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QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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 the measures in place to support community centres with ongoing operational pressures such as energy, insurance, and staffing costs, beyond one off capital grants. — Louise O'Reilly. [8731/26]

2. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht when a new programme for community centre investment will be announced given the urgent need of many community centres; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [8769/26]

3. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta an nglacann sé le focail an Bhreithimh Humphreys san Ardchúirt sa bhreithiúnas maidir le *cás Wild Ireland Defence CLG* in aghaidh an Choimisiúin Pleanála, an Aire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta, an Ard Aighne, agus an Aire Turasóireachta, Cultúir, Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán, go bhfuil sé “seafóideach” agus “áiféiseach” a rá go bhfuil feidhm dhlíthiúil fós ag na scéimeanna teanga; an aithníonn sé nach bhfuil dualgas ar na comhlachtaí poiblí na scéimeanna teanga a chur i bhfeidhm a thuilleadh; agus cathain a fhoilseofar na caighdeáin teanga atá le teacht i gcomharbas orthu. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [8767/26]

4. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht to outline the way in which he is supporting *Údarás na Gealtachta* to address an ghéarchéim tithíochta sna ceantair Ghaeltachta; and whether he intends to use his powers as Minister for the Gaeltacht, under Section 9 (a) of the Housing (Gaeltacht) Amendment Act 2001, to devise and implement housing schemes in order to support Irish speakers to build, buy or renovate houses in Irish-speaking parts of the Gaeltacht. — Rory Hearne. [9039/26]

5. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta cad iad na tacaíochtaí maoinithe caipitil atá ar fáil óna Roinn do naíonraí chun áitribh oiriúnacha a fhorbairt nó chun leathnú a dhéanamh chun freastal ar éileamh méadaithe. — Conor D. McGuinness. [8768/26]

6. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht his views on the findings of the recent report by the GAA National Demographic Committee; the measures his Department will implement to address issues relevant to this report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [8648/26]

**CEISTEANNA EILE
OTHER QUESTIONS**

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

7. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht when he intends to publish the successor to Our Rural Future for the period beyond 2025; and whether that new strategy will include clear, measurable targets for rural services, rural employment, rural housing and ensuring population sustainability. — Conor D. McGuinness. [8692/26]

8. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta nuashonrú a thabhairt maidir leis na hiarrachtaí atá Údarás na Gaeltachta ag déanamh chun tacú le forbairt tithíochta cónaithe sna réigiúin Ghaeltachta; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — John Connolly. [7697/26]

9. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the funding available through his Department for community festivals such as a festival (details supplied) in County Meath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [7869/26]

10. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the number of buildings purchased under the town and village renewal scheme. — Peadar Tóibín. [8629/26]

11. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if the cut in the rural development spend in Budget 2026 is a trend he sees persisting throughout the lifetime of the current Government. — Sorca Clarke. [8710/26]

12. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht to provide an update on the development of the new strategy to support the community and voluntary sector in Ireland for 2026-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [8241/26]

13. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht for an update on the implementation of rural proofing. — Cathy Bennett. [8717/26]

14. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht his plans to reopen the shovel ready community centre scheme. — Thomas Gould. [8050/26]

15. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta an nglacann sé leis an athbhreithniú ar phleananna teanga sa Ghaeltacht go bhfuil staid “éigeandála sa Ghaeltacht” agus géarghá le gníomh “práinneach” le dul i ngleic le meath na teanga sa phobal; an geuirfidh an Rialtas moltaí an athbhreithnithe i bhfeidhm ina n-iomlán; an féidir leis na botúin a bhí le ceartú tar éis foilsíúcháin na tuarascála a chur in iúl agus a mhíniú. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [8765/26]

16. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht his Department's engagement with Cork County Council regarding the development of remote working hubs facilities in Cork; if further investment is planned to expand remote working opportunities and connected hubs in Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [8191/26]

17. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta conas a chomhlíonfaidh an Rialtas an riachtanas go mbeidh 20 faoin gcéad d'earcaigh nua seirbhíse poiblí inniúil sa Ghaeilge faoi 2030; céard iad na gníomhartha earcaíochta agus oiliúna atá sa sceideal do 2026; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [8689/26]

18. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta cén dul chun cinn atá déanta chun Scéim na mBóithre Áise a chur ar fáil arís; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Aindrias Moynihan. [8276/26]

19. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta an soiléireoidh sé cén fáth ar leasigh a Roinn a bhfreagra ar an Athbhreithniú Pleanála Teanga a foilsíodh le déanaí, agus an bhfuil sé ar intinn aige an tuarascáil a athbhreithniú i bhfianaise an aiseolais a fuarthas agus na míchruinneas atá tuairiscithe. — Louise O'Reilly. [8729/26]

20. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta an bhfuil sé ag obair chun níos mó spásanna ar chúrsaí samhraidh sa Ghaeltacht a leathnú chun freastal ar an éileamh méadaithe i mbliana; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [8727/26]

21. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht whether he is satisfied that Town Centre First, Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme, and Rural Regeneration and Development Fund are being matched with sufficient delivery capacity within local authorities; and the concrete changes have occurred on the ground as a result of the policy. — Sorca Clarke. [8709/26]

22. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will include costly water connection charges for funding on applications under the Community Centre Investment Fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [8275/26]

23. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the progress of the Town Centre First initiative in Galway east; his plans to support regeneration in towns and villages across County Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [7450/26]

24. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the planned 2026 funding allocation for the local improvement scheme (LIS) in counties Sligo and Leitrim; if he will provide additional supports to local authorities with significant LIS backlogs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [8244/26]

25. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta an bhfuil sé sásta an maoiniú cuí a chur ar fáil d'Údarás na Gaeltachta chun rannóg tithíochta a chur ar bun san Údarás le comhordú a dhéanamh ar straitéis chun dul i ngleic leis an éigeandáil tithíochta Gaeltachta, comhordú a dhéanamh ar thógáil tithíochta ag na húdaráis áitiúla agus ag na comhlachtaí tithíochta ceadaithe agus pleanáil go straitéiseach don líon tithe breise atá ag teastáil chun inmharthanacht na Gaeltachta a chinntiú. — Barry Heneghan. [8725/26]

26. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if his Department's Our Rural Future Strategy envisions encouraging people to leave Dublin (details supplied). — Richard Boyd Barrett. [8410/26]

27. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if funding to support the refurbishment of community centres will be made available in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [8724/26]

28. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will outline the average yearly allocation to the Leader Programme since 2007, by programme. — Matt Carthy. [8633/26]

29. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the number properties have been purchased nationally to date under the town and village renewal scheme's building and land acquisition measure, which allows local authorities to purchase vacant or derelict buildings for regeneration; and the number of these acquisitions that have taken place in County Mayo. — Paul Lawless. [8715/26]

30. 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 therein that were successful, the number that were unsuccessful, 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. [8632/26]

31. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht his Department's efforts to tackle dereliction in rural towns and villages; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [7451/26]

32. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if the outdoor recreation infrastructure scheme will open for applications in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [8723/26]

33. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will outline a timeframe for the implementation of the national plan for Irish language public service; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [8628/26]

34. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht given the continued presence of derelict buildings in towns and villages across County Mayo, if the Minister will outline the funding Mayo County Council has received under recent rounds of the town and village renewal scheme and the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund for the purpose of acquiring or refurbishing derelict properties; and the further supports that will be made available in 2026. — Paul Lawless. [8716/26]

35. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will outline the importance of the Action Plan for Irish Language Public Services 2026-2028; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [8719/26]

36. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he is aware of the funding difficulties being experienced by the Fingal centre in Finglas, following his visit to the centre in 2025; and if he has given further consideration to open the Community Services Programme for applications to allow centres such as this to apply. — Paul McAuliffe. [8385/26]

37. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will outline the delivery of the new Local Enhancement Programme for organisations in north Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [8720/26]

38. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if the local improvement scheme will open for applications this year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Erin McGreehan. [8630/26]

39. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if it is proposed to review the CLÁR areas with a view to extending to new areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [8698/26]

40. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta cén freagra atá aige ar an litir curtha isteach chuige ag grúpa agóide thar cheann BÁNÚ ar an Luan 26ú Eanáir 2026 ag oifigí na Roinne sna Forbacha. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [8766/26]

41. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the sources of funding his Department makes available for the development of community centres, particularly in areas with a clear and longstanding deficit in community infrastructure. — Conor D. McGuinness. [8693/26]

42. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if CLÁR will open for applications in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Erin McGreehan. [8631/26]

43. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht for an update on his engagements regarding the LEADER programme under the next EU budgetary cycle. — Cathy Bennett. [8718/26]

44. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht when another round of category 1 funding for the Rural Regeneration and Development Fund will be announced; the criteria that will apply; the measures in place, to ensure a fair distribution of funds; the date on which applications will open and close; if projects which were previously unsuccessful will be allowed to re-submit (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [7868/26]

45. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta conas a chinnteoidh an Plean Gníomhaíochta do Sheirbhísí Poiblí Gaeilge, 2026–2028 go mbeidh seirbhísí a chuirtear ar fáil trí Ghaeilge ar fáil de réir caighdeán comhsheasmhach cáilíochta ar fud comhlachtaí poiblí in 2026; cén mhéadracht feidhmíochta a úsáidfear chun an caighdeán sin a mheas; agus an ndéanfaidh sé ráiteas ina thaobh. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [8688/26]

46. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the criteria for a community horse project to be included in Pobal funding; the programmes that Pobal can offer for a community horse project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [8685/26]

47. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the steps his Department is taking to support the development of community spaces in Cork north central; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [8278/26]

48. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht when the next round of the community centres investment fund and community and halls investments scheme will be launched; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [8342/26]

49. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he will urgently increase funding allocations to local authorities for the local improvement scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [8198/26]

50. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if he is satisfied that public signage is adequately translated and displayed in the Irish language; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [8199/26]

51. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if funding is available through his Department to support insurance and safety-related costs for a local community playground; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [8243/26]

52. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the planned 2026 funding allocation for the local improvement scheme; if additional supports will be provided to local authorities with significant backlogs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [8277/26]

53. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total level of funding allocated to County Cork under the Community Centres Investment Fund to date; if further funding will be made available under the fund in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [8192/26]

54. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht whether it is his position that the rural resettlement scheme should be re-established (details supplied). — Richard Boyd Barrett. [8409/26]

55. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht whether funding is available for a proposal (details supplied). — Thomas Gould. [8049/26]

CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH TOSAÍOCHT DÓIBH QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

56. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the Government's position regarding the situation in Sudan, in particular the need to ensure access to appropriate aid; her position regarding the continuing concerning flow of weapons into the country; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [8758/26]

57. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of Irish citizens her Department has been advised of as being detained by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agency of the United States in 2025 and 2026; the number of Irish citizens in the United States currently being assisted by consular services due to an interaction or detention by ICE; the number currently detained; if their locations are known in all cases; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [8647/26]

58. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the current progress of the drafting of the Israeli Settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (Prohibition of Importation of Goods) Bill 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [8759/26]

59. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if the Government will finally honour its commitment to bring forward the Israeli Settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (Prohibition of Importation of Goods) Bill 2025; to give a timeframe for its passage into law through the Oireachtas; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [8644/26]

CEISTEANNA EILE OTHER QUESTIONS

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

60. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will report on the support she is providing the Auschwitz Birkenau Foundation's Holocaust Education programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Daly. [8340/26]

61. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the action Ireland is taking in relation to the repression of civil society and democratic opposition, and the undermining of democracy and the rule of law in Russia; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Ardagh. [8285/26]

62. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her views on whether clear criteria should be put in place for the decision on whether or not there is a referendum on a United Ireland; the timing of such a referendum; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [8344/26]

63. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the contact she and her officials have had with a person (details supplied) who is currently incarcerated in a German prison since September 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [8646/26]

64. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the way in which she is developing our links with Canada; if her Department is providing to a school (details supplied) to support this work; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Erin McGreehan. [8288/26]

65. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade whether her Department has concerns regarding the ability of citizens to exercise their rights under GDPR and the EU AI Act being undermined by the provisions currently proposed in the digital omnibus simplification packages; whether these concerns have been raised in early discussions on the packages; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sinéad Gibney. [8708/26]

66. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her assessment of the current situation in Belarus; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Séamus McGrath. [8282/26]

67. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide an update on her Department's stance on the amendments to the EU Morocco trade deal; the use of provisional application for the deal; the way in which it interacts with the right to self-determination of the Sahrawi people; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sinéad Gibney. [8707/26]

68. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her response to the suppression of peaceful protestors in Iran; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shay Brennan. [8625/26]

69. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if Ireland accepts the legitimacy of the current government in Venezuela; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Séamus McGrath. [8281/26]

70. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her Department's stance on the digital omnibus proposal, in its current form, as published by the European Commission; the proposed changes or concerns they have; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [7871/26]

71. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the action she is taking with EU counterparts in relation to the situation in Iran; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aisling Dempsey. [8290/26]

72. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her views on the need for international pressure to vindicate the right of Western Sahara to self-determination; and the Government's relations with the SADR. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [8764/26]

73. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of passports issued to Tipperary residents in 2025; the number to date in 2026; the average processing time for each application; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [8345/26]

74. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her proposals to expand the Irish diplomatic footprint in areas with a growing diaspora community. — Cathy Bennett. [8712/26]

75. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will report on the recent EU Foreign Affairs Council; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [8291/26]

76. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for an update on the opening of the new passport office in Cork; the services that will be provided from that office; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [8193/26]

77. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide an update on the recent engagement her Department and the Government has had with the European Union and the EU Commission; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [8653/26]

78. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the engagements she has had in relation to the EU-Mercosur trade agreement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [7445/26]

79. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade whether her Department will prioritise overseas aid and development as a key topic during the EU presidency, particularly in the context of decreasing overseas development aid budgets across Europe, and the impact those cuts are having on communities around the world; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sinéad Gibney. [8704/26]

80. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for an update on the Israeli Settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (Prohibition of Importation of Goods) Bill 2025. — Thomas Gould. [8052/26]

81. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her views on the continued detention in Hong Kong of businessman and pro-democracy advocate Jimmy Lai, the harassment of one of his lawyers and an Irish citizen (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [8209/26]

82. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for an update on her Department's recent engagements with the government of Ukraine in relation to the ongoing conflict, and efforts made to reach a ceasefire. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [8762/26]

83. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will consider restricting Saint Patrick's Day engagements with the Trump administration in light of the execution of protesters, kidnapping of a head of state and threats towards Greenland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [8702/26]

84. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for an update on the Government's position in relation to potential increased tariffs; and the preparations it is making for same. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [8760/26]

85. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for an update on the number of passports issued during 2025, with a breakdown per passport office; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [8194/26]

86. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her assessment of the EU-India trade agreement; the way in which it will benefit Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [8353/26]

87. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her assessment of the current situation in Belarus; if she has had any engagement with the Belarus government-in-exile; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Feargháil. [8280/26]

88. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will report on Ireland's implementation of, and adherence to, the resolution of the United Nations General Assembly, which Ireland co-sponsored, arising from the ruling of the International Court of Justice in the case of the Legal Consequences arising from the Policies and Practices of Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem. — Matt Carthy. [8626/26]

89. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the way in which Ireland is working to secure a just and lasting peace that guarantees Ukraine's independence and sovereignty; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Daly. [8339/26]

90. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the engagement Ireland has had with Belarus; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [8284/26]

91. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade given that Ireland contributed over €150 million to global humanitarian crises in 2024, including responses in Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan, Yemen, and Afghanistan; the way in which it is planned to safeguard and prioritise humanitarian

funding in Budget 2026; and the assessment that has been made of the risks to Irish strategic interests should global crises continue to expand. — Paul Lawless. [8701/26]

92. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to outline Ireland's position in relation to trade with China. — John Lahart. [8732/26]

93. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will advance the Israeli Settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (Prohibition of Importation of Goods) Bill 2025, for goods and services, with urgency; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [8694/26]

94. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will outline her engagements in international fora with a view to seeking reform of the United Nations system; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [8728/26]

95. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the specific commitments Ireland made at the Global Alliance meeting on the two-state solution; the way these commitments will be implemented and monitored over the course of 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [8620/26]

96. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for an update on any discussions she has had with the UK government in relation to legacy issues; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [8623/26]

97. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for a report on her attendance at the Coalition of the Willing; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aisling Dempsey. [8289/26]

98. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will consider broadening the criteria for appointing high level diplomats, including ambassadors; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [8245/26]

99. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to outline the specific actions Ireland is currently taking in response to the significant expansion of Israeli settlements in the West Bank, including at EU and United Nations level; the way in which Ireland is raising concerns regarding breaches of international humanitarian law and the impact of settlement expansion on the viability of a two state solution; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [8756/26]

100. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for an update on her engagement with the secretary of state for Northern Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [8329/26]

101. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide an update on recent engagements of her Department, and of the Government, with the government of the United States; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [8652/26]

102. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade in light of the record number of consular assistance cases handled by her Department in 2025, including deaths abroad, mental-health-related emergencies, and complex long-running cases, the additional staffing, resources, or operational changes that are being introduced to strengthen Ireland's consular capacity and ensure

that Irish citizens overseas continue to receive timely and effective support. — Paul Lawless. [8700/26]

103. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to outline any projected economic return on Ireland's investment in hosting President Zelenskyy, including the strategic value of enhanced bilateral trade, Ireland–Ukraine economic forum initiatives, foreign direct investment and potential exports or reconstruction contracts, relative to the public funds expended. — Paul Lawless. [73042/25]

104. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will report on her engagement with the political parties in Northern Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [8622/26]

105. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she is providing any support for the International Fund for Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Erin McGreehan. [8287/26]

106. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide an update on the situation in Iran. — John Lahart. [8733/26]

107. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the plans the Government has in terms of reforming the institutions established under the Good Friday Agreement; the engagement undertaken by her Department in this regard; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [8690/26]

108. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she believes that recent events will have any impact on the serious violations of human rights in Venezuela; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [8283/26]

109. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the steps her Department is taking to support the establishment of a humanitarian corridor in northern Syria; the action being taken diplomatically to protect the Kurdish population; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sinéad Gibney. [8706/26]

110. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if Ireland will call for Israel to admit all waiting humanitarian assistance to Gaza now that the Israeli hostage situation has ended; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Crowe. [8714/26]

111. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her views on whether it is appropriate that the British secretary of state for Northern Ireland should have the power to decide whether an inquiry is held into legacy issues in the North; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [8343/26]

112. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she has had any meetings or engagements with the United States government, or multinational corporations, regarding the Government's promise to introduce the Israeli Settlements (Prohibition of Importation of Goods) Bill 2025; her views on the legislation; if she is planning any further meetings with the US Government or multinational corporations to discuss the legislation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [8696/26]

113. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will provide an update on the Shared Island Civic Society Fund; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [8722/26]

114. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for an update on her Department's engagements in relation to the EU Morocco trade deal; the Government's position on this trade deal; its concerns in relation to human rights complaints; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [8761/26]

115. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she has raised concerns with the US about human rights violations in the United States, including the execution of peaceful protesters; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [8703/26]

116. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she has had any engagement with her Ukrainian counterpart; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [8292/26]

117. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will report on the 2030 Roadmap on Ukraine-Ireland Partnership that was signed with President Zelenskyy on 2 December 2025. — Malcolm Byrne. [70940/25]

118. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to outline her Department's priorities in advance of Ireland holding the European Presidency, including specific actions in relation to Ireland's diplomatic engagement, coordination with EU member states; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [8619/26]

119. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for an update on the implementation of the UN80 Action Plan; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [7912/26]

120. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for an update on the humanitarian crisis now unfolding in north east Syria; the concern for the Kurdish people; for other minority groups in the region; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [8763/26]

121. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the action she is taking with EU colleagues with regard to Venezuela; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Feargháil. [8279/26]

122. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide an update on the progress of the Israeli Settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (Prohibition of Importation of Goods) Bill 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sinéad Gibney. [8705/26]

123. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she has had any engagement with her Danish counterpart in relation to Greenland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Ardagh. [8286/26]

124. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the measures her Department is taking to address the impact of the climate crisis globally, and to support poorer nations in adapting. — Darren O'Rourke. [7870/26]

125. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the action she is taking with regard to the crisis in Venezuela; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shay Brennan. [8624/26]

126. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the way Ireland intends to respond to the surge in global humanitarian needs reported in early 2026; whether additional funding will be allocated to priority crises; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [8621/26]

127. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will provide an update on the British Government's response to the State's ongoing request for full disclosure and access to all relevant documents concerning the Dublin Monaghan bombings of 17 May 1974; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [8699/26]

128. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade how it will be ensured that trade agreements, including the EU–Mercosur deal, do not undermine our climate objectives; and whether the Government will seek binding environmental clauses to prevent imports linked to deforestation and biodiversity loss. — Paul Lawless. [73013/25]

129. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the timeframe in which she intends to introduce legislation to prohibit the trade in goods and services with illegal Israeli settlements in the occupied Palestinian territories. — Cathy Bennett. [8711/26]

130. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her trade priorities for 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [8635/26]

131. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she has made, or plans to make, any representations at European Union level, through international fora on sports, or to the Israeli minister responsible for sport to demonstrate opposition to the proposed demolition of the football pitch at a location (details supplied). — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [4125/26]

132. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to outline Ireland's current diplomatic, political and economic engagement with the United States; the way in which Ireland is advancing its foreign policy priorities and values within that relationship, including on international law and conflict prevention; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [8757/26]

133. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she has been in contact with the US ambassador to express Ireland's concern at the loss of life at protests in Minneapolis; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Crowe. [8713/26]

134. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will report on her recent meeting of the Government's trade forum; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [8721/26]

135. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade whether an Irish Citizen (details supplied) has received a visit from consular services; whether the Irish Government have expressed concern to the Russian authorities regarding their detainment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [7911/26]

136. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for an update on the work of the Government trade forum; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [8634/26]

137. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she intends to open a passport office in the north. — Matt Carthy. [8627/26]

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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

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

*138. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if the Government will condemn the illegal invasion of Venezuela, and the kidnapping of its leader, Nicolás Maduro. — Brian Stanley. [1813/26]

*139. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if the Government will actively support Denmark and the authorities in Greenland to defend the sovereignty of their country; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [1814/26]

*140. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if the Government is making the case for the North/South Ministerial Council to meet more regularly; and if the areas of co-operation dealt with in this forum be expanded. — Brian Stanley. [5972/26]

*141. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the work that is being done to increase the number of the all-Ireland implementation bodies to cover more co-operation between North and South. — Brian Stanley. [5971/26]

*142. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to clarify the position of the State regarding military aid to Ukraine, and the implications for Irish neutrality; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [8645/26]

*143. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade her Department's position on the digital omnibus, particularly relating to the proposed changes to the EU AI Act; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sinéad Gibney. [1737/26]

*144. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if the necessary clearance and approval can be given to an Irish person who has been nominated for an MBE but, as an Irish citizen, requires approval from the Irish Government before this award can be made (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [8809/26]

*145. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade whether Ireland has undertaken or participated in any formal review, assessment, or policy discussion, either nationally or within the European Union, regarding the downgrading, suspension, or closure of Iranian diplomatic missions as part of the EU response to ongoing repression within Iran and transnational intimidation attributed to Iranian state actors; and the reasons no such review has been undertaken. — Ken O'Flynn. [8910/26]

*146. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade when a passport will issue for a person (details supplied). — Paul McAuliffe. [8968/26]

*147. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will address concerns about the current situation in Iran, raised in correspondence (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Fearghaíl. [9034/26]

*148. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she has had engagement with the US embassy in relation to the Catalpa sesquicentenary; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Fearghaíl. [9035/26]

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

*149. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the research carried out into the merits of introducing a levy on disposable coffee cups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8929/26]

*150. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the status of the proposal to introduce a levy on disposable coffee cups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8930/26]

*151. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the position regarding any assessment of the pilot project in Killarney related to the use of single use coffee cups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8931/26]

*152. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment his views on the merits of introducing a levy on disposable coffee cups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8932/26]

*153. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the level of engagement he has had with businesses that primarily sell coffee and other hot beverages that would be impacted by the implementation of a levy on disposable coffee cups; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8933/26]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*154. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide an update on his Department's involvement in implementing a recent CIÉ pension scheme increase (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [8972/26]

*155. To ask the Minister for Transport if the National Transport Authority has confirmed its budget for the local link service for this coming year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [8771/26]

*156. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to set up a taskforce to deal with outstanding issues regarding aviation industry pensions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Brabazon. [8814/26]

*157. To ask the Minister for Transport further to Parliamentary Question No. 9 of 28 January 2026, the full actions that were taken to address the small-scale oil slick at a location (details supplied), particularly in relation to the joined up response between his Department, the

Environmental Protection Agency and the Irish Coast Guard; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8872/26]

*158. To ask the Minister for Transport the Safe Routes to Schools projects funded, completed, and under construction in the Dun-Laoghaire Rathdown Council area. — Maeve O'Connell. [8912/26]

*159. To ask the Minister for Transport whether his Department has defined objective criteria for determining when a national road project listed in the National Development Plan progresses from inclusion status to an active delivery priority; whether the N72 Mallow relief road currently meets those criteria; and if he will set out the basis for that assessment. — Ken O'Flynn. [8914/26]

*160. To ask the Minister for Transport whether anomalous aerial observations, including unidentified or non-cooperative aircraft observed in Irish airspace, are explicitly recognised by his Department and the Irish Aviation Authority as reportable safety-of-flight occurrences under Regulation (EU) No. 376/2014; and if so, the specific guidance, definitions, or standard operating procedures which are issued to flight crews to ensure such observations are reported consistently and without ambiguity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [8915/26]

*161. To ask the Minister for Transport whether his Department is aware that Irish-registered flight crews operating transatlantic services are subject to clearer and more explicit mandatory reporting requirements for anomalous aerial observations when operating in U.S. airspace than when operating in Irish airspace; whether his Department considers this mid-air regulatory inconsistency as an issue to be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [8916/26]

*162. To ask the Minister for Transport in view of proposals to increase passenger numbers at Dublin Airport through the removal of the passenger cap, if his Department has undertaken any assessments of whether existing safety-of-flight reporting procedures for anomalous aerial observations are sufficiently explicit, standardised, and mandatory to support increased traffic volumes; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [8917/26]

*163. To ask the Minister for Transport whether his Department has examined differences between the reporting procedures available to Irish registered flight crews when operating in United States airspace and those applicable when operating in Irish airspace, in respect of anomalous aerial observations; whether he considers existing Irish procedures to be sufficiently clear and accessible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [8937/26]

*164. To ask the Minister for Transport in the context of proposals to increase passenger numbers at Dublin Airport, the assessment that has been carried out of whether current safety of flight reporting procedures for anomalous aerial observations meet international best practice standards; whether any gaps have been identified; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [8938/26]

*165. To ask the Minister for Transport the financial supports available to schools for safety measures outside; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [8957/26]

*166. To ask the Minister for Transport further to Parliamentary Question No.13 of 28 January 2026, to confirm rather than 'indicate' if Gardaí have access to data on the NVDF via their mobility device on whether a disqualified driver surrendered their licence or learner permit to

the RSA; and if that data is in real time for Gardaí to access at the roadside; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [8969/26]

*167. To ask the Minister for Transport the position regarding the updating of Statutory Instruments in relation to implementing a recent CIÉ pension scheme increase (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [8971/26]

*168. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide an update on the Athlone-Galway greenway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [9018/26]

*169. To ask the Minister for Transport to outline the amount of funding allocated for the Athlone-Galway greenway project to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [9019/26]

*170. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason active travel funding has been cut to Louth County Council in the latest funding allocation; the extent that council officials have told elected representatives that some planned schemes will not go ahead or be delayed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [9033/26]

*171. To ask the Minister for Transport the assessments that have been carried out concerning accessibility if rail passengers are forced by Irish Rail to change trains at either Greystones or Wicklow railway stations; if he will publish any such assessments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [9059/26]

*172. To ask the Minister for Transport to consider implementing mandatory data sharing with NTA by app-based service providers to ensure regulatory compliance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [9082/26]

*173. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will recognise road-traffic collision and fatality data as public-health data, given that such data relates to preventable deaths and injuries that cluster at identifiable locations; and if he will support the routine sharing and publication of anonymised collision location data for prevention and research purposes, in line with the April 2024 guidance of the Data Protection Commissioner. — Sorca Clarke. [9086/26]

*174. To ask the Minister for Transport for an update on the procurement and timings of a project (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [9117/26]

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

*175. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance if a review can be conducted of the primary medical certificate criteria to include children with severe intellectual/behavioural or safety-related mobility issues. — Shay Brennan. [8778/26]

*176. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance if there is an Oireachtas liaison contact for the NewERA division of the National Treasury Management Agency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [8992/26]

*177. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the current processes in relation to emergency taxation; and if he will address related issues raised in correspondence (details supplied). — Shay Brennan. [8830/26]

*178. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the incoming phone call procedures of Revenue during high call volume periods, as some people are persistently receiving a recorded message that Revenue cannot take their call and to try again later then the line disconnects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Máire Devine. [8850/26]

*179. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance whether there is an appointment of a new Governor of the Central Bank and if a process for this appointment has been designed yet; if so, the details of this process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [9049/26]

*180. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance whether the Central Bank of Ireland requires regulated financial institutions to notify it where multiple legal claims involving materially similar facts or customer cohorts are settled on a confidential basis; if so, the notification mechanism and thresholds which applied; and if not, the way in which the Central Bank is assured that such settlements do not mask ongoing or systemic consumer detriment. — Ken O’Flynn. [9060/26]

*181. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the number of occasions since 2019 on which the Central Bank of Ireland has required a regulated financial institution to extend redress beyond individual litigants to a wider customer cohort following the outcome of litigation or confidential settlement; and the statutory or supervisory basis relied upon in each case. — Ken O’Flynn. [9061/26]

*182. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance whether the Central Bank of Ireland maintains internal guidance, criteria, or decision-making frameworks to assess when repeated settlements or litigation outcomes indicate a breach of the “stop the harm” principle; and whether he will publish the headline principles of any such framework in the interests of transparency. — Ken O’Flynn. [9062/26]

*183. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance to provide a sectoral breakdown, for each of the past five years, of anti-money laundering and know-your-customer supervisory inspections carried out by the Central Bank of Ireland, distinguishing between credit institutions, investment funds, fund service providers, and other financial institutions. — Ken O’Flynn. [9063/26]

*184. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the number of supervisory findings, remedial directions, or enforcement actions issued by the Central Bank of Ireland since 2019 which involved deficiencies in the identification or verification of ultimate beneficial owners; and whether such deficiencies arose more frequently in any particular sector. — Ken O’Flynn. [9064/26]

*185. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance whether the Central Bank of Ireland collects or analyses data on the frequency with which regulated firms rely on third-party customer due diligence under section 40 of the Criminal Justice (Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing) Act 2010; and whether any supervisory concerns have arisen regarding delayed, incomplete, or inaccessible underlying beneficial ownership documentation. — Ken O’Flynn. [9065/26]

*186. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance whether the Central Bank of Ireland requires firms relying on third parties for customer due diligence to conduct periodic assurance testing to confirm that full underlying documentation can be produced without delay; and how compliance with this requirement is monitored at supervisory level. — Ken O’Flynn. [9066/26]

*187. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance whether the Central Bank of Ireland has identified any instances where reliance on intermediaries or professional advisers has resulted in delayed identification of beneficial owners or incomplete source-of-funds verification; and whether any thematic reviews have been conducted in this area. — Ken O’Flynn. [9067/26]

*188. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance whether his Department monitors trends in the proportion of complaints to the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman which are deemed inadmissible or closed prior to full investigation; and whether any assessment has been made of the impact of such trends on effective consumer access to redress. — Ken O’Flynn. [9068/26]

*189. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance whether, following the 2023 Periodic Critical Review of the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman, his Department has considered further evaluation of admissibility thresholds or screening criteria applied to complaints; and if not, to state the basis on which he is satisfied that current arrangements strike an appropriate balance between independence and accessibility. — Ken O’Flynn. [9069/26]

*190. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance whether the National Risk Assessment currently being finalised includes specific consideration of reputational risk arising from enforcement intensity, settlement practices, or beneficial ownership verification; and when he expects the assessment to be published. — Ken O’Flynn. [9072/26]

*191. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance whether any concerns regarding Ireland’s practical application of anti-money laundering or know-your-customer controls have been raised with his Department by EU institutions or international standard-setting bodies since 2021; and if so, to outline the general nature of those concerns. — Ken O’Flynn. [9073/26]

*192. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance if he will review the disabled drivers and disabled passengers scheme, and an issue that exists when a driver under the scheme changes to a new vehicle and is approved, but is taken off the system, leaving a gap in coverage of their motor insurance before they receive their new vehicle. — Séamus McGrath. [9098/26]

*193. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the way in which fees applied by the data protection commission are incorporated within revenue projections; if the large volume of outstanding fees are currently contained within revenue projection; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [9114/26]

*194. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 230 of 29 January 2026, if he will confirm that neither his Department or the Central Bank collect data on special purpose vehicles whose primary economic activity is purchasing and owning commercial and residential property, as this is not at category in either the statistical publication or the registration guidelines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [9115/26]

*195. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance further to Parliamentary Question No. 231 if he is aware of any engagement between the Central Bank and national competent authority in Luxembourg, Netherlands, Cyprus, Germany and Jersey in relation to macroprudential measures for property funds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [9116/26]

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

*196. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation whether he will introduce legislation strengthening the powers of the Ombudsman in relation to visa, citizenship and international protection applications (details supplied). — Richard Boyd Barrett. [8870/26]

*197. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on plans, including a timeframe on carrying out upgrade works to the Garda Station in Greystones, County Wicklow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [9011/26]

*198. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if the unused accommodation section of Castlemaine Garda station, Castlemaine, County Kerry, will be made available for community use; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [8963/26]

*199. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the status of a potential flood relief scheme for Bunclody, County Wexford; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [9053/26]

*200. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the status of a potential flood relief scheme for Aughrim, County Wicklow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [9054/26]

*201. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation when the revised criteria for the minor flood mitigation works scheme will be notified to local authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [9101/26]

*202. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the total expenditure on the minor flood mitigation works scheme in 2025; the funding allocated for 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [9102/26]

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

*203. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if he will provide an update on the proposed regulations governing the use of short-term tourist accommodation, including platforms such as (details supplied) and similar services due to come into effect in May 2026; if specific exemptions are being considered for the offshore islands, given their unique demographic profile and reliance on tourism; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [8927/26]

*204. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment whether his Department is considering any proposals to create a national strategy to attract fully locationless remote jobs to Ireland (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [8826/26]

*205. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment whether his Department is considering any proposals to create a dedicated unit within his Department, or Stage agencies, to attract fully locationless remote jobs to Ireland (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [8827/26]

*206. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the value of dual-use goods exported to Israel in 2025 in its entirety; the companies that got licenses, as well as applications that were refused, and who the end users were. — Paul Murphy. [8926/26]

*207. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if he will provide an update as to whether funding will be allocated to Galway County Council to take ownership of a property (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [9017/26]

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

*208. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether funding provided through Cara Nua for victims of institutional abuse is available for the purchase of a car. — Thomas Gould. [9111/26]

*209. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 537 of 27 January 2026, if she will provide details on the National Youth Sector Reference Group as well as a group comprising representatives from departments and agencies that provide funding to or interact with the youth sector; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [8773/26]

*210. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 537 of 27 January 2026, if she will provide details on progress in drafting an operational action plan to support implementation of the strategy; the timeline for engagement with stakeholders involved in the delivery of these actions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [8774/26]

*211. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 537 of 27 January 2026, if she will provide more information on the design of a consultative forum, from 2026 onwards, that will concentrate on the identification of policy priorities, outputs, and outcomes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [8775/26]

*212. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 537 of 27 January 2026, her plans to meet with youth organisations, to discuss their priorities and understand the value of their work and the challenges they face; when she intends to get stakeholder input to inform the development of the implementation plan for Opportunities for Youth, the national strategy for youth work and related services, which is currently in development; the timelines for this; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [8776/26]

*213. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if plans have advanced for a new school (details supplied) on the new site offered free of charge to the State, within the town boundaries of Milford; and if she will discuss the unacceptable conditions for the children, teachers and staff at the school with her two predecessors in her role, who both visited the school and witnessed those conditions for themselves. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [8779/26]

*214. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the reason full post-primary autism classes receive €0 in year-on-year funding, while their primary equivalents receive €4,020 in such funding; if she will commit to equalising this funding, a position supported by the NCSE; if so, in what timeframe; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8783/26]

*215. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will direct the NCSE to provide the number of students in post-primary schools have a recommendation of requiring a special class place, but do not currently have that place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8784/26]

*216. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will direct the NCSE to provide specific CPD on how to run post-primary autism classes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8785/26]

*217. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will confirm that teachers can choose to not participate in the assessment of needs process, and cannot be compelled to participate, as per a judgement in January 2024 (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8786/26]

*218. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if a school giving priority enrolment to a post-primary autism special class to students already enrolled in the school who receive their autism diagnosis and/or recommendation of requiring a post-primary autism class placement, and who have all necessary documentation (including diagnostic report and NCSE letter of eligibility), contravene either the Schools Admissions Act 2018 or circular 0039/2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8787/26]

*219. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department will instruct all schools with special classes to assign a teacher to coordinate said classes and specify a minimum number of administration hours per class for that teacher; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8788/26]

*220. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide precise data on the number of times section 37a of the Schools Admissions Act 2018 has actually been utilised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8789/26]

*221. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of students enrolled in fee paying schools; the number of those schools that have special classes; the number of classes they have; if she will also provide the same statistics for public schools, and explain the discrepancy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8790/26]

*222. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of students enrolled in DEIS schools; the number of those schools that have special classes; the number of such classes they have; if she will also provide the same statistics for non-DEIS schools, and the reason for the discrepancy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8791/26]

*223. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will instruct the NCSE to provide a county by county (and by area code in Dublin) breakdown of special class numbers, covering the past five years, and relevant population stats for each county/area, broken down into primary and post-primary; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8792/26]

*224. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the reason her Department this year has made home tuition conditional on having a psychological report done within the past six months, especially given the potentially years long wait to get such reports; to provide statistics from the past five years of successful home tuition applications as compared to successful applications in this current academic year under this new condition; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8793/26]

*225. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide a timeline for all developments in relation to the proposed development at a school (details supplied) since its first proposal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [8796/26]

*226. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when a school (details supplied) will be approved to proceed to construction of a new secondary school, as this project was initially approved four years ago; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [8799/26]

*227. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the reason a school (details supplied) that has been seeking an extension for SEN room and additional classroom since 2022 was left off the recent announcement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8812/26]

*228. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of schools not included, but that have applied, in the NDP announcement that included provision for SEN, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8813/26]

*229. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 560 of 12 November 2025, if she will provide an update on her Department’s plans on the site identified; if there are no plans, if she will instruct her Department’s officials to engage with school management to discuss the matter further; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [8820/26]

*230. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the schools in Cork approved stage 1 and stage 2A in the new build process; and the date they received approval. — Thomas Gould. [8825/26]

*231. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of school building projects that have been completed, by county (details supplied) since 2020; the funding allocated for same, by county since 2020; to provide a breakdown the total number of projects currently under construction, per county; to provide a breakdown of the total number of projects currently in planning and design, per county, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [8847/26]

*232. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if and when a school place will be facilitated in the case of a child (details supplied). — Mary Lou McDonald. [8849/26]

*233. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if a school bus issue can be examined (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charles Ward. [8865/26]

*234. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if a funding application and or SENO referral has been made for child (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8877/26]

*235. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the reason the home tuition support grant was refused for a child (details supplied), despite extensive evidence given by primary school and psychologists in relation to her assessment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8878/26]

*236. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if a school (details supplied) can be included in the DEIS urban band 1 programme. — Pat Buckley. [8884/26]

*237. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she is aware that her Department has completed a refurbishment plan for a school (details supplied); the immediate steps she will take to sanction this much needed refurbishment plan as the school has been waiting for some time; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [8918/26]

*238. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will provide a list of all local authorities with and without a Gaelcholáiste, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [8922/26]

*239. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether there is any progress on payment of an outstanding grant for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Brennan. [8946/26]

*240. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the financial supports available to schools for safety measures outside; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [8956/26]

*241. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the next steps for a school (details supplied) on the Tranche 1 list to progress to construction; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [8961/26]

*242. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when the list of schools to be designated DEIS Plus 1 will be known. — Claire Kerrane. [8962/26]

*243. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to publish the data sets that were used against the criteria her Department indicated were the determining factors for the selection of school construction projects as announced on 28 January 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [8982/26]

*244. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide a list of all schools with planned capital projects that are at Stage 2B; the list by county, and if possible, constituency; when each project first engaged with her Department on same capital project, and when the project was listed as being at Stage 2B. — Malcolm Byrne. [8983/26]

*245. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of primary schools and secondary schools where her Department has already carried out an energy audit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [8984/26]

*246. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department has carried out an energy audit at a school (details supplied); and the details of that audit available to the school. — Malcolm Byrne. [8985/26]

*247. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of special education places at each primary and second level school in County Wexford and County Wicklow, in tabular form. — Malcolm Byrne. [8986/26]

*248. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the position regarding the removal of a school (details supplied) that had been part of the preliminary tender document of the NDP rollout; the reason for this removal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8993/26]

*249. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if any appeal mechanism is available for a school (details supplied) that was omitted from the finalised NDP rollout, despite being included in the preliminary tender document; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8994/26]

*250. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the position regarding the permanent school project for (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8995/26]

*251. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when a child in County Kildare will be allocated a special class place (details supplied). — Mark Wall. [9007/26]

*252. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when a child in County Kildare will be allocated a special class place (details supplied). — Mark Wall. [9008/26]

*253. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide further details relating to an announcement (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [9012/26]

*254. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update on each new school building project in County Galway, including those at planning, design, tender and construction stages; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [9020/26]

*255. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will review the capitation grant for a school (details supplied) which has seen significant increases in costs of heating the school following a substantial energy retrofit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [9045/26]

*256. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to confirm whether students with a formal diagnosis of dyslexia will be eligible for the additional time accommodation announced for the 2026 State examinations, regardless of whether they currently receive a direct intervention accommodation under the RACE scheme; to clarify the categories of “specific needs” covered by the interim scheme; to state the evidential requirements that will apply for eligibility; to confirm when the full eligibility criteria and application process, including deadlines and any appeals mechanism, will be formally published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [9074/26]

*257. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the current status of a proposed new extension building for a national school (details supplied); the stage of the project; the delays or issues impacting delivery; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [9087/26]

*258. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of applications for emergency works grants submitted by schools for the years 2020-2026 to date; the number of applications approved in the same timeframe; and the amount of consultant fees repaid to schools upon approval of an emergency works grant in this timeframe; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Conor Sheehan. [9112/26]

*259. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if any school projects in Donabate are included in the recently announced prioritised school projects that will progress to tender or construction in 2026/2027, given the Donabate area is one of the fastest growing areas in the country with children already leaving the peninsula to avail of a school place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [9113/26]

*260. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will address concerns raised in correspondence regarding the WALK PEER Programme (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Feargháil. [9120/26]

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

*261. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport if his Department has plans to re-open applications to the nighttime economy support scheme; if not, the reason that decision has been reached; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8923/26]

*262. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the support measures that are being put in place for those recipients of the basic income for artists scheme, when the current scheme is scheduled to end; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [9057/26]

*263. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport if current recipients of the basic income for artists scheme will be allowed to apply to the next such scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [9058/26]

*264. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport to provide an update on work his Department is doing to ensure that the agreed pension increases for An Post pensioners will go ahead as planned; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mary Lou McDonald. [9110/26]

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

*265. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the interim fire safety remediation scheme including the number of schemes that have received a grant award and the value of each grant; the number of applications and units involved in those applications; and for an update on the progress of those projects not designated as pathfinders. — Eoin Ó Broin. [8807/26]

*266. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide an update as of January 2026 on the Programme for Government commitment to tackle vacancy and dereliction; the measures his Department have taken, and have planned, to further tackle vacancy and dereliction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8831/26]

*267. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide an update as of January 2026 on the Programme for Government commitment to enhance compulsory purchase order powers to increase housing supply; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8832/26]

*268. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide an update as of January 2026 on the Programme for Government commitment to provide an ambitious grant system to tackle vacancy and dereliction; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8833/26]

*269. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide an update as of January 2026 on the Programme for Government commitment to improve the administration of the vacancy and dereliction grants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8834/26]

*270. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage as of January 2026, the number of positions that remain vacant in the housing section of Cork City Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8835/26]

*271. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage as of January 2026, the number of positions that remain vacant in the housing section of Cork County Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8836/26]

*272. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of houses that have been purchased through the tenant (incremental) purchase scheme in 2025 through Cork City Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8837/26]

*273. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of houses which have been purchased through the tenant (incremental) purchase scheme in 2025 through Cork County Council; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8838/26]

*274. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether his Department receives regular reports, briefings, or statistical updates from the Residential Tenancies Board in respect of notices of termination or eviction notices issued by private landlords; if so, the frequency of such reports; the format in which they are provided; whether they include quarterly or annual aggregate data; and the manner in which this information is used by his Department in the formulation, review, or evaluation of housing and rental sector policy. — Ken O'Flynn. [8856/26]

*275. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether his Department plans to compile, hold, or publish a centralised official dataset on notices of termination or eviction notices issued in the private rental sector, drawing on data held by the Residential Tenancies Board; if not, the reasons such data is not centrally maintained by his Department despite its policy responsibility for housing; his views on the way in which transparency and oversight in this area are to be ensured; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [8857/26]

*276. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether he considers the number of notices of termination or eviction notices issued in the private rental sector to be a core housing performance and policy indicator; if so, the way in which this indicator is monitored and assessed by his Department; if not, the reasons for his position; and his views on the role

such data plays in assessing pressures within the rental sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O’Flynn. [8858/26]

*277. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage for details of any guidelines or legislation governing the appraisal of a person’s need in assigning medical priority for the allocation of social housing. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [8875/26]

*278. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of a vacant property (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [8920/26]

*279. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has any plans to protect pet ownership in private rental accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [8925/26]

*280. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he will publish details of the criteria needed for an accommodation provider (details supplied) to obtain the necessary planning permission in advance on new regulations coming into effect; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [8945/26]

*281. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide an update on the development of wind energy planning guidelines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O’Hara. [9013/26]

*282. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide an update on the development of solar energy planning guidelines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O’Hara. [9014/26]

*283. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide an update on his Department’s efforts to address deficits in wastewater infrastructure in the villages of Craughwell and Clarinbridge in County Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O’Hara. [9026/26]

*284. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of social and affordable homes built in County Galway in the years 2023, 2024 and 2025, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O’Hara. [9027/26]

*285. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of homeowners in County Wexford that are expected to access the revised defective blocks scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [9052/26]

*286. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether any rental accommodation scheme tenant whose tenancy ends through no fault of their own is guaranteed an offer of alternative accommodation or housing support sufficient to prevent homelessness; to set out the specific statutory, policy, or administrative basis for such a guarantee, if it exists; to clarify the criteria by which a household is deemed “vulnerable” or an “emergency case” for the purposes of tenant-in-situ acquisitions; to provide the number of RAS tenancies where tenant-in-situ was pursued or completed in each local authority, in each of the past three years; to state the average timeframe between receipt of a valid notice of termination and the provision of alternative accommodation or support; and to indicate when confirmed 2026 funding allocations

for homelessness prevention and second-hand acquisitions will be communicated to local authorities. — Ken O’Flynn. [9075/26]

*287. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 620 of 27 January 2026, in view of the Court of Justice of the EU ruling on case C-444/21 EU Commission v Ireland if he will deliver individual conservation plans for each SAC; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [9119/26]

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

*288. To ask the Minister for Social Protection to investigate a matter (details supplied) and allow for home caring credits to be used in both ways in the calculation of the state pension, as by not allowing this, persons are missing out on their full pension entitlement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [8795/26]

*289. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if a pension matter can be examined (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charles Ward. [8866/26]

*290. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if his Department has considered abolishing the means test for disability allowance, or excluding income generated from work from the means testing formula, in recognition of the fact that disabled people who are able to work still endure the same higher cost pressures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [8868/26]

*291. To ask the Minister for Social Protection to provide any analysis conducted by his Department which compares best practice on the structuring of disability payments with similar allowances in other jurisdictions, particularly with regard to whether abolishing the means test for the disabilities allowance has been considered in light of the lack of a means test for the personal independence payment in the UK. — Eoin Hayes. [8869/26]

*292. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason pensions and social welfare payments cannot be paid together or at the same time, with the exception of carers allowance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [9096/26]

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

*293. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether he has examined the use of discretionary house rules by apartment management companies, particularly in relation to pet ownership, where such rules indicate that permissions may be granted on a case by case basis but are applied in practice as blanket prohibitions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [8942/26]

*294. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether his Department has considered the need for clearer policy or legislative guidance to ensure that house rules in managed apartment developments are applied transparently and in accordance with their stated terms, including where discretionary decision making is provided for; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [8943/26]

*295. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether, in the context of increasing numbers of people living long term in apartment accommodation, he has assessed whether current regulatory frameworks provide sufficient clarity and accountability in relation to decisions made by apartment management companies that materially affect quality of life for renters; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [8944/26]

*296. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of those on Stamp 2 permission registered in third level institutions in each of the past ten years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [8966/26]

*297. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration how Ireland's adoption of the IHRA definition of antisemitism aligns with the implementation of the current National Action Plan Against Racism; if he will provide details on the operationalisation of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [9002/26]

*298. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration his plans to introduce legislation to ensure that access orders for children will not be granted against the will and preference of the children where the parent in question has been found guilty of coercive control or similar offences (details supplied). — Richard Boyd Barrett. [9165/26]

*299. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if a review can be conducted to ensure that legislation respects, within reason, that where children who do not want to see a parent as a result of a case of abuse or intimidation, their rights are respected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [8782/26]

*300. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his attention has been drawn to a recent report from Canada in November 2025 that shows the extent of the failings of a mandatory pretrial disclosure system, and the significant psychological harm caused even by the possibility of disclosure; and to provide the reasoning for legislating for mandatory pretrial disclosure in the Criminal Law and Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [8810/26]

*301. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration his views on the adequacy of the level of communication with persons due to be awarded Irish Citizenship; if the notification of the ceremony will be sent out with greater notice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8815/26]

*302. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the position regarding the timeline for the next Irish Citizenship ceremonies due to be held in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8816/26]

*303. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the process whereby the locations for Irish Citizenship ceremonies are selected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8817/26]

*304. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration his views on the merits of providing for Irish Citizenship ceremonies to be held in individual local authorities, in order that attendees can be in their own community for the ceremony; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8818/26]

*305. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of Stamp 2 student permissions issued in each of the past ten years; and the number of those resident in the State in each of those years holding a Stamp 2 student permission, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [8829/26]

*306. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether his Department will renew and extend the contract to use a hotel (details supplied) as an IPAS Centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joanna Byrne. [8841/26]

*307. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration for an update on a citizenship application submitted by a person (details supplied) in County Louth who is working as an anaesthesiologist since March 2023. — Joanna Byrne. [8848/26]

*308. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the changes that have taken place between youth diversion (YDP) programme and the probation service, given that youths going through the YDP no longer access the probation service. — Marie Sherlock. [8859/26]

*309. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No. 150 of 27 January 2026, if he is aware of the role that community support networks play in supporting those people arriving in Ireland under the Humanitarian Admissions Programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8873/26]

*310. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No. 150 of 27 January 2026, if his attention has been drawn to the pleas of community groups that are supporting people under the Humanitarian Admissions Programme in relation to their capacity to support additional people and the potential to expand the numbers accepted on this programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [8874/26]

*311. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration given his Department has stated it is processing citizenship applications via Irish association in chronological order, to clarify the date of such applications currently being processed for a decision; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [8885/26]

*312. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the plans he has to increase Cuan funding to the Rape Crisis Centre Midwest, appreciating that the organisation currently has a waiting list of 80 people who are awaiting counselling services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [8935/26]

*313. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the location of the proposed site for a service (details supplied). — Claire Kerrane. [8936/26]

*314. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No. 118 on 28 January 2026, if An Garda Síochána will explain what they mean when they say they have access to National Vehicle and Driver File data, including data that ‘indicates’ whether a licence or permit has been surrendered upon disqualification; what it meant by ‘indicates; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [8970/26]

*315. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the rationale for requiring an individual to undergo repeated Garda vetting when changing employment within the same regulated sector, including the school transport sector; whether his Department has examined

options to allow Garda vetting to attach to an individual for a defined period irrespective of employer; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [9004/26]

*316. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to provide details including the make of all electric vehicles currently in use by An Garda Síochána, and the Garda Division and station from which each vehicle operates, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [9009/26]

*317. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to provide the number and location of all electric charging points in Garda stations, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Brady. [9010/26]

*318. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to a statement of the Taoiseach in the Dáil on Wednesday, 28 January 2026 regarding the acquittal of four serving Gardaí and one retired Garda superintendent of perverting the course of justice, and the need for a review of the case, the form that review will take; who will conduct the review; and when the terms of reference will be published. — Alan Kelly. [9028/26]

*319. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the dates and attendees of all meetings between the assistant secretary of policing in his Department and the Garda Commissioner and/or either deputy Commissioners from 1 January 2025 to 29 January 2026, by date, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [9032/26]

*320. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the dates and attendees of all meetings between either of his two advisors in his Department and the Garda Commissioner and/or the deputy Commissioners from 1 January 2025 to 29 January 2026, by date, in tabular form. — Alan Kelly. [9030/26]

*321. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the plans to extend the accommodation recognition payment beyond 31 March 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [9046/26]

*322. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No. 571 of 18 December 2025, and Parliamentary Question 114 of 14 January 2026, if the information requested regarding the number of crimes recorded where the suspected offenders were on bail, by county and category of offence, in 2025, in tabular form is now available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [9047/26]

*323. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of vulnerability assessments (defined by regulation 8 of the European Communities (Reception Conditions) Regulations 2018) conducted; and the number of those assessments which resulted in a determination of vulnerability, in 2024 and 2025. — Gary Gannon. [9076/26]

*324. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of international protection applicants not offered accommodation on arrival in each month in 2025 and to date in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [9077/26]

*325. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the total occupancy of IPAS accommodation compared to the total capacity. — Gary Gannon. [9078/26]

*326. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will meet with a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [9079/26]

*327. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to layout the current process when a person on a professional register is convicted of a crime, for this information to be passed on to their professional register; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [9081/26]

*328. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the statutory and operational responsibilities of CUAN; its role in policy development, funding allocation, data collection, and oversight of domestic, sexual and gender-based violence services; and the functions which remain the direct responsibility of his Department. — Gary Gannon. [9088/26]

*329. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the body which is responsible for setting guidelines of best practice in relation to the appropriate length of stay in women's refuges and domestic violence accommodation; whether such guidelines currently exist; and if so, to provide details of those guidelines, including when they were introduced; the evidence base on which they rely; and whether they are binding on funded service providers. — Gary Gannon. [9089/26]

*330. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of safe home units currently in operation nationally for victims of domestic violence; the number of such units that are available for immediate occupation; and the total capacity of the programme. — Gary Gannon. [9090/26]

*331. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of safe home units currently funded or supported by Cuan for victims of domestic violence, by local authority area, or county. — Gary Gannon. [9091/26]

*332. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of those on Stamp 2 visas who have worked as healthcare assistance in each of the past five years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [9103/26]

*333. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of those on Stamp 2 visas who were employed in jobs listed in the ineligible list for employment permits in each of the past five years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [9104/26]

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

*334. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if there is a publicly accessible system of traceability to track imported products of animal origin for human consumption from farm to fork: if not, whether his Department will consider developing such a system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [8800/26]

*335. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of common health entry documents for Products of Animal Origin (CHED P) were processed by his Department, by designated border control post of entry and third party country of origin for the years 2024 and

2025 and to date in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [8801/26]

*336. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of sanitary and phytosanitary checks which were carried out at designated border control posts here on imports covered by common health entry documents for products of animal origin, by country of origin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [8802/26]

*337. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the person or body which logs and is responsible for all types of meat imports to Ireland; the person or body which tracks it from farm to fork; the location it is kept; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [8803/26]

*338. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the gross tonnage of imports processed under the common health entry documents for products of animal origin (CHED P), by designated border control post of entry and third party country of origin for the years 2024 and 2025 and to date in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [8804/26]

*339. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if force majeure will be accepted for 2023 and 2024 BISS and ANC applications from a farmer in County Kerry (details supplied) following the submission of medical evidence; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [8964/26]

*340. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if a decision will issue on a BISS and ANC dual claim (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [8965/26]

*341. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide urgent funding to Kerry social farming to allow this amazing initiative to grow and excel across County Kerry; if he will roll-out social farming across the country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [9107/26]

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

*342. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to provide the addresses of all properties owned by Tusla in County Offaly, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [8780/26]

*343. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to provide the addresses of all properties rented or otherwise occupied by Tusla in County Offaly, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [8781/26]

*344. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality for an update on the implementation of the EU Pay Transparency Directive; if she expects to have the Directive fully implemented by its June transposition deadline; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [9048/26]

*345. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if Tullamore, County Offaly will be considered for a State led childcare facility, given the serious need which has already been evidenced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [8794/26]

*346. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 849 of 12 November 2025, if Tusla will arrange a meeting (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [8919/26]

*347. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 393 of 29 January 2026, to share a copy of Tusla's Personal Data Breach Policy and Breach Management Standard Operating Procedure (SOP), and the new staff Guidance on Reporting Data Breaches; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [8941/26]

*348. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality whether, under plans for State-led early years services, areas with need not being met will be identified and will be limited to those areas where there are willing existing operators; whether areas with need without a willing existing operator will be excluded given this will impact areas with need most; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [8948/26]

*349. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the amount that has been returned to the Exchequer due to underspend of the mother and baby institutions payment scheme since it was introduced. — Claire Kerrane. [8949/26]

*350. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the amount allocated to the mother and baby institutions payment scheme; the total amount drawn down to date under the scheme; the total amount paid to eligible applicants; the number of persons deemed eligible for payment under the scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [8973/26]

*351. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to provide an update on the safeguarding measures currently in place for adults living in residential disability services; the way in which compliance with safeguarding standards is monitored; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [8996/26]

*352. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of new residential places provided by a service (details supplied) over each of the past five years, and within the northside of Dublin, and the number planned for 2026, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [8997/26]

*353. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the level of HSE funding allocated to a service (details supplied) under the HSE Service Plan for 2026; the way in which this compares with funding allocations in previous years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [8998/26]

*354. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the residential services currently available for adults with severe intellectual and physical disabilities who are unable to live independently in their community; the additional provision planned; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [8999/26]

*355. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of children, as of 29 January 2026, or latest date available, that were awaiting a first assessment of need from the HSE under the Disability Act 2005, for the CHO2 area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [9015/26]

*356. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of people under 18 years-of-age who are on an assessment of need waiting list in county Galway as of 29 January 2026; the length of time they have been on this waiting list, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [9016/26]

*357. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will address concerns raised in correspondence regarding the WALK PEER Programme (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Feargháil. [9038/26]

*358. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of children in County Wexford currently awaiting their first assessment of needs appointment; the way this compares to 12 months ago; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [9055/26]

*359. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of children in County Wicklow currently awaiting their first assessment of needs appointment; the way this compares to 12 months ago; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [9056/26]

*360. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the current status of an application (details supplied); when this project will proceed to the next stage; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [9099/26]

*361. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality when the next round of the building blocks scheme will be announced; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [9100/26]

*362. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality when it is expected that approvals will issue in respect of the establishment of more family resource centres; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [9109/26]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*363. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to extend the scheme for healthcare workers who contacted long-Covid; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [8797/26]

*364. To ask the Minister for Health the compliance and enforcement which is taken by her Department to ensure that the FSAI ensure food businesses in Ireland comply with the origin of beef regulations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [8805/26]

*365. To ask the Minister for Health if breast reduction procedures for medical reasons are no longer available under the HSE; if so, the reason this is the case; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [8806/26]

*366. To ask the Minister for Health to review the case of a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [8808/26]

*367. To ask the Minister for Health the situation regarding a person (details supplied) who has long Covid as a result of working for funding paid by her Department to a section 39 organisation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [8811/26]

*368. To ask the Minister for Health if a case can be urgently investigated (details supplied) to allow for the earliest possible hospital appointment in the circumstances; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [8819/26]

*369. To ask the Minister for Health the reason she did not approve the rollout of the enhanced influenza vaccine for rollout in 2025 (details supplied). — Richard Boyd Barrett. [8821/26]

*370. To ask the Minister for Health to estimate the cost to the health system of increased influenza cases, and more serious cases, which can be attributed to declining to approve the enhanced influenza vaccine for rollout in 2025 (details supplied). — Richard Boyd Barrett. [8822/26]

*371. To ask the Minister for Health to estimate the excess deaths attributable to declining to approve the enhanced influenza vaccine in 2025. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [8823/26]

*372. To ask the Minister for Health if her Department has given consideration to making changes to the treatment abroad scheme to include assistance towards the cost of business-class seating, in instances whereby patients are medically deemed unable to remain upright for the duration of a flight; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [8845/26]

*373. To ask the Minister for Health if her Department has given consideration to making changes to the treatment abroad scheme to include assistance towards the cost of checked luggage, in instances whereby patients must transport medical supplies home following treatment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [8846/26]

*374. To ask the Minister for Health when the decision was taken that emergency ambulance response times exceeding 60 minutes would not be routinely recorded, collated, or reported as part of the State's ambulance performance framework; the person that authorised this decision; and whether she is satisfied that the absence of such data is compatible with effective patient safety oversight. — Ken O'Flynn. [8860/26]

*375. To ask the Minister for Health whether she accepts that the current National Ambulance Service KPI framework does not measure or report life threatening emergency response delays exceeding 60 minutes; and if so, whether she will direct that this data be formally collected, audited, and published on a routine basis. — Ken O'Flynn. [8861/26]

*376. To ask the Minister for Health whether any Department of Health policy, guidance, or risk management framework addresses patient harm arising from prolonged ambulance response times beyond existing KPI thresholds; and if not, whether she intends to commission such a framework. — Ken O'Flynn. [8862/26]

*377. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department has undertaken, commissioned, or received any clinical risk assessment, patient safety review, or adverse incident analysis

relating to emergency ambulance response times exceeding 60 minutes during the period 2023 to date; and if not, the reasons for same. — Ken O’Flynn. [8863/26]

*378. To ask the Minister for Health whether she accepts that failure to measure extreme emergency response delays limits the State’s ability to identify, assess, and mitigate patient safety risks; and whether she will instruct the Health Service Executive to amend its performance governance arrangements accordingly. — Ken O’Flynn. [8864/26]

*379. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive their home assessment of need; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Natasha Newsome Drennan. [8867/26]

*380. To ask the Minister for Health the oversight mechanisms which exist within her Department to ensure that National Ambulance Service performance metrics adequately capture risks associated with prolonged emergency response times; and whether those mechanisms have been reviewed in light of rising demand and persistent emergency department congestion. — Ken O’Flynn. [8876/26]

*381. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff, and the grade employed, in general medicine at Our Lady’s Hospital Navan; and the number of staff vacancies currently within the department. — Johnny Guirke. [8879/26]

*382. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff, and the grade employed, in radiology at Our Lady’s Hospital Navan; and the number of staff vacancies currently within the department. — Johnny Guirke. [8880/26]

*383. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff, and the grade employed, in general surgery at Our Lady’s Hospital Navan; and the number of staff vacancies currently within the department. — Johnny Guirke. [8881/26]

*384. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on CAMHS and Jigsaw waiting lists in County Meath, and length of wait, quarterly from 2012–2025, in tabular form. — Johnny Guirke. [8882/26]

*385. To ask the Minister for Health the number of older persons awaiting a home help package in Meath, by area and by length of time, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Guirke. [8883/26]

*386. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department has adopted, endorsed, or relied upon any national policy, workforce planning framework, or service specification for chronic pain services which sets out recommended consultant whole-time equivalent capacity per head of population; and if so, to provide the title, date, and issuing authority of each such document. — Ken O’Flynn. [8886/26]

*387. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department has conducted, commissioned, or received any population-needs assessment of chronic pain service consultant capacity since 2019, including any modelling of required consultant whole-time equivalents by Community Healthcare Organisation or Hospital Group; and if so, to provide the date, scope, and main findings. — Ken O’Flynn. [8887/26]

*388. To ask the Minister for Health the governance arrangements by which her Department assures itself that consultant capacity in chronic pain services is adequate to meet population need, including the key performance indicators, reporting cadence, and the senior accountable officer within her Department; and if she will provide the most recent available reporting outputs. — Ken O’Flynn. [8888/26]

*389. To ask the Minister for Health whether chronic pain services are included within any current Consultant Workforce Plan, National Service Plan deliverable, or waiting list action plan overseen by her Department; and if so, to set out the targets, funding allocations, and timelines applicable in 2026 and 2027. — Ken O’Flynn. [8889/26]

*390. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department requires the HSE to report, on a routine basis, the number of chronic pain service consultants in post, approved posts, vacancies, and waiting times by site; and if so, to state the reporting frequency and the most recent date on which such a report was received by her Department. — Ken O’Flynn. [8890/26]

*391. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department has issued any direction, circular, or guidance to the HSE since 2023 in relation to capacity expansion, recruitment, or service configuration for chronic pain services; and if so, to provide the date, subject, and a copy of each document. — Ken O’Flynn. [8891/26]

*392. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department will direct the HSE and PCRS to implement a temporary national reimbursement protocol, for the duration of the current salbutamol nebule shortages, in order that clinically equivalent substitutes are reimbursed without individual case by case applications under discretionary hardship arrangements; and if so, when this protocol will commence. — Ken O’Flynn. [8892/26]

*393. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department has received from the HSE or PCRS an estimate of the number of medical card holders who have required alternative reimbursed products due to salbutamol nebule shortages since 1 January 2025; and if so, to provide the estimate and the methodology used. — Ken O’Flynn. [8893/26]

*394. To ask the Minister for Health the number of discretionary hardship arrangements applications received by the PCRS for inhaled nebule presentations of short-acting bronchodilators, including salbutamol substitutes, in each month since 1 January 2025; the number approved; the number refused; and the median processing time in each month. — Ken O’Flynn. [8894/26]

*395. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department will require the HSE to publish clear public guidance for patients and pharmacies during shortages of reimbursable medicines, including the exact reimbursement pathway and documentation required; and if so, when this guidance will be published and where it will be accessible. — Ken O’Flynn. [8895/26]

*396. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department has assessed the risk to patient safety arising from requiring medical card holders to obtain GP reassessment or alternative prescribing solely due to a supply disruption of a reimbursable medicine; and if so, to provide the date and conclusions of that assessment. — Ken O’Flynn. [8896/26]

*397. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department has asked the HSE to provide a written instruction to community pharmacies confirming that eligible medical card holders should not be asked to pay privately for clinically required alternatives, where reimbursement

is available through hardship or other mechanisms; if so, the date that instruction issued; and the mechanism for ensuring consistent implementation. — Ken O’Flynn. [8897/26]

*398. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department will establish an automatic “shortage substitution” reimbursement mechanism within the PCRS for defined categories of essential medicines, where the HPRA has confirmed a shortage and the HSE has identified clinically equivalent substitutes; if so, the timeline for delivery; and whether primary legislation is required. — Ken O’Flynn. [8898/26]

*399. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department maintains a central register of CHI-related reviews and reports, including publication decisions and follow-up actions; when the register was established; who is accountable for it; and whether she will publish it. — Ken O’Flynn. [8901/26]

*400. To ask the Minister for Health to set out the terms of reference, membership, and reporting outputs of the CHI Improvement Steering Group, including whether minutes, action logs, or progress reports are provided to her Department; and if so, to provide the most recent progress report received by her Department. — Ken O’Flynn. [8902/26]

*401. To ask the Minister for Health further to her stated intention to integrate CHI into the HSE by 2027, the legislative and operational milestones scheduled for 2026, including the responsible unit within her Department; and the timeline for Government decisions required in 2026. — Ken O’Flynn. [8906/26]

*402. To ask the Minister for Health if a disabled person who has a long-term illness (LTI) card that covers their medications and prescription charges, is entitled to have their medication provided in essential blister packs under the LTI card. — Ken O’Flynn. [8908/26]

*403. To ask the Minister for Health whether a decision has been formally made regarding the future planned use of a premises (details supplied); whether the HSE has assessed potential alternative uses for the premises; the timeline for such an assessment to be completed; if consultation has taken place, or will take place, with local representatives, service users, families, staff, and community stakeholders regarding the planned future use of the premises; the resources being considered to repurpose the site to meet local health and social care needs in south County Laois; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [8928/26]

*404. To ask the Minister for Health the plans she has to establish a sexual assault trauma unit (SATU) in Limerick, appreciating that nearest SATU is in Galway, and that the Limerick Forensic Medical Examination only opens from 7pm daily; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [8934/26]

*405. To ask the Minister for Health the rationale for the proposed establishment of regional structures under the National Drugs Strategy; to clarify the governance, funding and accountability arrangements for these structures; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aisling Dempsey. [8939/26]

*406. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which population-based planning, which will be used for new National Drugs Strategy structures, will address deprivation and local need; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aisling Dempsey. [8940/26]

*407. To ask the Minister for Health the recommendations made to date via the seven completed reviews into care of babies at a hospital (details supplied); the corresponding actions implemented on each recommendation, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [8953/26]

*408. To ask the Minister for Health the current vacancies at E-Mental Health Hub, Castlerea, County Roscommon, in tabular form. — Claire Kerrane. [8954/26]

*409. To ask the Minister for Health to advise of any locations in the State where a CAMHS clinic was in place and is no longer. — Claire Kerrane. [8955/26]

*410. To ask the Minister for Health the reason overtime to fill a shift for the rapid response vehicle in Roscommon was removed by the National Ambulance Service. — Claire Kerrane. [8959/26]

*411. To ask the Minister for Health if the National Ambulance Service intend to restore 24/7 cover of the rapid response vehicle in Roscommon; and the cost of the overtime that was in place to do this. — Claire Kerrane. [8960/26]

*412. To ask the Minister for Health if she will detail the health capital projects completed in each county during 2025, on a county-by-county basis, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [8974/26]

*413. To ask the Minister for Health if she will detail, for each public and voluntary hospital, the total number of staff in each, on a whole time equivalent basis at the end of December 2025; the number of medical/dental staff on a whole time equivalent basis in each public/voluntary hospital at the end of December 2025; the number of nursing & midwifery staff on a whole time equivalent basis in each public/voluntary hospital at the end of December 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [8975/26]

*414. To ask the Minister for Health the number of dermatologists working in the HSE; the increase in the numbers hired since 2020; the efforts that are being made to secure more; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [8976/26]

*415. To ask the Minister for Health the consultation which has taken place with local drug and alcohol task forces and communities ahead of the proposed regional structures under the National Drugs Strategy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aisling Dempsey. [8978/26]

*416. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which the independent, community-led nature, and preventative role, of task forces will be protected in the new proposed regional structures under the National Drugs Strategy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aisling Dempsey. [8979/26]

*417. To ask the Minister for Health to what extent flexible, community-based cancer recovery supports are available to help women balance recovery with caring responsibilities, including family counselling and peer-support networks; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aisling Dempsey. [8980/26]

*418. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on discussions with the IPU in relation to blister packs. — Aisling Dempsey. [8981/26]

*419. To ask the Minister for Health the date when a call to tender for the development of an electronic health record system for Ireland will be issued; and when the tender will be awarded; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [8987/26]

*420. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the nature of the technological assessment that will be carried out on tenders for the development of an electronic health record system for Ireland; who will be carrying out that assessment; will there be monitoring of the targets agreed with the successful developer of such a system; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [8988/26]

*421. To ask the Minister for Health if it is envisioned that in the development of an electronic healthcare system for Ireland that provision will be made that will allow for anonymised data to be used to support clinical and other research.; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [8989/26]

*422. To ask the Minister for Health if her Department will consider running a national awareness programme on haemochromatosis. — Malcolm Byrne. [8990/26]

*423. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2264 of 13 January 2026, if a decision on the reimbursement of a treatment will be informed by the National Rare Disease Strategy and the funding provided for orphan drugs in Budget 2026 (detail supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [9003/26]

*424. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons in CHO 2 awaiting home help services as of 29 January 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [9021/26]

*425. To ask the Minister for Health the average wait time for provision of home help services in CHO 2 as of 29 January 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [9022/26]

*426. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons and the average wait time on the waiting list for CAMHS in CHO2 as of 29 January 2026; to provide a breakdown of this waiting list by age category, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [9023/26]

*427. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people on the speech and language therapy assessment waiting list, and within that, the numbers waiting less than four months; the number waiting four-12 months; the number waiting more than 12 months; and for each category, the numbers waiting aged 0-17 years and those aged 18 and above, for CHO2, as of 29 January 2026 or latest date available, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [9024/26]

*428. To ask the Minister for Health the waiting lists and average waiting times for each type of cancer treatment at the University Hospital Galway cancer centre; and the compliance rate with key performance indicators and standards in this area, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [9025/26]

*429. To ask the Minister for Health if her department has carried out or received any report or examination of the potential risk that could present from the Nipah virus; if there are any

precautionary plans in respect of this virus; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [9040/26]

*430. To ask the Minister for Health the current dermatology services provided at the Monaghan Hospital campus; if there have been any changes to the services provided within the past two years; the plans to expand upon the services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [9041/26]

*431. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients currently waiting for dermatology treatment at the Monaghan Hospital campus; to provide a breakdown of the lengths of waiting periods, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [9042/26]

*432. To ask the Minister for Health the current ENT services provided at the Monaghan Hospital campus; if there have been any changes to the services provided within the past two years; the plans to expand upon the services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [9043/26]

*433. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients currently waiting for ENT treatment at the Monaghan Hospital campus; the lengths of waiting periods, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [9044/26]

*434. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children and young people waiting to access child and adolescent mental health services in Gorey / North Wexford; the average length of time that they are waiting; the measures being put in place to address these delays; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [9050/26]

*435. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children and young people waiting to access child and adolescent mental health services in Arklow/ South Wicklow; the average length of time that they are waiting; the measures being put in place to address these delays; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [9051/26]

*436. To ask the Minister for Health the number of GMS contracts for walk-in clinics that open during daytime hours. — Thomas Gould. [9105/26]

*437. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which a person with a medical card can be seen during GP opening hours if they cannot get an appointment for their registered GP. — Thomas Gould. [9106/26]

*438. To ask the Minister for Health the reason an action card was not put in place for Roscommon by the National Ambulance Service; if this will be done to ensure the advanced paramedic roster for the rapid response vehicle (RRV) can be filled, and give the same protection for the RRV, as was given to Nenagh and Ennis; and the reason Roscommon is excluded from such an action card, as an entire county (details supplied). — Claire Kerrane. [9108/26]

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

*439. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if, given the urgent need to increase the number of qualified medical doctors in Ireland, he will strategically direct SUSI to consider graduate medical courses not to be an additional QQI level 8

qualification, for the purposes of assessing grant applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [8824/26]

*440. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the process for the way in which HEI's can seek designations to enable their graduates to become Seanad electors. — Maeve O'Connell. [8911/26]

*441. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if his Department has any plans to develop a college (details supplied). — Maeve O'Connell. [8913/26]

*442. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the annual amount in fees which third level institutions received from students on Stamp 2 permissions in each of the past ten years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [8967/26]

*443. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the detail of any assessments or reports on the fees generated by international students in third level education carried out or received by his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [8977/26]

*444. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the percentage of the 2025 capital budget allocation for his Department that was actually spent; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Feargháil. [9036/26]

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

*445. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the current status of the public consultation on Our Rural Future; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [8770/26]

*446. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the current number of community enterprise hubs opened in the country, their location, the number and location of any in planning; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [8772/26]

*447. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the grants and schemes available to pubs in rural communities, to apply for and avail of; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [8924/26]

*448. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht when applications for the next round of the Community Centre Investment Fund will open; whether it will be for new builds or refurbishments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [8947/26]

*449. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Forbartha Tuaithe agus Pobail, agus Gaeltachta tuilleadh sonraí a thabhairt maidir lena phleananna, atá leagtha amach sa Phlean Gníomhaíochta do Sheirbhísí Poiblí trí Ghaeilge a foilsíodh le déanaí, i dtaobh bunú buan agus nó athlonnú aonad seirbhíse poiblí atá ag feidhmiú trí Ghaeilge sa Ghaeltacht nó chuig an nGaeltacht. — Johnny Mythen. [9092/26]

*450. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht whether he is satisfied that current funding levels under the Community Centres Investment Fund are sufficient to meet demand; and the assessment he has made of the backlog of unfunded projects. — Johnny Mythen. [9093/26]

*451. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht when a new round of the CLÁR programme will issue in 2026; whether Measure 1 (Developing Community Facilities and Amenities) will again support applications involving school-based facilities where those facilities are available for wider community use outside of school hours; if any changes are planned to the eligibility criteria for schools under Measure 1; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [9097/26]