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QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

1. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will publish the efficiency and reform proposals that he requested each Government Department to provide to him by 17 July 2026; if he will do so at the earliest opportunity possible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51702/26]

2. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if his Department carried out a risk assessment in advance of publishing a tender to establish a new Framework Agreement for the Provision of Microsoft Solution Renewals and Associated Services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [51706/26]

3. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to give an update on the progress of a new public sector pay agreement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51703/26]

4. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on the National Procurement Strategy, which was due to be published earlier this year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51494/26]

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OTHER QUESTIONS

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

5. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to explain the apparent reluctance to adequately fund the Department of Education and Youth, particularly in view of the Government’s stated commitment to prioritising education; the reason there is currently a €500 million shortfall in education funding; the way in which this aligns with ongoing shortages of teachers and special education places; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [51544/26]

6. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress being made on the adoption of artificial intelligence across the public service to improve efficiency, reduce administrative burdens and enhance public services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Grace Boland. [51518/26]

7. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the criteria applied in assessing projects under the Digital Public Service Transformation Fund, including the way in which service improvement, efficiency gains and potential for wider rollout are considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [51534/26]

8. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update regarding investment in critical infrastructure in the west of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [50878/26]

9. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome (NSO) 3 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [51311/26]

10. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will outline the advice and support provided by his Department to other Government departments or bodies under their aegis regarding the procurement of IT systems. — Cathy Bennett. [51486/26]

11. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome (NSO) 6 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [51367/26]

12. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the actions that have been taken to implement cost control in Government departments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Edward Timmins. [51538/26]

13. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome (NSO) 4 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Feargháil. [51359/26]

14. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if his Department has outlined any projects under the Critical Infrastructure Bill 2026 yet to be given priority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Neville. [51548/26]

15. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to outline the schedule of works for the OPW renovation works at the Round Tower, Kells, County Meath; the estimated cost of this work; the breakdown of same; the costs incurred to date on this project; the breakdown of same; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [50872/26]

16. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will report on the new expenditure control process; whether this new process will impact capital expenditure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [51003/26]

17. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on the South Galway Flood Relief Project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [50877/26]

18. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on the Ballinasloe flood relief scheme, including proposed interim flood protection measures for Derrymullen and Sarsfield Road; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Daly. [51475/26]

19. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on overpayments made by the NSSO to former Government Ministers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51493/26]

20. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on OPW efforts to secure a site for a new Garda Station at Laytown, County Meath; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [50873/26]

21. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on infrastructure investment in the West of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51496/26]

22. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update in relation to the Blackpool flood relief scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51268/26]

23. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the measures he has introduced to ensure value for money in respect of public capital projects. — Matt Carthy. [51483/26]

24. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation his plans to prepare and publish a list of the types of infrastructure which will be designated as critical infrastructure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51376/26]

25. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if it is proposed to intensify the level of co-operation on a cross-Border basis in relation to flooding and draining issues; if there are specific proposals to deal with flooding difficulties in County Cavan caused by the river Erne; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [51529/26]

26. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the number of applications; the value of applications; and the location of applications, received under the revised criteria for the minor flood mitigation works and coastal protection scheme announced in May, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [51477/26]

27. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the measures he is taking to prepare Ireland for increased flooding caused by increasingly extreme weather. — Pa Daly. [51036/26]

28. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the way in which his Department is ensuring that public infrastructure delivery is keeping pace alongside housing delivery in areas of high population growth; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Neville. [51547/26]

29. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation whether his Department has undertaken, or plans to undertake, an assessment of the cumulative public infrastructure investment requirements arising from significant population growth across north Dublin, particularly in relation to health, education, transport and community facilities; whether mechanisms are being considered to improve the coordination and prioritisation of capital investment across Government Departments in rapidly growing areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51517/26]

30. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide a report on OPW projects in Galway West in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51484/26]

31. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation his plans to update public procurement rules to promote collective bargaining; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [51537/26]

32. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an overview of the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome 10 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aisling Dempsey. [51065/26]

33. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on flooding prevention schemes being rolled out to combat flooding in areas such as Ballinasloe and other rural areas of Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51525/26]

34. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome (NSO) 1 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shay Brennan. [51378/26]

35. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on reform of the ethics in public office legislation, given that the review of the statutory framework was completed in December 2022; the reason for the delay in publishing the heads of Bill; if he expects this Bill to be introduced this year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [51491/26]

36. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the spend in 2025 on leasing buildings by the OPW, the estimated cost in 2026 and whether all of these spaces are fully utilised currently. — Thomas Gould. [51016/26]

37. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on the proposed new Garda station at Northern Cross in Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [51490/26]

38. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on the Nenagh flood relief scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O’Meara. [51079/26]

39. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on the proposed new Garda divisional headquarters at Northern Cross. — Tom Brabazon. [51121/26]

40. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will outline the latest update on the Midleton flood relief scheme; if it is the intention to go for planning in Q4 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [51522/26]

41. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation his plans to open Rattoo Round Tower, Ballyduff, during National Heritage Week (15-23 August) and improve public access; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [51035/26]

42. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to outline the Government’s position for the forthcoming public sector pay talks. — Malcolm Byrne. [51002/26]

43. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will outline any deadline provided to Government departments regarding proposals to cut planned spending; and the timeframe in which it is intended to implement such cuts. — Cathy Bennett. [51487/26]

44. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the engagement his Department has had with the Department of Justice, Home Affairs and Migration in relation to the new payment rates being operated under the new criminal legal aid scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [51476/26]

45. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide an update on the delivery of the Accelerating Infrastructure Action Plan; the next steps; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [51481/26]

46. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide a breakdown, by project, of all capital expenditure under the Office of Public Works in County Cork in each of the years 2024, 2025 and to date in 2026, including amounts allocated and amounts drawn down in each year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51269/26]

47. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome (NSO) 2 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat the Cope Gallagher. [51325/26]

48. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he expects the rate of expenditure growth to moderate in coming years; if the moderation will be greater on the current or capital side; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [51004/26]

49. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for a report on the Best Practice KPI Guidance for Regulators of Critical Infrastructure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [51521/26]

50. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on the progress made to date in the implementation of the individual property protection scheme across east Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel McCarthy. [51261/26]

51. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on the Clifden flood relief scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51485/26]

52. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for a report on his recent attendance at the National Economic Dialogue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere. [51527/26]

53. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to confirm the amount the Government has spent on infrastructure projects in Cork in each of the years from 2022 to 2025 and to date in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51531/26]

54. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress made to date under the National Strategic Outcome (NSO) 9 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O’Dea. [51315/26]

55. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if his Department has carried out a risk assessment in advance of publishing a tender to establish a new framework agreement (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [51488/26]

56. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on the tender for the proposed Children’s Science Centre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [51489/26]

57. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide a timeframe for a further update on efforts to end flooding at Lough Funshinagh; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51130/26]

58. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide the up-to-date position on advancing flood defences at a location (details supplied) in County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [51207/26]

59. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide a detailed and specific update on the constraints imposed on implementing the NDP due to grid capacity issues; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [51479/26]

60. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on investment into critical infrastructure in Galway county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51524/26]

61. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on proposed flood prevention measures being implemented in Castlemartyr, Midleton, Mogeely, Killeagh, Rathcormac and Whitegate, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Noel McCarthy. [51260/26]

62. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to confirm the current status of progress on the Blackpool (River Bride) flood relief scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51530/26]

63. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide an update on flood projects for areas around east Cork including Castlemartyr/Mogeely, Killeagh, Whitegate, Ladysbridge and Rathcormac; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [51523/26]

64. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome (NSO) 8 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [51381/26]

65. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress to date in advancing a proposal to have a successor to the Peace Plus Programme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [51528/26]

66. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation his plans to designating any data centres as critical infrastructure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [51478/26]

67. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will clarify whether the Critical Infrastructure Bill 2026 provides for the designation of flood protection infrastructure as critical infrastructure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [51480/26]

68. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will report on the engagement he has had in relation to a new public sector pay deal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [51526/26]

69. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the work underway to ensure Departments are measured on outcomes delivered for citizens rather than expenditure incurred; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Grace Boland. [51519/26]

70. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide an update on issuing a Section 50 for a location (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [51208/26]

71. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will provide an update on OPW efforts to end flooding at Lough Funshinagh; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51129/26]

72. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation whether his Department has undertaken, or plans to undertake, an assessment of the impact of the removal of the supplementary pension under the single public service pension scheme on members of fast-accrual professions, including the Defence Forces, An Garda Síochána, the Prison Service and fire services, with particular regard to the income gap between retirement and eligibility for the State pension; whether any measures are under consideration to address this issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51516/26]

73. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome (NSO) 7 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [51380/26]

74. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide a report on the work approved under the minor flood mitigation works and coastal protection scheme in Louth; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Erin McGreehan. [51456/26]

75. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the overall cost of the new passport office in Navigation Square, Albert Quay, Cork City. — Thomas Gould. [51015/26]

76. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the measures used to assess progress under the “Digital and Innovation at Scale” pillar of the Better Public Services Transformation Showcase 2025-2026, including the extent to which citizen uptake and engagement with digital services are taken into account; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [51533/26]

77. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the critical infrastructure projects he is considering to curb budget overruns caused by external market factors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51546/26]

78. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation his plans to ensure that departmental budget requests are based on total spending in the previous year; that any previous budgetary overruns will be considered in next years’ budget plans; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51545/26]

79. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for a report on the Benefits Realisation Framework for infrastructure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [51520/26]

80. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the progress made to date under National Strategic Outcome (NSO) 5 of the National Development Plan 2021-2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shay Brennan. [51379/26]

81. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation his Department's plans and timelines to develop flood defence embankments on the Lower Shannon River (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [51536/26]

82. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if he will undertake a feasibility study relating to the exhumation of 'The Invincibles', buried at Kilmainham Gaol; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [51535/26]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Chun an Taoisigh: To the Taoiseach.

*83. To ask the Taoiseach the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025. — Shane Moynihan. [50810/26]

*84. To ask the Taoiseach if he will provide a date for the meeting he recently committed to with the families and survivors of the Creeslough explosion. — Pearse Doherty. [51172/26]

*85. To ask the Taoiseach if he will establish a working group tasked with reviewing mental health services for people with intellectual disabilities within his Department's Disability Unit. — Pádraig Rice. [50449/26]

*86. To ask the Taoiseach to provide the web link to his Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51572/26]

*87. To ask the Taoiseach the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value. — Eoin Hayes. [51775/26]

*88. To ask the Taoiseach the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value. — Eoin Hayes. [51793/26]

*89. To ask the Taoiseach the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value. — Eoin Hayes. [51811/26]

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

*90. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the main policy achievements of her Department since 22 January 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50802/26]

*91. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the emergency humanitarian aid including financial assistance, specialised equipment, logistics supports, technical expertise, or personnel, she will send to Venezuela following the earthquakes on 24 June 2026. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [50849/26]

*92. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if a series of measures will be taken in the context of the recent earthquakes in Venezuela (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [50863/26]

*93. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of occasions in 2025 and to date in 2026 where the Irish ambassador based in Indonesia has met formally with the Indonesian president, in tabular form. — Conor D. McGuinness. [50948/26]

*94. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the plans the Government has to support aid agencies, such as UNICEF and Irish Aid who have the infrastructure in place to get the aid where it is most needed following the tragic earthquake in Venezuela; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Nicholas Gogarty. [50950/26]

*95. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the actions Ireland has taken, and plans to take, to provide humanitarian assistance to Venezuela following the earthquakes of 24 June 2026; whether emergency funding will be allocated through Irish Aid; whether logistical or other supports will be provided to assist diaspora-led humanitarian efforts in Ireland; whether Ireland will engage through the EU Civil Protection Mechanism or other international frameworks to support relief efforts (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [50959/26]

*96. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if her attention has been drawn to reports of enforced disappearances and deaths allegedly linked to detention conditions in the Tindouf camps in Algeria; and whether the Government intends to raise these concerns at EU or UN level and support calls for independent investigations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat the Cope Gallagher. [50999/26]

*97. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she has considered reports by international organisations raising concerns about living conditions and fundamental rights in the Tindouf camps in Algeria; whether the Government intends to seek updated assessments of the humanitarian and human rights situation there; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pat the Cope Gallagher. [51000/26]

*98. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade whether her Department will, as Belgium has, cease offering local consular services to dual-citizens illegally occupying land in the Occupied Palestinian territory; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51049/26]

*99. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the details of the assistance her Department is providing to the family of a detained Ukrainian national (details supplied); the

efforts being made to negotiate their release; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51082/26]

*100. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the humanitarian assistance her Department will provide to aid victims of the recent earthquakes in Venezuela; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51098/26]

*101. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if her Department will support Venezuelans living in Ireland to provide donations of aid to victims of the recent earthquakes in their country; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51099/26]

*102. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the assistance that will be provided through Irish Aid to Venezuela following the devastating earthquake of 24 June 2026; if her Department is in a position to assist Venezuelans in Ireland who are initiating collections to get donations to the impacted region; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51127/26]

*103. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if her attention has been drawn to the continued refusal by the Algerian authorities to permit a comprehensive census and formal registration of the population in the Tindouf camps; whether given concerns regarding the lack of transparent and verifiable data on their refugee status, the Government intends to raise this issue at EU or UN level to support calls for registration in line with international refugee law; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [51136/26]

*104. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the total cost incurred in the design, development and production of the logo for Ireland’s Presidency of the Council of the European Union; the breakdown of these costs by design, consultancy, branding, and promotional expenditure; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mattie McGrath. [51239/26]

*105. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the support the Government can and is providing to Venezuela following the tragic earthquake they experienced on the 24 June 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [51253/26]

*106. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the measures she is taking to support the Venezuelan people following the recent devastating earthquakes (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [51365/26]

*107. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if an online passport application for a person (details supplied) living in the North that was submitted on 19 April 2026 will issue on time for their travel date of 9 July 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [51383/26]

*108. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to review the case of a person (details supplied); if she will expedite the application; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [51388/26]

*109. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide the web link to her Department’s Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51564/26]

*110. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the way in which Ireland plans on actioning assistance in the international humanitarian response to the earthquake in Venezuela. — Robert Troy. [51604/26]

*111. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if she will raise EU coordination of humanitarian assistance to Sudan in the context of the relevant Council meetings as part of Ireland's Presidency of the EU; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [51631/26]

*112. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide an update on efforts to reach a target of 0.7% of gross national income in overseas development aid; when her Department hopes to meet that target; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [51632/26]

*113. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade whether Ireland intends to provide emergency humanitarian assistance to Venezuela following the devastating earthquakes of 24 June 2026; the nature and value of assistance being considered or provided through Irish Aid; whether support will be channelled through the United Nations, and networks (details supplied) or other humanitarian partners. — Paul Lawless. [51664/26]

*114. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade whether her Department has carried out an assessment of the humanitarian needs arising from the earthquakes that struck north central Venezuela on 24 June 2026; whether Ireland will provide emergency humanitarian funding through Irish Aid to support medical assistance, emergency shelter, food, clean water, sanitation services and other life saving relief efforts; whether Ireland is engaging with the European Union Civil Protection Mechanism, the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA), and other international partners regarding the response. — Paul Lawless. [51665/26]

*115. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the number of occasions in 2025 and to-date in 2026 where the Irish Consulate General based in Sydney has met formally with the Chief of New South Wales Police; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51718/26]

*116. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to instruct her Department to allocate emergency humanitarian funding through Irish Aid to support emergency medical care, clean water, food, temporary shelter, medicines, and other essential relief supplies in Venezuela. — Paul Murphy. [51726/26]

*117. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to instruct her Department to support humanitarian initiatives being organised by Venezuelans living in Ireland. — Paul Murphy. [51727/26]

*118. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade working through the European Union Civil Protection Mechanism, to identify additional support Ireland could provide to Venezuela, whether through financial assistance, specialised equipment, logistics, technical expertise, or personnel, where appropriate, to complement the international response already underway. — Paul Murphy. [51728/26]

*119. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to provide an update on the implementation of EU sanctions against the Russian shadow fleet. — Malcolm Byrne. [51747/26]

*120. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51767/26]

*121. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51785/26]

*122. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51803/26]

*123. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the position regarding the omission of persons with disabilities from the draft United Nations Treaty on Crimes Against Humanity; if she will make submissions to ensure their inclusion; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [51845/26]

*124. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if the Permanent Representation of Ireland to the European Union will be proposing Irish civil servants to participate in the Autumn 2026 and Spring 2027 sessions of the Erasmus for Public Administrations programme; if so, to outline the application procedure; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [51862/26]

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

*125. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the financial supports that are available for the replacement of solid fuel stoves; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51023/26]

*126. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment further to the Taoiseach's statement in Dáil Éireann on 10 June 2026 that cigarette butts outside State institutions are unacceptable and that he would ask for a re-examination of measures, whether the re-examination of cigarette litter will formally evaluate existing Irish citizen-generated environmental evidence, including OpenLitterMap. — Donna McGettigan. [52337/26]

*127. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50796/26]

*128. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment further to Parliamentary Question No. 249 of 3 March 2026, the weight he places on the salmon catch data from angling logbooks for the Boyne catchment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [50924/26]

*129. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment further to Parliamentary Question No. 249 of 3 March 2026 if the TEGOS framework design considered periods of low rainfall that span across two calendar years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [50925/26]

*130. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the estimated cost of providing a €500 energy credit to each private household; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51317/26]

*131. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment when plug-in solar systems will become available; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ann Graves. [51407/26]

*132. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment his plans to publish the year-long study sent to him regarding the feasibility of transitioning the waste collection market from its current side-by-side licensing system to a franchise tendering system; and his plans to act on the findings of that report. — Marie Sherlock. [51465/26]

*133. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment to provide the web link to his Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51558/26]

*134. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment if the transposition of Article 12 of the Energy Efficiency Directive 2023/1791 will occur within the Summer Legislative Programme 2026, as it is not named within the programme, and if a specific timeline of its transposition can be provided. — Paul Murphy. [51607/26]

*135. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the number of Irish data centres, in aggregate, that have been reported to the European Commission database as per the most recent reporting deadline of 15 May 2026, pursuant to the data centre operators' responsibility under the delegated Regulation 2024/1364 and his Department's responsibility as Member State coordinator; and the aggregate number reported for the previous year's deadline, in tabular form. — Paul Murphy. [51608/26]

*136. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the result of the letter of formal notice sent by the European Commission on 21 November 2025 in relation to the transposition of the recast Energy Efficiency Directive 2023/1791, the content of his Department's reply; and whether a new deadline for transposition was agreed with the Commission. — Paul Murphy. [51609/26]

*137. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the number of communications email or otherwise with the European Commission in relation to the missed 11 October 2025 transposition deadline of the Energy Efficiency Directive 2023/1791, and related delegated regulations, in tabular form, with the associated dates of correspondence. — Paul Murphy. [51610/26]

*138. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the way in which primary legislation, such as the Heat (Networks and Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2024, will account for the transposition of Article 26 of the Energy Efficiency Directive (2023/1791). — Paul Murphy. [51611/26]

*139. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment in relation to Ireland's co-hosting of the Second Conference on Transitioning Away from Fossil Fuels, if his Department plans on hosting any pre-conference or related events in Ireland ahead of the conference in

Tuvalu; if he plans any policy areas that Ireland plans to be a focus for their contributions to the conference; if fossil fuel use within the defence sector is being considered as a possible policy focus; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [51613/26]

*140. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment if he is aware that litter.ie, is no longer operational and that the domain is currently offered for sale by a third party; when his Department became aware of this; who was responsible for maintaining the domain; the reason it was allowed to lapse; the public data, reports, photographs or guidance that were lost; and the steps being taken to restore public access to this data source which provides “vital” information to his Department; if information in relation to the system will be provided (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51662/26]

*141. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the reason the appropriate assessment screening produced by his Departmental officials for the Pollack Fishing Conservation Bye-Law (No. 1028) 2026 as required under the EU Habitats Directive for Special Area of Conservation (SAC) waters, was not produced by the responsible statutory body, Inland Fisheries Ireland (IFI), or an independent ecology consultancy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51736/26]

*142. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment if the Irish State’s legal obligations under Article 6.2 of the EU Habitats Directive considered when drafting the Conservation of and Prohibition on Sale of Coarse Fish Bye-Law (No. 806) 2006 and the Conservation of Pike Bye-Law (No. 809) 2006; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51739/26]

*143. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the reason the Owenriff (Barna) River system (No. 140) was not listed in Conservation of Salmon and Sea Trout Bye-Law (No. C.S. 287) 2006, considering that 16 Atlantic salmon were harvested from the system in 2005 and a neighbouring system within the Galway District, the Knock River system (No. 142), produced no salmon in the same year but was closed under the aforementioned bye-law; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51741/26]

*144. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the way in which regulatory and administrative practices concerning appropriate assessment for inland fisheries legislation have evolved since 26 February 1997; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51742/26]

*145. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51761/26]

*146. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51779/26]

*147. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51797/26]

*148. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment the rationale for requiring a new building energy rating assessment where a homeowner applies for a second grant under the better energy homes scheme within a number of years of a previous grant application and BER assessment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [51856/26]

*149. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment whether he is concerned that the requirement to obtain a new building energy rating assessment for each grant application under the better energy homes scheme would substantially reduce the net value of the grant received by a homeowner; and whether he will review this requirement. — John Lahart. [51857/26]

Chun Aire Cosanta: To the Minister for Defence.

*150. To ask the Minister for Defence the names of specialist military courses that Air Corps personnel went to Canada given those specialist military courses are not available within the State in the years of 2025 and to-date in 2026; and the names of those courses and duration of each, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [50793/26]

*151. To ask the Minister for Defence the main policy achievements of her Department since 22 January 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50798/26]

*152. To ask the Minister for Defence to advise on a case (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [50897/26]

*153. To ask the Minister for Defence to provide the web link to her Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51560/26]

*154. To ask the Minister for Defence the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51763/26]

*155. To ask the Minister for Defence the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51781/26]

*156. To ask the Minister for Defence the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51799/26]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*157. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide a schedule of the average wait times for NCT tests by NCT test location; if he will provide statistical data in respect of failure, pass and do not drive away results by test centre for each of the years 2024, 2025 and to date in 2026. — Aidan Farrelly. [51591/26]

*158. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of full-time heavy vehicle mechanics employed by Bus Éireann as of 29 June 2026; if he will provide the corresponding figures in 2023, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [50781/26]

*159. To ask the Minister for Transport the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50811/26]

*160. To ask the Minister for Transport whether the NTA has engaged with a company (details supplied) regarding bus infrastructure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [50813/26]

*161. To ask the Minister for Transport the funding allocated to sustainability hubs, broken down by cap ex and op ex funding in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50820/26]

*162. To ask the Minister for Transport the funding allocated to sustainability hubs in each of the years 2020 to date, broken down by cap ex and op ex funding in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50821/26]

*163. To ask the Minister for Transport the funding allocated to active travel, broken down by cap ex and op ex funding in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50822/26]

*164. To ask the Minister for Transport the funding allocated to greenways, broken down by cap ex and op ex funding in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50823/26]

*165. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide information in relation to EV grants (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [50824/26]

*166. To ask the Minister for Transport the funding allocated to mobility hubs, broken down by cap ex and op ex funding in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50828/26]

*167. To ask the Minister for Transport the proportion of the public transport fleet that is wheelchair accessible broken down by service; to provide a breakdown of all the funding allocated to making public transport accessible in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50830/26]

*168. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will report on the connecting Ireland rural mobility plan; to provide a detailed breakdown of all associated costs broken down by cap ex and op ex funding in each of the years 2020 to date; to provide a detailed breakdown of new services delivered in each of the years 2020 date; to provide a detailed breakdown of the funding allocated to the connecting Ireland rural mobility plan in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50831/26]

*169. To ask the Minister for Transport the projected cost of providing all settlements with a population over 300 with at least three return services per day 7 days-a-week broken down by CapEx and OpEx funding. — Pa Daly. [50832/26]

*170. To ask the Minister for Transport the average cost of providing a return service as part of the connecting Ireland rural mobility plan broken by CapEx and OpEx funding, in each of the years 2023 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50833/26]

*171. To ask the Minister for Transport the funding spent on purchasing electric buses since 2020 to date; the number of these buses that are in operation broken down by the year they were purchased; the number of buses that are in storage broken down by the year they were purchased; the average daily cost to maintain an electric bus in operation; the average daily cost to maintain an electric bus in storage, in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50840/26]

*172. To ask the Minister for Transport the funding allocation to local authorities to install on street EV charging infrastructure in each of the years 2020 to date. — Pa Daly. [50841/26]

*173. To ask the Minister for Transport the average cost to install an EV charging point as part of the public charging infrastructure network in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50842/26]

*174. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide a detailed breakdown of the EV charging points delivered as part of the public charging infrastructure network, in each of the years 2020 to date, broken down by local authority, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50843/26]

*175. To ask the Minister for Transport the full and first year cost of establishing a trolley service on trains on Ireland's rail network; his plans to establish a trolley service on routes without one in operation; and to outline the services operating a trolley and/or catering service. — Pa Daly. [50844/26]

*176. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide an update of the stages of the Connecting Ireland rural bus scheme; the number of routes that have been rolled out and which are yet to be rolled out, by county, in tabular form; and the expected cost of this. — Pa Daly. [50845/26]

*177. To ask the Minister for Transport the average first and full year cost to purchase and operate an electric bus, broken down by cap ex and op ex funding. — Pa Daly. [50846/26]

*178. To ask the Minister for Transport the average first and full year cost to purchase and operate a green hydrogen bus, broken down by cap ex and op ex funding. — Pa Daly. [50847/26]

*179. To ask the Minister for Transport the funding spent on purchasing green hydrogen buses since 2020 to date; the number of these buses that are in operation, broken down by the year they were purchased; the number of buses in storage broken down by the year they were purchased; the average daily cost to maintain a green hydrogen bus in operation; the average daily cost to maintain a green hydrogen in storage, in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [50848/26]

*180. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will review correspondence (details supplied); if he will provide a response to the queries raised therein; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [50858/26]

*181. To ask the Minister for Transport if he intends to continue the EV grants into 2027, as this is a matter of some concern and interest to the Irish Motor Industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [50883/26]

*182. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to concerns that blind and visually impaired taxi users may incur higher fares where drivers rely solely on satellite navigation rather than following directions provided by the passenger, resulting in unnecessarily longer journeys; whether guidance, safeguards or complaints mechanisms are in place to protect passengers in such circumstances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [50886/26]

*183. To ask the Minister for Transport whether he has been informed by the National Transport Authority that the Metrolink project may be opened in phases; whether he has been informed that it is proposed to open the Swords section to a city centre location before the full line is opened; whether he has been informed of where the city centre terminus is to be located in the event of a phased opening; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [50888/26]

*184. To ask the Minister for Transport the efforts being made to increase enforcement against dangerous driving of scramblers and of the prohibition of scambler use in public places in County Louth. — Joanna Byrne. [50903/26]

*185. To ask the Minister for Transport the engagement he has undertaken with the Department of Justice, Home Affairs and Migration and An Garda Síochána on powers of seizure and detention in relation to the new regulations; and whether he has undertaken any direct engagement with Gardaí in County Louth on the matter. — Joanna Byrne. [50904/26]

*186. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of occasions in each of the past five years in which a bus service was cancelled or curtailed due to an on-board software issue; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [50936/26]

*187. To ask the Minister for Transport the actions his Department is taking to expedite the national roll out of contactless payment systems on public transport, in particular in Cork City and County; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [50941/26]

*188. To ask the Minister for Transport the toll revenue collected by Transport Infrastructure Ireland from the M50 in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [51007/26]

*189. To ask the Minister for Transport the toll revenue collected by Transport Infrastructure Ireland in each of the years 2020 to date, broken down by road, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [51008/26]

*190. To ask the Minister for Transport the toll revenue that would be forgone to defer the toll increase due in 2027. — Pa Daly. [51009/26]

*191. To ask the Minister for Transport the cost to reverse the toll increase that took place in 2026. — Pa Daly. [51010/26]

*192. To ask the Minister for Transport the revenue that has been collected to date by Transport Infrastructure Ireland in 2026, broken down by the road on which the toll is operating, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [51011/26]

*193. To ask the Minister for Transport if he is aware that there is currently no local link or public transport service operating between Taughmaconnell, County Roscommon and Athlone, County Westmeath; if his Department is aware that funding was not made available in 2026 for

such a service; if he will consider funding the service in 2027 given the lack of public transport options impacting residents, students and workers travelling between the two areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51012/26]

*194. To ask the Minister for Transport for an update on the upgrade of the N59 between Oughterard and Bunakill; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51068/26]

*195. To ask the Minister for Transport for an update on the upgrade of the N59 between Maam Cross and Clifden; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51069/26]

*196. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department has full and final costings on the redevelopment of Ceannt Station Galway; the difference between the agreed contracted price at the outset of the project and the final costings; the reasons for the difference between the two figures; when the works will be fully completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51070/26]

*197. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason a person is expected to pay such high road tax for a car with low emissions (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51103/26]

*198. To ask the Minister for Transport if he has considered extending the young adult travel card to categories (details supplied). — Pa Daly. [51111/26]

*199. To ask the Minister for Transport the projected total cost of establishing contactless payments on public transport in Dublin; the expected timeline for delivery; if he has considered extending this to services outside of Dublin and any associated projected costings; and expected timelines for delivery, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [51112/26]

*200. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of grants provided for EV grants, broken down by local authority in each of the years 2020 to date; the breakdown of the total value of grants drawn down for EVs, broken down by local authority in each of the years 2020 to date, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [51113/26]

*201. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated cost to eliminate all fares across all PSO service for under 18s, broken down by service type, in tabular form. — Pa Daly. [51114/26]

*202. To ask the Minister for Transport whether his Department will review the eligibility criteria under the active travel programme to ensure that smaller rural towns and villages can access funding for footpath provision and pedestrian safety projects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51162/26]

*203. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of applications for active travel funding submitted by Galway County Council in each of the past five years; the number of applications approved; the value of funding allocated for footpath-related projects, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51163/26]

*204. To ask the Minister for Transport whether his Department has undertaken an assessment of the extent to which smaller rural communities are unable to access active travel funding due

to programme criteria, population thresholds, or project requirements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51164/26]

*205. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department has plans at present to legislate for a universal payment system for public electric vehicle charging points, or to ensure that customers have the option to pay directly with card rather than through an app; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51176/26]

*206. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will clarify in the context of Circular 14/2021 the role of the Project Management Office in his Department; and if he will clarify the date on which his Department notified the Digital Government Oversight Unit (DGOU) and or the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO) of issues relating to the train management system. — Aidan Farrelly. [51229/26]

*207. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide an update in respect of IT projects (details supplied) to include delivering and or development third party; the amount expended to date in respect of consultancy and project management fees; if he will indicate the timeline to rollout of each project; if he will clarify whether each project is currently within budget and if not the amount in excess of budget the project has slipped. — Aidan Farrelly. [51230/26]

*208. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated total cost of abolishing fees for disabled persons’ parking cars; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51339/26]

*209. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated average cost of a new double-deck battery-powered electric bus; the estimated cost of conversion of urban buses to zero-emission vehicles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51340/26]

*210. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated full-year cost of abolishing fares on all public transportation services and publicly contracted commercial services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51341/26]

*211. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated full-year cost of abolishing the M50 toll; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51342/26]

*212. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated full-year cost of abolishing parking charges at park and ride facilities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51343/26]

*213. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason a person (details supplied) was denied a driving test; if he will confirm the insurance documentation that is acceptable to a driving test centre and the documentation that is not acceptable. — Ann Graves. [51418/26]

*214. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide the web link to his Department’s Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51573/26]

*215. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will acknowledge the significant financial difficulties faced by many pensioners who rely on older vehicles due to the lack of affordable public transport alternatives in rural areas; the challenges they face in meeting the increasing

costs of vehicle maintenance, repairs, insurance and NCT requirements; and if he will consider introducing targeted supports or grants to assist older persons on fixed incomes to maintain roadworthy vehicles, given that existing incentives for the purchase of electric vehicles are beyond the financial reach of many pensioners; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51588/26]

*216. To ask the Minister for Transport the average wait time in each of the past 24 months in the RSA Tallaght driving test centre, in tabular form; the steps he is taking to reduce waiting times and achieve the ten-week target; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [51614/26]

*217. To ask the Minister for Transport if his attention has been drawn to concerns that the number of driving tests being cancelled by the RSA has risen; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [51626/26]

*218. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans to increase funding allocated to local authorities for community involvement schemes, given their important role in maintaining and repairing our local and rural road network; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [51628/26]

*219. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will consider running a pilot late-night bus service on the 350 and 351 bus routes to cater for passengers who attend festivals and events in Galway during the summer months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [51637/26]

*220. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason the departure of the Galway to Ennis train at 17.52 has been delayed every working day for the past four weeks due to the arrival of a train from Dublin; the reason this has not been addressed; when it will be addressed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51686/26]

*221. To ask the Minister for Transport if he is aware of media reports of extreme discomfort for passengers during recent hot weather; the steps he will take to address this; the reason the reasons for delays and expected departure times are not announced by the drivers on delayed trains; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51687/26]

*222. To ask the Minister for Transport for an update on Government proposals to develop a double track on the railway line between Galway and Portarlinton; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51695/26]

*223. To ask the Minister for Transport for an update on the development of the M20 Cork-Limerick Motorway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51700/26]

*224. To ask the Minister for Transport the estimated costs in 2027 of doubling the number of personnel working within the air accident investigation unit and railway accident investigation unit of his Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51717/26]

*225. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of grants for accessible vehicles available from the NTA that have been approved in a county in each of the past three years; the way in which applications are chosen for this grant; and if the county can be considered in the upcoming

round of grants giving ongoing issues (details supplied) for our most vulnerable citizens; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51734/26]

*226. To ask the Minister for Transport regarding the VAS scheme which is set to replace the DD1 disabled drivers scheme, if he will provide assurance that the financial assistance in purchasing a vehicle for persons or carers of persons with a disability will not be taken away and that the right to personal mobility, including the need to own a modified vehicle, will not be impeded; if there will be financial aid to newcomers onto the vehicle adaptation scheme, in the purchase of a vehicle; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51748/26]

*227. To ask the Minister for Transport if he is aware that some eligible bus operators missed the application deadline for the road transporters support scheme (RTSS) due to exceptional operational pressures during the peak school transport and tour season; whether his Department will consider accepting late applications in exceptional circumstances where there is no prejudice to the administration of the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [51750/26]

*228. To ask the Minister for Transport for an update on plans to develop a new vehicle adaptation scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [51757/26]

*229. To ask the Minister for Transport the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51776/26]

*230. To ask the Minister for Transport the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51794/26]

*231. To ask the Minister for Transport the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51812/26]

*232. To ask the Minister for Transport further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 174 and 175 of 30 June 2026, if he will confirm whether the emerging preferred route study for the Dublin Luas extensions were funded by the National Transport Authority (NTA) / Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII); whether the emerging preferred route study for Luas Cork is being funded by the NTA / TII; whether the emerging preferred route study for the Navan heavy rail line is being funded by the NTA / TII; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Kyne. [51820/26]

*233. To ask the Minister for Transport when the payment to road hauliers who have submitted applications and all supporting documentation required for the road transport support scheme will be made; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [51834/26]

*234. To ask the Minister for Transport the reason that guaranteed funding was not put in place to allow the introduction into service of the announced BusConnects route in 2026, such as route 85. — Seán Crowe. [51842/26]

*235. To ask the Minister for Transport to provide an update on efforts to support the shared mobility sector in Ireland and to incentivise commuter take-up of shared mobility services; to

outline his engagement with shared mobility providers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51873/26]

*236. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department has engaged with the Department of Finance on a potential review of the TaxSaver scheme with a view to extending to more modes of sustainable travels such as shared mobility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51875/26]

*237. To ask the Minister for Transport if a late application (details supplied) under the road transports support scheme can be accepted in circumstances where the applicant missed the deadline; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [51886/26]

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

*238. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the actions he is taking, or plans to take, to reduce the estimated annual economic cost of foetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD) to the State, which has been estimated at €4.6 billion per annum; whether he has considered the fiscal implications of FASD across health, education, social protection, disability, justice and employment services; whether his Department has undertaken any assessment of the return on investment associated with FASD prevention, diagnosis and early intervention measures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51030/26]

*239. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the reason the Revenue Commissioners has not responded to a request for a tax clearance certificate for a deceased person (details supplied) to allow their will to be executed; to confirm if current guidelines state that if someone has not heard back within 35 working days they can execute the will; if he will instruct the Revenue Commissions to reply to all such requests in order to provide clarity for executors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51470/26]

*240. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance when he last spoke formally with the UK Chancellor of the Exchequer. — Sorca Clarke. [50792/26]

*241. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50801/26]

*242. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance to outline the measures in place or planned to support businesses in rural communities to remain viable. — Peadar Tóibín. [50884/26]

*243. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated full year yield if the residential zoned land tax increased to 7%, if the lands annual value is based on 2025 figures. — Conor D. McGuinness. [50946/26]

*244. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the proposals under consideration to alleviate the rising cost-of-living in Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [50969/26]

*245. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated annual loss to the Exchequer arising from VAT fraud, including missing trader intra-community fraud and carousel fraud, in each of the years 2021 to 2025; whether the Revenue Commissioners maintain any estimate of

VAT fraud linked to shell companies established in the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O’Flynn. [51046/26]

*246. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the number of Revenue Commissioners investigations into suspected VAT fraud involving shell companies in each of the years 2021 to 2025 and to date in 2026. — Ken O’Flynn. [51047/26]

*247. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the number of companies listed on the United Nations database of business enterprises operating in the Occupied Palestinian territory in which the State holds shares; the names of any such companies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51048/26]

*248. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the formula used for calculating the flat rate of tax for farmers; and the reason the flat rate changes from year to year while the livestock rate remains the same. — Martin Kenny. [51138/26]

*249. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance to give urgent consideration to an issue (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [51179/26]

*250. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the total annual cost to the Exchequer of the rental tax credit in 2024, 2025; the projected cost in 2026; the number of people claiming rent tax credit in each year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51296/26]

*251. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated full-year cost of abolishing USC for all earners and replacing it with a higher income social charge of 10% on all earnings over €100,000 per year; the estimated revenue that would be generated by the introduction of this new higher income social charge; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51297/26]

*252. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated total cost of a refundable tax credit to those on low and irregular incomes who do not fully utilise all of their existing credits; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51298/26]

*253. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated total revenue from raising the effective corporate tax rate to 20% for companies with revenue above €750 million; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51299/26]

*254. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated full-year revenue that would be generated by establishing a new rate of corporate tax of 50% on the profits of all energy companies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51300/26]

*255. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated full-year revenue that would be generated by establishing a new levy of 4% on the profits of pharmaceutical companies and private health companies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51301/26]

*256. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated full-year revenue that would be generated by establishing a new levy of 2.25% on the profits of the largest social media and ICT companies with revenues above €750 million; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51302/26]

*257. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated full-year revenue that would be generated by establishing a new levy of 10% on the profits of grocery with more than €50 million in sales and fast-food retailers with more than €25 million in sales; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51303/26]

*258. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated full-year cost of abolishing the local property tax and introducing a tax on non-principal private residences (NPPR) by, single NPPR— €1,000, ten or less NPPRs— €1,500 per property, and 11 or more NPPRs— €2,500 per property, excluding properties owned by local authorities and approved housing bodies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51304/26]

*259. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated additional full-year revenue of increasing corporation tax to 20% for companies involved in fossil-fuel production and refining; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51305/26]

*260. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated annual cost of jet fuel VAT and excise exemptions in 2024 and 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51306/26]

*261. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated additional revenue from cutting pension relief threshold from €115,000 to €60,000; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51307/26]

*262. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the cost of the special assignment relief programme in 2023, 2024 and 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51308/26]

*263. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated yearly cost of double indexation of income tax credits in terms of tax revenues foregone; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51309/26]

*264. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated total yearly impact on tax revenues from double indexation of income tax bands; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51310/26]

*265. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated first and full-year costs, of indexing personal tax credits, the employee tax credit and the earned income tax credit at a rate of 1%, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51370/26]

*266. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated first and full-year costs, of reducing the standard and higher rates of taxation by 1% each, the number of people impacted by such reductions, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51371/26]

*267. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated first and full-year costs, of reducing each of the USC rates by 1%; the number of people impacted by such reductions, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51372/26]

*268. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the estimated first and full-year costs, of indexing income tax bands at a rate of 1%, 2% and 3%, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51373/26]

*269. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance if consideration has been or is currently being given to indexing income tax bands, and in particular, to the average annual inflation rate; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51374/26]

*270. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance to provide the web link to his Department’s Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51563/26]

*271. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance if he will review the current capital gains tax annual exemption threshold of €1,250, having regard to the fact that it has remained unchanged for several years and in view of increased cost of living pressures; if he will consider increasing this threshold; if he will further examine the potential for targeted relief measures, including reduced liability or exemptions for older persons; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [51603/26]

*272. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51766/26]

*273. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51784/26]

*274. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51802/26]

*275. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance if his Department, or the Revenue Commissioners, have examined the feasibility of assessing the returns of form IU(3E) as a means of better calculating the indicative IUT revenue raised via the deemed disposal rule; and the subsequent cost of abolishing the deemed disposal rule in respect of IUT. — Emer Currie. [51840/26]

*276. To ask the Tánaiste and Minister for Finance if he will commit to conduct a review of the TaxSaver scheme with a view to extending to more modes of sustainable travels such as shared mobility; and to allow for new digital solutions to enhance the effectiveness and attractiveness of the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51874/26]

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

*277. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50807/26]

*278. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the current status of the proposed civil service reasonable accommodation policy due to be introduced in 2026; which disabled persons' representative organisations and disabled persons' organisations were consulted during its development; whether an organisation (details supplied) was consulted; if not, the reason for this; the purpose of the proposed policy and the way it is intended to operate alongside existing legal obligations in relation to reasonable accommodation; whether it will provide additional guidance to public bodies on considering requests for reasonable accommodation, including the application of the undue burden test; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [50938/26]

*279. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation whether his Department has undertaken any assessment of the purchase order systems used across Departments, agencies and other public bodies (details supplied); if so, the number of public bodies known to operate a single purchase order system, multiple purchase order systems, and no purchase order system; and if such an assessment has been undertaken. — Albert Dolan. [51224/26]

*280. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the estimated full-year cost of ensuring that every public sector worker earning under €100 thousand receives a pay increase of 10% in 2027; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51313/26]

*281. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if his Department will look favourably on an appeal submitted by a person (details supplied); to provide an update on the status of the appeal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [51386/26]

*282. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation whether, pending completion of the statutory review of the Protected Disclosures Act 2014 (as amended), his Department has assessed whether reporting persons whose disclosures are currently being processed may be affected by administrative practices or interpretations that are themselves under review; and whether any interim guidance or safeguards have been issued to public bodies in that regard. — Ken O'Flynn. [51469/26]

*283. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation for an update on the timelines and funding for the delivery of the proposed new Garda station in Sligo; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [50996/26]

*284. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the status of the new Garda station in Tubbercurry, County Sligo; whether agreement has been reached with An Garda Síochána on the space allocation required to allow the submission of the Part IX planning application to proceed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [50997/26]

*285. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide the web link to his Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51569/26]

*286. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation having regard to the definition of “machine-readable format” in S.I. No. 376/2021 and to Government Open Data Policy, to state the file formats which his Department recognises as machine-readable for the publication of tabular public-sector datasets. — Albert Dolan. [51574/26]

*287. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the number of WTE operations and event executive personnel employed by OPW as of 26 June 2026, in tabular form. — Donna McGettigan. [51710/26]

*288. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the nature of refurbishment works that the OPW carried out at Ennis Friary in 2024, 2025 and to-date in 2026, in tabular form. — Donna McGettigan. [51711/26]

*289. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51772/26]

*290. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51790/26]

*291. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51808/26]

*292. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide the list of cases in which he has rejected increases proposed by line departments for chief executives in commercial State companies/agencies, under proposals agreed by Government in April 2025 following the senior posts remuneration committee report, in tabular form; to provide an itemised list of cases where requests are still outstanding; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [51816/26]

*293. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to outline the rules regarding the single pension scheme; the reason researchers in technological universities are prevented from accessing the scheme; whether their equivalents in universities can access the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Kyne. [51819/26]

*294. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if the Government have yet to designate any project as critical as per the terms of the Critical Infrastructure Act 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51822/26]

*295. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation if the Government will designate phase 1 of the University Hospital Galway redevelopment as critical as per the terms of the Critical Infrastructure Act 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51823/26]

*296. Chun a fhiafraí den Aire Caiteachais Phoiblí, Bonneagair, Athchóiriúcháin Seirbhíse Poiblí agus Digitiúcháin cén méid a caitheadh ar chúrsaí Gaeilge do státseirbhísigh chuile bhliain le cúig bliana anuas, cén líon daoine a rinne na cúrsaí chuile bhliain agus cén t-eagras lena ndearnadh na cúrsaí. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [51825/26]

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

*297. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50800/26]

*298. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the total number of IDA sites, by county; the number of sites that are vacant; and the average vacancy rate of sites in the last five years, in tabular form. — Peadar Tóibín. [50866/26]

*299. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the work his Department has carried out to investigate the reason many rural pubs are closing their doors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [50867/26]

*300. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the extent to which recent developments in Ireland's external trade performance, including the decline in exports in April 2026, reflect underlying concentration risks in key sectors and markets; the implications this may have for the resilience of Ireland's export base; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [49859/26]

*301. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to intervene with an organisation (details supplied) with a view to the company accepting and implementing the recommendations that the company recognise a trade union; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seamus Healy. [51041/26]

*302. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if he is aware of the high levels of absenteeism being faced by employers when it comes to employees submitting online medical certificates; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [51101/26]

*303. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment his advice to employers when medical certs being issued to employers are doing so without sufficient clinical assessment and in circumstances that would not ordinarily warrant such lengthy periods of sick leave (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [51102/26]

*304. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the number of persons employed in Ireland in high tech construction; the way in which that sector is defined; and the contribution that this sector makes to the Irish economy. — Malcolm Byrne. [51183/26]

*305. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the supports in place to assist Irish businesses in using quantum computing to address enterprise opportunities and challenges; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [51184/26]

*306. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the range of supports available to SMEs to make greater use of green technology. — Malcolm Byrne. [51185/26]

*307. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to provide a full list of all ‘trusted flagger’ under the digital services act with Coimisiún na Meán; and the date that they applied and were assigned this status, in tabular form. — Pearse Doherty. [51248/26]

*308. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the policy objective and any evidence that it represents good value for public money to award a 1% discount on Microfinance Ireland loans, where the application has been prepared with Local Enterprise Office assistance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51409/26]

*309. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the percentage of approved Microfinance Ireland loans that were prepared with Local Enterprise Office assistance; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51410/26]

*310. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the amount spent annually on LEO mentoring; the way in which mentors are selected and allocated; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51411/26]

*311. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to provide an update on an employment permit for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51460/26]

*312. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to provide an update on an employment permit for a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51461/26]

*313. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to provide the web link to his Department’s Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51562/26]

*314. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if he is concerned by reports that 22% of pubs reduced staffing levels during the past 12 months due to cost pressures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [51587/26]

*315. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to provide the details of presentations or written submissions provided by companies (details supplied) to him or his departmental officials with respect to the regulation of artificial Intelligence, digital policy, and codes of practice; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert O’Donoghue. [51605/26]

*316. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to provide the attendees, agendas, and scheduled meeting date of the “Annual Data Centre Sector Roundtable”, which was created through Action 9 of the Large Energy-user Action Plan (LEAP). — Paul Murphy. [51612/26]

*317. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the specific steps his Department is taking to address the distinct competitiveness risks posed by global shifts such as the US Most-Favoured-Nation (MFN) pharmaceutical pricing models and international trade tariffs; the way in which these global pricing and tariff threats are being directly integrated into the final drafting of Ireland’s upcoming National Life Sciences Strategy; the status of any inter-

departmental or sectoral taskforces intended to evaluate these global market shocks; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [51639/26]

*318. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment for an update on the commitment to progress the General Scheme of the Co-Operative Societies Bill 2022; when he expects this bill to be introduced to Dáil Éireann; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51735/26]

*319. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51765/26]

*320. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51783/26]

*321. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51801/26]

*322. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if his Department has conducted an economic assessment of the value and contribution of digital advertising, including personalised advertising, to Irish enterprises and the Irish economy. — Emer Currie. [51838/26]

*323. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if his Department has conducted an assessment of the costs facing Irish SMEs in complying with digital regulation. — Emer Currie. [51839/26]

*324. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if he has received a notification from a company of their intention to contemplate collective redundancies at the firm’s operation in County Louth (details supplied); when the notification was received; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [51884/26]

*325. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment if a company (details supplied) has received any form of grant aid or support from Enterprise Ireland or IDA since 2020; the nature and value of the support provided, in tabular form and for the year concerned; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [51885/26]

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

*326. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of WTE psychologists employed by national educational psychological services as of 29 June 2026; if she will provide the same figures for the corresponding period in 2023, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [50786/26]

*327. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the main policy achievements of her Department since 22 January 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50799/26]

*328. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she is aware of the case of a visually impaired child in a school (details supplied) who was not sanctioned an SNA and therefore cannot undertake July Provision; and if she will urgently intervene to sanction these supports and allow this child to partake in July Provision with their peers. — Thomas Gould. [50815/26]

*329. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the reason home based July provision has been denied for a child (details supplied); the status of the appeal; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoghan Kenny. [50860/26]

*330. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the measures in place to ensure full wheelchair accessibility in all primary and post-primary schools; the number of schools not fully compliant with accessibility standards; the supports available for schools requiring infrastructural upgrades to improve access for wheelchair users; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [50861/26]

*331. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to ensure a student (details supplied) will get a place in an appropriate school in the local area by September 2026. — Ann Graves. [50862/26]

*332. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the next steps she will take for the schools cluster programme; the implications for class sizes especially in rural schools; and if her Department is seeking additional funding to sustain these rural schools. — Peadar Tóibín. [50881/26]

*333. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of small rural schools in each county over each of the past twenty years; the annual enrolment in each school in the same time period; and the total maximum allocation for enrolment of each, in tabular form. — Peadar Tóibín. [50882/26]

*334. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the status of an application (details supplied) for additional school accommodation in a primary school; when a decision is expected; and if the Minister will consider prioritising this application in light of significant accommodation pressures and the urgent need for additional mainstream and special education teaching space. — Albert Dolan. [50885/26]

*335. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth her views on an appeals process (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Frankie Feighan. [50905/26]

*336. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if there are any potential plans for new schools in the Kellystown area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [50906/26]

*337. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when a school (details supplied) will receive permission to go to tender; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Kyne. [50917/26]

*338. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the current status of the major capital project for a school (details supplied); the stage the project has reached under her Department’s Capital Appraisal Process; the timeframe within which it is expected to progress to the next stage; whether it is being considered for inclusion in the next tranche of school building projects

advancing to construction; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [50939/26]

*339. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether priority will be afforded to school building projects that have secured planning permission and include significant expansion of special educational needs and ASD accommodation; if a school (details supplied) falls within this category; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [50940/26]

*340. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the amount of funding that has been provided for the incredible edible programme annually since it launched, in tabular form. — Jen Cummins. [50986/26]

*341. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the percentage of schools engaged with the incredible edible programme. — Jen Cummins. [50988/26]

*342. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the average length of time that it takes for her Department's buildings section to complete the assessment of a Stage 2B report; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51067/26]

*343. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the nature of the stakeholder consultation to commence in June 2026 to identify further tranches of school capital projects to proceed to tender and construction over the NDP period; the stakeholders involved in the consultation process; when the additional tranches will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51071/26]

*344. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the sources of funding available within her Department from which organisations can seek funding to develop youth centres; the level of funding provided through this source in 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51072/26]

*345. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number and percentage of special needs assistants currently employed who hold qualifications at Levels 6, 7, 8 and postgraduate level, respectively; and whether consideration will be given to recognising existing qualifications as part of the implementation of the revised SNA framework. — Erin McGreehan. [51087/26]

*346. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether additional funding or supports will be made available to SNAs required to undertake mandatory professional development under the proposed revised SNA contract, including paid release time and financial assistance where appropriate. — Erin McGreehan. [51088/26]

*347. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether a review mechanism will be established following implementation of the revised SNA contract to assess its impact on workload, redeployment, retention, and educational outcomes for students with additional educational needs. — Erin McGreehan. [51089/26]

*348. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether her Department intends to examine career progression opportunities for special needs assistants, including the development of advanced or specialist SNA roles with appropriate remuneration and responsibilities. — Erin McGreehan. [51090/26]

*349. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the safeguards that will be put in place to ensure the revised SNA circular is implemented consistently across all schools and that SNAs are not assigned duties beyond those envisaged under the revised framework. — Erin McGreehan. [51091/26]

*350. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to confirm that the climate action summer works scheme will continue to operate for primary schools; the current timeline for the announcement of further funding approvals under the scheme; whether an application submitted by a school (details supplied) was received and whether that application has been approved for funding; when a funding decision is expected; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paula Butterly. [51133/26]

*351. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the way that parental choice, and equality of access, informs the demographic demand analysis carried out on school planning areas. — Holly Cairns. [51139/26]

*352. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the breakdown of the demographic demand analysis for each of the school planning areas Bandon, Clonakilty, Rosscarbery, Skibbereen and Dunmanway over the next five and ten years. — Holly Cairns. [51140/26]

*353. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for a detailed breakdown of the demographic data provided by Cork County Council which has been included in the demographic demand analysis carried out on school planning areas for Bandon, Clonakilty, Rosscarbery, Skibbereen and Dunmanway. — Holly Cairns. [51141/26]

*354. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the method by which demand for the establishment of Gaelcholáistí is monitored and assessed; and the way this information is considered as part of the demographic demand analysis carried out on school planning areas. — Holly Cairns. [51142/26]

*355. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she is aware that 14 children have been left without a place in the reading class attached to a school in Renmore, County Galway, which is the only reading class serving the Connacht region; if consideration has been given to establishing a second reading class in light of the current waiting list and the principal's reported readiness to accommodate an additional class; if her Department has assessed the adequacy of current reading class provision for children with severe dyslexia in Galway and the wider Connacht area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51145/26]

*356. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number and location of reading classes currently in operation nationwide; the number of children currently on waiting lists for placement in such classes, by county, in tabular form; whether there are plans to increase the number of reading classes available to children with severe dyslexia; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51146/26]

*357. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether her Department requested a school (details supplied) to accommodate an additional junior infant class for the 2026-2027 school year; if her Department has refused to allocate an additional classroom teacher to the school notwithstanding that request; if her Department considered the impact of that refusal on existing pupils, including the potential amalgamation of two senior infant classes into a first class grouping of approximately 34 pupils. — Jen Cummins. [51173/26]

*358. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the staffing schedule, enrolment data, circular or criteria that were relied upon in refusing the additional teacher in a school (details supplied). — Jen Cummins. [51174/26]

*359. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to grant island status to a school (details supplied). — Michael Cahill. [50489/26]

*360. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update on her plans to increase the numbers of early intervention classes nationally; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Callaghan. [51212/26]

*361. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the steps her Department is taking to ensure that sufficient autism class places are available in the local area of a school (details supplied); whether the provision of modular accommodation or other interim measures is being considered to meet identified demand; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51223/26]

*362. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the up-to-date position regarding funding for the completion of a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [51247/26]

*363. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the full year cost in 2024 and 2025 of capital spending to build and renovate schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51314/26]

*364. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the annual cost of capitation grant for primary and post-primary schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51344/26]

*365. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the estimated full-year cost of increasing the number of special needs assistants by 1,500, 2,000, and 2,500 respectively, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51345/26]

*366. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the estimated full-year cost of increasing the number of special education teachers by 500, 1,000, and 1,500 respectively, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51346/26]

*367. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of psychologists currently employed by NEPS; the number of sanctioned psychologist posts in NEPS; the estimated full-year cost of running NEPS; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51348/26]

*368. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the estimated full-year cost of making primary- and post-primary education totally free, such as abolishing all charges (including voluntary contributions), providing free school uniforms, books and all other required equipment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51349/26]

*369. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the estimated cost to the Exchequer to provide free school transport to all primary and post-primary school students in 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51350/26]

*370. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide an update on the new school build for a school (details supplied); if the project will commence before planning runs out in September; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [51368/26]

*371. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide an update on the new build for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [51369/26]

*372. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she is aware of concerns that retired teachers who pay class A PRSI and are permitted to work up to 50-days without pension abatement are nonetheless having deductions applied to their supplementary pension; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [51398/26]

*373. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the reason a school (details supplied) received a DEIS Urban Band 2 designation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [51399/26]

*374. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether funding has been provided to a school project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [51406/26]

*375. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will review the case of a student (details supplied) who has been refused school transport for the 2026-2027 school year; if consideration can be given to providing a concessionary place on an existing service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Fearghail. [51435/26]

*376. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will review the correspondence (details supplied); the policy position regarding the requirement for secondary school students to purchase personal devices such as tablets as part of the Digital Strategy for Schools; if she will address the financial burden this places on families, particularly those who are also availing of the free schoolbooks scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [51467/26]

*377. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide the web link to her Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51561/26]

*378. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide an update on the request to open two additional autism classes from a school (details supplied); if her Department accepts that there is unmet need for special education school places in the school planning area; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [51583/26]

*379. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when a new special school (details supplied) in Kildare will open; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [51633/26]

*380. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide an update on a query regarding the provision of a school transport bus route (details supplied).; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [51635/26]

*381. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide an update on the provision of a school transport bus route (details supplied).; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [51636/26]

*382. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the additional teaching resources which are targeted to be put in place for primary schools during the 2026-2027 term; and if she will confirm if there are currently 996 primary teaching posts currently unfilled. — Robert Troy. [51644/26]

*383. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether current enrolment at a school (details supplied) in County Mayo will be taken into account in advance of September 2026 given the school now meets the relevant staffing threshold, rather than the use of 30 September 2025 figures; if a revised allocation will be approved; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Keira Keogh. [51655/26]

*384. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if any mechanism exists to revise a staffing decision in cases such as a school (details supplied) in County Mayo where enrolment has increased after the appeals process concluded and now meets the required threshold for an additional teaching post; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Keira Keogh. [51656/26]

*385. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she retains any discretion to review or amend a staffing allocation for a school such as a school (details supplied) in County Mayo where new enrolment data demonstrates that the criteria for an additional teacher are now satisfied, notwithstanding the previous decision of the Primary Staffing Appeals Board; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Keira Keogh. [51657/26]

*386. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of applications for incremental credit relating to post-primary teaching services in private international schools outside the EU that were made in each of the past five years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51681/26]

*387. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number of applications for incremental credit relating to post-primary teaching service in private international schools outside the EU that were refused in each of the past five years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51682/26]

*388. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the most common reasons given for refusing applications for incremental credit relating to post-primary teaching service in private international schools outside the EU over the past five years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51683/26]

*389. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether she will review the current policy regarding the recognition of post-primary teaching service gained in accredited private international schools outside the EU given transparency concerns; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51684/26]

*390. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether her Department has assessed the impact that the current policy is having on experienced Irish teachers abroad who are considering returning home and applying for incremental credit. — John Connolly. [51685/26]

*391. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the length of time taken on average applications for incremental credit relating to post-primary teaching service in private international schools outside the EU for a decision to be issued in each of the past five years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51688/26]

*392. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the status of a school building project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [51689/26]

*393. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to consider an emergency works scheme application by a school (details supplied) to repair hazardous and unsafe flooring and carpeting which is in need of repair from a health and safety perspective; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [51690/26]

*394. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when the next review of the DEIS school programme will take place given that it has been four years since the last extension of the programme which used 2021-2022 Department of Education enrolment databases and 2016 national Census data as represented by the Pobal HP Deprivation Index; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Conor Sheehan. [51693/26]

*395. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the number and location of schools that have to date requested to be included in the first group of schools to action the Primary School Survey results; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51696/26]

*396. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if her Department is considering designating special schools as a specific sector, to account for the highly varied age groups contained therein; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [51721/26]

*397. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth her Department's position on the mandatory purchase and use of laptops by students at post primary level; if she is aware that schools impose late fees in some cases where the full and significant cost for the laptop has not been paid within a particular timeframe; her views on whether this is acceptable; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51729/26]

*398. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the financial supports in place to meet the cost of purchasing mandatory laptops for students at post primary level; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51730/26]

*399. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update on a school's building project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [51731/26]

*400. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth for an update on a school building project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [51732/26]

*401. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51764/26]

*402. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51782/26]

*403. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51800/26]

*404. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the reason her Department has ordered a blanket pause on processing transport applications for special needs applicants. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [51832/26]

*405. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to comment on correspondence received by a person (details supplied) who applied for school transport. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [51833/26]

*406. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she is aware of a child (details supplied) who has yet to receive a school place for the upcoming 2026/2027 school year; if her Department will assist in ensuring this child receives a place; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [51865/26]

*407. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will provide an update on the building works at a school (details supplied); whether a new contractor has now been appointed to recommence works on the project; and if so, when works are expected to recommence on site; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51896/26]

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

*408. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50797/26]

*409. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport when the 2% pension rise will be signed off for An Post pensioners; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51074/26]

*410. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport if he has signed off on the request for a 2% pension increase for retirees of An Post; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [51213/26]

*411. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport when An Post pensioners will be paid their agreed pension increase of 2%; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joanna Byrne. [51214/26]

*412. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the number of TV licences that were purchased, per month, from January 2020 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joanna Byrne. [51215/26]

*413. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the evasion rate for those avoiding purchasing a TV licence, per month, from January 2020 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joanna Byrne. [51216/26]

*414. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the number of households nationally that should be purchasing a TV licence, per month, from January 2020 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joanna Byrne. [51217/26]

*415. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the number of TV licence notices that were issued; the number of court prosecutions that were initiated; the number of convictions for evading/non-payment of the TV licence and associated fines per month, from January 2020 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joanna Byrne. [51219/26]

*416. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the breakdown by percentage rate, the total number of households in the State that have a TV; the total number of households in the State that must purchase a tv licence; the total number of households in the State that have a TV Licence exemption; the total number of households in the State that have evaded purchasing a tv licence, from January 2020 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joanna Byrne. [51221/26]

*417. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the total cost required to fund all accepted applicants and all unapproved valid submissions for all rounds of the Large-Scale Sport Infrastructure Fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joanna Byrne. [51222/26]

*418. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport to provide the web link to his Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51559/26]

*419. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport to provide an update on his plans to support the night-time economy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [51597/26]

*420. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51762/26]

*421. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51780/26]

*422. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51798/26]

*423. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the number of anti-doping rule violations recorded under the Sport Ireland Anti-Doping Programme, broken down by sport, in each of the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 and to date in 2026, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51883/26]

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

*424. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when the extension to the fuel subsidy support scheme will open to the construction sector; and the Department that will be overseeing this. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51841/26]

*425. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the priority the Government is giving to the delivery of affordable housing throughout County Kerry for working individuals and families who are above the income threshold for social housing but cannot afford to purchase a home at current market prices; if funding has been set aside to accelerate the delivery of affordable housing schemes in Kerry. — Pa Daly. [51039/26]

*426. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to consider raising the retirement age beyond 62 to 66 for a retained or a full-time fire fighter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [50770/26]

*427. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50805/26]

*428. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the criteria for a settlement to attain village status; and the number of such applications that have been made, by county, in the past ten years, both successful and unsuccessful. — Peadar Tóibín. [50865/26]

*429. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the way spatial planning policy is assisting or seeking to assist in the preservation and proliferation of public services in rural communities. — Peadar Tóibín. [50868/26]

*430. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his Department has modelled or investigated the impact of planning regulations on the availability of shops in small rural villages. — Peadar Tóibín. [50871/26]

*431. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he expects the proposed national planning statement for the Gaeltacht to be published; whether it is intended to publish a draft for public consultation before it is finalised; how Gaeltacht communities and representative organisations will be consulted during its preparation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [50899/26]

*432. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the measures being taken to support the delivery of additional housing in Gaeltacht areas; whether his Department has assessed how the proposed changes to planning policy may affect the availability of housing for people wishing to live in their local Gaeltacht communities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [50900/26]

*433. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his Department has reviewed the current criteria around the T-test (subsurface percolation test), which assesses subsoil permeability for an on-site wastewater treatment system (e.g., a septic tank or treatment plant) as part of the on-going review around rural planning guidelines (details supplied). — Frankie Feighan. [50901/26]

*434. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to allow for the replacement of old or defective double-glazed windows under the housing grant scheme, with new double-glazed windows, especially if they are not fit for purpose, drafty, rusty or leaking; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [50907/26]

*435. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will consider publishing a partial SAC management plan to cover salmon restoration actions for this

environmental emergency given the Boyne salmon stocks only achieving 10 percent of its conservation limit, a qualifying interest for the Boyne /Kells Blackwater SAC; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [50922/26]

*436. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage further to Parliamentary Question No. 620 of 27 January 2026 and 200 of 18 February 2026, the circumstances or criteria that apply in order for an SAC management plan to be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [50923/26]

*437. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of WTE biodiversity data specialists employed by National Parks and Wildlife Service as of 29 June 2026, in tabular form. — Conor D. McGuinness. [50945/26]

*438. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide the date on which the vacant above the shop grant scheme became operational; the date on which applications first opened; the date on which the first application was received; the date on which the first application was approved; and the date on which the first grant payment was made, in tabular form and by local authority. — Conor D. McGuinness. [50962/26]

*439. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide the number of applications received under the vacant above the shop grant scheme; the number approved; the number refused; the number deemed invalid or withdrawn; the number currently awaiting decision; the number of applications awaiting decision for less than one month, one to three months, three to six months and more than six months and by local authority, in tabular form. — Conor D. McGuinness. [50963/26]

*440. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide the amount of funding allocated under the vacant above the shop grant scheme in 2026; the amount committed; the amount drawn down or paid to date; the remaining balance available; and whether funding is allocated in advance to local authorities or drawn down on foot of approved applications, and by local authority, in tabular form. — Conor D. McGuinness. [50964/26]

*441. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total Exchequer funding provided for the vacant above the shop grant scheme in 2026; the total amount committed and paid to date; whether the scheme is a new standalone scheme or a continuation or expansion of an existing scheme; and the annual Exchequer funding provided for a predecessor scheme in each year from 2021 to 2025 inclusive. — Conor D. McGuinness. [50965/26]

*442. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether every local authority is fully operational in administering the vacant above the shop grant scheme; if not, to identify the local authorities that are not yet fully operational; the reasons therefor, whether a local authority has reported staffing, administrative or operational difficulties to his Department; and the measures being taken to address any such issues. — Conor D. McGuinness. [50966/26]

*443. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide the average processing time for applications under the vacant above the shop grant scheme; the number and value of grant payments made to date; the estimated number of residential units expected to be delivered through approved applications, by local authority, in tabular form. — Conor D. McGuinness. [50967/26]

*444. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to examine the case of a person (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Duncan Smith. [51006/26]

*445. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the current status of the proposed transfer of responsibility for the regulation of owners' management companies and apartment management from the Department of Justice Home Affairs and Migration to his Department; the actions taken to-date to progress this transfer; the expected timeline for its completion; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51027/26]

*446. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether the regulations relating to service charges and sinking funds for owners' management companies, provided for under the Multi-Unit Developments Act 2011, remain under consideration; when it is expected that these regulations will be introduced; whether additional resources are planned for the Housing Agency to support its proposed regulatory role in the owners' management company sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51028/26]

*447. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the supports that are available from the Government and State agencies for old age pensioners in vulnerable positions whose mortgages and properties were bought by private equity funds and are now being evicted by such funds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51077/26]

*448. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will provide details of projects approved from the €650 million allocated to his Department to support improvements in water quality as part of the €3.15 billion of the Infrastructure, Climate and Nature Fund (ICNF); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [51106/26]

*449. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his attention has been drawn to concerns that local authority planning policies relating to residential driveways and the protection of mature trees may, in some cases, create unintended barriers to the installation of domestic electric vehicle charging infrastructure; whether consideration has been given to issuing national planning guidance to local authorities on achieving an appropriate balance between protecting existing trees and facilitating home EV charging where feasible; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51134/26]

*450. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if, as part of the new national planning statement, he will review or amend the provisions of the national roads guidelines that restrict one-off housing on national secondary roads such as the N56; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [51135/26]

*451. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will direct his Department to publish the 2017 review into Donegal County Council planning matters by a person (details supplied) with all personal identifying data completely redacted; if not, the specific legal provision that prevents an anonymised version from being made public; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [51180/26]

*452. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the exact date his Department last sought legal advice from the Attorney General regarding the release of a report (details supplied); the specific conditions or legal benchmarks that must be met before this document can be published; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [51181/26]

*453. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he has exercised his Ministerial discretion to weigh the public interest in transparency against the privacy rights of individuals named in a report (details supplied); his Department's definitive timeline for resolving this matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [51182/26]

*454. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he is aware of the proposed rent increases for residents of a facility (details supplied), whereby monthly rents are proposed to increase from approximately €371 to €571, with some individual tenants facing increases of up to 176%; his views on whether such increases are compatible with the objectives of social housing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Conor Sheehan. [51240/26]

*455. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether his Department has received any reports regarding governance or financial concerns relating to a facility (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Conor Sheehan. [51241/26]

*456. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether he will consider introducing additional statutory protections for older persons living in approved housing body accommodation to ensure that tenants on fixed incomes are not subject to excessive rent increases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Conor Sheehan. [51242/26]

*457. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the oversight his Department exercises over rent-setting policies of approved housing bodies funded under the capital assistance scheme; whether his Department has the power to intervene where proposed rent increases would cause financial hardship to elderly social housing tenants; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Conor Sheehan. [51243/26]

*458. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether he has examined extending rent pressure zone protections, or introducing equivalent rent increase limits, to approved housing bodies providing social housing under the capital assistance scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Conor Sheehan. [51244/26]

*459. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether he intends to undertake a review of the approved housing body sector to examine governance, financial sustainability, value-for-money, asset management, rent-setting practices and tenant protections; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Conor Sheehan. [51245/26]

*460. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether he will review the operation of the economic value provisions applied by approved housing bodies in determining rents, particularly in the case of elderly tenants living in social housing funded by the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Conor Sheehan. [51246/26]

*461. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the annual cost of the housing assistance payment in 2024, 2025, and projected cost in 2026; and the number of tenancies in receipt of HAP in each year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51262/26]

*462. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the annual cost of the defective concrete blocks grant scheme, the pyrite remediation scheme, and the interim remediation scheme in each of the years 2024, 2025; expected total cost in 2026; the number of

properties completed in each year; the number of properties still to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51263/26]

*463. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount that was spent by local authorities on social housing maintenance in each of the years 2023, 2024, 2025; the projected spend in 2026; and the number of properties that received necessary works in each year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51264/26]

*464. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the average market price of a derelict property in 2024, 2025; the estimated price for 2026; the number of properties that remain derelict in each year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51265/26]

*465. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the estimated full year spend on retrofitting of housing by local authorities; the total number of units retrofitted in 2024, 2025 and estimates for 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51266/26]

*466. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of hectares of land zoned under the residential zoned land tax that are currently undeveloped; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51267/26]

*467. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the assessments in relation to water, waste water and so on, that were carried out on the Sustainable Rural and Gaeltacht Housing Draft National Planning Policy Statement; when the strategic environmental assessment and appropriate assessments were commissioned; who has been commissioned to undertake them; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51347/26]

*468. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the estimated full-year cost of funding National Parks and Wildlife Services in 2024, 2025; the estimated cost in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51355/26]

*469. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will consider adding public art as planning exempt under the revisions of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (details supplied). — Roderic O’Gorman. [51361/26]

*470. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the status of the proposed social housing defective concrete blocks remediation scheme; if approved housing body-owned or operated properties, including supported accommodation and rehabilitation centres will be eligible for inclusion under this scheme; the anticipated timeline for the establishment and commencement of the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charles Ward. [51385/26]

*471. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the average cost (both CREL and all-in cost) of the delivery of a cost rental home in 2025. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51389/26]

*472. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the average cost of the delivery of an affordable purchase home in 2025. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51390/26]

*473. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the average cost per unit of accommodation to carry out a social housing stock condition survey. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51391/26]

*474. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total allocation for sub head A39, DPGs/Improvements/Remedials in Budget 2026. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51392/26]

*475. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the average gross and net cost to the Exchequer per year of the 2,328 homeless HAP tenancies set up in 2025. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51393/26]

*476. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total cost to the development levy waiver and water utility connection for each year the waiver has been in operation, the number of homes against which the waiver was claimed in each year; and the average cost of the waiver in each year. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51394/26]

*477. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total number of new social housing leases entered into in 2025; the average cost per year arising from these leases; the breakdown of lease type and average annual cost of each sub type per unit leased. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51395/26]

*478. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he will introduce legislation on a directly elected mayor for Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [51458/26]

*479. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the date on which the preliminary business case for the Cork Event Centre, submitted by Cork City Council in December 2025, was or will be approved by his Department; whether the 12 to 18 month timeframe for completion of the new procurement process, State aid clearance and planning compliance, as set out in the Government decision of 22 October 2024, has now been exceeded; and if he will provide a revised timeline for delivery. — Ken O’Flynn. [51462/26]

*480. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of parties that have formally registered interest or submitted expressions of interest in the new Cork Event Centre procurement process to date; the projected date by which a preferred bidder will be selected; and the specific milestones his Department expects Cork City Council to reach in 2026 (details supplied). — Ken O’Flynn. [51463/26]

*481. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the current estimate of total State aid required to deliver the Cork Event Centre, beyond the €57 million already approved; the status of a company’s (details supplied) planning permission for the South Main Street site, including whether it has lapsed; whether a fresh planning application will be required; and the total exchequer expenditure on the project to date, broken down by year since 2014. — Ken O’Flynn. [51464/26]

*482. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to outline the high-level data on stock audits to date. — Thomas Gould. [51471/26]

*483. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will consider amendments to apartment design guidelines to protect inhabitants from the adverse health

consequences of extreme heat (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51553/26]

*484. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to provide the web link to his Department’s Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51567/26]

*485. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to confirm that existing small landlords are excluded from the new RAS scheme launched recently; the rationale behind this; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O’Rourke. [51581/26]

*486. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he plans to make it a legal requirement for title documentations including historic Tailte Éireann instruments, planning documentation and an updated certificate of compliance to be gathered and ready before a house is listed for sale; if he will consider such proposals to speed up the length of time between a property going sale agreed and being sold; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [51660/26]

*487. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the full funding provided to each local authority under the local government fund including whether the local authority was a beneficiary of the equalisation fund; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51698/26]

*488. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether his Department has considered the provision of a specific funding allocation to Galway City and County Council to fund an office to direct the planning and development of the Galway Metropolitan Strategic plan, National Planning Objective NPO 67 directs that a MASP be prepared for Galway to guide its long-term growth and investment, the achievement of this objective requires a coordinating mechanism between the two local authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51699/26]

*489. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will introduce a mink eradication programme in the Lough Derg area, similar to the initiative established in the midlands around Lough Ree; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O’Meara. [51722/26]

*490. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage for an update on the Midlands Mink Eradication Programme; the criteria used to select this area for the pilot initiative; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O’Meara. [51723/26]

*491. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the area covered by the Midlands Mink Eradication Programme; the volunteer groups involved and the number of volunteers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O’Meara. [51724/26]

*492. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if further Mink Eradication Programmes are being considered for other regions across Ireland; if so, the areas being considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O’Meara. [51725/26]

*493. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will confirm if ranched Atlantic salmon will be added to the Third Schedule, Part 2A of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 477 of 2011), in light of recent statements by Inland Fisheries Ireland (IFI) confirming that ranched fish are a negative influence on native biodiversity in Special Areas of Conservation (SACs); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51743/26]

*494. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to clarify whether Men's and Women's Sheds as charitable organisations are exempt from commercial rates. — Malcolm Byrne. [51746/26]

*495. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if, when a commercial premises is being valued for the purposes of commercial rates by Tailte Éireann, if it is Government policy that solar panels installed on the premises will result in an increased valuation. — Malcolm Byrne. [51758/26]

*496. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51770/26]

*497. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51788/26]

*498. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51806/26]

*499. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the public consultation and engagement with the Oireachtas Committee on Housing, Local Government and Heritage he intends to undertake with respect to the Sustainable Rural & Gaeltacht Housing DRAFT National Planning Policy. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51824/26]

*500. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to issue a directive to permanently abolish commercial rates for Men's Sheds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pat Buckley. [51844/26]

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

*501. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if there are instances in which a person who availed of the back to work enterprise allowance for an upcycle business, but whose business was forced to close for 18 to 24 months due to Covid can avail of the scheme again before the five year waiting period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [51733/26]

*502. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50809/26]

*503. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason a former Dublin Airport Authority employee (details supplied) has to wait two years for dental and optical benefit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ann Graves. [50836/26]

*504. To ask the Minister for Social Protection whether his Department has given consideration to lowering the age of eligibility for free travel passes for SEN students entering post primary schools to avail of public transport, in the event of travel without a primary carer (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [50839/26]

*505. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of people engaged with the cost of disability consultation via the telephone service where an individual with sight loss or other disabilities that limits their ability to utilise the alternative methods of providing feedback were able to engage with the process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [50920/26]

*506. To ask the Minister for Social Protection whether he will review the eligibility criteria for the additional needs payment scheme to allow assistance to be provided in exceptional circumstances where a clinically prescribed item, such as a specialised car seat recommended by an occupational therapist, is not funded by the HSE or any other statutory scheme, leaving families without access to essential equipment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [50942/26]

*507. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of Irish citizens that are receiving the State pension (contributory) but are permanently based outside of the State as of 26 June 2026, in tabular form. — Conor D. McGuinness. [50944/26]

*508. To ask the Minister for Social Protection whether his Department records the reasons for which exceptional needs payments and other community welfare service grants are awarded; whether these records identify grants provided to individuals or families who have had to leave their home due to domestic violence; if so, the number and total value of such grants provided in each of the past five years, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51029/26]

*509. To ask the Minister for Social Protection whether he has considered extending eligibility for the working family payment to self-employed workers insured under PRSI Class S who satisfy the income thresholds applicable to the scheme; whether any proposals to amend the qualifying conditions are under consideration as part of future social protection policy or budgetary discussions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51037/26]

*510. To ask the Minister for Social Protection whether his Department has undertaken, or plans to undertake, any review of the exclusion of self-employed workers insured under PRSI Class S, including directors of small family-run businesses, from eligibility for the working family payment; whether any assessment has been carried out of the impact of this exclusion on low-income self-employed families with dependent children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51038/26]

*511. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of applications received, the number of appeals submitted, the number of those appeals that were successful, the number of recipients, the number of beneficiaries for the latest quarterly data, in schemes (details supplied), in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51076/26]

*512. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if his attention has been drawn to the fact that the €18,000 postgraduate stipend disregard used in disability allowance assessments has not kept pace with current PhD funding levels given that many publicly funded PhD stipends are now €22,000 per annum or higher (details supplied); whether he will raise this issue with the Minister for Social Protection and seek a review of the current threshold; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51143/26]

*513. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of households nationally that have a TV Licence exemption and do not have to purchase one, per month, from January 2020 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joanna Byrne. [51218/26]

*514. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated full-year cost of increasing all headline weekly social protection payment to €350, €400, and €450 per week, excluding disability allowance, invalidity pension, partial capacity, disablement pension and blind person's pension; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51270/26]

*515. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated full-year cost of increasing disability, blind pensions and invalidity pension to €400, €450, and €500 per week; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51271/26]

*516. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated full-year cost of lowering the pension age to 65 years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51272/26]

*517. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated full-year cost of increasing child benefit by 10% and extending payment to all children aged 18 years or under, including those in the international protection process; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51273/26]

*518. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated full-year cost of increasing qualified child rates by €6 for children under 12 and €15 for children 12; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51274/26]

*519. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated full-year cost of providing free school meals for all post-primary school pupils in public schools; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51282/26]

*520. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated full-year revenue that would be generated by increasing the 11.05% employers PRSI rate to 13.05% on salaries paid below €90,000 per year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51283/26]

*521. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the estimated full-year revenue that would be generated by establishing a new employer PRSI rate of 19.75% on any salaries paid over €90,000 per year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51284/26]

*522. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the number of applications received for a gender recognition certificate under Section 13 of the Gender Recognition Act 2015; the number of such certificates issued; the number of such certificates revoked by him under Section 14 of the Act; the number of applications made to him for revocations of such certificates under Section 15

of the Act; and the number of such revocations which were granted by him, for each year from 2015 to 2025 and to date in 2026. — Carol Nolan. [51360/26]

*523. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the most recent numbers available for persons in receipt of a disability-contingent payment, both those in work and out of work; the percentage of this group that are in receipt of disability allowance, invalidity pension, blind pension and partial capacity benefit; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [51364/26]

*524. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the policy rationale for excluding the self-employed statutory sick PRSI and illness benefit, given that self-employed PRSI Class S contributors pay into the social insurance fund but cannot access short term income supports when ill; whether the Government intends to introduce a sick pay scheme or amend illness benefit eligibility for the self-employed; if so, the timeline; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51408/26]

*525. To ask the Minister for Social Protection to provide the web link to his Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51571/26]

*526. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if there is an update on a non-contributory pension review on behalf of a constituent (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51621/26]

*527. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the names of external security companies that provide security personnel to INTREO offices in the year 2025 and to-date in 2026; the amount that his Department has paid such companies for this work; when the contract to provide this service is next due for renewal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51714/26]

*528. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51774/26]

*529. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51792/26]

*530. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51810/26]

*531. To ask the Minister for Social Protection to consider extending the DCA payment to 18 years of age. — Robert Troy. [51827/26]

*532. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if his Department is currently considering increasing the income disregard limit for Carer's Allowance for couples; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [51843/26]

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

*533. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of Garda public order unit vans allocated to each Garda division as of 29 June 2026, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [50787/26]

*534. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the estimated cost in 2027 if 1,250 new recruit Gardaí were recruited. — Sorca Clarke. [50788/26]

*535. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of standard motorcycle courses held for Gardaí within Mayo-Roscommon and Longford division in 2025 and to-date in 2026; the number of Gardaí that applied for each of those courses; and the number of places that were available in each of those courses, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [50789/26]

*536. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50806/26]

*537. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of people who have been charged under the Criminal Justice (Psychoactive Substances) Act 2010 for the misuses of nitrous oxide; the number of people that have been charged under the same Act specifically for the sale, importation, exportation or advertisement of nitrous oxide in each of the years 2020 to date, by year, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [50812/26]

*538. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the steps he will take in relation to nitrous oxide following the publication of the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Drugs Use Final Report; his views on the report's recommendations relating to nitrous oxide; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [50814/26]

*539. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of motorists caught exceeding the speed limit on a static camera at a location (details supplied) from 27 May 2026 to 27 June 2026, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — George Lawlor. [50859/26]

*540. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the engagement he has undertaken to date with the Department of Transport and An Garda Síochána on powers of seizure and detention in relation to Graces Law; and whether he has undertaken any direct engagement with Gardaí in County Louth on the matter. — Joanna Byrne. [50929/26]

*541. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of scramblers, quad bikes, and e-scooters that have been seized or detained in County Louth for the years 2024 to 2026 respectively. — Joanna Byrne. [50930/26]

*542. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of complaints received by An Garda Síochána from members of the public in relation to scramblers, quad bikes and e scooters being used in residential areas across County Louth, for the years 2025 to 2026 respectively. — Joanna Byrne. [50931/26]

*543. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of cases in County Louth involving the seizure of scramblers, quad bikes and e scooters which resulted in a prosecution file being prepared by An Garda Síochána for the years 2025 to 2026 respectively. — Joanna Byrne. [50932/26]

*544. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will expedite an application (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [50933/26]

*545. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the reason a citizenship application by a person (details supplied) has not received a decision, despite initially applying 20 months ago, and having found no offences or criminal charges following a subject access report from the Department; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Nicholas Gogarty. [50949/26]

*546. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration his plans for additional IPAS accommodation centres in County Donegal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [50990/26]

*547. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 497, 498, 499, 500, 536 and 537 of 23 June 2026, if he is aware that many applicants awaiting renewal of their Irish Residence Permit continue to experience processing times significantly in excess of those stated in the recent parliamentary replies, in which he indicated that online renewal applications are generally processed within six–eight weeks and that no application category exceeds 16 weeks; whether he will clarify the basis on which these processing timeframes were provided, given that many applicants continue to report waiting considerably longer without receiving a decision (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Robert O'Donoghue. [50994/26]

*548. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the status of the general scheme of the European Public Prosecutor's Office Bill; the date on which the general scheme was or will be brought to Government; whether the stated commitment to publish enabling legislation in the first half of 2026 has been met; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [51042/26]

*549. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the expected date on which the State will formally accede to the European Public Prosecutor's Office; the steps that remain to be completed before accession; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [51043/26]

*550. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of requests for judicial cooperation or mutual legal assistance received from the European Public Prosecutor's Office in each of the years 2021 to 2025 and to date in 2026; the number of those requests granted in full, granted in part, or refused; the average time taken by the State to respond; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [51044/26]

*551. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the response of the Department to public comments by the incoming European Chief Prosecutor describing the State as a jurisdiction in which shell companies are being established for the purposes of VAT fraud and money laundering; the assessment the Department has made of the State's exposure to organised crime arising from continued non-participation in the European Public Prosecutor's Office; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [51045/26]

*552. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the percentage of Stamp 4 renewal applications that are being processed within the estimated ten-to-twelve-week period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [51085/26]

*553. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of applicants, per county who are awaiting decisions under family reunification and other immigration permission schemes administered by Immigration Service Delivery; the average processing time for such applications; the steps being taken to reduce delays and improve customer service for applicants and their families; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [51095/26]

*554. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration when an application for renewal of a Stamp 4, spouse of an Irish citizen will issue (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [51109/26]

*555. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his Department has plans to increase resources to immigration service delivery in order to rectify delays in the processing of Stamp 4 visas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [51128/26]

*556. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration his plans to extend the short stay visa waiver programme to South Africans; how often the list of eligible countries is updated; and the criteria used to decide the countries that will become eligible for this programme. — Holly Cairns. [51137/26]

*557. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of international protection applicants in each of the border, accelerated, standard, AMMR and inadmissibility procedures under the International Protection Act 2026; the nationalities represented in each procedure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51159/26]

*558. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration when the National Integration Fund 2026 will open; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51160/26]

*559. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether he is considering introducing the international protection child payment, outlined in the White Paper to End Direct Provision, as a crucial anti-poverty measure in Budget 2027; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51161/26]

*560. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the extent to which the State is developing post-quantum cryptography in developing Ireland's cyber resilience. — Malcolm Byrne. [51188/26]

*561. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of male international protection applicants who have been left without accommodation on arrival each month from January 2026 to date; if he plans to end this policy in the short term; and if so, the way in which he plans to meet the temporary accommodation needs of these individuals. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51193/26]

*562. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of households with status in IPAS accommodation who have been written to with a notice of transfer; the

breakdown of those households including the number of children affected; whether best interest assessments have taken place with respect to those children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [51194/26]

*563. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No's 328, 330 and 331 of 24 June 2026,, wherein the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science indicated that responsibility for the matter lay with him, whether his Department recognises the significant role played by the international student cohort in Irish higher education, including their participation in institutional governance and representative structures. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51210/26]

*564. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No's 328, 330 and 331 of 24 June 2026, wherein the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science indicated that responsibility for the matter lay with him, whether consideration has been given to issuing specific guidance or policy clarification for higher education institutions and students' unions in respect of elected student officers whose ability to serve may be affected by changes in immigration status during their term of office. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51211/26]

*565. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he is aware of a visa situation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Liam Quaide. [51231/26]

*566. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether his Department has collected or analysed data on the reasons for adjournments in District Court criminal legal aid cases, including adjournments arising from disclosure, DPP directions, forensic reports, probation reports, psychiatric assessments, interpreter availability, court-list pressures or other prosecution-side or system factors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51233/26]

*567. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration in relation to the new District Court criminal legal aid fee model, which replaces the previous payment of approximately €240 for a first appearance and €60 for each subsequent appearance with a flat fee of €520 per defendant, the assessment that has been carried out of the impact of this change on complex or longer-running cases; whether his Department has considered separate or enhanced payments for cases involving children, persons with mental health or capacity issues, persons held on remand, or cases requiring multiple reports or assessments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51234/26]

*568. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the way in which the new District Court criminal legal aid fee model is expected to address the rise in District Court criminal legal aid expenditure from approximately €19 million in 2015 to €37 million in 2024; the projected savings that are expected from the new model; whether these projections have been shared with the Law Society and the Bar of Ireland; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51235/26]

*569. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether his Department has analysed the extent to which repeated appearances in District Court criminal legal aid cases arises from defence-side conduct as opposed to prosecution-side or system factors, including disclosure, DPP directions, forensic reports, probation reports, psychiatric assessments, interpreter availability or court-list pressures; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51236/26]

*570. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the rationale underpinning the proposed introduction of a flat-fee model for payments under the criminal legal aid scheme in the District Court; the evidence base used to support the proposal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51249/26]

*571. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will provide a detailed assessment of how the proposed flat-fee model for criminal legal aid will ensure that access to justice is not undermined for defendants with complex or vulnerable circumstances; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51250/26]

*572. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the projected impact of the proposed flat-fee model on the availability of experienced criminal law practitioners willing to undertake legal aid work; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51251/26]

*573. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the estimated savings expected to arise from the proposed changes to the criminal legal aid scheme; the methodology used to calculate these savings; whether any assessment has been carried out on potential cost increases elsewhere in the criminal justice system as a result of the proposal; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51252/26]

*574. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No. 226 of 24 June 2026 and 682 of 16 June 2026, whether other individuals are currently under consideration for a travel ban of the kind recently imposed on two Israeli ministers; the number of persons currently under consideration for such a ban; and to give a breakdown by nationality and country of residence. — Carol Nolan. [51356/26]

*575. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No's 320 of 14 November 2023 and 364 of 2 February 2023, whether the policy referred to has been finalised and published; and, if not, when it is expected to be completed and published. — Carol Nolan. [51357/26]

*576. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of Garda vetting applications received regarding social housing applications in 2026; the number of applications yet to be processed; and the average time it takes to return a vetting result. — Seán Crowe. [51384/26]

*577. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether, in line with the recommendation of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) to Ireland in July 2025, in which it recommended the establishment of open prisons for women (details supplied), the Government has plans to establish an open prison for women, similar to Shelton Abbey and Loughan House; and if no such plans exist, to provide an explanation for this decision and how it aligns with Ireland's human rights obligations. — Ivana Bacik. [51405/26]

*578. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of visa applications currently awaiting decision, broken down by visa category; the average time such applications have been awaiting determination; and the steps being taken to reduce any backlog; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51415/26]

*579. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the extent to which average visa processing times have changed between 2024, 2025 and 2026 for each visa category; the reasons for any increases or decreases; and the measures being taken to address processing delays where they exist; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51416/26]

*580. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the average processing time for visa applications in each visa category in 2024, 2025 and to date in 2026; and if he will provide the shortest, longest and median processing times recorded for each category; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51417/26]

*581. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the estimated first and full-year costs of hiring an additional 500, 1,000 and 1,500 Gardaí, in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [51436/26]

*582. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the estimated first and full-year cost of doubling the funding for youth justice interventions; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [51439/26]

*583. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the total number of staff in the International Protection Office and International Protection Appeals Tribunal; if his Department plans to increase the number of staff in each following the introduction of the EU Migration and Asylum Pact; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [51441/26]

*584. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the estimated first and full-year cost of increasing the number of staff in the International Protection Office and International Protection Appeals Tribunal by 10%, in tabular form. — Matt Carthy. [51442/26]

*585. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the financial supports available to victims of crime and witnesses to cover the costs of travel to court and for accommodation where they are required to be available to attend court for a period of days; the annual budgetary allocation for these supports; if these supports are available in a consistent manner across the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [51443/26]

*586. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the total funding set aside by his Department to allow for the introduction of the EU Migration and Asylum Pact; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [51444/26]

*587. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the targeted recruitment for the International Protection Office and appeals tribunal, following the introduction of the EU Migration and Asylum Pact; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [51445/26]

*588. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the estimated cost associated with the creation of a new appeals tribunal following the introduction of the EU Migration and Asylum Pact; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [51446/26]

*589. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the estimated first and full-year cost of a 10% increase in the funding for legal aid; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [51450/26]

*590. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the estimated annual cost of increasing the funding to promote and assist the development of support services to victims of crime by 10%. — Matt Carthy. [51453/26]

*591. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the cost of running the Garda Training College for one year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [51454/26]

*592. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the total budget allocated to the new Tribunal for Asylum and Returns Appeals (TARA); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [51455/26]

*593. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration when a decision will be made on a visa application (details supplied) where an Irish work permit is already granted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51472/26]

*594. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration when a decision will be made on a visa application (details supplied) where an Irish work permit is already granted; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51473/26]

*595. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to provide the web link to his Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51568/26]

*596. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No. 591 of 30 June 2026, which did not address the specific matter raised regarding representations made (details supplied); if his Department received correspondence or a meeting request from or on behalf of this organisation; if so, the date on which it was received; the reason no response has issued to date; and when a response can be expected. — Ken O'Flynn. [51618/26]

*597. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration when he expects to issue a formal letter of confirmation from the International Investment Programme where funding was awarded to an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [51659/26]

*598. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to review a change of visa application and to confirm that the 12-week continuity provision applies to the case (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51666/26]

*599. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the measures being taken to address delays in the processing of re-entry visas (details supplied); the current average waiting time for applicants; the number of applications awaiting decision for more than three months; whether consideration is being given to reintroducing or expanding the use of travel certificates or other temporary travel arrangements for persons awaiting the issuance of a re-entry visa who

have urgent travel commitment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paula Butterly. [51694/26]

*600. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration further to Parliamentary Question No. 306 of 21 May 2026, if he has received the relevant information from Garda authorities to answer this PQ. — Donna McGettigan. [51708/26]

*601. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of Gardaí, by rank attached to Garda Band as of 29 June 2026, in tabular form. — Donna McGettigan. [51709/26]

*602. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration for an update on the proposed General Scheme of Sale of Alcohol Bill 2022; whether the Government intends to progress the legislation during the current Dáil Éireann term; the engagement that has taken place with stakeholders regarding the Bill; when it is expected that the legislation will be brought before the Houses of the Oireachtas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tom Brabazon. [51720/26]

*603. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51771/26]

*604. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51789/26]

*605. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51807/26]

*606. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the reason that there has only been a small increase in the number of persons in direct provision under the responsibility of IPAS over the past year, in the order of 200 despite the fact that more than 13,000 new applications were made for International Protection in 2025, and several thousand more in the first half of 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51836/26]

*607. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if persons whose applications for International Protection are still being assessed, are being accommodated in social housing or in State supported private rental accommodation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51837/26]

*608. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether consideration has been given to introducing a streamlined, centralised or transferable Garda vetting system for persons who require vetting for multiple employment or voluntary roles involving children and vulnerable persons; whether a centralised vetting model or “vetting passport” has been examined as a means of reducing duplication and administrative burden on individuals and organisations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51866/26]

*609. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number, and total value, of cash seizures made by An Garda Síochána in each of the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025

and to date in 2026, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51867/26]

*610. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of arrests made by An Garda Síochána in connection with human trafficking and in connection with prostitution offences respectively, in each of the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 and to date in 2026, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51868/26]

*611. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the total criminal legal aid expenditure in each of the past ten years; the number of practitioners undertaking criminal legal aid work in each year; and the average fee paid per criminal legal aid case; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51891/26]

*612. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the amount spent on Garda overtime in each of the past ten years; the amount that has been spent to date in 2026; the proportion of that expenditure which relates to vacancies that have not been filled; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51892/26]

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

*613. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50794/26]

*614. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of applications received, the number approved/awaiting decision under the latest targeted agricultural modernisation scheme (TAMS) application process, per county; the measures being taken to ensure timely payments to farmers undertaking capital investment projects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O’Shea. [51096/26]

*615. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the supports available to assist sheep farmers in addressing the impact of rising costs and evolving environmental requirements; the uptake of each related such schemes for Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O’Shea. [51097/26]

*616. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason Brazilian meat can have a shelf life of six months and its equivalent in Europe cannot have a quarter of that; if there is special treatment to the meat with chemicals; the reason it is safe for human consumption for six months; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51100/26]

*617. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for an update on the implementation of the National Tillage Strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [51189/26]

*618. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the estimated full-year cost of paying small farmers with an annual farm income of €20,000 or less a basic income payment of €10,000; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51354/26]

*619. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the shelf life of imported beef coming from Mercosur countries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51555/26]

*620. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide the web link to his Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51556/26]

*621. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if everyone who entered the SIM scheme (details supplied) will be paid in full; to increase the funds for the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51582/26]

*622. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of WTE qualified financial accountants currently working within his Department as of 29 June 2026, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51719/26]

*623. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51759/26]

*624. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51777/26]

*625. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51795/26]

*626. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine whether his Department carried out any assessment of whether the 2023/2024 potato crop losses met the criteria for support under the EU Agricultural Reserve; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51817/26]

*627. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine whether his Department sought advice from, or made any formal or informal representations to the European Commission regarding the availability of Agricultural Reserve support for Irish potato growers affected by the adverse weather conditions of late 2023 and early 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51818/26]

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

*628. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will urgently review the case of a person (details supplied); if the referral to disability services will be expedited; the other supports that may be available in the circumstances; if she will address the concerns raised in the correspondence; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [51826/26]

*629. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the estimated cost in 2027 if an extra 475,000 extra personal assistant hours were provided. — Sorca Clarke. [50790/26]

*630. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the estimated cost in 2027 if an extra 200,000 extra home support hours were provided. — Sorca Clarke. [50791/26]

*631. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the main policy achievements of her Department since 22 January 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50795/26]

*632. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality her plans to establish a multi-annual parenting support investment fund, as recommended in the Triple P 2027 Budget Submission, in order to provide universal access to evidence-based parenting supports; if she accepts the evidence that parenting support programmes are proven to be highly effective with prevention and early intervention measures, supported by more than 870 trials including over 200 randomised controlled trials; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [50889/26]

*633. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will commit to providing €3 million per annum over four years to support universal access to online parenting programmes, including the triple p online system, as a means of reducing pressure on CAMHS and other child mental health services; to address the finding that the majority of respondents felt that their child's mental health declined during the referral process and waiting list to CAMHS; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [50890/26]

*634. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality her plans to fund and implement a national communications campaign to promote awareness of evidence-based parenting supports and to destigmatise participation, noting the submission's statement that such campaigns help the Government and relevant agencies to reach and support as many families as possible and improve outcomes across the population; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [50891/26]

*635. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the steps her Department is taking to address the current geographic limitations in access to evidence-based parenting programmes, given the submission from triple p finding that parenting services are currently insufficiently resourced and access to evidence-based interventions is geographically limited; if she will consider a national digital rollout to ensure equitable access for all families; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [50892/26]

*636. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the measures her Department are taking to ensure that no childcare provider will be adversely affected by a possible reduction in childcare fees; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [50973/26]

*637. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the steps being taken to ensure that AIM Level 7 applications are determined before the commencement of the ECCE year, given the need for early years providers to recruit and Garda vet additional staff in advance; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Emer Currie. [50995/26]

*638. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to outline the existing staff cohort and existing staff vacancy level at CDNT team 6 central Galway and Galway city east, CDNT team 5 Galway city west, CDNT team 4 and the west Galway CDNT team; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [51073/26]

*639. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if a capacity assessment will be given to a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51092/26]

*640. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to provide an update on the proposed establishment of a dedicated childcare agency; the current status of the proposal; the progress made to date; the expected timeline for its establishment; the functions and responsibilities the agency will have; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [51107/26]

*641. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the breakdown of the current funding streams in childcare; the breakdown of the additional funding provided in Budget 2026, in tabular form; the expected funding required in 2027 to maintain existing levels of service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Robert O'Donoghue. [51149/26]

*642. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of separated children seeking international protection being accommodated by or in the care of Tusla; the number of those who are accommodated under section five of the Child Care Act 1991; the number that have an allocated social worker; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51151/26]

*643. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the specific steps beyond the commissioning of reports, that her Department and its agencies have taken to identify the number of residential spaces required for adults with intellectual disabilities for each year from 2027 onwards for each county; the current projected requirement for each county for each of the years 2027 to 2037 inclusive; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51152/26]

*644. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of residential places currently in place for each county, for adults with an intellectual disability, broken down by those provided and resourced by the HSE, Section 38 and 39 bodies, and other State organisations, private or for-profit organisations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51153/26]

*645. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of residential places provided for adults with an intellectual disability for each of the years 2021 to 2025 inclusive, broken down by those provided and resourced by the HSE, Section 38 and 39 type bodies and other State organisations, and private or for-profit organisations; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51154/26]

*646. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality for a breakdown of the State's expenditure on the provision of residential accommodation for each of the years 2021 to 2025 inclusive, broken down by residential accommodation, including the provision of resources by the State or its agencies, and private or for-profit providers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51155/26]

*647. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the specific criteria and guidelines that are used in the planning and allocation of residential accommodation to adults with intellectual disabilities; the details of the steps taken in ascertaining the preference and choices of the adult person to whom accommodation is being provided; the steps taken to ensure ease of access to family members and existing community; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51156/26]

*648. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of residential places provided to adults with intellectual disabilities, broken down between planned and unplanned for each of the year 2021 to 2025 inclusive; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51157/26]

*649. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of residential spaces for adults with an intellectual disability that have been decommissioned or closed by the HSE and Section 38 and Section 39 type organisations for each of the years 2021 to 2025 inclusive; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51158/26]

*650. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to consider a review of the enduring power of attorney process to address the reluctance of many legal practitioners to engage with it, to make it more accessible and understandable to the general public; the improvements that could be made to make the process clearer and more efficient; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [51168/26]

*651. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of people working as childminders in Ireland at present; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Daniel Ennis. [51225/26]

*652. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of childminders who have registered with Tusla under the new regulations for childminders; the figure as a percentage of the number of childminders operating in Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Daniel Ennis. [51226/26]

*653. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of childminders who have completed a pre-registration course via their local childcare committees; the figure as a percentage of the number of childminders operating in Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Daniel Ennis. [51227/26]

*654. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to report on a case of a person (details supplied) who is unable to gain access to scheduled respite care; and the date by which they will be provided with scheduled respite care. — Seán Crowe. [51228/26]

*655. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the estimated cost of increasing personal assistance hours by at least 270,000; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51334/26]

*656. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the estimated full-year cost of increasing childcare subsidies to 100% of fees paid by parents availing of childcare subsidies; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51335/26]

*657. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the estimated full-year cost of providing free school meals for all pre-school children in the ECCE scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51336/26]

*658. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the total annual cost of wages for childcare workers; the number of childcare workers that are in receipt of Government support; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51337/26]

*659. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of children on waiting lists for public childcare places; the total cost of eliminating childcare waiting lists; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51338/26]

*660. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to provide an update on the ESF+ EIST funding scheme under the gender equality stream; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51432/26]

*661. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if funding is available in her Department to fund the renovation of family resource centres, where a building has been identified to expand the service in a town (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51433/26]

*662. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if funding is available in her Department to fund furniture, toys and outdoor equipment for early years services who have completed extensions to build capacity supporting them with high costs; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51434/26]

*663. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the governance arrangements relating to the board of a childcare committee (details supplied). — Robert O'Donoghue. [51459/26]

*664. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to provide the web link to her Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51557/26]

*665. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if the State-funded GLÓR Speech and Language Therapy Programme is intended to be available to all eligible children and adults with Down syndrome, regardless of membership of any organisation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [51575/26]

*666. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if organisations delivering the State-funded GLÓR Speech and Language Therapy Programme are permitted under the funding agreement to restrict access to the service to paid-up members or members whose subscriptions are not in arrears; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [51576/26]

*667. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality whether she is satisfied that children and adults with Down syndrome who are not members of any organisation have equitable access to the State-funded GLÓR Speech and Language Therapy Programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pa Daly. [51577/26]

*668. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality whether her Department has reviewed the enduring power of attorney process to assess how user-friendly it is and identify opportunities for simplification; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [51586/26]

*669. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to examine the user experience of the enduring power of attorney application process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [51589/26]

*670. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if her attention is drawn to the fact that the operation of the Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Act 2015 is, in practice, creating significant barriers for adults with lifelong intellectual disabilities and their families in accessing basic services such as healthcare, dental treatment, and banking. — Aidan Farrelly. [51592/26]

*671. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she accepts that requiring formal decision-making representative orders in circumstances where capacity is clearly and permanently limited is placing an undue administrative and financial burden on ageing family carers, many of whom are already under severe financial pressure. — Aidan Farrelly. [51593/26]

*672. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the assessment that has been made of the impact of DMR application costs, legal complexity, and court-based processes for ordinary families seeking to continue long established caring arrangements for adult children with significant intellectual disabilities. — Aidan Farrelly. [51594/26]

*673. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality whether she will consider urgent reform to introduce a streamlined, affordable, and proportionate decision making pathway for adults with lifelong and profound intellectual disabilities; and whether she will address the lack of provision for successor decision-makers in the current system. — Aidan Farrelly. [51596/26]

*674. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 704 of 30 June 2026, in which her Department confirmed that permanency planning data is recorded in individual care plans but is not collated or reported nationally by Tusla; the reason no national system exists to aggregate this data given its centrality to the welfare of children in care; whether the development of a national permanency data system is being considered as part of the National Policy Framework for Alternative Care; and the timeline for any such system being put in place. — Ken O'Flynn. [51619/26]

*675. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality further to Parliamentary Question Nos. 485 and 486 of 28 May 2026, if room closures, rather than the service overall closure has any impact on core funding payable; if in the case of a multi-room service where different rooms close at different times, almost on rotation, whether this breached core funding rules, given the service remains open but rooms are closed continually; if this impacts core funding payable; if not, if she will review this in terms of core funding given the impact it has on parents and children; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51634/26]

*676. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality whether core funding is paid for childcare capacity that is frequently though non-consecutively unavailable due to room closures; if her Department monitors cumulative room closures across a programme year; the safeguards in place to ensure that public funds are protected where services are unable to deliver their funded capacity; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [51651/26]

*677. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality whether governance arrangements within city and county childcare committees would prevent a chairperson from simultaneously holding a senior management position with a childcare provider, and whether this would represent a conflict of interest; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [51652/26]

*678. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the total amount paid to date and the total amount committed, to Maynooth University or to individuals in support of the commissioning of research titled “Beyond Gender Quotas: Addressing the Political Exclusion of Traveller Women in Ireland”, which was published recently; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51653/26]

*679. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she will confirm whether providers who have left core funding (details supplied) will be penalised; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51654/26]

*680. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51760/26]

*681. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51778/26]

*682. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51796/26]

*683. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 28 of 23 June 2026, if she will provide a list of the potential projects and their locations, and the names of those who have proposed these projects including those from the local city and county childcare committees. — Mark Wall. [51828/26]

*684. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 28 of 23 June 2026, if she will confirm whether proposals from private operators are being considered to run State-led childcare facilities given a recent new report (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [51829/26]

*685. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality further to Parliamentary Question No. 740 of 30 June 2026, if she will provide a list of the 27 providers who have been found to be in breach of core funding management rules and a list of the 18 providers currently under active fee reviews; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [51830/26]

*686. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to outline the actions her Department takes in response to providers who are found to be in breach of core funding management rules; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [51831/26]

*687. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of applications that have been received for support under the Sustainability Fund within her Department in each of the years since it was introduced; the number in each year approved; and the associated monetary amount paid to each provider. — Claire Kerrane. [51887/26]

*688. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the nature of funding support sought under successful applications under the Sustainability Fund within her Department in each of the years since it was introduced. — Claire Kerrane. [51888/26]

*689. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the amount set aside for the Sustainability Fund in her Department in each of the years since it was introduced; and the amount paid out in each of those years, in tabular form. — Claire Kerrane. [51889/26]

*690. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the grounds on which applications for funding under the Sustainability Fund were refused in each application since the fund was introduced. — Claire Kerrane. [51890/26]

*691. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality whether her Department has engaged, or intends to engage, with An Post regarding the future of the former delivery service unit on Griffith Avenue, Dublin 9; whether consideration has been given to the site for childcare, disability or family support services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51894/26]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*692. To ask the Minister for Health the safeguards that exist to prevent vulnerable adults being effectively excluded from routine medical and financial decisions due to overly rigid interpretations of consent requirements in everyday settings such as GP surgeries, dental clinics, and financial institutions. — Aidan Farrelly. [51595/26]

*693. To ask the Minister for Health the percentage of all CervicalCheck samples that will be now processed in the National Cervical Screening Laboratory; the percentage that will be sent abroad; and the laboratories they will be sent to, in tabular form. — Jen Cummins. [50772/26]

*694. To ask the Minister for Health the percentage of all CervicalCheck samples over the past five years that have been processed in Ireland; the percentage that have been sent abroad; and laboratories they have been sent to, in tabular form. — Jen Cummins. [50773/26]

*695. To ask the Minister for Health the contingency arrangements that exist if the Dublin CervicalCheck lab experiences cyberattack, staff shortage, or equipment failure. — Jen Cummins. [50774/26]

*696. To ask the Minister for Health the percentage of CervicalCheck slides that undergo double reading or secondary review. — Jen Cummins. [50775/26]

*697. To ask the Minister for Health the recommendations of the Scally Report that have been fully implemented, are currently being implemented, or are yet to begin implementation. — Jen Cummins. [50776/26]

*698. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to increase public confidence in CervicalCheck. — Jen Cummins. [50777/26]

*699. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the CervicalCheck centre is not working at capacity; and her plans for future staffing and resources. — Jen Cummins. [50778/26]

*700. To ask the Minister for Health to consider introducing measures to assist nursing home residents who need to attend hospital appointments but can only be transported by ambulance due to their medical condition, given the significant cost of ambulance transfers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [50779/26]

*701. To ask the Minister for Health the additional funding allocated to adult mental health services in County Cavan in each of the past three years; and the extent to which this funding has resulted in increased staffing and service capacity. — Sorca Clarke. [50780/26]

*702. To ask the Minister for Health the number of ambulatory assessment spaces currently within the accident and emergency department of Mullingar Regional Hospital. — Sorca Clarke. [50785/26]

*703. To ask the Minister for Health the WTE staff by job title posts currently filled at regional endometriosis services at Coombe Hospital, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [50782/26]

*704. To ask the Minister for Health the level of investment in mental health infrastructure in County Kilkenny for each of the years from 2023 to 2025 and to date in 2026, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [50783/26]

*705. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultant haematologists based at St. James's Hospital as of 29 June 2026; if she will provide the same figures as of 1 July 2023, in tabular form. — Sorca Clarke. [50784/26]

*706. To ask the Minister for Health the main policy achievements of her Department since 22 January 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50804/26]

*707. To ask the Minister for Health the steps she will take in relation to nitrous oxide following the publication of the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Drug Use Final Report; her views on the report's recommendations relating to nitrous oxide; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [50816/26]

*708. To ask the Minister for Health the steps being taken to implement home support approved in November 2025 for an elderly person (details supplied) in County Donegal; the reason for the seven-month delay; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [50825/26]

*709. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 563 of 7 June 2026, if she will immediately sanction the funding of treatment outside of the State in a case (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [50835/26]

*710. To ask the Minister for Health the number of surgeries cancelled in Ireland in each of the past ten years; and if a breakdown by hospital can be provided on this figure, in tabular form. — Paul Lawless. [50851/26]

*711. To ask the Minister for Health the number of agency nurses employed to work in HSE hospitals in each of the past ten years, by hospital, in tabular form. — Paul Lawless. [50852/26]

*712. To ask the Minister for Health the number of cancelled hospital appointments in Ireland in each of the past ten years, by hospital breakdown, in tabular form. — Paul Lawless. [50853/26]

*713. To ask the Minister for Health the amount paid out in medical compensation in Ireland in each of the past ten years; and if a regional hospital, HSE, CHO area breakdown can be provided on that figure. — Paul Lawless. [50854/26]

*714. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of adverse incidents reported through the national incident management system in each of the past ten years; if a breakdown can be provided on the number of these incidents that resulted in death, disability, incapacity; and the number of incidents that were severe, moderate and mild, in tabular form. — Paul Lawless. [50855/26]

*715. To ask the Minister for Health the total number of adverse incidents reported to the State Claims Agency which related to the Health (Regulation of Termination of Pregnancy) Act 2018 in each of the years since the law was enacted, and to date in 2026; if details will be provided of the outcomes of claims taken against the State in relation to the Act; the number of claims settled or ongoing; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Lawless. [50856/26]

*716. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who are taking or have taken cases against the State alleging that their unborn baby was wrongfully diagnosed and subsequently aborted; the number of claims notified to the State Claims Agency; the number of cases that are ongoing; and the number of cases which have been settled. — Paul Lawless. [50857/26]

*717. To ask the Minister for Health if her attention has been drawn to a lack of public dermatology appointments and services available to under-16s; her plans to rectify this issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [50887/26]

*718. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2214 of 9 June 2026, to confirm the number of on-site audits of agency staffing suppliers conducted by the HSE in each of the years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 individually, given that the reply addressed the year 2025 only; the precise number of instances of non-compliance identified across the six on-site audits conducted in 2025, given that the reply supplied no figure; whether those instances of non-compliance related to legislative obligations as distinct from the “non-legislative standards” referenced in the reply; if so, the number and nature of same; the proportion of the total national supplier panel represented by the “main suppliers” audited in 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O’Flynn. [50898/26]

*719. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who have availed of cross border directive for treatment abroad in relation to rheumatology services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [50909/26]

*720. To ask the Minister for Health if any single national system enables the HSE to identify, across all HSE-funded sites, if a healthcare worker, whether directly employed, agency or locum, who is currently on administrative leave or has been removed from placement, is subject to a criminal investigation or an unresolved patient-safety concern. — Ken O’Flynn. [50918/26]

*721. To ask the Minister for Health if an urgent MRI at University Hospital Limerick will be expedited for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [50921/26]

*722. To ask the Minister for Health the reason that a person (details supplied), who is a medical card holder and is pre diabetic, has been refused a drug prescribed by their GP; the

financial supports that are available to this person in accessing this drug; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [50926/26]

*723. To ask the Minister for Health if there is a timeline to revise the HSE's IVF public funding scheme, particularly the way the eligibility criteria to avail of the program excludes families who have already undergone privately funded IVF treatments (details supplied). — Christopher O'Sullivan. [50934/26]

*724. To ask the Minister for Health the reason a person (details supplied) has been waiting a long time for an operation; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [50937/26]

*725. To ask the Minister for Health if she will review and expand the HSE's rehabilitation aids grant scheme to provide for the funding of specialised vehicle car seats and restraint systems where there is a demonstrated clinical necessity, supported by an occupational therapist or other appropriate clinician; whether she recognises that access to safe transport is essential to enable children and adults with disabilities to attend healthcare appointments, education, therapy and community services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [50943/26]

*726. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE psycho-oncology posts that have been filled in 2025 and to date in 2026, in tabular form. — Conor D. McGuinness. [50947/26]

*727. To ask the Minister for Health if she will urgently review the case of a person (details supplied); if she will provide an update on the pain management supports available to them in the interim period prior to their scheduled nerve block procedure; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [50954/26]

*728. To ask the Minister for Health to support a Pre-Budget Submission (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [50956/26]

*729. To ask the Minister for Health to support a pre-Budget submission by an organisation (details supplied). — Michael Cahill. [50957/26]

*730. To ask the Minister for Health the reasoning behind the proposed changes to providing supplements that people require for their health without having to take prescribed drugs (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [50958/26]

*731. To ask the Minister for Health to confirm, in respect of the treatment abroad scheme, whether the public spending code applies to individual funding decisions and to programme-level oversight of the scheme; if not, the framework under which her Department satisfies itself that expenditure under the scheme meets the standards of regularity, propriety and value-for-money required of public funds; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [50968/26]

*732. To ask the Minister for Health if a formal national policy or governance framework, as distinct from administrative processing arrangements, governs the authorisation, funding and oversight of the treatment abroad scheme; if such a framework exists, to provide a copy or web reference; and if no such framework exists, to confirm this explicitly. — Ken O'Flynn. [50970/26]

*733. To ask the Minister for Health if a clinical outcome data is recorded in respect of patients funded under the treatment abroad scheme following the completion of treatment abroad; and if no outcome data is recorded, to confirm this explicitly and the way in which her Department assesses the clinical effectiveness of expenditure under the scheme. — Ken O'Flynn. [50972/26]

*734. To ask the Minister for Health whether the HSE maintains a register of high-cost treatment abroad scheme approvals; if such a register is maintained, to state the monetary threshold or criteria used to classify a case as high-cost; and if no such register exists, to confirm this explicitly, in tabular form. — Ken O'Flynn. [50974/26]

*735. To ask the Minister for Health if she will consider reducing the period of time before which medical card holders can get new dentures from five years to three years where a need has been identified by a dental practitioner; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [50975/26]

*736. To ask the Minister for Health to consider additional information and issue a medical card to a constituent in County Kerry (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [50976/26]

*737. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Questions Nos. 2332 and 2333 of 9 June 2026, whether she is satisfied that the National Ambulance Service maintains no national dataset recording the elapsed time between receipt of a 999 call and allocation of an ambulance resource; whether she has requested that such a dataset be established; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [50977/26]

*738. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2334 of 9 June 2026, whether she will now commission a national analysis examining the relationship between ambulance allocation or dispatch delays and mortality, morbidity, clinical deterioration or other patient outcomes; and if not, the basis on which she is satisfied that no such analysis is required. — Ken O'Flynn. [50978/26]

*739. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2330 of 9 June 2026, the recommendations, corrective actions, policy changes or service improvements that arose from the two system analysis reviews identified by the National Ambulance Service as involving ambulance allocation or dispatch delays since 2020; and the date on which each such action was implemented. — Ken O'Flynn. [50979/26]

*740. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2335 of 9 June 2026, whether she will publish the two system analysis reviews identified by the National Ambulance Service as having found ambulance allocation or dispatch delays to be contributory factors; and if publication is not possible, the specific findings, recommendations and corrective actions arising from each review. — Ken O'Flynn. [50980/26]

*741. To ask the Minister for Health further to the reply to Parliamentary Question No. 1010 of 16 June 2026, to specify each performance indicator currently used to measure the effectiveness of national obesity policy and obesity treatment services; and to provide the most recent result available for each such indicator. — Ken O'Flynn. [50981/26]

*742. To ask the Minister for Health further to the reply to Parliamentary Question No. 1011 of 16 June 2026, whether a costed implementation plan exists for the national model of care for

obesity; the estimated total funding required for full implementation; the funding allocated to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O’Flynn. [50982/26]

*743. To ask the Minister for Health given that the obesity policy and action plan covers the period 2016 to 2025, the policy or framework that will succeed it from 2026; whether such successor policy has been adopted; and the date of its publication. — Ken O’Flynn. [50983/26]

*744. To ask the Minister for Health further to previous parliamentary questions on national targets for reducing obesity-attributable type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease incidence, whether the next obesity policy and action plan will contain the measurable targets for reducing the incidence of obesity-attributable type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease, as distinct from population overweight and obesity prevalence targets; whether her Department holds, or can access, national incidence data for obesity-attributable type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease sufficient to set a baseline against which such targets could be measured; the status of the prevalence targets contained in the 2016 plan (details supplied) including whether either was achieved; and given that both the 2016 plan and the healthy Ireland framework expired in 2025, the precise publication date for the successor plan and the policy basis on which obesity is being addressed in the interim; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O’Flynn. [50989/26]

*745. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on a matter regarding prescription medication for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Danny Healy-Rae. [51005/26]

*746. To ask the Minister for Health whether she intends to make a device (details supplied) reimbursable for people with diabetes type 2, as those with type 1 have access to reimbursement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51013/26]

*747. To ask the Minister for Health if she is aware of a request from a local group (details supplied); if she will outline the consideration that has been given to making vacant HSE properties in Ballinasloe available for community/youth groups; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51014/26]

*748. To ask the Minister for Health the recommended best practice guidelines for paediatric hearing assessments, including timelines for screening and intervention; and the way in which these are being implemented across all CHOs. — Shane Moynihan. [51024/26]

*749. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children on waiting lists for paediatric hearing assessments as of 1 June in each of the years 2020 to 2025 and to date in 2026, by CHO, including the length of time waiting, in tabular form. — Shane Moynihan. [51025/26]

*750. To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which paediatric hearing assessments are outsourced, including the number and proportion of cases referred externally; and the total annual cost of such outsourcing. — Shane Moynihan. [51026/26]

*751. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2792 of 14 April 2026, the number of instances since July 2025 in which a health region exceeded its agency expenditure limit; and the corrective action taken in each such instance, by region. — Ken O’Flynn. [51031/26]

*752. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1079 of 6 May 2026, which confirmed that no formal cost-benefit analysis comparing long-term direct employment with agency staffing has been conducted, and that the only comparator in use is a generic 30% premium which by her Department's own account excludes pension provisions over an employee's career; if her Department intends to commission a full lifecycle cost-benefit analysis; and if not, the reason. — Ken O'Flynn. [51032/26]

*753. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1083 of 6 June 2026, to confirm whether the HSE holds any grade-specific cost comparison between agency and directly employed staff for nursing, medical and allied health grades respectively; if so, to provide same; and if not, the reason a single blended premium is applied across distinct grade markets. — Ken O'Flynn. [51033/26]

*754. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2314 of 9 June 2026, and noting that the same reply confirms health regions hold autonomy to reconfigure vacancies, whether any national assessment has been undertaken of the number of funded posts left unfilled or reconfigured as a result of agency spend limits; and whether any such risk is recorded on a national risk register. — Ken O'Flynn. [51034/26]

*755. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2415 of 9 June 2026, to provide the data on the number of pharmacy reimbursement claims adjusted and the number successfully appealed in each year from 2020 to date (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [51052/26]

*756. To ask the Minister for Health whether the Primary Care Reimbursement Service holds a national dataset recording the number of pharmacy reimbursement claims adjusted and the number successfully appealed; and if no such dataset is held, to state this plainly; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [51053/26]

*757. To ask the Minister for Health to set out the formal mechanism, if any, by which a pharmacy may appeal a rejected reimbursement claim; the average time to determination; the number and proportion of such appeals upheld in each year from 2020 to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [51054/26]

*758. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2415 of 9 June 2026, to reconcile the figures provided in the reply, given that the difference between claims submitted (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [51055/26]

*759. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2415 of 9 June 2026, recording "eligibility expired" as the leading reason for pharmacy claim rejection in the years 2020 to 2022, peaking at 30,005 rejections in 2021; the assessment that has been made of the impact on patients dispensed medicines whose eligibility had lapsed at point of dispensing, including whether any such patients were charged; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [51056/26]

*760. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1830 of 9 June 2026, which referred to "the ambition of driving towards self-sufficiency in workforce supply," to confirm whether the HSE has set any numerical target to reduce reliance on international recruitment over the next five years; and if so, to state the target, the baseline year and the target date; or, if no such target exists, to confirm that none has been set. — Ken O'Flynn. [51057/26]

*761. To ask the Minister for Health the proportion of new HSE clinical recruits that were internationally recruited in each of the years 2023, 2024 and 2025, broken down by profession, in order to establish the current baseline of reliance against which any self-sufficiency ambition would be measured. — Ken O’Flynn. [51058/26]

*762. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1830 of 9 June 2026, the specific metric by which “self-sufficiency in workforce supply” is defined and measured; the named body responsible for monitoring progress towards it; and the date on which that body next reports. — Ken O’Flynn. [51059/26]

*763. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1830 of 9 June 2026, which states that “demand continues to outstrip supply,” whether the HSE projects reliance on international recruitment to rise or fall over the next five years; and to set out the modelling on which that projection is based. — Ken O’Flynn. [51060/26]

*764. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2415 of 9 June 2026, to now provide those figures for each year, or to confirm that no such data is held by the Health Service Executive (details supplied). — Ken O’Flynn. [51061/26]

*765. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2415 of 9 June 2026, to clarify whether the figure provided for the number of pharmacy reimbursement claims rejected in each year counts unique claims finally refused or counts error events including claims that were subsequently paid; and the reason the combined total of claims approved and claims rejected exceeds the number of claims submitted in 2022. — Ken O’Flynn. [51062/26]

*766. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2415 of 9 June 2026, in which “claim set to pay or already paid” appears among the top five recorded reasons for claim rejection; to provide and the number of pharmacy reimbursement claims that were initially rejected and subsequently paid in each year from 2020 to date, or to confirm that this is not separately recorded. — Ken O’Flynn. [51063/26]

*767. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2415 of 9 June 2026, whether a formal appeals mechanism exists for rejected pharmacy reimbursement claims; if so, the body responsible for deciding such appeals; and the number of appeals received and the number upheld in each year from 2020 to date. — Ken O’Flynn. [51064/26]

*768. To ask the Minister for Health when an assessment will take place with CAMHS for a child (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [51075/26]

*769. To ask the Minister for Health her plans on establishing an independent inquiry into persons who were wrongly incarcerated and unlawfully detained in psychiatric hospitals; if not, the reasons; and whether a timeline has been set for any such inquiry. — Sorca Clarke. [51078/26]

*770. To ask the Minister for Health when a person (details supplied) will receive an appointment for assessment with a consultant in the Mater Misericordiae University Hospital. — Tony McCormack. [51108/26]

*771. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the work her Department is doing to progress the pricing and reimbursement application (details supplied) for welireg (belzutifan); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O’Callaghan. [51110/26]

*772. To ask the Minister for Health if her attention has been drawn to the case of a person (details supplied); if this case can be reviewed with a view to securing an appointment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Lawless. [51123/26]

*773. To ask the Minister for Health the steps she is taking to ensure that the drug belzutifan is available and accessible to those who need it; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Denise Mitchell. [51144/26]

*774. To ask the Minister for Health the long-term measures her Department are taking to prevent negative impacts from relocation on the health of Palestinian refugees accessing medical treatment in Dublin (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51150/26]

*775. To ask the Minister for Health the actions the Government is taking to prevent online forums or websites that encourage or facilitate suicide from being accessed in Ireland; whether legislative changes are being considered to prohibit such platforms; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [51170/26]

*776. To ask the Minister for Health the public care available to women who wish to have their hormones tested on an asymptomatic basis; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Erin McGreehan. [51178/26]

*777. To ask the Minister for Health if she will provide an update on the ongoing discussions between the HSE and clinical perfusion scientists regarding their pay scale and the measures being taken to bring the dispute to a resolution. — John Lahart. [51190/26]

*778. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the timeframe for filling the vacant OT position in Conamara; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51191/26]

*779. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the work her Department is undertaking to increase the income threshold for medical card eligibility for persons under 70 years-of-age; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mairéad Farrell. [51192/26]

*780. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the review of the maternity and infant care scheme; to provide a timeline for the publication of the final report and recommendations following the work undertaken by the National Women and Infants Health Programme review group; the specific recommendations within the National Maternity Strategy (Recommendations 62 to 66) that remain outstanding or in progress; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51195/26]

*781. To ask the Minister for Health the specific stakeholders and organisations that have been consulted by the HSE during the review and development of the revised maternity and infant care scheme; if formal engagement has occurred with the IMO, ICGP and NWIHP; the extent to which advocacy, voluntary parent support, and service-user organisations have been involved in the consultation process; the mechanisms used to capture broader feedback from the public and parents; the steps being taken within the maternity system to ensure all frontline hospital

and community staff are aware of and actively signposting new parents to existing voluntary community supports; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51196/26]

*782. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made by the HSE and the NWIHP to develop and fund evidence-based, equitable tongue-tie assessment and frenotomy services nationally; the plans in place to standardise regional care pathways so they mirror successful specialist clinics (details supplied); the measures being introduced to address geographic disparities in wait times and access to public infant feeding supports; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [51197/26]

*783. To ask the Minister for Health if she will clarify the ownership and governance arrangements relating to the block of private patient rooms located on the campus of University Hospital Kerry; whether these rooms constitute HSE property; the person or body that is authorised to provide private practice or private patient services within these facilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [51232/26]

*784. To ask the Minister for Health further to the HSE’s confirmation that all clinical sites have been required to verify compliance with the public only consultant contract, the number of hospital sites that have returned compliance confirmations to date; the number that remain outstanding; whether the results will be published by hospital group, region or site; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51237/26]

*785. To ask the Minister for Health the assessment that has been carried out of consultant obstetrician and gynaecologist staffing levels and midwifery staffing levels in Irish maternity services compared with international benchmarks; whether the next National Maternity Strategy will include specific staffing and continuity-of-care targets; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51238/26]

*786. To ask the Minister for Health the total cost to the public health system of performing a hip replacement; and if she will provide a detailed breakdown of all associated costs, including but not limited to anaesthesia, surgical staffing, theatre use, prosthetics, pre-operative and post-operative care. — Peadar Tóibín. [51255/26]

*787. To ask the Minister for Health the total cost to the public health system of performing a cardiac ablation procedure; if she will provide a detailed breakdown of all associated costs, including but not limited to anaesthesia, cardiac mapping, surgical staffing, theatre usage, equipment, and pre- and post-procedure care. — Peadar Tóibín. [51256/26]

*788. To ask the Minister for Health the total cost to the public health system of performing a cataract removal procedure; and if she will provide a detailed breakdown of all associated costs, including but not limited to anaesthesia, intraocular lenses, surgical staffing, theatre use, and pre-operative and post-operative care. — Peadar Tóibín. [51257/26]

*789. To ask the Minister for Health the total cost to the public health system of performing a knee replacement; and if she will provide a detailed breakdown of all associated costs, including but not limited to anaesthesia, surgical staffing, theatre use, prosthetics, and pre-operative and post-operative care. — Peadar Tóibín. [51258/26]

*790. To ask the Minister for Health the total cost to the public health system of performing a bariatric gastric sleeve procedure; and if she will provide a detailed breakdown of all associated

costs, including but not limited to anaesthesia, surgical staffing, theatre usage, equipment, and pre-operative and post-operative care. — Peadar Tóibín. [51259/26]

*791. To ask the Minister for Health to review the means test thresholds for medical cards for persons aged over 70; if she will consider the introduction of universal medical card eligibility for those over 70; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51285/26]

*792. To ask the Minister for Health if she will extend eligibility for national screening programmes, including BreastCheck, BowelScreen and bone density scanning, to persons aged over 70; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51286/26]

*793. To ask the Minister for Health if she will consider including the shingles vaccine in publicly funded vaccination programmes or under the drug payment scheme; the estimated cost of same; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51287/26]

*794. To ask the Minister for Health to review the fairness of the drug payment scheme threshold, particularly the application of the same monthly cap to single-person households and to couples or families; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51288/26]

*795. To ask the Minister for Health if she has engaged with the Minister for Finance regarding the application of VAT to certain vaccines and prescribed medical products; if changes are under consideration; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51289/26]

*796. To ask the Minister for Health the measures being taken to strengthen preventative healthcare supports for older people, particularly in rural areas; including supports for physical activity, community-based health promotion, and social prescribing initiatives; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51290/26]

*797. To ask the Minister for Health the actions her Department is taking, in conjunction with other Departments and agencies, to address loneliness and social isolation among older people; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51291/26]

*798. To ask the Minister for Health the level of access to primary care services for older people in rural areas; including physiotherapy and community-based supports; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51292/26]

*799. To ask the Minister for Health if an assessment has been carried out on the cumulative cost burden of healthcare for older people, including GP care, prescriptions, vaccines, and screening services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51293/26]

*800. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children still waiting on autism assessment of needs; the estimated additional cost to clear assessment of needs waiting lists; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51320/26]

*801. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people currently on waiting lists for essential care in outpatient, inpatient and day case treatment in public hospitals; the estimated total cost of clearing these waiting lists; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51321/26]

*802. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full-year cost of providing and staffing 1,000 additional acute beds in a public hospital; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51323/26]

*803. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full-year cost of providing and staffing 100 additional level 3 ICU beds in a public hospital; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51324/26]

*804. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full-year cost of hiring an additional 100 speech and language therapists, 100 psychologists, 100 occupational therapists and 100 physiotherapists; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51327/26]

*805. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of fully subsidising all GP care and eliminating primary care fees; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51328/26]

*806. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full-year cost of abolishing emergency department charges for public patients; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51329/26]

*807. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of reducing the drug payment scheme threshold to €10 per month; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51330/26]

*808. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated cost of scraping prescription charges for medical card holders; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51331/26]

*809. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated revenue from all parking charges at public hospitals in 2024 and 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51332/26]

*810. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated full-year cost of introducing a fully funded universal contraception scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51333/26]

*811. To ask the Minister for Health the reason medical card holders who are non-insulin dependent diabetics prescribed contour next blood glucose test strips are only eligible to receive one box per month; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Alan Kelly. [51375/26]

*812. To ask the Minister for Health the reason for the long delays being experienced by patients seeking to access their medical records given that under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 (details supplied); the actions she will take to ensure this timeframe is improved for patients; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51387/26]

*813. To ask the Minister for Health the scientific validation undertaken by the Food Safety Authority of Ireland in respect of the laboratory methods relied upon for the detection of salmonella typhimurium in duck flocks; whether those methods have been independently validated for use in ducks; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51400/26]

*814. To ask the Minister for Health whether following recent court proceedings concerning salmonella testing in poultry, the Food Safety Authority of Ireland has reviewed the reliability of the sampling, testing and chain-of-custody procedures relied upon in enforcement actions involving duck flocks; if such a review has been completed, if she will publish the findings; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51401/26]

*815. To ask the Minister for Health if the Food Safety Authority of Ireland has commissioned, or intends to commission, an independent scientific review of the evidence underpinning its risk assessments relating to salmonella in duck flocks, including the laboratory methodologies employed and the epidemiological evidence relied upon; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51402/26]

*816. To ask the Minister for Health the role that the Food Safety Authority of Ireland plays in advising the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine before compliance notices, prohibition notices, product seizures or flock destruction are undertaken in cases involving suspected salmonella infection; and whether the FSAI independently verifies the scientific evidence relied upon before such enforcement action proceeds. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51403/26]

*817. To ask the Minister for Health if the Food Safety Authority of Ireland has reviewed whether the ongoing Department-funded research into salmonella control in duck production has identified any uncertainties regarding existing sampling, laboratory testing or risk assessment methodologies; and whether any interim findings have resulted in changes to current enforcement or regulatory practice. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [51404/26]

*818. To ask the Minister for Health the current status of the health technology assessment and reimbursement process for the medicine belzutifan for the treatment of eligible patients with Von Hippel-Lindau (VHL) syndrome; the expected timelines for completion of the assessment and any subsequent reimbursement decision; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51420/26]

*819. To ask the Minister for Health the steps her Department and the HSE are taking to facilitate timely access to belzutifan for eligible patients with Von Hippel-Lindau (VHL) syndrome, if approved for reimbursement; whether engagement has taken place, or is planned, with clinicians, patient representative organisations and other relevant stakeholders regarding access to this treatment; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [51421/26]

*820. To ask the Minister for Health if belzutifan will be made be available to people suffering from Von Hippel- Lindau disease; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Johnny Mythen. [51422/26]

*821. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultant paediatric neurologist posts filled at Cork University Hospital as of 30 June 2026; if she will provide the same figures as of 30 June 2022, in tabular form. — Ken O'Flynn. [51423/26]

*822. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE addiction counsellors employed by HSE within CHO4 as of 30 June 2026; if she will provide the same figures as of 30 June 2022 in tabular form. — Ken O'Flynn. [51424/26]

*823. To ask the Minister for Health the WTE staffing, by job title and funding that would be required to fully resource two additional adolescent dual diagnosis teams. — Ken O’Flynn. [51425/26]

*824. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children that presented to the accident and emergency department of Mercy University Hospital for each month of 2025 and to-date in 2026 in tabular form. — Ken O’Flynn. [51426/26]

*825. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE speech and language therapist posts, by grade that have been filled within Cork Primary care system as of 30 June 2026; if she will provide the same figures as of 30 June 2022, in tabular form. — Ken O’Flynn. [51427/26]

*826. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on current waiting times for ophthalmology services; the current number of persons on ophthalmology outpatient waiting lists by Hospital Group; and the actions being taken to address these waiting times. — Ken O’Flynn. [51428/26]

*827. To ask the Minister for Health the staffing budget for Cork University Maternity Hospital in 2025 and 2026, in tabular form. — Ken O’Flynn. [51429/26]

*828. To ask the Minister for Health the WTE staffing, by job title and funding that would be required to fully resource two additional early supported discharge teams in the community. — Ken O’Flynn. [51430/26]

*829. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE emergency medicine registrars and consultant in emergency medicine posts filled at Mercy University Hospital as of 30 June 2026; and if she will provide the same figures as of 30 June 2022, in tabular form. — Ken O’Flynn. [51431/26]

*830. To ask the Minister for Health to provide the web link to her Department’s Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51566/26]

*831. To ask the Minister for Health if she will review the case of a child (details supplied); if she will provide an update on the application; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [51579/26]

*832. To ask the Minister for Health if she will review the case of a person (details supplied); if she will provide an update on the application which is currently on appeal with the HSE national appeals office; if the process could be expedited given the circumstances; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [51580/26]

*833. To ask the Minister for Health the status of negotiations regarding belzutifan; whether she will expedite the assessment and approval process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [51584/26]

*834. To ask the Minister for Health the review she intends to take of Ireland’s system for approving access and funding for new drugs and medical treatments; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [51585/26]

*835. To ask the Minister for Health to make an exception on behalf of a constituent (details supplied) who is in need of a new set of dentures. — Aengus Ó Snodaigh. [51590/26]

*836. To ask the Minister for Health the adequacy of diagnostic equipment in maternity hospitals; and the quality of imaging, in particular; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ivana Bacik. [51598/26]

*837. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to ensure adequate healthcare for persons in disadvantage; and her plans to expand the Inclusion Health programme between the Mater and St. James's Hospitals, Dublin. — Ivana Bacik. [51599/26]

*838. To ask the Minister for Health if she will assist in scheduling an urgent appointment for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Carol Nolan. [51601/26]

*839. To ask the Minister for Health when section 226 of the Health (Assisted Human Reproduction) Act 2024 will be commenced. — Ivana Bacik. [51602/26]

*840. To ask the Minister for Health the steps being taken to expedite the assessment and approval of belzutifan for patients with Von Hippel–Lindau (VHL) disease to ensure timely access for eligible patients; if she will engage with clinicians and patient groups regarding barriers to access; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [51615/26]

*841. To ask the Minister for Health her views on matter raised in correspondence (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [51616/26]

*842. To ask the Minister for Health if she will provide an update on the steps being taken by her Department to ensure healthcare professionals suffering from long-Covid can qualify for a critical illness payment; if she is aware that there are currently over 150 such employees of the HSE suffering from long-Covid who have been deemed ineligible for this payment recently (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [51620/26]

*843. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 995 of 19 May 2026, the number of minors referred from Ireland to NHS children and young person gender services in the United Kingdom from 2020 to 2025 and to date in 2026, by age and sex, as this information was not provided in the response of 30 June 2026. — Ken O'Flynn. [51622/26]

*844. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1809 of 9 June 2026, the number of minors referred outside the State for gender-related assessment, consultation, intervention, or treatment in the years 2021 and 2022; the jurisdictions involved in all such referrals from 2021 to date in 2026; and the multidisciplinary assessment requirements applying prior to referral abroad, as this information was not provided in response to the question of 30 June 2026. — Ken O'Flynn. [51623/26]

*845. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1809 of 9 June 2026, whether any State-funded mechanism other than the treatment abroad scheme has been used to refer minors outside the State for gender-related assessment, consultation, intervention, or treatment in any of the past five years, as this information was not provided in response to the question of 30 June 2026. — Ken O'Flynn. [51624/26]

*846. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1820 of 9 June 2026, the terms of reference, membership, and findings of the expert group convened by the HSE Chief Clinical Officer in 2024 to consider the implications of the Cass Review for gender healthcare services in Ireland; the date this work concluded; and whether the findings will be published, as confirmed in the HSE reply of 30 June 2026. — Ken O’Flynn. [51625/26]

*847. To ask the Minister for Health to urgently review the case of a person (details supplied); if she will allocate an appointment urgently; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [51638/26]

*848. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE will introduce a specific field within the National Incident Management System to identify patient safety incidents involving agency, panel, or locum staff where a service user was harmed; the reason this distinction is not currently recorded centrally; if the HSE can produce an aggregate figure of such incidents using local records, notwithstanding the absence of a dedicated NIMS field; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O’Flynn. [51643/26]

*849. To ask the Minister for Health if she will intervene to expedite an urgent appointment for a person (details supplied) in County Cork. — Eoghan Kenny. [51646/26]

*850. To ask the Minister for Health the current waiting time for an outpatient orthopaedic appointment for a person (details supplied); and if the case will be reviewed in order to determine if an earlier appointment can be facilitated. — Eoghan Kenny. [51647/26]

*851. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE provides financial assistance, reimbursement, or funding supports to families where a child is on a waiting list for assessment and intervention through a children’s disability network team, is not expected to receive an assessment until December 2026, and where the family has no reasonable option other than to access private assessment or therapeutic services (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paula Butterly. [51691/26]

*852. To ask the Minister for Health whether it is her intention to commence Section 226 of the Health (Assisted Human Reproduction) Act 2024; to outline the work conducted by her Department on this issue to date; and to provide a timeline for commencement. — Holly Cairns. [51701/26]

*853. To ask the Minister for Health if she will provide an update on a hospital transfer for a person (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [51705/26]

*854. To ask the Minister for Health the number of rapid assessment spaces currently available within the Accident and Emergency Department of University Hospital Limerick; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51715/26]

*855. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE paediatric urology registrar posts filled at University Hospital Limerick as of 29 June 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51716/26]

*856. To ask the Minister for Health if she will intervene with the HSE to urgently review the case of a person (details supplied) in Killarney Community Hospital; if consideration will be given to extending the persons stay pending the provision of adequate home supports; if she

will ensure that the necessary home help package, twice daily, seven days per week, is expedited to facilitate a safe discharge; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [51752/26]

*857. To ask the Minister for Health if a pricing and reimbursement application has been received by the HSE for zolbetuximab (vyloy); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [51755/26]

*858. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the pricing and reimbursement application for omaveloxolone (skylarys); if the commercial proposal has yet been received from the company; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [51756/26]

*859. To ask the Minister for Health the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51769/26]

*860. To ask the Minister for Health the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across her Department, by project, year and value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51805/26]

*861. To ask the Minister for Health to provide further details regarding a review being conducted by the HSE to ensure compliance with the terms of the public only consultant contract (details supplied); the timeline for completion of this review; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [51813/26]

*862. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to carry out a formal review of hospital services across the country with a view to upgrading current level three hospitals to level four status in the future; if she will consider upgrading Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda to a level four hospital in view of population growth in the region; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ged Nash. [51821/26]

*863. To ask the Minister for Health if a fixed-price contract awarded to a company under contract HSE 24608 relates solely to consultancy, advisory, business case, procurement, programme management and client-side support for the National Electronic Health Record programme; if any part of this contract relates to the purchase, licensing, build, configuration, deployment or maintenance of the Electronic Health Record IT system itself (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Liam Quaide. [51858/26]

*864. To ask the Minister for Health the number of personnel assigned to the €8,181,530 National Electronic Health Record strategic partner contract (details supplied), broken down by role, grade or seniority, full-time equivalent status, location and workstream; the hourly or daily rates charged for each role or grade; the total number of consultant days or hours included in the contract; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Liam Quaide. [51859/26]

*865. To ask the Minister for Health the assessment that was undertaken by the HSE before awarding the €8,181,530 a contract (details supplied) to establish whether the work could be carried out by staff within the HSE, eHealth Ireland, the Office of the Chief Information Officer, her Department or other public bodies; the specific skills or capacity gaps that required the use of an external consultancy firm; whether a cost comparison was carried out between external consultancy and direct recruitment or secondment of public-sector staff; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Liam Quaide. [51860/26]

*866. To ask the Minister for Health whether the HSE has put in place a formal knowledge-transfer and capability-building plan as part of a strategic partner contract (details supplied) for the National Electronic Health Record Programme; the parts of the work under the contract that are intended to build permanent expertise within the HSE; whether the personnel are required to work exclusively on this programme during contracted days; the steps being taken to avoid long-term dependence on external consultancy firms for the delivery of the National Electronic Health Record; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Liam Quaide. [51861/26]

*867. To ask the Minister for Health the reasons a replacement of the Owenacurra Centre, Midleton, originally expected to be completed in Q1 2025 now has a significantly longer timeline; the way in which this timeline compares with the projected timeline for the much more extensive Midleton Primary Care Centre, where construction has not yet commenced; whether the HSE considers the current timeline acceptable given the loss of local residential mental health capacity in east Cork; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Liam Quaide. [51869/26]

*868. To ask the Minister for Health in respect of service-users within the Midleton / Youghal and Cobh / Carrigtwohill Adult Mental Health Service catchment areas who required residential mental health placement since the Owenacurra Centre took its last referral in February 2021; the facilities to which those service-users were referred, broken down by facility; the number of service-users and year; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Liam Quaide. [51870/26]

*869. To ask the Minister for Health the total cost incurred by the HSE on hotel accommodation for former residents of the Owenacurra Centre from October 2023 to December 2025, broken down by month and year; the number of former residents accommodated in hotels during that period; whether they were in single or shared rooms; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Liam Quaide. [51871/26]

*870. To ask the Minister for Health the date on which the HSE purchased a property on O'Dwyer's Road, Midleton, to accommodate former residents of the Owenacurra Centre who moved there in December 2025; the total cost including renovation of the property; the date on which works commenced to bring the property up to a standard fit for residential mental health services; the date on which the property became operational; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Liam Quaide. [51872/26]

*871. To ask the Minister for Health further to the estimate in the National Rare Disease Strategy 2025-2030 that 300,000 people in Ireland live with a rare disease, whether her Department or the Health Service Executive holds data on the breakdown of these conditions by disease or disease category; the status of the National Rare Disease Registry recommended in the Strategy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51876/26]

*872. To ask the Minister for Health the number of rare disease conditions affecting patients in Ireland for which a licensed treatment or medicine is available; the number for which no treatment exists, as recorded by her Department, the Health Service Executive or the National Rare Diseases Office; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51877/26]

*873. To ask the Minister for Health the number of medicines for rare diseases or orphan conditions for which an application for reimbursement has been received by the Health Service Executive in each of the years 2021 to date in 2026; the number approved; the number refused, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51878/26]

*874. To ask the Minister for Health the steps that are being taken to ensure effective and ongoing communication between the Health Service Executive, her Department and the Irish Dental Association in relation to the public dental service and the dental treatment services scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51879/26]

*875. To ask the Minister for Health the structures or forums in place for regular engagement between the Health Service Executive and the Irish Dental Association; the principal issues and resourcing demands raised by the association through those channels; the way in which the Health Service Executive has responded; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51880/26]

*876. To ask the Minister for Health the number of dentists who have withdrawn from the dental treatment services scheme; the total number of dentists contracted under the scheme, in each of the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 and to date in 2026, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51881/26]

*877. To ask the Minister for Health the steps that are being taken to ensure ongoing engagement between her Department, the Health Service Executive and dental representative bodies on the implementation of the national oral health policy *Smile agus Sláinte*; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51882/26]

*878. To ask the Minister for Health whether her Department or the HSE has engaged, or intends to engage, with An Post regarding the future of the former delivery service unit on Griffith Avenue, Dublin 9; whether the site has been considered for future primary care, community healthcare or other health service provision; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gary Gannon. [51893/26]

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

*879. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in view of his Department’s role in coordinating Ireland’s Presidency of the Council of the European Union from 1 July to 31 December 2026, if the EU Presidency programme includes any citizen science initiative, in line with the role of citizen engagement in the EU missions. — Donna McGettigan. [52339/26]

*880. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50803/26]

*881. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science to examine a written report on a scholarship programme, together with an independent auditor’s report, thus ensuring that this report is brought before the Houses of the Oireachtas (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [50916/26]

*882. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science for an update on the National College of Ireland achieving full Higher Education Authority designation status. — Malcolm Byrne. [51020/26]

*883. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of students from County Cork in receipt of SUSI maintenance grants in the 2025-

2026 academic years; the average processing time for applications; the measures being taken to ensure timely grant payments to students at the beginning of the academic year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [51104/26]

*884. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the number of apprenticeship registrations in County Cork in each of the past three years, broken down by apprenticeship programme; the steps being taken to expand apprenticeship opportunities in Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [51105/26]

*885. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the proportion of the National Training Fund that is used toward AI upskilling; the plans to further engage in this area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [51186/26]

*886. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the extent to which quantum computing is being integrated into Irish higher education and research; the measures to improve quantum literacy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [51187/26]

*887. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the estimated full-year cost of doubling maintenance grants and restoring the grant adjacency rate to 24 km; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51351/26]

*888. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the estimated total student contributions paid by all higher education students in 2024 and 2025; the expected contributions in 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51352/26]

*889. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the estimated full-year cost of ensuring all postgraduate research students receive a full-year €30,000 stipend; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Richard Boyd Barrett. [51353/26]

*890. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he is aware that an English language school (details supplied) has closed down recently; the action that can be taken to prevent these sudden closures of schools; and if he is aware if the school had learner protection insurance in place. — Willie O'Dea. [51412/26]

*891. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the reason an applicant (details supplied) was deemed ineligible for DARE on the basis of not having a diagnosis of dyslexia and therefore, not meeting the "evidence of disability criteria" specifically stated as "dyslexia/significant literacy difficulties, when the application included at least two references to the applicant's dyslexia diagnosis; if this application can be reviewed on this basis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [51419/26]

*892. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science to provide the web link to his Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51565/26]

*893. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the reason a person (details supplied) has been refused the SUSI grant; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [51627/26]

*894. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science whether he will consider taking mortgage or rental outgoings into account when calculating eligibility for SUSI payments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Brennan. [51640/26]

*895. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science to list each funding instrument, PhD programme, fellowship, award, public engagement programme or research infrastructure programme under his Department or Research Ireland, that has supported citizen science, citizen-generated data, public participation in data collection, or open-source research infrastructure; the name of each such a scheme, by year, recipient, applicant body, amount awarded and the stated objective of each; if further information in relation to same will be provided; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51663/26]

*896. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the options available to a person (details supplied) to allow them to complete their education course; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51667/26]

*897. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science further to Parliamentary Question No. 966 of 17 June 2025, the reason only 30 of the 45 SALI posts have been funded (details supplied); the steps his Department is taking to ensure that they are continued; the way in which the level of support provided to them will be monitored during and after the ten year period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Donna McGettigan. [51692/26]

*898. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the 2025 and 2026 Capital Budget Allocation for SOLAS, in tabular form. — Donna McGettigan. [51712/26]

*899. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science when he last visited Letterkenny Atlantic Technological University; and the purpose of the visit. — Donna McGettigan. [51713/26]

*900. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science further to Parliamentary Question No. 434 of 19 June 2025, if he will provide an update on the proposed Strategic Infrastructure Upgrade Fund (SIUF) project; whether the Stage 1 Report submitted by the ETB design team and reviewed by SOLAS has now been approved by his Department; whether the project has progressed to the next stage of the approval process; whether funding has been allocated to allow the project to proceed; the current estimated timeline for the completion of the design, planning, tender and construction phases; whether the proposed new outreach facility remains part of the approved project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [51749/26]

*901. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51768/26]

*902. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51786/26]

*903. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51804/26]

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

*904. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the main policy achievements of his Department since 22 January 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [50808/26]

*905. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the funding available and the supports provided by his Department to ensure that rural villages and communities retain their social hubs such as shops and pubs; if any supports are available for rural villages and communities who have lost their shop and pubs to have those social hubs restored; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peadar Tóibín. [50915/26]

*906. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht whether footpath construction and footpath improvement works are eligible for funding under the CLÁR programme; if he will provide details of changes made to eligibility criteria in recent years; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51165/26]

*907. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht whether consideration has been given to reintroducing support for footpath infrastructure under the CLÁR programme, particularly in rural villages and settlements; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51166/26]

*908. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the number of applications relating to pedestrian infrastructure or footpath projects submitted under CLÁR in each of the past five years in County Galway; the outcome of those applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51167/26]

*909. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht to provide the web link to his Department's Q2 2026 published report of purchase orders/payments over €20,000, in line with the FOI model publication scheme requirements; to confirm the date on which this report was published; and, if it has not yet been published, the planned publication date. — Albert Dolan. [51570/26]

*910. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51773/26]

*911. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across

his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51791/26]

*912. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the total cost of engagement with a company (details supplied) in each of the years 2020 to 2025, across his Department, by project, year and value; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Hayes. [51809/26]

*913. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht his plans to increase funding allocated to local authorities for local improvement schemes, given their important role in maintaining and repairing our local and rural road network; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [52385/26]