *325. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the estimated cost of providing a nurture room to all DEIS secondary schools that do not currently have one. Darren O'Rourke. [40351/25]
- *326. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the emergency supports available for schools adjacent to IPAS and Ukrainian refugees that accommodate high percentages of such children and may also separately feature highly Pobal HP deprivation Index data given the often transient and interrupted nature of such children's educational experiences, not their traumatic life experiences; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Nicholas Gogarty. [40375/25]
- *327. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if additional EAL supports can be made available to Gaelscoileanna in non-Gaeltacht areas that taken in high proportions of children whose first language is neither Irish or English, given that junior and senior infants are normally educated in an immersive Irish language environment (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Nicholas Gogarty. [40376/25]

- *328. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when schools that applied for DEIS status in March 2022 will be permitted to reapply, given the increases in population reflected in the Census, the local pressures such as accommodating large numbers of IPAS and Ukrainian students; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Nicholas Gogarty. [40377/25]
- *329. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the additional supports and allowances that can be made to schools experiencing unpredictable mid-year enrolment and withdrawal, such as a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Nicholas Gogarty. [40378/25]
- *330. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she is aware of detailed correspondence received from a school (details supplied) regarding the need for DEIS status to be formally reviewed under the current DEIS identification model, using anonymised, PPSN-linked data already available to her Department, or an equivalent emergency assessment-based provision amounting to same that will allow it to provide critical resources such as home school community liaison (HSCL), reduced pupil-teacher ratios, targeted literacy/numeracy interventions, and vital language supports given its immersive environment; the timeframe for a proactive response; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul Nicholas Gogarty. [40379/25]
- *331. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will provide an update on the proposal to introduce an additional secondary school bus service for students attending a school (details supplied); if the current capacity has been reviewed; and the timeline for when a decision on additional transport provision will be made, in light of ongoing demand in the area. Albert Dolan. [40383/25]
- *332. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if her Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if her Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40389/25]
- *333. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under her remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40412/25]
- *334. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether applications to transfer initial teaching licences from overseas to the Teaching Council can be accepted (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Healy-Rae. [40468/25]
- *335. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the way in which the recently announced changes around contracts of indefinite duration for teachers will differ from the current system for the treatment of contracts of indefinite duration; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

 Roderic O'Gorman. [40470/25]

- *336. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when a project at a school will proceed to the next stage (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [40474/25]
- *337. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when a project for a school will proceed to the next stage (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [40475/25]
- *338. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when construction work will commence on a building project for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter.

 Brendan Smith. [40476/25]
- *339. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the amount of funding given to each county as part of the minor works grant in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40507/25]
- *340. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the amount of funding given to each county as part of the emergency capital works scheme in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40508/25]
- *341. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the amount of funding given to each county as part of the digital strategy ICT grant in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40509/25]
- *342. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the amount of funding given to each county as part of the creative clusters grant in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40510/25]
- *343. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the amount of funding given to each county as part of the creative connections/shared island pilot in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40511/25]
- *344. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the amount of funding given to each county as part of the fund for students with disabilities in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40513/25]
- *345. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the amount of funding given to each county as part of language assistants scheme in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40517/25]
- *346. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the amount of funding given to each county as part of the summer works scheme in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40519/25]

- *347. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the engagement his Department has had with Fórsa regarding the industrial action by school secretaries and caretakers. Conor D. McGuinness. [40162/25]
- *348. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40544/25]
- *349. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the status of an additional needs application from a school (details supplied) in County Sligo; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

 Eamon Scanlon. [40591/25]
- *350. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will outline her plans for a building (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. James Geoghegan. [40632/25]

Chun an Aire Cultúir, Cumarsáide agus Spóirt: To the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport.

- *351. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport further to Parliamentary Question No. 420 of 1 July 2025, if his Department intends to renew the current three-year funding arrangement for post offices which is set to end in December 2025, to detail his Department's plans to support small and medium-sized post offices following the conclusion of this arrangement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig Rice. [40272/25]
- *352. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the safeguards that are in place to ensure that installers of private optical fibre infrastructure will remove legacy copper wire installations, cabling and hardware once the rollout has occurred; the role ComReg will play in ensuring this work is completed and who is responsible for ensuring that all traces of legacy equipment are addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Marie Sherlock. [40369/25]
- *353. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40387/25]
- *354. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40410/25]

- *355. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40485/25]
- *356. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport if there have been any funding or grant requests with his Department or bodies under its aegis in the past 12 months for the operation of pop-up pools. Sinéad Gibney. [40566/25]
- *357. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport if his Department is aware of any pop-up pools which were funded through capital grants from his Department or Sport Ireland which are not currently in use; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40567/25]
- *358. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport if there are plans to expand ice skating and hockey facilities in Dublin under the National Physical Activity Plan for Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cormac Devlin. [40694/25]

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

- *359. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount of funding given by the Office of Public Works to each county under the built heritage investment scheme from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40613/25]
- *360. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount of funding given by the Office of Public Works to each county under the Structures at Risk Fund from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40614/25]
- *361. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if under the new rules introduced, and the section regarding the rights of landlords/ tenants, that from 1 March 2026 there can be no evictions for a period of six years with two exceptions only (details supplied); if his Department will confirm in all other situations any tenant in a home as of 1 March has no obligation to move from the home if asked subject to the current rules as administered by the RTB and if the landlord has to sell they can only do that with tenant in situ under the new regulations; if his Department accepts that these new regulations if correct may force landlords into selling their properties before March 2026. Frankie Feighan. [40205/25]
- *362. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage his plans to review the 20-year claw back for owners who seek to remediate their properties that are not their primary home, under the defective concrete block grant scheme. Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [40233/25]
- *363. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of a project in County Mayo (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40249/25]
- *364. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if projects in Castlebar (details supplied) have moved beyond the detailed project briefs and procurement strategies stage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40250/25]

- *365. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the timeline for the completion of a project (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40251/25]
- *366. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide details on how subprojects fit into the timeline of a main project in Castlebar (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40252/25]
- *367. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 598 of 8 April 2025, to provide a full update on the Cork Events Centre project; the status of the appointments of individuals to the project management delivery team; the key next stages, and estimated timelines; and the exact amount of public funding, from all sources, spent on the project to date in 2025. Pádraig Rice. [40271/25]
- *368. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the up-to-date position with a housing project (details supplied) in County Kildare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mark Wall. [40282/25]
- *369. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his Department is working on updating or rewriting the Wildlife Act 1976; if he will provide details of the stage this process is at; if there will be a public-consultation element to this process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Louise O'Reilly. [40284/25]
- *370. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the current funding levels of the housing adaptation grant, the disabled persons grant and the improvements works in lieu schemes for 2023, 2024 and to date in 2025. Liam Quaide. [40287/25]
- *371. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the State's biennial land audit, conducted via the LDA's 'Report on Relevant Public Land', is being leveraged to deliver affordable housing and community infrastructure and the steps his department is taking to accelerate land transfer and repurposing. Barry Heneghan. [40204/25]
- *372. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of social and affordable homes that are currently being delivered or at planning stage in Dublin south-central, and what the expected completion dates are. Jen Cummins. [40317/25]
- *373. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of people homeless in Dublin south central, in tabular form. Jen Cummins. [40318/25]
- *374. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if an individual can contact the land registry office directly to request the deeds of their house; to outline this process; if this can be done if the land transfer application is still being processed; to outline if this process can be expedited in the event that they are selling their house; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mark Ward. [40324/25]
- *375. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has received a letter from a person (details supplied); if he will issue a response; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Emer Currie. [40332/25]
- *376. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will reconsider excluding the Department from the Multi Stakeholder Working Group set up to address issues

around defective concrete blocks and involving the BPFI and the 100% Redress Banks and Insurance Focus Group; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [40346/25]

- *377. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he will publish the framework for the next multi-annual rural water programme beyond 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Eamon Scanlon. [40372/25]
- *378. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40395/25]
- *379. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40418/25]
- *380. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will detail the amount of funding provided to each of the 31 local authorities for voids in years 2020-2025; the number of voids returned to use in each local authority in the years 2020-2025; and the number of outstanding voids in each local authority, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul McAuliffe. [40430/25]
- *381. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide an update on progress on the Dowth National Park project; when he expects the park and associated facilities to be open to the public; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Ged Nash. [40436/25]
- *382. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will outline the process by which the home of a person (details supplied) will be included in the defective blocks scheme; if he will give a timeline for a resolution; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

 John McGuinness. [40444/25]
- *383. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if a person can avail of the vacant property refurbishment grants (croí cónaithe) if the property title is held by a limited company rather than the individual's name; if he will review an application (details supplied) refused on this basis by Galway County Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

 Louis O'Hara. [40456/25]

- *384. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to reintroduce town councils in Killarney, Tralee and Listowel, County Kerry as a matter of priority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40479/25]
- *385. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40480/25]
- *386. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of staff working in Tailte Éireann for each year from 2015 to 2025; the average processing time for an application for each year from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor Sheehan. [40499/25]
- *387. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to outline the timeline for the proposed amendments to the Remediation of Dwellings Damaged by the Use of Defective Concrete Blocks Act 2022 to take effect in view of the fact that homeowners are depending on these amendments in their rebuild; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Keira Keogh. [40617/25]
- *388. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage for an update on his Department's plans for the tenant-in-situ scheme, given recent reports that both Fingal County Council and Dublin City Council have exhausted all of their available funds for 2025; if he intends to increase funding available for the scheme this year given the large waiting list for the scheme in both local authority areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40684/25]

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

- *389. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the supports available from his Department to help people with disabilities into employment, and to sustain employment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Darren O'Rourke. [40620/25]
- *390. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the amount of funding allocated to each county as part of the training support grant in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40625/25]
- *391. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the amount of funding allocated to each county as part of the work placement experience programme in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40626/25]
- *392. To ask the Minister for Social Protection when hot school meals will be extended to all non-fee-paying post primary schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Aisling Dempsey. [39998/25]
- *393. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if compensation under the victim's payment scheme paid out to persons resident in the State, as a result of the 'troubles in the North' is disregarded as means for the assessment of the disability allowance. Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [40289/25]

- *394. To ask the Minister for Social Protection his views on the rationale behind the Citizens Information Board's decision to increase the pay of local administrators in Citizens Information Services to a level equivalent to that of regional administrators, despite the latter having significantly greater responsibilities and scope within their roles; and if a review will be undertaken to ensure equitable and appropriate pay structures within the organisation. Albert Dolan. [40381/25]
- *395. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40399/25]
- *396. To ask the Minister for Social Protection to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40422/25]
- *397. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if an application for carer's allowance, now under appeal, will be expedited for a person (details supplied). John McGuinness. [40453/25]
- *398. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40484/25]
- *399. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if he will review an application (details supplied); if the decision will be expedited; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Niamh Smyth. [40571/25]
- *400. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the cost of extending the fuel allowance by one week. Mark Wall. [40595/25]
- *401. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the cost of abolishing the means-test for the State pension (non-contributory). Mark Wall. [40596/25]
- *402. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the cost of basing the means-test for the State pension (non-contributory) rate on individual income, rather than household income. Mark Wall. [40597/25]
- *403. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the cost of increasing the cash income a person can earn under the State pension (non-contributory) by €100. Mark Wall. [40598/25]

- *404. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the supports available from his Department to help people with disabilities into employment, and to sustain employment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Darren O'Rourke. [40619/25]
- *405. To ask the Minister for Social Protection his Department's total expenditure under the community employment scheme, by county, in each year of the programme's existence; and the number of participating employees under the scheme by county, in each year of the programme's existence, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40644/25]
- *406. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of participants on the community employment scheme, by county, in each year of the programme's existence; and the total funding allocated to each county in the corresponding period, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40645/25]
- *407. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the annual average cost per participant under the community employment scheme, by county, in each year of the programme's existence, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40646/25]
- *408. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of new participants joining the community employment scheme in each county in each year of the programme's existence, and the corresponding new funding allocated, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40647/25]
- *409. To ask the Minister for Social Protection his Department's total expenditure under the Tús community work placement initiative, by county, in each year of the programme's existence; and the number of participating employees under the initiative, by county, in each year of the programme's existence, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40648/25]
- *410. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of participants on the Tús community work placement initiative by county in each year of the programme's existence; and the total funding allocated to each county in the corresponding period, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40649/25]
- *411. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the annual average cost per participant under the Tús community work placement initiative, by county, in each year of the programme's existence, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40650/25]
- *412. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of new participants joining the Tús community work placement initiative in each county in each year of the programme's existence; and the corresponding new funding allocated, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40651/25]
- *413. To ask the Minister for Social Protection his Department's total expenditure under the wage subsidy scheme, by county, in each year of the programme's existence; and the number of participating employees under the scheme, by county, in each year of the programme's existence, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40652/25]
- *414. To ask the Minister for Social Protection his Department's total expenditure under the WorkAbility programme, by county, in each year of the programme's existence; and the number of organisations supported under the programme, by county, in each year of the programme's existence, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40653/25]

- *415. To ask the Minister for Social Protection his Department's expenditure under the back-to-education allowance, by county, in each year of the programme's existence; and the number of participants receiving the allowance, by county, in each year of the programme's existence, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40657/25]
- *416. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of participants on the wage subsidy scheme by county in each year of the programme's existence; and the total funding allocated to each county in the corresponding period, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40658/25]
- *417. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of organisations funded under the WorkAbility programme, by county, in each year of the programme's existence; and the total funding allocated to each county in the corresponding period, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40659/25]
- *418. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of back-to-education allowance recipients, by county, in each year of the programme's existence; and the total funding allocated to each county in the corresponding period, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40660/25]
- *419. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the annual average cost per participant under the wage subsidy scheme by county in each year of the programme's existence, in tabular form.

 Conor D. McGuinness. [40661/25]
- *420. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the annual average grant per organisation under the WorkAbility programme, by county, in each year of the programme's existence, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40662/25]
- *421. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the annual average back-to-education allowance payment, per participant and by county, in each year of the programme's existence, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40663/25]
- *422. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of new participants joining the wage subsidy scheme in each county in each year of the programme's existence; and the corresponding new funding allocated, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40664/25]
- *423. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of new organisations funded under the WorkAbility programme in each county in each year of the programme's existence; and the corresponding new funding allocated, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40665/25]
- *424. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of new participants entering the back-to-education allowance scheme in each county in each year of the programme's existence; and the corresponding new funding allocated, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40666/25]
- *425. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if he will clarify the entitlement of part-time school wardens to jobseeker's allowance during school closures, specifically in relation to bank holiday periods where the employer does not provide payment; and if he will investigate reports of inconsistent treatment of such claims by Intreo offices (details supplied), including cases where long-standing wardens have had payments withheld on the basis of employer misunderstanding or unrelated salary timing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cormac Devlin. [40693/25]

- Chun an Aire Dlí agus Cirt, Gnóthaí Baile agus Imirce: To the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration.
- *426. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to give clarity on issues with granting visas (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40457/25]
- *427. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to examine a decision affecting the stamp 1 for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Natasha Newsome Drennan. [40206/25]
- *428. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if there are plans to introduce legislation to reform the coroner service; the proposed changes; if verdicts available to the coroner will be updated; if the term introgenic suicide will be included as a verdict as outlined in the Coroners (Amendment) Bill 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mark Ward. [40214/25]
- *429. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of property owners in each county that were in receipt of the accommodation recognition payment in January 2023, January 2024, and January 2025; the number who are in receipt of the payment at present, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [40220/25]
- *430. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the details of reviews or reports regarding the impact of the accommodation recognition payment on the private rented sector that his Department has sought, or received, since the transfer of functions in relation to migration to his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [40221/25]
- *431. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to provide an update on the Programme for Government commitment to introduce amendments to modernise the Prohibition of Incitement to Racial Religious or National Hatred Act , 1989; the timeline he is working towards in bringing forward these amendments; if this will include provisions on hate speech to bring Ireland in line with EU requirements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig Rice. [40267/25]
- *432. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the breakdown of the Garda fleet in each Garda station (details supplied), in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [40275/25]
- *433. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration his plans to make the court process for attaining a protection order more trauma informed and victim centred; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jen Cummins. [40300/25]
- *434. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the communications have taken place with her Department regarding additional specific emergency supports for local schools in the Saggart, Citywest and Rathcoole areas, especially those taking in the largest amount of Ukrainian and IPAS children as a percentage of overall children, both before and especially in the context of the recently-announced decision to purchase the Citywest Hotel complex; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paul Nicholas Gogarty. [40380/25]
- *435. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure,

Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. — Albert Dolan. [40396/25]

- *436. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40419/25]
- *437. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if visa applications submitted by religious orders or faith based organisations are processed expeditiously given the individuals concerned are usually completing their studies or simply being transferred to Ireland as part of their vocational training; if there is an average time for such applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John McGuinness. [40452/25]
- *438. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration according to the Garda database, the current number of persons reported missing in the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Paula Butterly. [40460/25]
- *439. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the reason it took so long for the visa application for the 33 young players and 14 mentors for the Moataz Sarsour GAA club in the Palestinian Occupied Territories to be determined on and rejected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40472/25]
- *440. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40481/25]
- *441. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if passenger name record data is used as part of the process to verify whether a person who is not entitled to remain in the State as a result of negative decisions in the international protection system, or upon the expiration of visitor permission, has left the jurisdiction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Matt Carthy. [40488/25]
- *442. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No. 292 of 10 July 2025, the amount his Department spent on external services from a company (details supplied) to deliver the Digital Contact Centre project. Sinéad Gibney. [40562/25]
- *443. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No. 292 of 10 July 2025, the total budget for the Digital Contact Centre project; if the project was subject to any cost overruns or delays; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

 Sinéad Gibney. [40563/25]

- *444. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the amount his Department spent on a verification service in the past 12 months (details supplied). Sinéad Gibney. [40564/25]
- *445. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his attention has been drawn to issues with users being unable to verify their documents with a service and being unable to get an adequate response from (details supplied) to resolve the issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40565/25]
- *446. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his Department is aware of a matter (details supplied); the action his Department is taking to formally investigate the matter and to ensure compliance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Ged Nash. [40618/25]
- *447. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he has considered introducing a law to make it an offence to use a person's features to produce artificial intelligence deepfakes, similar to proposals in Germany and Denmark, particularly in relation to the use of this technology to create revenge porn; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40642/25]
- *448. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if private homes are leased for IPAS accommodation; the number of private homes leased for IPAS accommodation in tabular form; if this is part of the Government's strategy regarding IPAS accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brady. [40667/25]
- *449. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will review the refusal of a Stamp 4 visa for a person (details supplied) in the light of other doctors in similar circumstances under the same scheme being provided with a Stamp 4 visa; and if he will make a statement on the matter. George Lawlor. [40989/25]

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

- *450. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the chairperson of an organisation (details supplied) will meet with another organisation to explain the reason current costings, for example, beef price and meal price, are not being applied to algorithms determining breeding recommendations and also changing breeding bull star ratings. Peadar Tóibín. [40213/25]
- *451. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of acres of farmland taken up with solar panels; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Danny Healy-Rae. [40264/25]
- *452. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of acres of farmland purchased by the State in 2023, 2024 and to date in 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Danny Healy-Rae. [40265/25]
- *453. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total amount of farmer scheme payments made, by county basis for 2024, in tabular form (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. Cathal Crowe. [40279/25]

- *454. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps his Department can take to expediate afforestation applications that are currently being appealed, in most cases, these appeals are taking approximately three to four years to be resolved. David Maxwell. [40370/25]
- *455. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40384/25]
- *456. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40407/25]
- *457. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he is aware that it is now illegal to export live animals from the UK and the way in which this affects Irish livestock and horses; and if his Department is considering a ban. Ruth Coppinger. [40427/25]
- *458. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he plans to introduce legislation to ban surgical artificial insemination in all dogs, including greyhounds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40461/25]
- *459. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the results of his Department's public consultation on banning surgical artificial insemination in dogs will be published; the steps that will be taken as a result of this consultation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40462/25]
- *460. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the basic income support for sustainability from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40489/25]
- *461. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the horticulture investment schemes (2025), in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40490/25]
- *462. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the food waste reduction scheme from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40491/25]

- *463. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the knowledge transfer programme 2024-2026, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40492/25]
- *464. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the farm safety measure 2024, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40493/25]
- *465. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the pig exceptional payment scheme from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40494/25]
- *466. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the traditional farm buildings grant scheme from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40495/25]
- *467. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the animal welfare and nutrient storage scheme from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40496/25]
- *468. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the young farmers capital investment scheme from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40497/25]
- *469. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the woodland improvement scheme from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40498/25]
- *470. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the aquaculture capital investment scheme from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40500/25]
- *471. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the seafood training scheme from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40501/25]
- *472. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of funding given to each county under the shared island bioeconomy demonstration initiative from 2015 to 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40502/25]
- *473. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40541/25]
- *474. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 297 of 10 July 2025, if he will provide further details on how artificial intelligence is used to analyse content to produce IT documentation; if this is a new output from his Department or replacing a function previously done by an employee; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40561/25]

- Chun an Aire Leanaí, Míchumais agus Comhionannais: To the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality.
- *475. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the status of the review on rehabilitative training; when the report of each review will be completed and published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Jen Cummins. [40465/25]
- *476. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality whether a multi-year capital plan will be developed and implemented to support residential and independent living options for people with disabilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40505/25]
- *477. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the amount of funding given to each county as part of the equal start scheme in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40512/25]
- *478. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of children on CDNT waiting lists in Donegal, broken down by team and by length of time, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40211/25]
- *479. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will review advancements in the science of DNA testing with a view to extending the DNA testing to family members who are cousins to identify remains at the mother and baby home in Tuam; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Louis O'Hara. [40276/25]
- *480. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will outline the role that local authorities will have in implementing the new National Human Rights Disability Strategy; if the local authorities will be resourced to implement actions included in the strategy at local level; the method by which local authorities will co-ordinate local level delivery of the strategy with national level target; whether each local authority will be required to develop a process of consultation, co-design and co-delivery of the strategy with people with disabilities; if so, how will they be supported in doing so; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Liam Quaide. [40285/25]
- *481. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will provide a breakdown of crèches, by county, over the past five years, in tabular form. Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [40294/25]
- *482. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the supports, including capital or operational funding, planned for voluntary early-years providers in Dublin south central, particularly those facing rising costs. Jen Cummins. [40310/25]
- *483. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of crèche facilities in Kildare that have expanded their capacity in the past five years and in the past ten years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [40329/25]
- *484. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will provide a breakdown of changes in the number of preschools every year for the past ten years, by county, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [40344/25]

- *485. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of people awaiting a home help package in Donegal, broken down by area and by length of time, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40352/25]
- *486. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the current number of individuals under 65 years of age residing in nursing homes; the total number of under 65-year-old individuals who were placed in a nursing home in 2024; the number who were transitioned out of nursing homes in 2024; and the average time to process a person's transition to a residential setting or their own home. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [40358/25]
- *487. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the current number of both unfilled and filled positions across each CDNT in the State in 2024 and 2025 to date, by CHO, and by occupation, in tabular form. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [40359/25]
- *488. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of children waiting to be seen by CDNTs across the State, categorised by CHO, team and number of weeks waiting, in tabular form. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [40360/25]
- *489. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of vacancies that exist in CDNTs in County Donegal, by CDNT region, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40366/25]
- *490. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if her Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if her Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40385/25]
- *491. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under her remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40408/25]
- *492. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will give detailed consideration to the issues raised by an association (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [40425/25]
- *493. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the urgent actions her Department will take to address the backlog of over 14,000 overdue assessments of need for children requiring disability services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40431/25]

- *494. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will provide a timeline for the development and implementation of a national workforce strategy for children's disability network teams to address immediate and future staffing gaps; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40432/25]
- *495. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the steps her Department is taking to transition away from emergency-only responses in disability support services towards a rights-based, planned model of support; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40434/25]
- *496. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality how Budget 2026 will address the shortfall in residential places for people with intellectual disabilities and autism; if she will commit to funding the 280 places outlined as a priority; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40435/25]
- *497. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will outline the number of vacant positions in the Kilkenny-Thomastown CDNT area; the length of time that each position has remained vacant; the efforts being made to recruit the necessary professionals; the number of children on the waiting list; if those waiting the longest will be referred to private specialists; and if she will make a statement on the matter. John McGuinness. [40445/25]
- *498. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if Budget 2026 will include a 3% increase in base funding for disability services to reflect rising inflation and increased operational costs; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40503/25]
- *499. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will commit to providing ring-fenced funding to address the current and historic financial deficits experienced by voluntary disability service providers such as an organisation (details supplied). Michael Cahill. [40504/25]
- *500. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the amount of funding given to each county as part of the enhancing quality fund to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40525/25]
- *501. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the amount of funding given to each county as part of the Parent Peer Support Fund 2024/2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40526/25]
- *502. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the amount of funding given to each county as part of the childminding development grant to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40527/25]
- *503. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the amount of funding given to each county as part of the national childcare scheme and ECCE programme to date, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40528/25]
- *504. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the amount of funding given to each county as part of core funding to date, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40529/25]

- *505. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the amount of funding given to each county as part of the children's disability service grant fund to date, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40530/25]
- *506. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if her Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40542/25]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

- *507. To ask the Minister for Health the current number of both unfilled and filled adult multidisciplinary therapy posts in the State in 2024 and 2025, by CHO, and by occupation, in tabular form. Ruairí Ó Murchú. [40361/25]
- *508. To ask the Minister for Health that Children's Health Ireland would produce a booklet of medical acronyms that can be given to parents of all new admissions in the CHI group. Marie Sherlock. [40463/25]
- *509. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people identifying as survivors or former residents of mother and baby institutions that have taken up counselling to date under the National Counselling Service, as provided for in the Action Plan for Survivors and Former Residents of Mother and Baby and County Home Institutions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40685/25]
- *510. To ask the Minister for Health if the entitlement to counselling for survivors and former residents of mother and baby institutions, via the National Counselling Service, as provided for in the Action Plan for Survivors and Former Residents of Mother and Baby and County Home Institutions, is time limited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40686/25]
- *511. To ask the Minister for Health if the entitlement to counselling for survivors and former residents of mother and baby institutions, via the National Counselling Service, as provided for in the Action Plan for Survivors and Former Residents of Mother and Baby and County Home Institutions, has been altered; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Roderic O'Gorman. [40687/25]
- *512. To ask the Minister for Health the number of vacancies within Letterkenny University Hospital, broken down by specific role and department, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40208/25]
- *513. To ask the Minister for Health when a permanent consultant neurologist will be appointed at Letterkenny University Hospital; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40209/25]
- *514. To ask the Minister for Health when all vacancies at Letterkenny University Hospital affecting the treatment of diabetes will be filled; the efforts that have been made to fill the vacancies; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40210/25]

- *515. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children on CAMHS waiting lists in Donegal, broken down by area and by length of time, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40212/25]
- *516. To ask the Minister for Health the plans in place for a person (details supplied) to access the general medical scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40253/25]
- *517. To ask the Minister for Health the entitlements available to general practitioners under the general medical scheme (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40254/25]
- *518. To ask the Minister for Health the location of a service (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40255/25]
- *519. To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding house calls by Westdoc (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40256/25]
- *520. To ask the Minister for Health her views on improvements to Westdoc services (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40257/25]
- *521. To ask the Minister for Health her views on centralising Westdoc service (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40258/25]
- *522. To ask the Minister for Health the means by which she plans to increase the number of consultant gynaecologists with specialist training in endometriosis, and specifically in advanced excision surgery; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Shane Moynihan. [40260/25]
- *523. To ask the Minister for Health when she expects the National Endometriosis Framework to be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Shane Moynihan. [40261/25]
- *524. To ask the Minister for Health if a senior radiographer vacancy (details supplied) has been filled; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40263/25]
- *525. To ask the Minister for Health the number of hours being charged to the HSE by an organisation (details supplied); the number of hours actually delivered to clients on an weekly basis; the reason the organisation is funded by disability services in CHO9 only; the total funding from the state to the organisation on an annual basis. Peadar Tóibín. [40266/25]
- *526. To ask the Minister for Health if she will request that Children's Health Ireland publishes the 2021 oncology risk assessment (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig Rice. [40268/25]
- *527. To ask the Minister for Health if she has received correspondence (details supplied); her response to the proposal related to Ireland assuming the Presidency of the Council of the European Union; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig Rice. [40269/25]
- *528. To ask the Minister for Health the number of deaths that have occurred on the operating table during open heart surgery in Irish hospitals, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40273/25]

- *529. To ask the Minister for Health the mechanisms in place within her Department to ensure the meaningful engagement of older people in the development, formulation, and evaluation of policies that directly or indirectly affect them; and the steps her Department has taken in the past 12 months to consult with organisations representing older people or with older people directly as part of its policy development process. Tom Brabazon. [40295/25]
- *530. To ask the Minister for Health if there will be sufficient car parking spaces in the new Children's Hospital and the associated Ronald McDonald House to cater for the demand of spaces from the parents of in-patients, those at the paediatric accident and emergency department and those children who must attend as out-patients; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [40296/25]
- *531. To ask the Minister for Health the current ownership status of each site and the building of each primary care centre, respectively, nationwide, delivered via her Department and HSE public private partnership; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Marie Sherlock. [40298/25]
- *532. To ask the Minister for Health to outline details of any programmes under which the HSE may facilitate access to medicines in emergency circumstances for medicines not on the reimbursement list; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [40320/25]
- *533. To ask the Minister for Health the anticipated timelines associated with the Programme for Government commitment to explore early access schemes for reimbursement of medicines; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [40321/25]
- *534. To ask the Minister for Health the total expenditure on new medicines and new uses of existing medicines from January 2025 to 31 May 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [40322/25]
- *535. To ask the Minister for Health if she is satisfied that all aspects of the reimbursement process are in compliance with the HSE's code of governance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pádraig O'Sullivan. [40323/25]
- *536. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the working status of certain employees (details supplied) is not considered 'permanent'; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

 Michael Healy-Rae. [40330/25]
- *537. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on occupational therapy waiting lists in Donegal, broken down by area and by length of time, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40353/25]
- *538. To ask the Minister for Health the number of women in Ireland with endometriosis; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Sorca Clarke. [40354/25]
- *539. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on physiotherapy waiting lists in Donegal, broken down by area and by length of time, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40355/25]

- *540. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children awaiting dental appointments in Donegal, broken down by area and by length of time, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40356/25]
- *541. To ask the Minister for Health when services that were removed from St. Joseph's Community Hospital in County Donegal will be returned; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40357/25]
- *542. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the new Lifford Community Hospital project; the timeframe for the delivery of the project; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40362/25]
- *543. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 684 of 25 March 2025, the reason it has still not been answered; the reason for the failure to answer the question; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40364/25]
- *544. To ask the Minister for Health for the number of vacancies that exist within CAMHS in County Donegal, broken down by area, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Pearse Doherty. [40368/25]
- *545. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if her Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if her Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40394/25]
- *546. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under her remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40417/25]
- *547. To ask the Minister for Health if she will give detailed consideration to the issues raised by an association (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brendan Smith. [40426/25]
- *548. To ask the Minister for Health if she has taken any action to resolve the financial dispute between the HSE and Dublin City Council which has resulted in the Council taking court action against the HSE; the origins of the debt, the amount of the debt and actions in relation to same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Paul McAuliffe. [40429/25]
- *549. To ask the Minister for Health the plans in place to recruit and retain additional therapy staff to meet growing demands in both children's and adult services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40433/25]

- *550. To ask the Minister for Health the number of reimbursement claims submitted and reimbursed (PCRS), per month, for first and second consultations for terminations of pregnancy by GPs, from January to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Collins. [40438/25]
- *551. To ask the Minister for Health if she will provide an update on the status of the National Ophthalmology Programme as it relates to children residing in County Laois; if she is aware that these children are currently required to travel to a health centre in Athlone (details supplied) for outpatient services, a distance of approximately 80km; the steps being taken to establish paediatric ophthalmology services in County Laois given the ongoing impact on families; and if she will make a statement on the matter. William Aird. [40440/25]
- *552. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2426 of 29 April 2025, the status of filling the post for an ophthalmologist in Clonmel, the absence of which is causing lengthy waiting times for routine and urgent referrals; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Murphy. [40442/25]
- *553. To ask the Minister for Health if she will outline the treatment pathways available to women with endometriosis; the location of specialised treatment clinics or hospitals with the appropriate professionals to support and care for women diagnosed with endometriosis; her plans to develop the services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. John McGuinness. [40443/25]
- *554. To ask the Minister for Health if a surgery appointment for a person (details supplied) will be expedited; and if she will make a statement on the matter. John McGuinness. [40446/25]
- *555. To ask the Minister for Health the process by which HSE employees suffering long-Covid can engage with senior officials to determine their future pay and conditions or sick pay entitlements prior to the termination of the current Covid scheme; if the HSE will proactively engage with all affected employees to ensure a uniformed national response to ease the anxiety and uncertainty being experienced by employees; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

 John McGuinness. [40447/25]
- *556. To ask the Minister for Health if she will provide the funding to roll out the provision of allergy kits including EPI pens and anapens at locations throughout the country accessible to the public to include schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. John McGuinness. [40450/25]
- *557. To ask the Minister for Health if the appropriate level of home care hours will be provided for persons (details supplied). if she will expedite a review of the case and substantially increase the home care hours to ensure a sustainable plan of care; and if she will make a statement on the matter. John McGuinness. [40451/25]
- *558. To ask the Minister for Health to urgently examine and address an anomaly that exists in awarding posts in midwifery (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40454/25]
- *559. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an ambulance base in Killorglin, County Kerry as a matter of priority; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40477/25]

- *560. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a primary care centre in Cahersiveen, County Kerry as a matter of priority; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Michael Cahill. [40478/25]
- *561. To ask the Minister for Health if her Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40550/25]
- *562. To ask the Minister for Health the number of appointments offered and children seen following the audit into pelvic osteotomies at Children's Health Ireland; whether any surgeries have been determined as unnecessary; whether any effort has been made to determine whether any surgeries were necessary or unnecessary; and if she will make a statement on the matter. David Cullinane. [40590/25]
- *563. To ask the Minister for Health if her Department is currently considering stopping the practice of insourcing in a hospital (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. Réada Cronin. [40593/25]
- *564. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding given to each county as part of community funded schemes in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40599/25]
- *565. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding given to each county as part of the drugs payment scheme in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40600/25]
- *566. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding given to each county as part of the oncology drugs management scheme in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40601/25]
- *567. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding given to each county as part of community services enhancement fund in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40602/25]
- *568. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding given to each county as part of eating disorder teams expansion in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40603/25]
- *569. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding given to each county as part of the rare diseases fund in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40604/25]
- *570. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding given to each county as part of the Sláintecare healthy communities programme in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40605/25]

- *571. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding given to each county as part of the EU4Health programmes in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40606/25]
- *572. To ask the Minister for Health the amount of funding given to each county as part of the Healthy Ireland funding in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40607/25]
- *573. To ask the Minister for Health the expected date for the commissioning of phase 1 of the (new wing) of St. Vincent's Hospital, Mountmellick, County Laois; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brian Stanley. [40654/25]
- *574. To ask the Minister for Health if the existing building will be maintained in use pending completion of phase 2 second new wing and at that point be refurbished; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brian Stanley. [40677/25]
- *575. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the current position regarding funding for the construction of phase 2 (second new wing) for St. Vincent's Hospital, Mountmellick, County Laois; and the projected timeframe for works on the project to begin; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Brian Stanley. [40678/25]
- *576. To ask the Minister for Health the options available to families who seek a second opinion regarding surgeries performed on children with hip dysplasia who have now emigrated and live abroad; and if she will make a statement on the matter. John Brady. [40690/25]
- *577. To ask the Minister for Health the plans that exist to promote and fund the National Treatment Purchase Fund arising from the Programme for Government over the next three years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Cormac Devlin. [40695/25]
- *578. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a breakdown of the number for patients availing of the National Treatment Purchase Fund from CHO6 in each of the years since 2018, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. Cormac Devlin. [40696/25]

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

- *579. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount of funding given to each county as part of the programme for access to higher education in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40514/25]
- *580. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount of funding given to each technological university, institute of technology and specialist college as part of the targeted enhancement fund in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40515/25]
- *581. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he has discussed the proposed increase of student contribution fees and the continuing shortfall in core higher education funding with the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public

- Service Reform and Digitalisation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Sinéad Gibney. [40674/25]
- *582. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science for an update on plans to construct the Mayo College of Further Education at the Military Barracks in Castlebar; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40230/25]
- *583. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the provisions his Department will make to ensure those working in further education and adult education will have access to appropriate and secure contracts ensuring they are not left unemployed during the holiday periods; ensuring they are provided with guaranteed working hours during the academic year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. John Brady. [40270/25]
- *584. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the grounds on which a SUSI grant recipient can change their status from dependent to independent; and the documentation required as evidence of that. Marie Sherlock. [40283/25]
- *585. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the percentage increase in core funding to third-level institutions planned over the next three years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jen Cummins. [40313/25]
- *586. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if any structured link-up programmes between local third-level institutions and industry are planned to support employment outcomes for new graduates. Jen Cummins. [40314/25]
- *587. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40393/25]
- *588. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40416/25]
- *589. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the status of the review of specialist training programmes which has been ongoing since 2023; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Jen Cummins. [40464/25]

- *590. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40549/25]
- *591. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount of funding allocated to each county as part of the vocational training opportunities scheme in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40622/25]
- *592. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount of funding allocated to each county as part of the back-to-education allowance in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40623/25]
- *593. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount of funding allocated to each county as part of Youthreach, community training centres and local training initiatives in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40624/25]
- *594. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount of funding allocated to each county as part of further education and training allowances in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40627/25]
- *595. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount of funding allocated to each county as part of the Fund for Students with Disabilities in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40628/25]
- *596. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount of funding allocated to each county as part of the programme for access to higher education in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40629/25]
- *597. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the amount of funding allocated to each county as part of the targeted enhancement fund in each of the years 2014 to 2024 and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40630/25]

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

- *598. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the amount of funding given to each county as part of the scéim na bhfoghlaimeoirí Gaeilge in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40516/25]
- *599. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the amount of funding given to each county as part of the clár aclaíocht/clár na ngcluichí Gaelacha

- in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40518/25]
- *600. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht for an update on the RRDF Newport Regeneration Project in Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40228/25]
- *601. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht for an update on the RRDF Ballyhaunis Community Vision Project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Naoise Ó Muirí. [40229/25]
- *602. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta maidir le ceist 190 den 7 Samhain 2024, an mbeidh na pleananna teanga nua ullmhaithe roimh dheireadh na tréimhse seacht mbliana ionas nach mbeidh briseadh ann idir an dá phlean; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. Mairéad Farrell. [40231/25]
- *603. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if a person with a part-time bed-and-breakfast business would be disqualified from applying for the local improvement scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Mark Wall. [40281/25]
- *604. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 329 and 331 of 24 June 2025, to the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation, which confirmed that responsibility for analysing collapsed or re-run procurement competitions rests with individual contracting authorities, if his Department has estimated or recorded the number of procurement competitions since 2019 that did not result in a contract award due to insufficient submissions, legal challenges, disqualification of bidders, or internal cancellation, recorded or estimated the administrative or financial cost associated with collapsed or re-run procurement competitions during the same period and undertaken any analysis on the underlying reasons for failed competitions and the extent to which outcomes might be improved through better planning, clearer specifications, earlier market engagement, or other procurement reforms; and if not, if his Department will now consider putting in place such monitoring systems, in light of the administrative cost and service delays associated with failed procurement procedures. Albert Dolan. [40398/25]
- *605. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht to provide a list of all Public-Private Partnership projects under his remit, including project name, contract value, and start/end date since 2010; and to confirm whether any projects have been subject to cost overruns, renegotiation or early termination since 2010. Albert Dolan. [40421/25]
- *606. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if his Department, or any agency under its aegis, has procured services from a company (details supplied), including but not limited to internet connectivity, satellite communications, or associated technologies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Micheál Carrigy. [40483/25]
- *607. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the rural development fund, by local authority/local authority area, in each year 2014 to 2024, and year to date, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40572/25]

- *608. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the seniors alert scheme, by local authority/ local authority area in each year 2014 to 2024, and year to date, in tabular form.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40573/25]
- *609. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme, by local authority/local authority area in each year 2014 to 2024, and year to date, in tabular form.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Conor D. McGuinness. [40574/25]
- *610. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the town and village renewal scheme, by local authority/local authority area in each year 2014 to 2024, and year to date, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40575/25]
- *611. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the RAPID programme, by local authority/local authority area in each year 2014 to 2024, and year to date, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40576/25]
- *612. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the Libraries Investment Programme, by local authority/local authority area in each year 2014 to 2024, and year to date, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40577/25]
- *613. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the National Organisations Supports Programme, by local authority/local authority area in each year 2014 to 2024, and year to date, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40579/25]
- *614. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the CLÁR programme, by local authority/local authority area, in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40580/25]
- *615. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the community centres investment fund, by local authority/local authority area, in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40581/25]
- *616. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the community recognition fund, by local authority/local authority area, in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40582/25]
- *617. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the community services programme, by local authority/local authority area, in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40583/25]
- *618. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the LEADER programme, by local authority/local authority area, in

- each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40584/25]
- *619. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the local enhancement programme, by local authority/local authority area, in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40585/25]
- *620. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the local improvement scheme, by local authority/local authority area, in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40586/25]
- *621. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the outdoor recreation infrastructure scheme, by local authority/local authority area, in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40587/25]
- *622. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the rural regeneration and development fund, by local authority/local authority area, in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40588/25]
- *623. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total funding provided under the rural walks scheme, by local authority/local authority area, in each of the years 2014 to 2024, and to date in 2025, in tabular form. Conor D. McGuinness. [40589/25]