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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

1. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on his recent meeting with Prime Minister Keir Starmer. — Brendan Smith. [49999/25]

2. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on his recent meeting with the UK prime minister. — Cormac Devlin. [50002/25]

3. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent meeting with Prime Minister Keir Starmer. — Ruth Coppinger. [63183/25]

4. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on his recent meeting with the British prime minister. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [63259/25]

5. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on his recent meeting with the British prime minister. — Darren O'Rourke. [63268/25]

6. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on his recent meeting with the UK prime minister. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [65778/25]

7. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent meeting with the British prime minister. — Peadar Tóibín. [65833/25]

8. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on his recent meeting with the British prime minister. — Liam Quaide. [67526/25]

9. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on his recent meeting with Prime Minister Keir Starmer. — Shane Moynihan. [67573/25]

10. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on his recent meeting with the British prime minister. — Ivana Bacik. [67607/25]

11. To ask the Taoiseach to report on his recent meeting with British Prime Minister Keir Starmer. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [67792/25]

12. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his recent meeting with the British prime minister. — Peadar Tóibín. [67808/25]

13. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on his Department's plans to coordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — Tony McCormack. [50582/25]

14. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on his Department's plans to coordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — Albert Dolan. [58232/25]

15. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on his Department's plans to co-ordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [63260/25]

16. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on his Department's plans to coordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — Darren O'Rourke. [63269/25]

17. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on his Department's plans to co-ordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — Malcolm Byrne. [63479/25]

18. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on his Department's plans to coordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — Cian O'Callaghan. [63906/25]

19. To ask the Taoiseach his Department's plans to coordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — James O'Connor. [65261/25]

20. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on his Department's plans to co-ordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — Ruth Coppinger. [65601/25]

21. To ask the Taoiseach his Department's plans to coordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — Paul Murphy. [65781/25]

22. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on his Department's plans to coordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — Liam Quaide. [67527/25]

23. To ask the Taoiseach his Department's plans to coordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [67793/25]

24. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on the national security strategy. — Tom Brabazon. [58233/25]

25. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the national security strategy. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [65331/25]

26. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on the national security strategy. — Ruth Coppinger. [65603/25]

27. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on the national security strategy. — Albert Dolan. [65712/25]

28. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on the national security strategy. — Darren O'Rourke. [65716/25]

29. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on the national security strategy. — Paul Murphy. [65782/25]

30. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on progress of the national security strategy. — Ryan O'Meara. [65888/25]

31. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on the national security strategy. — Ivana Bacik. [67608/25]

32. To ask the Taoiseach for a report on the national security strategy. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [67794/25]

33. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on the national security strategy. — Peadar Tóibín. [67809/25]

34. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure will next meet. — Aindrias Moynihan. [63425/25]

35. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure will next meet. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [65332/25]

36. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure will next meet. — David Cullinane. [65605/25]

37. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure will next meet. — Albert Dolan. [65711/25]

38. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure will next meet. — Darren O'Rourke. [65717/25]

39. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure will next meet. — Paul Murphy. [65783/25]

40. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure will next meet. — Cian O'Callaghan. [65859/25]

41. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure will meet next. — Séamus McGrath. [65887/25]

42. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure will next meet. — James O'Connor. [67601/25]

43. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure will next meet. — Ivana Bacik. [67609/25]

44. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure will next meet. — Peadar Tóibín. [67810/25]

45. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Housing will meet next. — Séamus McGrath. [64216/25]

46. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Housing will meet next. — Paul McAuliffe. [64218/25]

47. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Housing will next meet. — Ivana Bacik. [65264/25]

48. To ask the Taoiseach when the next meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Housing will take place. — Mark Ward. [65417/25]

49. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Housing will next meet. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [65780/25]

50. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Housing will next meet. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [67523/25]

51. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Housing will meet next. — Shane Moynihan. [67578/25]

52. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Housing will meet next. — John Connolly. [67579/25]

53. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Housing will next meet. — Ryan O'Meara. [67843/25]

54. To ask the Taoiseach to report on his attendance at the Conference of Parties Summit in Brazil in November 2025. — Malcolm Byrne. [62257/25]

55. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at COP30 in Belém. — Albert Dolan. [65713/25]

56. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at COP30 in Belém. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [65719/25]

57. To ask the Taoiseach to report on his attendance at the Conference of Parties Summit in Brazil. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [67524/25]

58. To ask the Taoiseach if consideration has been given to developing public information or civic education materials outlining the institutional, economic and constitutional realities associated with Irish unification, to ensure any future debate is evidence-based. — Michael Murphy. [62803/25]

59. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his meeting with faith and non-confessional groups to discuss a structured dialogue process. — Ruth Coppinger. [63182/25]

60. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on EU and International Affairs will next meet. — James Geoghegan. [63507/25]

61. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on EU and International Affairs will next meet. — Malcolm Byrne. [65714/25]

62. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on EU and International Affairs will next meet. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [65718/25]

63. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on EU and International Affairs will next meet. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [67525/25]

64. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Government Co-Ordination will next meet. — Cian O’Callaghan. [63915/25]

65. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Government Co-ordination will next meet. — Ruth Coppinger. [65602/25]

66. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Government Co-ordination will next meet. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [65779/25]

67. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Government Co-ordination will next meet. — Cian O’Callaghan. [65860/25]

68. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cork city taskforce will be established. — Séamus McGrath. [64215/25]

69. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cork city taskforce will be established. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [64217/25]

70. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on the implementation of the Dublin City Taskforce report. — Paul McAuliffe. [67575/25]

71. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on the implementation of the Dublin City Taskforce report. — Catherine Ardagh. [67576/25]

72. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on the implementation of the Dublin City Taskforce report. — Tom Brabazon. [67577/25]

73. To ask the Taoiseach for an overview of his Department’s annual report for 2024. — Ryan O’Meara. [65889/25]

74. To ask the Taoiseach if he will report on his attendance at the G20 in South Africa. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [66790/25]

75. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on the Programme for Government. — John Connolly. [67574/25]

76. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet committee that oversees agriculture will next meet. — Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere. [67675/25]

77. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet committee that oversees agriculture will next meet. — Aindrias Moynihan. [67676/25]

78. To ask the Taoiseach which Cabinet committee oversees agriculture; and when it will next meet. — Michael Cahill. [67677/25]

79. To ask the Taoiseach when the Cabinet Committee on Children and Education will next meet. — Ryan O’Meara. [67844/25]

80. To ask the Taoiseach if it would be possible for the CSO, drawing on SILC data, to create a new measurement of ‘consistent poverty (after housing costs)’, which would combine

households at risk of poverty after housing costs and households in material deprivation, in the same fashion as the existing measurement ‘consistent poverty. — Louise O’Reilly. [62184/25]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA
QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

*81. To ask the Taoiseach for an update on his Department’s plans to coordinate a range of actions aimed at regulatory reform. — Ivana Bacik. [67610/25]

*82. To ask the Taoiseach the plans there are by Government to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects in health, housing, education, agriculture, and so on, in a more timely, efficient and customer-friendly manner. — Michael Cahill. [68392/25]

*83. To ask the Taoiseach further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles. — Albert Dolan. [68466/25]

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

*84. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide an update, in relation to returning and returned Irish, if she will report on the current situation with regard to the implementation of the Indecon (2018) report recommendations, in particular the appointment of a designated Departmental contact within each relevant Government department, and the establishment of a dedicated Oireachtas committee to focus on the issues concerning the returning Irish emigrants. — Johnny Guirke. [68269/25]

*85. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide data on trade and investment between Ireland and the Arab states in the Middle East and North Africa; and the measures being taken by Government to enhance Ireland’s trade and investment relationship with these states. — Emer Currie. [68292/25]

*86. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade in relation to Ireland ratifying the UNCRC Second Optional Protocol, the reason the State must be able to meet the obligations it assumes from the moment that international agreement enters into force in Ireland; the reason for the discrepancy between this agreement and the Istanbul Convention, which Ireland ratified, yet, where the State remains unable to meet the required level of women’s refuge spaces years after ratification; to set out in layman’s language how these international agreements appear to involve different criteria for the State in meeting its obligations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [68353/25]

*87. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the plans there are to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects under her Department’s remit in a more timely, efficient and

customer-friendly manner; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68379/25]

*88. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, her Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if her Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68458/25]

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

*89. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment if a homeowner can be reimbursed through the PV solar panel scheme for medically vulnerable households in a case where the homeowners have previously installed PV solar panels from their own resources. — Robert Troy. [68228/25]

*90. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the dates on which he or his Department officials met with electricity suppliers or their representatives. — Eoin Ó Broin. [68352/25]

*91. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68452/25]

Chun Aire Cosanta: To the Minister for Defence.

*92. To ask the Minister for Defence further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, her Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if her Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68454/25]

*93. To ask the Minister for Defence the current strength of all branches of the Defence Forces as of 28 November 2025 or the latest date available; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Brabazon. [68514/25]

*94. To ask the Minister for Defence the improvements made in salaries and allowances for members of the Defence Forces since 2020; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Brabazon. [68515/25]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*95. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will direct Transport Infrastructure Ireland to review the 2020 changes to the disabled drivers and disabled passengers (toll exemption) scheme, particularly the withdrawal of toll exemption discs previously granted on a goodwill basis to registered charities that provide essential daily transport for adults with severe autism and intellectual disabilities; if he is aware that a service provider (details supplied) in Cork, an autism-specific adult day service, has had its exemption (originally granted in 2013 and renewed without issue until 2025) refused 2025, resulting in daily toll costs of €12–€16 that are unsustainable and will force the withdrawal of transport for two individuals from Fermoy and Mitchelstown; and if he will consider introducing a discretionary or grandfathering clause for pre-2020 goodwill cases operated by registered disability service providers in the public interest. — Ken O’Flynn. [68223/25]

*96. To ask the Minister for Transport the process by which drivers with epilepsy apply to renew their drivers licence; if the expiry date on their new licence will be based on when they applied or when their doctors assessment was carried out; if this will be reviewed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [68291/25]

*97. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will examine the feasibility of introducing an audio fare announcement system in taxis, similar to the Marquay model used in parts of the United States, which provides audible confirmation of the starting fare, route and final fare for blind and visually impaired passengers, in order to strengthen passenger protection and ensure transparency in taxi journeys; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [68356/25]

*98. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to the ongoing overcrowding and service reliability issues on the DART network, particularly during peak times at stations such as Raheny, Killester, Harmonstown, and Clontarf Road; if he will outline the current timeline for delivery of additional DART fleet and infrastructure upgrades; and if he will take immediate steps to fast-track these improvements to ensure passenger safety, accessibility, and reliability; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [68357/25]

*99. To ask the Minister for Transport if the road and footpaths in Cahersiveen town, County Kerry can be upgraded urgently as they are a major health and safety issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68364/25]

*100. To ask the Minister for Transport if the Ring of Kerry road from the Blackwater Bridge to Sneem can be surface dressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68365/25]

*101. To ask the Minister for Transport the Government’s aircraft noise policy and where can it be viewed, as referenced in correspondence to this Deputy on 13 November 2025, in queries relating to Dublin Airport Authority. — Gillian Toole. [68407/25]

*102. To ask the Minister for Transport further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for

the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68467/25]

*103. To ask the Minister for Transport if consideration will be given to reintroducing a Dublin Bus service in an area in Kildare North (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68479/25]

*104. To ask the Minister for Transport the interim measures being considered to improve public transport connectivity between Kilcock and Dublin, given ongoing unreliability in bus and rail services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68480/25]

*105. To ask the Minister for Transport the steps being taken to enhance transport links between Kilcock and neighbouring towns such as Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip, to support access to schools, childcare and employment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68481/25]

*106. To ask the Minister for Transport if additional bus services or route adjustments are planned for Kilcock to address current gaps in connectivity and reduce reliance on private cars; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68482/25]

*107. To ask the Minister for Transport the plans to increase frequency or capacity on rail services serving Kilcock as an interim measure to meet growing commuter demand; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68483/25]

Chun an Tánaiste agus Aire Airgeadais: To the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance.

*108. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the extent of the involvement of Home Building Finance Ireland (HBFI) in the financing of the Ringfort development in Rathmolyon, County Meath; if his Department will use its oversight of the HBFI to ensure a resolution for the affected home buyers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [68187/25]

*109. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance if the Revenue Commissioners have a role in the investigation of the financial dealings of the companies involved in the Ringfort development in Rathmolyon, County Meath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [68188/25]

*110. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance to address the matter of sub-contractors and the change of rules by the Revenue Commissioners (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [68243/25]

*111. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance if his Department will review the operation of the six year clawback rule under section 89(4) of the Capital Acquisitions Tax Consolidation Act 2003, in circumstances where an inheritor of agricultural property is unable, due to severe disability or long-term residential care needs, to farm the land or reinvest in agricultural property; if he will consider introducing a specific legislative exemption or waiver to prevent the clawback of agricultural relief in such exceptional cases; the analysis undertaken by his Department on the impact of the rule on families supporting persons with disabilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [68303/25]

*112. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the plans there are to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects under his Department's remit in a more timely, efficient and customer-friendly manner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68373/25]

*113. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68457/25]

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

*114. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation when a position (details supplied) will be filled; if filling the position will delay the progress of flood relief in East Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [68406/25]

*115. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the dates and attendees of all meetings he has had with the Minister for Health since he took office. — Alan Kelly. [68242/25]

*116. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the date in 2017 on which, and the format in which (email, phone call or other) the request from An Garda Síochána was received by the OPW to rent one of their properties in Spa Road, Phoenix Park, Dublin. — Alan Kelly. [68355/25]

*117. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if anyone from his Department ever discussed or communicated with anyone in the OPW between 2016 and 27 November 2025 regarding An Garda Síochána renting a property on Spa Road, Phoenix Park, Dublin; and if so, the dates on which they so did, with whom, and the reasons. — Alan Kelly. [68359/25]

*118. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide the dates, and attendees, of all meetings between his Department and the Department of Justice, Home Affairs and Migration between 2016 and 27 November 2025, in chronological order, by date and attendees. — Alan Kelly. [68361/25]

*119. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide the dates, and attendees, of all meetings between his Department and An Garda Síochána between 2016 and 27 November 2025, in chronological order, by date and attendees. — Alan Kelly. [68362/25]

*120. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the timeframe from submissions of forms by candidates in the November 2024 election to the Standard in Public Office Commission to payment being made by his Department,

or SIPO; the number of outstanding claims to be paid; the reasons for the delays; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [68367/25]

*121. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the plans there are to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects under his Department's remit in a more timely, efficient and customer-friendly manner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68374/25]

*122. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68463/25]

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

*123. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment when a general permit application (details supplied) will be determined; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [68252/25]

*124. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if the maximum quota for general employment permits for dairy farm assistants has been reached; if not, the number of permits issued to dairy farm assistants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [68198/25]

*125. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if he has considered increasing the maximum quota for general employment permits for dairy farm assistants, given labour shortage concerns from dairy farmers, and that the quota for the roll has been filled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [68272/25]

*126. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 311 of 25 November 2025, if he will provide a further breakdown of the information supplied (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Geoghegan. [68282/25]

*127. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the approach his Department and State enterprise and tourism agencies have to enhance the trade and investment relationship between Ireland and Arab states in the Middle East and North Africa. — Emer Currie. [68293/25]

*128. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if he will liaise with Fáilte Ireland, an organisation (details supplied) and all interested stakeholders to investigate the feasibility of providing a facility similar to the ultra-modern versions available in other parts of the world; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68366/25]

*129. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the plans there are to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects under his Department's remit in a more timely, efficient and customer-friendly manner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68377/25]

*130. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if the significant increases in airline ticket prices to Prague following the Irish men's national football team's World Cup qualifying round draw is in line with consumer protection laws; if he will instruct the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission to investigate same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [68445/25]

*131. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if he will instruct the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission to investigate airline ticket price hikes for major events in advance of the UEFA club football qualifying draws next July, which could see four Irish clubs travelling abroad for crucial games, given recent increase in prices for tickets to Prague following the Irish men's national football team's World Cup qualifying round draw; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [68446/25]

*132. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68456/25]

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

*133. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the progress made by an organisation (details supplied) regarding the pension entitlements and employment conditions of school secretaries and caretakers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68516/25]

*134. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she is aware of land available and owned by Cork City Council for new school buildings (details supplied) in Ballincollig, County Cork; whether officials have engaged with the council in respect of acquiring the land; and the status of new school buildings for both projects. — Thomas Gould. [68175/25]

*135. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of new school building projects and extensions currently underway in Cork, by stage and date the project entered that stage, including the number of pupils currently in the school, in tabular form. — Thomas Gould. [68176/25]

*136. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will review the current assault leave guidelines for teachers in schools across the State. — Darren O'Rourke. [68217/25]

*137. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of teachers in primary, post primary and special schools who took assault leave for the years 2020 to date in 2025, in tabular

form; and the number which never returned to the school they worked in. — Darren O'Rourke. [68218/25]

*138. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth her plans to review the parameters of assault leave for teachers given in some cases the time period of six months assault leave is insufficient for recovery from an injury. — Darren O'Rourke. [68219/25]

*139. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the financial support available to teachers who leave work on assault leave to compensate them for their medical expenses; and her plans to introduce new compensation measures for medical expenses. — Darren O'Rourke. [68220/25]

*140. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if he will provide an update on the pension parity claim by school secretaries and caretakers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [68253/25]

*141. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if assistance will be granted to parents who missed an application deadline for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [68268/25]

*142. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if figures provided by her Department, to a newspaper are accurate (details supplied); the methodology her Department used to classify a special class place as vacant; if places counted as vacant are fully operational, and appropriately staffed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [68311/25]

*143. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of parents who have submitted a notification to the NCSE, by the 1 October deadline, requesting a special school place for the 2026-2027 school year in Dublin, broken down by postcode, in tabular form. — Cian O'Callaghan. [68312/25]

*144. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the plans there are to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects under her Department's remit in a more timely, efficient and customer-friendly manner; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68370/25]

*145. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for data relating to an area (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [68393/25]

*146. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for data relating to the Castleknock Dublin15 school planning area (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [68394/25]

*147. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for data relating to the Castleknock Dublin15 school planning area (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [68395/25]

*148. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of applications for the climate action summer works scheme, by county; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [68412/25]

*149. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the reason that no DEIS Band 1 school in Galway was included in CASWS funding for 2026; if there are any other funding opportunities

this year for DEIS schools to make upgrades to improve energy efficiency; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [68422/25]

*150. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, her Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if her Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68455/25]

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

*151. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the plans there are to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects under his Department's remit in a more timely, efficient and customer-friendly manner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68378/25]

*152. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68453/25]

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

*153. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage in view of the ongoing uncertainty faced by homeowners affected by the defective block scheme; if Fingal County Council is to be included in the scheme; to provide details on the expected timeline, administrative arrangements, and any forthcoming guidance for local authorities and applicants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert O'Donoghue. [68231/25]

*154. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No 263 of 6 November 2025, his views on the concerns raised by Dublin Fire Brigade regarding the creation of two different CAD systems, one for fire and rescue calls, the other for ambulance calls, which poses a serious threat to the resilience currently present and threatens public safety and the health and safety of firefighter/paramedics. — Paul Murphy. [68301/25]

*155. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the steps being taken to monitor and enforce compliance within the housing assistance payment scheme. — Shane Moynihan. [68337/25]

*156. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if there is a requirement or quota for wheelchair-accessible one/two-bedroom units in new housing developments. — Shane Moynihan. [68338/25]

*157. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the plans there are to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects under his Department's remit in a more timely, efficient and customer-friendly manner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68372/25]

*158. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will ensure that one of the last remaining 'ghost estates' (details supplied) is taken in charge for affordable housing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68380/25]

*159. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68461/25]

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

*160. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the amount the Government has spent on the school meals programme, by year from 2019 to date in 2025; in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathy Bennett. [68199/25]

*161. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the main providers of the school meals programme; the way in which providers are contracted; the way in which they apply; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathy Bennett. [68200/25]

*162. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if he has given consideration to local providers in the school meals programme; if the Government advertises in local media for food suppliers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathy Bennett. [68201/25]

*163. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if the Government has done a review with parents in relation to the quality of the meals in the school meals programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathy Bennett. [68202/25]

*164. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the way schools can withdraw from a contract for the school meals programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathy Bennett. [68203/25]

*165. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the assistance available for a person (details supplied) who was refused carer's benefit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [68206/25]

*166. To ask the Minister for Social Protection his plans to develop a non-means-tested support for audiology equipment such as hearing aids; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [68260/25]

*167. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if secondary schools that entered the DEIS programme from 2022 onwards are excluded from the school meals scheme; the reason a school (details supplied) has not yet been able to access funding for hot school lunch provision; when this school will be able to access funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [68310/25]

*168. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 99 of 22 October 2025, if he will review again the case of a person (details supplied); the reason the publicly available guidance on Gov.ie and Citizens Information states that the homemaker’s scheme “can help you qualify for the State Pension (Contributory)”, when his official reply to the Parliamentary Question states that homemaker’s disregard and home caring periods cannot be used to meet the minimum full-rate contribution requirement; if he will clarify the way in which citizens were expected to understand this distinction; if, in light of this ambiguity, he will instruct his Department to conduct a senior-level review of this case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [68354/25]

*169. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the plans there are to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects under his Department’s remit in a more timely, efficient and customer-friendly manner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68375/25]

*170. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if he will review and expand the level of support provided under the treatment benefit scheme for individuals requiring audiological supports, including hearing aids, or those living with congenital deafness given that lifetime costs for such supports can exceed €50,000 compared to the current €1,000 provision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [68428/25]

*171. To ask the Minister for Social Protection further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68465/25]

Chun an Aire Dlí agus Cirt, Gnóthaí Baile agus Imirce: To the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration.

*172. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration for an update on the implementation of objectives (details supplied) under the Protection Pillar 2 of the National Strategy on Domestic, Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (DSGBV)); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Máire Devine. [68229/25]

*173. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration when he intends to bring forward the necessary statutory regulations or amending legislation to implement the recommendations of the “Periodic Payment Orders Indexation Rate – Report of the Inter-

Departmental Working Group,” accepted by him in July 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O’Flynn. [68232/25]

*174. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the current status of the implementation process for the revised indexation mechanism for periodic payment orders under Part IV of the Civil Liability (Amendment) Act 2017; and to specify the expected commencement date for the new framework. — Ken O’Flynn. [68233/25]

*175. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the reason for the delay in publishing the draft regulations or legislative amendments required to activate the revised PPO indexation rate as recommended in the 2024 Interdepartmental Working Group report; and if he will provide a timeline for publication. — Ken O’Flynn. [68234/25]

*176. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his Department has engaged with the Department of Finance, the Central Bank of Ireland, or the Courts Service in respect of operational readiness for the implementation of the new PPO indexation rate; and to provide details of those engagements. — Ken O’Flynn. [68235/25]

*177. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his Department has assessed the potential financial impact on plaintiffs with catastrophic injuries, such as those arising in a case (details supplied); and if he will publish that assessment. — Ken O’Flynn. [68236/25]

*178. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will ensure that the necessary legislative or regulatory amendments to make the PPO regime fully operational will be enacted before the end of 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O’Flynn. [68237/25]

*179. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if the legislative priority list for 2025 includes the introduction of amending measures to rectify the deficiencies in the current PPO legislation; and if not, if he will add it to the list as a matter of urgency. — Ken O’Flynn. [68238/25]

*180. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the consultations undertaken to date with relevant stakeholders, including representatives of catastrophically injured plaintiffs, the Law Society, and the Bar Council, in relation to the implementation of a workable PPO indexation mechanism; and if further stakeholder engagement is planned. — Ken O’Flynn. [68239/25]

*181. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the total number of 999 calls made and the number of callouts arising from these calls for each year from 2020 to 2024 and to date in 2025. — Tom Brabazon. [68250/25]

*182. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the protocols in place to ensure the immediate safeguarding of severely disabled, non-verbal, and medically vulnerable children when a safety order has been granted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68275/25]

*183. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if protective services units have specific protocols for cases involving non-verbal and medically fragile children; and if additional resources will be allocated to strengthen these units. — Mattie McGrath. [68277/25]

*184. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will consider appointing a dedicated liaison officer to provide regular updates to families in cases where a safety order is in place and the child is at elevated risk; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68278/25]

*185. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the disability specific victim supports which are currently available; if additional measures will be introduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68279/25]

*186. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the reason his Department continues to operate an International Protection Accommodation Service (IPAS) contract at a hotel (details supplied) despite the High Court quashing the section 5 planning exemption that underpinned its use; if his Department respects the role and decisions of the courts; the action he will take as a result of this court agreement to ensure that the State is not engaging with an unauthorised development; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68283/25]

*187. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if a hotel (details supplied) has full insurance for IPAS accommodation given most commercial insurance policies have exclusions including unauthorised use and in view of the fact that this is now an unauthorised use of this hotel; if the hotel is fully insured and is not opening the State up to unnecessary risk; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68284/25]

*188. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the legal advice his Department has received regarding the continuation of the IPAS contract (details supplied) in the absence of planning permission and the recent decision of the High Court quashing the section 5 in respect of the building; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68285/25]

*189. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will commit to an independent review of how IPAS contracts are awarded, including compliance checks on planning and environmental law; the number of contracts that have been rescinded by his Department; the details of the contracts; the reason for rescinding the contracts; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68286/25]

*190. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he has been informed of the unauthorised wastewater treatment systems operating at a hotel (details supplied) and the ongoing pollution of the Multeen river, a Natura 2000 special area of conservation; if he is satisfied that a State contract is leading to the pollution of a special area of conservation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68287/25]

*191. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if environmental compliance formed part of the due diligence process before awarding the IPAS contract for a hotel (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68288/25]

*192. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will make the fire safety certificates in respect of an IPAS centre (details supplied) available for viewing by Tipperary public representatives who have serious concerns regarding the absence of all required fire safety certificates in respect of a property (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68289/25]

*193. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration is aware that no lease agreement exists between a company (details supplied) the property owner of a hotel and another company the operator contracted under the International Protection Accommodation Service (IPAS); the legal basis that exists for continuing to house IPAS residents at this property in circumstances where the operator has been described in High Court proceedings as “trespassing”; if he will confirm the presence of a lease agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68290/25]

*194. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his attention has been drawn to complaints that the list of documentation required for a citizenship by naturalisation application on the immigration website and portal is not comprehensive and has resulted in applications being refused for the lack of said documentation; and if he will ensure that a complete list of all documentation accepted and required for a citizenship application is made easily and publicly available. — Seán Crowe. [68298/25]

*195. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if anyone from his Department ever discussed or communicated with anyone in the OPW between 2016 and 27 November 2025 regarding An Garda Síochána renting a property on Spa Road, Phoenix Park, Dublin; and if so, the dates on which they so did, with whom, and the reasons. — Alan Kelly. [68358/25]

*196. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to provide the dates, and attendees, of all meetings between his Department and the OPW between 2016 and 27 November 2025, in chronological order, by date and attendees. — Alan Kelly. [68360/25]

*197. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the length of time the average criminal court case takes in Ireland for each of the past ten years; and the comparative length of time in Britain and in the EU. — Peadar Tóibín. [68437/25]

*198. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68462/25]

*199. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the total number of Garda motorcycles currently in the Garda fleet; the number in active operational service; the number undergoing repair or awaiting replacement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [68492/25]

*200. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of Garda motorcycles assigned to each Garda division; and the number of trained motorcycle Gardai available in each division. — Michael Murphy. [68493/25]

*201. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of Garda motorcycles currently deployed specifically for roads policing/traffic duties; the proportion this represents of the overall roads policing unit fleet; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [68494/25]

*202. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration for a regional breakdown (Dublin, Eastern, Southern, Northwestern) of Garda motorcycles currently operational. — Michael Murphy. [68495/25]

*203. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of Garda motorcycles that have been procured in each of the past five years; and the number due for replacement based on age or mileage. — Michael Murphy. [68496/25]

*204. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of Garda members currently qualified as advanced motorcycle riders; and the number who completed training in each of the past three years. — Michael Murphy. [68498/25]

*205. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the distribution of Garda motorcycles between urban and rural divisions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [68499/25]

*206. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the average age and mileage of the Garda motorcycle fleet; and the number currently out of service due to maintenance requirements. — Michael Murphy. [68500/25]

*207. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of Garda motorcycles assigned to road safety and speed-monitoring operations such as Operation Slow Down, National Roads Policing Days of Action, and similar initiatives; and the outcomes of these operations over the past three years. — Michael Murphy. [68501/25]

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

*208. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the next payment run will be made for farmers who are not paid their ACRES first payment for the scheme year 2025, and the figures not paid yet for 2025 first payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [68177/25]

*209. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department has enough funding to pay farmers in the different agricultural schemes the money they are owed before the year end 2025; and given his Department's payments and budget, whether he envisages a shortfall in any scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [68178/25]

*210. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of cattle and sheep slaughtered annually in Ireland under Halal certification without pre-stunning; the names of the companies licensed to carry out this practice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68190/25]

*211. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the animal welfare standards which are applied to non-stun slaughter in Ireland; if these standards meet EU animal welfare regulations; and if he will consider prohibiting non-stun slaughter on animal welfare grounds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68191/25]

*212. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will confirm whether Irish farmers are informed or consulted before their animals are slaughtered without stunning for Halal markets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68192/25]

*213. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will review the licensing and oversight of slaughterhouses engaged in non-stun slaughter; and if he will consider introducing mandatory stunning for all animals slaughtered in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68193/25]

*214. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide details of audits or inspections carried out on slaughterhouses performing non-stun slaughter; the findings of these audits; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68194/25]

*215. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the economic value of the Halal market to Irish meat exports; and if he will consider whether this market justifies the continuation of non-stun slaughter practices given animal welfare concerns; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68195/25]

*216. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the approach his Department, Bord Bia and other agencies will take to enhance the trade and investment relationship between Ireland and Arab states in the Middle East and North Africa in the areas of agri-food and equine sectors. — Emer Currie. [68294/25]

*217. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the practice of non-stun animal slaughter is permitted in Ireland in cases of religious slaughter. — Robert Troy. [68299/25]

*218. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of non-stun slaughters which are permitted and carried out in Ireland annually on religious grounds. — Robert Troy. [68300/25]

*219. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68450/25]

Chun an Aire Leanaí, Michumais agus Comhionannais: To the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality.

*220. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to review the case of an afterschool service (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [68182/25]

*221. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to examine a case (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [68251/25]

*222. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of children/parents who attended an individual or group intervention in Clonmel CDNT5 to date in 2025, by month, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68257/25]

*223. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the total number of persons who did not attend an individual or group appointment in Clonmel CDNT5, by month in 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68258/25]

*224. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality whether a child (details supplied) in south Tipperary will receive Access and Inclusion Model (AIM) funding; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [68296/25]

*225. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the plans there are to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects under her Department's remit in a more timely, efficient and customer-friendly manner; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68376/25]

*226. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the average waiting time for assessment of needs through the primary care service in County Wexford; the steps being taken to reduce waiting times in County Wexford; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Mythen. [68423/25]

*227. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, her Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if her Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68451/25]

*228. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality her plans to increase the availability of childcare places in Kilcock, County Kildare, where families are facing waiting lists extending into late 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68509/25]

*229. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she is aware that the shortage of childcare places in Kilcock is forcing some parents out of the workforce; the supports or interventions which are planned to address this; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68510/25]

*230. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if population growth projections for Kilcock have been factored into childcare service planning; whether additional funding or capacity-building measures will be introduced to reduce waiting lists and support families; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68511/25]

*231. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will review the decision not to provide a Christmas bonus to foster carers in 2025; if consideration will be given to reinstating the payment in future years given the extra costs at Christmas; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68512/25]

*232. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if her Department has assessed the financial impact on foster carers of the decision not to provide a Christmas bonus in 2025; the supports being considered to assist foster carers during periods of increased costs such as Christmas; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68513/25]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*233. To ask the Minister for Health if nursing homes are allowed to place additional mandatory charges on fair deal patients who already pay 80% of their pension to fund their care. — Thomas Gould. [68174/25]

*234. To ask the Minister for Health the total amount of money allocated to the 24 local and regional drugs and alcohol taskforces in each year for the period 2000–2025; and a breakdown of the annual funding allocated to each of the drugs and alcohol taskforces over the same period. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [68179/25]

*235. To ask the Minister for Health the total amount of money allocated to drug and alcohol services in each year 2000–2025; and for detailed information on the allocation of that funding by area/location. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [68180/25]

*236. To ask the Minister for Health the reason for the delay with the introduction of a machine (details supplied) coming into commission; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [68181/25]

*237. To ask the Minister for Health if her attention has been drawn to a charge being placed on blister packs; and if she will instruct her Department to investigate the matter and reverse the decision. — Paul Murphy. [68189/25]

*238. To ask the Minister for Health to urgently investigate a matter (details supplied) regarding a nursing home move; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68205/25]

*239. To ask the Minister for Health to respond to matters raised in correspondence (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [68215/25]

*240. To ask the Minister for Health if she has concluded her consideration of HIQA's review of urgent and emergency healthcare services in the Mid-West region; if she will announce a decision on the options put forward by HIQA by the end of 2025, as per her previous commitment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [68216/25]

*241. To ask the Minister for Health the approved list of medications for reimbursement for phased dispensing under the Community Pharmacy Agreement 2025; if reimbursement is available to medical card holders availing of monitored dosing systems due to a diagnosed medical conditions (details supplied); if not, if this will be considered; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [68221/25]

*242. To ask the Minister for Health if it can be ensured that a person (details supplied) is scheduled for treatment at the Brain Injury and Stroke Programme at the National Rehabilitation Hospital as a matter of urgency; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [68222/25]

*243. To ask the Minister for Health the steps being taken to ensure GP services are available to residents of Kilcock, County Kildare, given the presence of a primary care centre but lack of GP practices; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68224/25]

*244. To ask the Minister for Health if additional GP contracts or supports will be allocated to Kilcock to address the current gap in provision; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68225/25]

*245. To ask the Minister for Health the interim measures being considered to support Kilcock residents who must travel long distances for routine and urgent GP care; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68226/25]

*246. To ask the Minister for Health whether there are any supports for women with endometriosis who received treatment privately before the National Endometriosis Framework; and her plans to introduce reimbursements for women who have had to pay for treatments which are now covered. — Paul Murphy. [68227/25]

*247. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to reinstate funding for pharmacy blister packs (details supplied). — Richard Boyd Barrett. [68230/25]

*248. To ask the Minister for Health if the Government will expand the scheme of medical treatment in Irish hospitals for children from Gaza; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [68254/25]

*249. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) has been waiting over nine days in Cavan General Hospital for a scan; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [68259/25]

*250. To ask the Minister for Health if her Department will formally classify endometriosis as a specific, complex chronic disease under the long-term illness scheme or an equivalent support mechanism (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [68261/25]

*251. To ask the Minister for Health when two children (details supplied) will receive the full respite they were granted over two years ago; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [68262/25]

*252. To ask the Minister for Health if she will request the HSE to provide a list of services currently being provided in Terenure health centre; the contact details of the relevant point of contact or manager of the centre; if she can request the HSE to provide an update in respect of any proposed plans to deliver a new primary healthcare centre in Terenure; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James Geoghegan. [68263/25]

*253. To ask the Minister for Health to urgently investigate the case of a person (details supplied) and assist this family who urgently require suitable nursing home care; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68273/25]

*254. To ask the Minister for Health the progress of licensing the drug luthera, which is required for the treatment of grade 4 neuroendocrine cancer; the expected timeline for approval; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [68274/25]

*255. To ask the Minister for Health her views on the creation of a non-means tested audiology entitlement for persons born deaf; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [68281/25]

*256. To ask the Minister for Health the manner in which a person may engage with her Department regarding a scoping exercise (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathy Bennett. [68313/25]

*257. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 343 of 26 November 2025, the date on which she expects the outputs from the National Survey of the Experience of Home Support Workers and Nursing Home Healthcare Assistants to be collated; the timeline for completion of the final review of the Strategic Workforce Advisory Group on Home Carers and Nursing Home Health Care Assistants recommendations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [68316/25]

*258. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the planned review into baby and maternal deaths; if this review has begun; if not, if it will begin before the end of 2025; the timeline for completion of the review; the role that experts in the area and parent groups will have in this review; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [68317/25]

*259. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the 52 recommendations from the seven completed reviews into the care provided to women and their infants in Portiuncula Maternity Service; the timeline being worked towards for implementing these recommendations in full; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [68318/25]

*260. To ask the Minister for Health the status of all five ongoing reviews into the care provided to women and their infants in Portiuncula Maternity Service; if any have been completed; the timeline for completion of each review; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [68319/25]

*261. To ask the Minister for Health if she will liaise with the HSE and representatives of pharmacies to develop a system where patients, especially older patients can avail, free of charge of their prescriptions by way of blister packs, for ease and safety of medication administration; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68363/25]

*262. To ask the Minister for Health the plans there are to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects under her Department's remit in a more timely, efficient and customer-friendly manner; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68369/25]

*263. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a reply has not been provided to a HSE representation submitted in June 2025 (details supplied); and if she will assist in obtaining a response from the HSE at the earliest opportunity. — Eoin Ó Broin. [68381/25]

*264. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a contract change between community pharmacies and the HSE will see the price of blister packs increase by 200% from 1 January 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [68386/25]

*265. To ask the Minister for Health if she is aware of pharmacy charges medical card holders pay for medication dispensed in blister packs; the impact the charges have on those on low incomes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [68403/25]

*266. To ask the Minister for Health the examination and evaluation of the recently published Central Statistics Office figures for medical mortality that are taking place or scheduled to take place. — Gillian Toole. [68408/25]

*267. To ask the Minister for Health the last time the All-Ireland Traveller Health Study was completed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [68421/25]

*268. To ask the Minister for Health if she will establish a pathway to ensure that individuals diagnosed with congenital deafness may qualify for a medical card on the basis of their diagnosis rather than solely through means assessment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [68429/25]

*269. To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which the community connect programme will include ethnic minority identifiers and the status of the system configuration phase. — Sorca Clarke. [68444/25]

*270. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, her Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if her Department operates a similar practice; if not, whether consideration will be given to adopting this approach as a transparency measure consistent with the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies and wider open-government principles; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68460/25]

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

*271. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will provide an update on the establishment of Ireland's first AI factory antenna; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Geoghegan. [68264/25]

*272. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science to consider the suggestions made in correspondence (detail supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [68351/25]

*273. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the plans there are to reduce the number of quangos and strip out the amassed red tape and bureaucracy that exists, in order to allow the delivery of projects under his Department's remit in a more timely, efficient and customer-friendly manner; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68371/25]

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

*274. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht further to Parliamentary Question No. 2148 of 4 November 2025 to the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in which he confirmed that, although not required by statute, his Department voluntarily publishes its annual consultancy spending online in the interest of transparency and accessibility, if his Department operates a similar

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ANSWER ON THURSDAY, 4 DECEMBER, 2025**

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

1. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will report on his engagements regarding the LEADER programme under the next EU budgetary cycle. — Cathy Bennett. [68487/25]

2. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the grants and schemes available from his Department to support community centres. — James O'Connor. [68332/25]

3. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the programmes, funding and supports for the most disadvantaged areas of Dublin north-west, given the RAPID Programme has been closed for some time; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [68434/25]

4. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he plans to increase the funding allocation for the local improvement scheme for County Cork in 2026 given the large number of unfunded applications, particularly in rural parts of Cork north-west; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [67265/25]

5. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the steps his Department is taking to support the development of community and civic spaces in suburbs of Dublin city, such as Dundrum, to support local communities and ensure access to services and cohesion in communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sinéad Gibney. [68504/25]

6. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the indicators his Department will use to measure progress on the Clondalkin Irish Language Network and the Gaeilge 365 initiative from 2025 to 2028; the specific annual targets for the number of innovative projects to be developed each year; the number to be mainstreamed; the number to be scaled within the four Dublin local authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [68507/25]

7. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will outline the projects developed by Gaois in DCU; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [68148/25]

8. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht when the facilitator's work plan with Women's Sheds representatives will be completed; the way in which his Department will support its implementation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68388/25]

9. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht to give a detailed report in regard to the CLÁR funding approval process (details supplied); if further funding will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68477/25]

10. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the current and planned supports for Mayo's offshore islands, including Inishturk, Clare Island, and Achill Island; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Keira Keogh. [68006/25]

11. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta cé na féidearthachtaí atá ann d'Údarás na Gaeltachta obair le hUisce Éireann agus le húdaráis áitiúla chun tacú le tógáil tithíochta do phobail Ghaeilge mar atá curtha san áireamh sa phlean Tithe a Sheachadadh, Pobail a Thógáil 2025-2030; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — John Connolly. [68405/25]

12. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the projects underway in counties Sligo and Leitrim that are receiving funding under different schemes with financial support from his Department; the other projects that his Department has committed funding to; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [68271/25]

13. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he believes the current powers of the Charities Regulator are sufficient to address issues of accountability and public trust in the sector; if there are plans to expand these powers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Grace Boland. [68348/25]

14. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the plans which are in place for expanding the walking and trails schemes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Edward Timmins. [68489/25]

15. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht when the next funding round of the Local Enhancement Programme will be open for applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel McCarthy. [68387/25]

16. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht for an update on the next iteration of Our Rural Future Development Policy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [68342/25]

17. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if his Department provides support to community centres to improve the wheelchair accessibility of their premises; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [68331/25]

18. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht to report on progress as part of the Town Centre First policy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [67798/25]

19. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the funding allocated to date under the Town Centre First initiative for towns in Galway east such as Athenry, Gort and Loughrea; the status of pending applications; his plans to support further regeneration in small towns throughout east Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [68442/25]

20. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the progress his Department has made towards the development of a scheme to tackle urban disadvantage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [68404/25]

21. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the way in which his Department monitors the impact of the more than €6 million annual investment in Scéim na bhFoghlaimoirí Gaeilge; the indicators used to assess learner participation economic benefit in Gaeltacht areas and the effectiveness of scholarships and start up grants for accommodation providers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [68508/25]

22. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht to report on the meetings he had regarding the LEADER programme in Strasbourg in November 2025. — Sean Fleming. [68344/25]

23. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht when funding will be announced for the local improvement scheme; if additional funding will be provided to improve non-public rural roads and laneways in rural communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [66415/25]

24. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht for an update on the town and village renewal scheme in Carlow and Kilkenny. — Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [68327/25]

25. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the position regarding supports provided at a local level in community centres targeted at addressing social exclusion; if he will consider increasing funding in this regard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [66817/25]

26. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht his plans to increase capital investment under the Community Centres Investment Fund for community halls and voluntary groups in rural County Cork, particularly in areas experiencing population growth but limited facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [67264/25]

27. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta an míneoidh sé cén uair a bheidh na toghcháin do bhord Údarás na Gaeltachta ann; agus an bhfuil sé i gceist na toghcháin a reáchtáil in 2026. — Mairéad Farrell. [68517/25]

28. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will consider expanding the CLÁR scheme to more areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [68328/25]

29. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the number of new community centres opened in 2025 that were built alongside new residential developments and included in the original plans. — Thomas Gould. [67572/25]

30. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht in line with the objectives of “Our Rural Future”, the specific, measurable interventions his Department will implement in County Mayo over the next 12-months to support the retention of young families and combat depopulation, specifically in the areas of facilitating the development of affordable community-owned housing. — Paul Lawless. [68159/25]

31. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will consider applications from rural communities who wish to convert their derelict buildings, schools or other old buildings into rural community libraries and study places; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [68384/25]

32. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the measures he is taking to support youth work in Gaeltachta areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [68490/25]

33. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the average annual allocation to LEADER scheme, by programme; since 2007. — Cathy Bennett. [68486/25]

34. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the support his Department is providing to the public library network. — Willie O’Dea. [68345/25]

35. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the number of community hubs supported by the Government over the past three years where members of the community can work from their local community hub rather than travelling on overcrowded roads to their workplace; the number of such remote working hubs applying for support; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [68385/25]

36. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will work with on a cross-departmental basis to ensure that there is an adequate supply of early years workers proficient in Irish in Gaeltacht areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [68491/25]

37. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht when the next round of the Community Centre Investment Fund will open for applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O’Meara. [68306/25]

38. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the role his Department can play in ensuring vital infrastructure is provided to the island communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [65800/25]

39. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the position regarding the work he is undertaking to support the creation of a national body of women’s sheds, similar to what is in place for men’s sheds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [66816/25]

40. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will report on their implementation of a rural proofing model. — Matt Carthy. [68521/25]

41. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta an bhfuil sé i gceist aige daoine a fhostú i nGaeltacht Chonamara faoin gClár um Chumhachtú Pobal; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Mairéad Farrell. [68518/25]

42. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the reason Kildare, which is the fifth most populated county in Ireland, did not receive an adequate amount of funding from his Department in each of the tranches which have been announced in 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Neville. [68427/25]

43. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the number of submissions Kildare County Council have submitted to his Department in 2025; the number of these submissions that have resulted in funding under the different schemes his Department distributes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Neville. [68426/25]

44. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the funding available for community groups that are looking to construct capital facilities, particularly community centres; if consideration will be given to providing additional funding for community and voluntary organisations to assist with running costs as currently the grant schemes that exist are for capital works; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [66414/25]

45. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta cén cineál rannpháirtíochta atá aige leis na húdaráis áitiúla, leis an Aire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta, agus leis an nGníomhaireacht Bainistíochta Rialtais Áitiúil (GBRÁ) maidir le stádas Oifigigh Gaeilge na n-údarás áitiúil. — Louise O'Reilly. [68471/25]

46. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht regarding the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund, the amount which has been allocated to and been spent to date on the scheme since its inception; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Edward Timmins. [68488/25]

47. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht to report on the progress of negotiations regarding the next round of LEADER funding in the context of the EU Multi-Annual Financial Framework; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [68341/25]

48. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the efforts his Department are making to encourage the public to utilise the asset of the public library network. — Willie O'Dea. [68346/25]

49. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if, as a result of the introduction of auto-enrolment and the increase in the minimum wage that come into effect from January 2026, additional consideration and funding has been provided to all Departments responsible for community groups and/or organisations that rely on State funding, in response to these increases. — Paula Butterly. [62157/25]

50. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the reason for the cut in LEADER funding for 2026; and the breakdown of the reductions. — Louise O'Reilly. [68472/25]

51. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht to provide an update on the progress of the national plan for the Irish language in the public service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [67895/25]

52. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht when he intends to review the National map of CLÁR funding areas that designates who can apply for funding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [68307/25]

53. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht his plans to address funding issues in the community sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [67641/25]

54. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta an bhfuil sé i gceist aige go mbeidh Bille Údarás na Gaeltachta (Leasú) 2024 achtaithe in am ionas go mbeidh na toghcháin eagraithe ar an dáta céanna leis an bhfo-thoghchán atá beartaithe do Gaillimh Thiar; agus an bhfuil sé i gceist aige cúramaí maidir le cúrsaí tithíochta a chur isteach sa Bhille ag Céim na Tuarascála. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [68526/25]

55. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will outline the achievements of the Community Services Programme last year; the outlook for next year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [68147/25]

56. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the planned 2025 funding allocation for the local improvement scheme (LIS); and if he will provide additional supports to local authorities with significant LIS backlogs. — Conor D. McGuinness. [68474/25]

57. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the provisions that have been made by Pobal and similar organisations under the remit of his Department, to ensure that organisations funded by them are sufficiently resourced to comply with the pension auto enrolment commitments for qualifying staff; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [67894/25]

58. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht for an update on the refurbishment of Mayfield Library and St. Joseph's community centre. — Thomas Gould. [67571/25]

59. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he is considering a reintroduction of the RAPID programme in the coming year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [68433/25]

60. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the number of applications received per year 2023-2024 and per county for funding under the Community Recognition Fund; the number that were successful and unsuccessful, respectively, in each county; the allocation that will be provided to each county in 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [68520/25]

61. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the measures being taken to ensure the long-term sustainability of organisations supported under the Community Services Programme, in light of increased funding allocations in Budget 2025 and Budget 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68389/25]

62. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he is satisfied that the €2 million increase for Foras na Gaeilge in Budget 2026 is sufficient to resolve the persistent North/South funding crisis which restricts the organisation's operations; and the urgent steps that will be taken to ensure language organisations are not forced to impose further staff or service cuts due to funding instability. — Paul Lawless. [64502/25]

63. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht for a progress update on the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [59494/25]

64. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he has considered reviewing the remit of the Charities Regulator to ensure it reflects the evolving needs of the charity sector, particularly in areas such as governance, transparency and compliance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Grace Boland. [68347/25]

65. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the initiatives his Department is implementing to combat rural isolation in Offaly, particularly for older people and those without access to transport; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [68167/25]

66. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the way in which his Department is co-ordinating with other Departments and local authorities to ensure adequate access to services, such as childcare, GPs and dental services, in rural parts of Ireland, in particular County Mayo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Keira Keogh. [68005/25]

67. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration for an update on the implementation of the National Cyber Security Strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [60387/25]

68. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he is concerned that his proposals on immigration will make it harder for refugees and other immigrants to integrate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [68245/25]

69. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of Garda recruits that have entered Templemore in 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [68340/25]

70. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he can provide an update on changes in respect of bail recommended by a person (details supplied) in the report commissioned by the Minister; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Geoghegan. [68448/25]

71. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of naturalisation applications received, rejected, and approved from 2021 to 2024 inclusive, and to date in 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel McCarthy. [68265/25]

72. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the total number of individuals detained in the State pending deportation to date in 2025; the breakdown of the prisons in which they were held, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [66424/25]

73. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the up-to-date position on delivering a more stable and sustainable IPAS accommodation system; the up-to-date position on refocusing IPAS accommodations to a state owned and service model; his plans on reducing and ceasing the use of commercial contracts for IPAS accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [68402/25]

74. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the up-to-date position on implementation of a single permit system for visas and work permits; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [68401/25]

75. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the actions he is taking in response to increased incidents and thefts in the north-west; the way in which his Department is supporting An Garda Síochána, who do excellent work locally, in providing increased visibility and resources to respond to these incidents; his views on whether the Sligo-Leitrim division is not receiving enough Gardaí, given no new Gardaí have been allocated to the division from the latest round of training in Templemore; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [68267/25]

76. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if there is a strategy to spread the location IPAS accommodation and avoid having large clusters in one area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Edward Timmins. [66709/25]

77. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his attention has been drawn to the concerns of community organisations seeking to support vulnerable people under the community sponsorship framework of the Humanitarian Admissions Programme; his views on whether the level of communication with these groups is sufficient; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [66815/25]

78. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the measures in place to ensure timely Garda statements and preservation of evidence where a victim is incapacitated; the measures in place in Garda stations to ensure suspected spiking incidents are treated as crimes, investigated promptly, and supported by appropriate policing protocols; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [68475/25]

79. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will seek greater supports for counties where there are difficulties in acquiring domestic violence refuges; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [67257/25]

80. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration when he will introduce changes to the accommodation recognition scheme in the light of its impact on the private rental market and the fact that landlords are using this scheme to avoid tenancy obligations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [68324/25]

81. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to outline his plans to increase the Garda training allowance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [68326/25]

82. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of incidents reported in International Protection Accommodation Service centres for each of the past five years; and if he will provide a breakdown of these incidents by the nature of the incident and the centre in which they occurred, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Lawless. [68149/25]

83. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration his views on the concerns of rural communities regarding policing and community safety. — Conor D. McGuinness. [68409/25]

84. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will consider establishing an additional layer to the Criminal Assets Bureau in order that it will have the capacity to investigate lifestyles funded by criminal activity, including gangland and drug dealing activities, at a more micro/local community level; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [68255/25]

85. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the supports available to communities in Cork that are accommodating newly arrived international protection applicants; the number of centres in place in 2025 compared to 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [67261/25]

86. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration his Department's plans for the building currently occupied by a community centre (details supplied) in Tuam, County Galway; if his Department plans to retain, refurbish, or dispose of the property; the engagement which has taken place with TCTC regarding the future use of the building; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [67870/25]

87. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if consideration will be given to opening a new domestic violence refuge space in Kildare north in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68390/25]

88. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will provide updated figures on Garda deployment levels in County Offaly; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [68161/25]

89. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the position regarding the Humanitarian Admissions Programme; if he will commit to accepting future applicants in the coming years under this scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [66814/25]

90. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the implications the change of rules by the British Government on immigration may have on the Irish State; the additional measures that will have to be put in place as a consequence of the changes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [66650/25]

91. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will detail the communications there has been between his Department, other Government Departments and relevant agencies on the issue of responding to drugs crime and the societal impact of drugs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [67896/25]

92. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the actions he is taking to support Gardaí in tackling persistent antisocial behaviour in town centres in Offaly, including Tullamore, Birr and Edenderry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [68162/25]

93. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of convictions for coercive control to date in 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [68335/25]

94. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his Department has undertaken a review of IPAS accommodation in east Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [68334/25]

95. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will establish a historical investigations unit to allow for independent police investigation into unresolved deaths and incidents of torture or ill treatment as proposed by the Irish Council for Civil Liberties and the Committee on the Administration of Justice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [68323/25]

96. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the timeframe in which he intends to establish a register of domestic abusers. — Cathy Bennett. [68506/25]

97. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if there will be a Garda recruitment campaign in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [68432/25]

98. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the status of the rollout of the Garda health diversion scheme for people found in possession of drugs for personal use; when this diversion model will formally commence; and the monitoring and oversight mechanisms that will be in place to ensure it is applied consistently and fairly across all Garda divisions. — Gary Gannon. [68439/25]

99. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he has considered the rights of the child in devising barriers to family reunification; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [68246/25]

100. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if members of An Garda Síochána receive training in relation to the Harassment, Harmful Communications and Related Offences Act 2020 (Coco's Law); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [68339/25]

101. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will revise the general scheme of the International Protection Bill 2025 to strengthen the independent human rights monitoring mechanism; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [68503/25]

102. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration for an update on Garda numbers in Carlow and Kilkenny. — Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [68329/25]

103. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the way in which processing times for visa applications, citizenship applications and stamp applications at his Department are being improved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [67897/25]

104. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the way in which he plans to address the issue of age verification for unaccompanied minors who arrive in Ireland and seek international protection; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James Geoghegan. [68447/25]

105. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration his Department's plans for the designation of further countries as safe countries of origin, for the purposes of international protection; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel McCarthy. [68266/25]

106. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to provide an update on a domestic violence refuge in County Roscommon; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [67256/25]

107. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will consider reviewing the Garda vetting process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [68330/25]

108. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of recruits he expects to graduate at the next passing out ceremony in the Garda College in Templemore; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [68305/25]

109. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration for an update on his work to tackle anti-social behaviour in communities. — James O'Connor. [68333/25]

110. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the steps his Department is taking to ensure the legal aid system provides equitable access for low-income individuals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Keira Keogh. [68171/25]

111. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he has initiated an immediate review of the Legal Aid Board's capacity to administer the current civil legal aid scheme, as recommended by the Review of Civil Legal Aid; when he expects this review to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [68322/25]

112. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the details of his new immigration plans which he brought before Cabinet recently; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Neville. [68424/25]

113. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the way in which his Department's Statement of Strategy 2025–2028 will deliver on community safety, particularly in relation to Garda recruitment, retention, and visibility in both urban and rural areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [68391/25]

114. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the progress his Department is making in establishing a domestic violence register, under 'Jennie's Law'; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [68146/25]

115. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will provide an update on plans to open a dedicated refuge centre for women and children who are victims of domestic violence in north County Dublin, given the current lack of such facilities in the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Grace Boland. [68349/25]

116. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the strategies in place, and planned, to deal with cyber-crime; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Edward Timmins. [66708/25]

117. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the specific timelines, actions and responsibilities in place across his Department, the Department of Health and the HSE to secure ongoing coronial post-mortem capacity in University Hospital Waterford (details supplied); if he will ensure that the existing modern mortuary facilities at UHW continue to be used; the status of the collaborative process initiated with the Minister for Health to resolve this matter before 1 January 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [65228/25]

118. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration when legislation to place the Criminal Injuries Compensation Tribunal on a statutory footing will be introduced; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [68325/25]

119. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of Gardaí who have retired or left the force in Cork to date in 2025, and the number of new Gardaí assigned. — Thomas Gould. [67569/25]

120. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his Department will consider introducing legislation which requires all owners of IPAS centres to be legally required to declare and confirm their beneficial ownership as part of any IPAS application to provide accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Neville. [68425/25]

121. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the likely timeline for the introduction of legislation following the publication of the legacy framework; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [66604/25]

122. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he has considered whether raising the income limits for family reunification will worsen labour shortages in critical areas like healthcare; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [68249/25]

123. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration when the next passing out ceremony will take place in the Garda College in Templemore; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [68304/25]

124. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will provide an update on the urgent discussions referenced in his written reply of 22 October 2025 regarding the planned discontinuation of coronial post-mortems at University Hospital Waterford from 1 January 2026; the interim arrangements which have been agreed for counties Waterford, Wexford, Kilkenny, Tipperary and Carlow; and the way in which his Department plans to ensure that bereaved families in the south-east are not subjected to further delays or distress as a result of these changes. — Michael Murphy. [65227/25]

125. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the action he will take to stop forcing homeless asylum seekers to sleep rough over the winter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [68247/25]

126. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the timeframe in which a domestic violence refuge centre will be opened in Cavan and Monaghan. — Cathy Bennett. [68505/25]

127. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the current staffing levels at Athenry Garda station. — Albert Dolan. [67869/25]

128. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he has concerns for the safety of homeless asylum seekers in light of racist attacks; the action he will take to protect them; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [68248/25]

129. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the steps his Department is taking to protect minority communities from discrimination; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Keira Keogh. [68172/25]

130. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if multi-annual funding commitments will be provided to ensure the sustainability of new refuges, including staffing and wraparound supports; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Grace Boland. [68350/25]

131. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will outline his Department's progress in introducing specialised judges to handle domestic, sexual, and gender-based violence cases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [68145/25]

132. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of convictions under the Harassment, Harmful Communications and Related Offences Act 2020 to date in 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [68336/25]

133. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will provide an update on the youth diversion programmes in place in Cork north central; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [66425/25]

134. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will revise the general scheme of the International Protection Bill 2025 to ensure that there is no possibility of detention of vulnerable people; if he will set out explicitly in the Bill alternatives to detention to ensure that detention indeed represents a last resort, as required by the EU pact; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [68502/25]