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QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

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

1. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will work with the representatives of inshore fishermen to introduce an Inshore fisheries stabilisation and climate adaptation scheme. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [51707/26]

2. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to support the growth of Ireland's horticulture sector in Budget 2027 (details supplied). — Robert O'Donoghue. [52390/26]

3. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will provide an update on CAP negotiations and specifically in relation to coupled payments and the future of entitlements. — Martin Kenny. [52240/26]

4. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine whether he will consider introducing supports for farm buildings or agricultural buildings impacted by defective concrete; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Charles Ward. [52560/26]

5. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has engaged with the board of Bord Bia in relation to the report on the review of governance procedures at Bord Bia; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [52241/26]

6. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will outline the current policy governing the production and sale of raw milk in Ireland; whether his Department is considering any changes to the regulatory framework relating to its sale to consumers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [52569/26]

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OTHER QUESTIONS

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

7. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures being taken to support the growth and international expansion of Irish-owned food and agri-food businesses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [52234/26]

8. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to review the valuation ceilings applied to reactors under the bovine TB eradication scheme, to ensure farmers are compensated for the full market value for animals removed as reactors; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Cooney. [52213/26]

9. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide an update on measures to support farm succession. — Malcolm Byrne. [51677/26]

10. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he intends to improve the inspection regime of dog breeding establishments. — Aisling Dempsey. [52127/26]

11. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the additional measures he is considering to support farm incomes in light of rising input costs and challenges facing the agricultural sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [52226/26]

12. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for an update on the progress of CAP negotiations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [50992/26]

13. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will consider decoupling funding for greyhound and horseracing industries; if he will commission a report on the economic viability of the greyhound racing industry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [52289/26]

14. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the further steps he and his Department are taking to encourage more young people to enter farming and to support family farm succession; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [52227/26]

15. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps his Department is taking, in collaboration with the agriculture growers and food suppliers, to support the development and production of new food products tailored to the nutritional needs of individuals using GLP-1 medications, particularly those at risk of muscle loss; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paula Butterly. [49543/26]

16. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when the Commission on Generational Renewal in Farming Report recommendations will be delivered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [52192/26]

17. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will outline the funding announced under the Agriculture and Climate Joint Research and Technology Initiative; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [52133/26]

18. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to safeguard the former Pillar II funding schemes in CAP post- 2027; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter 'Chap' Cleere. [51673/26]

19. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way in which he will use the opportunity of Ireland's Presidency of the Council of the European Union to get fairness for Irish fishing communities from the CFP; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [51675/26]

20. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures being taken to address the reported imminent crisis in the horticultural sector linked to uncertainty over peat supply and regulation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [51542/26]

21. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way in which the Ireland–New Zealand joint research initiative will translate into practical, farm-level measures to support farmers in reducing greenhouse gas emissions while maintaining productivity; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [52200/26]

22. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the main aims he hopes to deliver at an EU level for Irish farmers in the next six months while we hold the EU presidency; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Neville. [52286/26]

23. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for an update on the social farming scheme; the level of take up on the scheme to date throughout the country; if he intends expanding the scheme in 2027; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [52196/26]

24. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department will consider devising a grant scheme to improve farm access roads and internal farm roads; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [51670/26]

25. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress being made in the forgotten farmer scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [52195/26]

26. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the actions he has taken to improve horse welfare in Cork. — Thomas Gould. [51018/26]

27. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide an update on the average processing timelines for foreshore licence applications; the measures that are being introduced to reduce delays; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Grace Boland. [51498/26]

28. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the actions his Department is taking to prepare for 1 January 2028, and the European Commission's implementing decision on nitrates derogation; if Ireland is on target to maintain the present status, allowing eligible farms to stock above the standard EU limit of 170kg organic nitrogen/ha; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [52036/26]

29. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the benefits of a State run hill sheep research farm, acknowledging the benefits of such research to hill sheep farmers as well as the benefits of research into biodiversity and carbon storage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Kyne. [51125/26]

30. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when a report will be published (details supplied). — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [51674/26]

31. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of badgers culled in the past year; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [52311/26]

32. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his plans to introduce or expand a dedicated farm succession scheme to support the timely transfer of family farms to the next generation; the measures he is considering to encourage earlier succession and generational renewal, particularly in counties such as Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [51679/26]

33. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his response to proposals from the European Commission to cut the budget of the Common Agricultural Policy. — Cathy Bennett. [52300/26]

34. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the mortality rates in live cattle exports; if he will consider ending the practice on animal welfare grounds; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [52309/26]

35. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount that has been paid out to date to farmers, fishermen, farm contractors and small businesses under the cost of fuel income support scheme. — Peadar Tóibín. [40349/26]

36. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on a matter (details supplied). — John McGuinness. [52272/26]

37. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress to date in reviewing forestry setbacks and corridors in relation to the safeguarding of the electricity and energy networks, the timeline for the publication and implementation of new regulations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [52187/26]

38. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the plans to deploy a Bovine TB vaccine as part of the BTB eradication programme following reports that the UK intend to rollout a vaccine programme by 2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [52032/26]

39. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department will provide dedicated funding to farmers to implement the Nature Restoration Plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Kenny. [52033/26]

40. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for an update on the implementation of the National Tillage Strategy. — Malcolm Byrne. [51676/26]

41. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way in which he is supporting the sheep wool sector. — Erin McGreehan. [51852/26]

42. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide evidence for a claim made in the Dáil by the Minister for State with special responsibility for Forestry, Farm Safety, and Horticulture that hare coursing is worth €70 million to the Irish economy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [52197/26]

43. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the action his Department is taking to stop the further decline of horticulturalists in Ireland; the additional supports he is considering to incentivise growth in this sector; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [52308/26]

44. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the tonnage of Brazilian beef imported to Ireland since May 2026; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Natasha Newsome Drennan. [52218/26]

45. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total funding available for ACRES non-productive investments in 2026; whether it will be sufficient to meet all eligible applications; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [52132/26]

46. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his views on the recently published report 'A Living Land' in relation to solar renewable energies; his views on solar farms and land use on agricultural farms; if his Department has considered the report when speaking to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage about the upcoming solar planning guidelines; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [52304/26]

47. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide an update on progress towards the Food Vision 2030 target of increasing the national tillage area to 400,000 hectares by 2030; if Ireland is on track to reach its targets; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paula Butterly. [49544/26]

48. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of applications received for the fuel income support scheme; if his Department will allow further entries to the scheme; the timeframe for when the applicants will be paid from the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [52303/26]

49. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for a full review of the operation of the ranking and selection process under the solar capital investment scheme within TAMS 3 to ensure they align with Ireland's climate and energy targets; the steps he will take to improve access to funding for on-farm solar investments; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [52091/26]

50. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the reason he is not introducing a cap on the number of breeding dogs a dog breeding establishment can have on site in his review of the Dog Welfare (Amendment) Bill 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [52306/26]

51. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will outline the circumstances under which farmers can burn vegetation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [51671/26]

52. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the funding available for wool washing facilities. — Erin McGreehan. [51853/26]

53. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the amount of State funding provided to hare coursing; if his Department has estimates on the revenue generated by hare coursing; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [52312/26]

54. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his response to the provisional application of the Mercosur trade agreement, and its impact upon Irish farmers. — Matt Carthy. [52280/26]

55. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine in view of the Comptroller and Auditor General's 2025 review of the bovine TB eradication programme, which identified wildlife as a source of infection and noted evidence implicating wild deer in Wicklow, his views that there is a material implementation gap in the 2025 Bovine TB Action Plan in respect of deer in County Wicklow, given that badgers are subject to defined test, vaccinate or remove measures while deer are not subject to the same criteria (details supplied); if he will publish a Wicklow-specific deer/TB intervention plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Edward Timmins. [52301/26]

56. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to outline his action plan to support generational renewal and farm succession, and reduce the age profile of Irish farmers; the efforts being made to address difficulties in transferring farms, high land prices, and the financial barriers for young farmers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [52037/26]

57. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he is considering a cap on the number of breeding females a dog breeder can keep to limit puppy farming and to ensure legislative alignment with the North; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [52288/26]

58. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to provide an update on the processing of applications under the fuel income support scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [50991/26]

59. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the outcome of his most recent discussions at the Agriculture Council and with members of the commission in relation to the need to ensure that adequate funding is provided for CAP post-2027; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [52188/26]

60. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine whether he has engaged with Teagasc on the provision/acquisition of a hill sheep research farm in the West; his views on the benefits of such research to farmers and stakeholders in terms of biodiversity and carbon storage; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Kyne. [51124/26]

61. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the TB incidence rate in 2019 and 2025; the amount spent by the State in support of its eradication; and the related new obligations which have been introduced since 2019. — Cathy Bennett. [52299/26]

62. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he is satisfied that the enforcement powers available under the Animal Health and Welfare Act 2013 are sufficient to protect horses being used on public roads; whether his Department has conducted any review of horse welfare risks associated with horse-drawn vehicles; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [43413/26]

63. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will outline whether a farm income volatility taxation measure will be included in his Departments priorities for Budget 2027; to outline his engagements with the Minister for Finance and farm organisations on such a measure; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Cooney. [52214/26]

64. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for an update on programmes to highlight and promote female farmers and the vital role they play in the industry; to provide an update on EU funding drawdown for female farmers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51549/26]

65. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps being taken to reduce unnecessary administrative burdens and simplify regulatory compliance for farmers and agri-food businesses while maintaining Ireland's high environmental and food safety standards; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [52235/26]

66. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has engaged with the Minister for Transport and the Minister for Justice; Home Affairs and Migration regarding the operation of the Control of Horses Act 1996 as it relates to horses being used on public roads; his views on whether the current legislative framework provides adequate powers to safeguard animal welfare and public safety; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [43414/26]

67. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if the accelerated capital allowance for farm safety equipment, consanguinity relief (land transfers) and 100% stock relief for young farmers and registered farm partnerships will be extended; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [52193/26]

68. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will consider providing more funding to farmers to allow an expansion of rewilding projects; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [52313/26]

69. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the progress made in implementing the twenty-eight recommendations of the Food Vision Tillage Group Report; the actions completed to date; the timeline for implementing the remaining recommendations to support the expansion of the tillage sector towards the Climate Action Plan target of 400,000 hectares by 2030; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — William Aird. [52201/26]

70. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine his position on the deployment of the European Crisis Reserve. — Matt Carthy. [52279/26]

71. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps his Department has taken in relation to engagement with Chinese authorities regarding access for Irish beef exports, following restrictions linked to bluetongue concerns; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [51541/26]

72. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will confirm that in view of the published evidence linking the growing Sika deer population in County Wicklow, with the persistence of bovine tuberculosis in County Wicklow and the well-established link between deer, badgers and cattle in TB epidemiology in County Wicklow he will establish and appropriately resource a dedicated Wicklow Deer and TB Action Group with responsibility for coordinating all relevant State agencies, producing a county-specific management plan, setting measurable deer population and disease reduction targets, and reporting publicly on progress (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Edward Timmins. [52302/26]

73. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if there has been increased physical checks on Brazilian beef into Ireland following the EU Commissions plans to remove Brazilian beef from the EU safe food list; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Natasha Newsome Drennan. [52217/26]

74. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he has had discussions with his EU counterparts on the importance of supporting generational renewal in the next Common Agricultural Policy (CAP); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere. [51672/26]

75. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for an update on his Department’s support to young farmers or to promote farming as an industry to increase the number of young farmers in the country; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51550/26]

76. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the action he is taking with the straw incorporation measure to ensure that all applicants will receive their full allocation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Brennan. [52232/26]

77. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the current status of an investigation being undertaken by his Department (details supplied). — John McGuinness. [52273/26]

78. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if his Department has undertaken, or plans to undertake, any assessment of the potential role of vertical farming and aquaponic food production systems in supporting sustainable agriculture and food security; whether grant supports or pilot programmes are under consideration, including for urban areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [52293/26]

79. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will consider a ban on fox hunting with dogs in light of a Bill to ban hunting mammals with dogs passing second stage in the Northern Ireland Assembly; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [52310/26]

80. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the targeted supports or guidance being provided to farmers in catchment areas associated with repeated pesticide exceedances in drinking water supplies; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [52199/26]

81. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine whether contingency measures are in place to ensure swift action for famers in the event of a further escalation of the fuel crisis; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Brennan. [52228/26]

82. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he and his senior officials are engaging with counterparts from other EU States, that have a large agri-food sector, to have a common approach to protecting and enhancing the agricultural budget in the forthcoming CAP negotiations; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [52039/26]

83. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine when he will publish the Dog Control Stakeholder Group Report; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [52305/26]

84. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to improve the efficiency of the foreshore licence application process; his plans to increase staffing or technical resources within his Department to address existing delays; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Grace Boland. [51497/26]

CEISTEANNA AR SONRAÍODH TOSAÍOCHT DÓIBH QUESTIONS NOMINATED FOR PRIORITY

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

85. To ask the Minister for Health the data collected on private practice in public hospitals; the level of private activity occurring in public hospitals; her plan for removing this in its entirety; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [52167/26]

86. To ask the Minister for Health her views on whether CAMHS-ID services remain significantly underdeveloped nationally; the current number of approved CAMHS-ID posts, broken down by discipline and by team; the number of new CAMHS-ID posts approved in 2026; the shortfall between current approved posts and the staffing levels recommended in the HSE Model of Care for CAMHS-ID, broken down by discipline and by team; and the timeline for ensuring that every CAMHS-ID team has the multidisciplinary staffing required to meet the needs of children and young people with an intellectual disability and mental health difficulty. — Liam Quaide. [52212/26]

87. To ask the Minister for Health her plan for tackling primary and community care waiting lists; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [52168/26]

88. To ask the Minister for Health to commit to setting out a written detailed response and implementation plan to each of the 161 recommendations of the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Drugs Use policy reform. — Marie Sherlock. [52314/26]

89. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons who have presented to accident and emergency departments with injuries arising from incidents involving e-scooters, whether as riders or pedestrians; and whether these incidents occurred on public roads, footpaths, or other locations, where such data is available. — Peadar Tóibín. [52614/26]

90. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the progression of the master plan for the redevelopment of University Hospital Galway; the timelines for the first phase; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Kyne. [52389/26]

CEISTEANNA EILE OTHER QUESTIONS

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

91. To ask the Minister for Health if children who are private patients have been prioritised over public patients for surgery in our public hospitals; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [52178/26]

92. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients currently awaiting elective surgery at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, broken down by specialty and waiting time bands; the measures being taken to reduce these waiting lists; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paula Butterly. [52249/26]

93. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to increase clinical training capacity across health professions in the southeast; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [52161/26]

94. To ask the Minister for Health the action she is taking to address the dearth of nursing home beds and increase the number of step-down facilities in response to the crisis in delayed transfers of care in our acute hospital system; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marie Sherlock. [52270/26]

95. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the plan to increase capacity by between 4,000 and 4,500 new and refurbished in-patient hospital beds across the country; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shay Brennan. [48058/26]

96. To ask the Minister for Health the steps her Department is taking to address delays in processing reimbursement applications submitted under the Cross-Border Directive; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [52045/26]

97. To ask the Minister for Health when the strategic review of general practice will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [48211/26]

98. To ask the Minister for Health whether reimbursement under the Cross-Border Directive will include interest costs incurred on bank loans or credit facilities used by patients to fund upfront medical treatment abroad, particularly in circumstances where reimbursement delays significantly exceed indicative processing timelines; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [52044/26]

99. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the National Lipoedema Working Group is proposing to exclude surgical intervention from its guidelines on the management of lipoedema; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marie Sherlock. [52269/26]

100. To ask the Minister for Health when a project (details supplied) will proceed to the next stage; the level of new and upgraded facilities that will be provided; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [48294/26]

101. To ask the Minister for Health to outline her plans to improve access to public dental services in County Meath, especially for school-aged children; if she will provide details of waiting lists and time for category four and five procedures in County Meath; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [50875/26]

102. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to develop capital projects in Naas Hospital; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Neville. [52285/26]

103. To ask the Minister for Health to provide the number of staff required to deliver home care hours and care packages to fulfil commitments given to families on the discharge from hospital of a family member. — John McGuinness. [52298/26]

104. To ask the Minister for Health when she plans to bring forward a new, modern GP contract; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cormac Devlin. [48212/26]

105. To ask the Minister for Health whether CAHMS refusals are clinically appropriate or symptomatic of a system that is under-resourced and unable to meet demand, noting 5335 children and young adults have been refused service in County Wicklow for the past five years. — Fionntán Ó Súilleabháin. [29361/26]

106. To ask the Minister for Health the plans in place for new investment in Louth County Hospital; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Erin McGreehan. [48259/26]

107. To ask the Minister for Health if her Department is aware of circumstances in which elderly couples residing together and both in receipt of approved home support hours may experience unmet care needs due to home support staff restrictions on carrying out tasks solely for the individual to whom a particular visit is allocated; whether her Department will examine a more person-centred and household-based approach to the delivery of home support services in such cases; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51552/26]

108. To ask the Minister for Health for an update regarding the work her Department has undertaken to improve access to care for people living with lipoedema. — Maeve O'Connell. [47296/26]

109. To ask the Minister for Health for an update in relation to reimbursement of the drug skyclarys for patients with Frederich's ataxia; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51848/26]

110. To ask the Minister for Health the status of the new ambulance base for east Cork; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James O'Connor. [48227/26]

111. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to address the concerns raised by nurses and midwives at University Maternity Hospital Limerick; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [52246/26]

112. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the proposed elective hospital in Glanmire. — Thomas Gould. [51021/26]

113. To ask the Minister for Health the expected delivery timelines for improvements and new services at public hospitals and primary care centres in County Clare (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [51846/26]

114. To ask the Minister for Health her assessment of the need for a Minor Injuries Clinic in Balbriggan, County Dublin, having regard to the rapid population growth in Balbriggan and the wider north Fingal area, the increasing demand for local healthcare services and the distance many residents are required to travel to access emergency and urgent care services; her plans under consideration to provide a Minor Injuries Clinic or similar urgent care facility in north County Dublin; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Grace Boland. [52243/26]

115. To ask the Minister for Health the number of MRI and CT scanners and X-Ray machines currently operational nationwide in public and voluntary hospitals; the number in each category that are more than ten years old; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aisling Dempsey. [47994/26]

116. To ask the Minister for Health whether the reason to stop referrals going into the NEASS OPD six months after its launch is due to staffing issues; the alternative referral pathway that now exists for patients following this pause; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [50985/26]

117. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the plans for a new primary care centre in Graiguenamanagh; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere. [48001/26]

118. To ask the Minister for Health whether she intends to develop public-only GP and dentist contracts; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [52162/26]

119. To ask the Minister for Health whether additional ambulance resources or bases are planned for Mayo to address long travel distances and rural geography; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Keira Keogh. [44124/26]

120. To ask the Minister for Health status of the Youghal 60-bed community nursing unit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — James O’Connor. [48226/26]

121. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the plan to increase ICU bed capacity by at least a further 100 beds; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shay Brennan. [48059/26]

122. To ask the Minister for Health the total value of overpayments identified by the PCRS in respect of phased dispensing claims by community pharmacies in each of the past five years; the amount recovered to date; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Martin Daly. [47848/26]

123. To ask the Minister for Health the expected opening date for each of the promised perinatal mother and baby units; the current status of each project; whether any delays have arisen; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [51120/26]

124. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the progress of the new Gorey Primary Health Centre; the current status of the project; the timeline for next steps; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Brennan. [52221/26]

125. To ask the Minister for Health if she intends to establish an air ambulance service in the mid-west of Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [51847/26]

126. To ask the Minister for Health if she will outline the routes through which people in Monaghan can access mental health supports. — Cathy Bennett. [52260/26]

127. To ask the Minister for Health if, following increase in income thresholds for carer’s allowance eligibility, that the medical card income threshold eligibility for carers and those being cared for would rise in line with this increase to ensure that carers who are now eligible in light of this expansion are not disadvantaged when it comes to applying for medical cards or that those who now apply to become carers will not lose their medical cards upon being granted the allowance; whether she has discussed this with the Minister for Social Protection; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [52150/26]

128. To ask the Minister for Health if she will intervene to prevent reported restrictions on HSE home support services in Dublin South City, Dublin South-West, Dublin West, Kildare and West Wicklow; whether people assessed as having high levels of need are now being refused home support unless they are deemed to be in critical urgent need or require palliative end-of-life care; whether similar formal or informal restrictions, prioritisation thresholds, waiting-list pauses or reductions in home support approvals are currently operating in any other HSE region; the number of older people and disabled people affected, broken down by HSE region; the additional funding and staffing required to ensure that people can continue to live safely at home rather than being pushed into hospitals or nursing homes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Liam Quaide. [52223/26]

129. To ask the Minister for Health if she believes that sick children should be treated equally irrespective of their parents' ability to pay for healthcare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [52179/26]

130. To ask the Minister for Health the plans in place to ensure adequate oversight of the increase in the outsourcing of routine laboratory tests to commercial laboratories (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Edward Timmins. [48296/26]

131. To ask the Minister for Health the steps her Department is taking to improve access to crisis mental health services in rural areas of Mayo; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Keira Keogh. [44123/26]

132. To ask the Minister for Health if she is satisfied that the HSE is fully implementing its National Guidelines on Accessible Health and Social Care Services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Erin McGreehan. [48258/26]

133. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the development of a primary care centre for Kanturk; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [52174/26]

134. To ask the Minister for Health when a sexual assault treatment unit will be established in the mid-west; if Nenagh primary care centre will be the location for the unit; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ryan O'Meara. [48221/26]

135. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which she will ensure greater access to diagnostics in the evenings and weekends; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [48061/26]

136. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the proposed new emergency department for Beaumont Hospital; and the current stage this proposal is at and the expected timeline for the delivery of this essential project. — Tom Brabazon. [47946/26]

137. To ask the Minister for Health the options available to medical card holders over the age of 18 who require orthodontic treatment but cannot afford private care; and whether she will outline plans to address unmet orthodontic needs among adults in the public health system; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [51540/26]

138. To ask the Minister for Health if she is aware there is no PET scanner located in University Hospital Galway; her plans to ensure this is rectified; whether she accepts that a PET scanner is vital in a model four hospital; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Kyne. [50876/26]

139. To ask the Minister for Health the action she will undertake to address the serious overcrowding concerns highlighted by HIQA during its recent summer inspection of Mayo University Hospital; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [52284/26]

140. To ask the Minister for Health the specific targets in place to reduce waiting times for gynaecology services over 2026 and 2027, in light of the continued increase in referrals; the factors informing these targets; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [52183/26]

141. To ask the Minister for Health whether she will establish an independent external review of the governance and patient safety concerns arising from alleged incidents in the ambulance service which have been highlighted to her by an organisation (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [52163/26]

142. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the inquiry in children's care in CHI; the number of groups representing scoliosis care that have withdrawn from the inquiry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [52156/26]

143. To ask the Minister for Health for an urgent update on the proposed new 60-bed Community Nursing Unit (CNU) in Cashel, County Tipperary; to outline the current status of the site selection process; whether the site option appraisal and architect's report referenced in correspondence of November 2025 have now been finalised; if a preferred site has been identified; the reasons for the delay in progressing beyond draft stage as indicated in January 2026; the status of any property acquisition process being undertaken by the HSE; when local public representatives will be briefed on the outcome of the appraisal process; and the expected timeline for progression to design, planning, and construction stages. — Michael Murphy. [41535/26]

144. To ask the Minister for Health the measures she is taking to incentivise GPs and dentists to enter into private practice in communities to meet current demand and provide a service for people who do not have access to general medical and dental services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Brennan. [52225/26]

145. To ask the Minister for Health the number of instances in 2023, 2024 and 2025 where ambulances in Cavan and Monaghan did not arrive within the targeted timeframe; and the longest period that a person waited. — Matt Carthy. [52259/26]

146. To ask the Minister for Health the engagement with the HSE in relation to the provision of private maternity care in public hospitals by consultants under the new public contract; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [51849/26]

147. To ask the Minister for Health to outline her plans to invest in adult community mental health services in County Meath; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [50874/26]

148. To ask the Minister for Health if she will intervene to ensure that the HSE urgently prioritises a conclusion to the Skylarys reimbursement negotiations, given that it is the only available treatment for this progressive disease, which currently can be classed as having an "unmet need" as outlined in the National Rare Disease Strategy 2025–2030; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [30662/26]

149. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the recruitment taking place to staff the regional orthodontic centre based at the Louth County Hospital in Dundalk; the number of category 5 patients who are currently waiting on treatment on this list; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ruairí Ó Murchú. [50984/26]

150. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a full update on the new 83 bed paediatric wing at Cork University Hospital; and the estimated timeline for construction and completion. — Séamus McGrath. [52170/26]

151. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which she is continuing the transition to regular hospital care being available to patients seven-days-a-week; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [48060/26]

152. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the proposed primary care centre in Portumna, County Galway; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [51669/26]

153. To ask the Minister for Health the specific targets in place to reduce waiting times for primary care occupational therapy services for children in Kildare North, given the current waiting time of 238 weeks and 753 children on the waiting list; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [52184/26]

154. To ask the Minister for Health if a 24-hour rapid response vehicle will be introduced at Tuam Ambulance Base; if an analysis of calls to Tuam Ambulance Base will be undertaken; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [51668/26]

155. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made towards the establishment of a public inquiry into failures and scandals at Children's Health Ireland; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [52160/26]

156. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the former HSE Clinic at Camolin, County Wexford. — Malcolm Byrne. [51855/26]

157. To ask the Minister for Health if she will commission a feasibility study into the establishment of a Minor Injuries Clinic in Balbriggan, County Dublin, having regard to the significant population growth in Balbriggan and the wider north Fingal area, the increasing demand for local healthcare services and the distance many residents must travel to access urgent but non-life threatening care; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Grace Boland. [52242/26]

158. To ask the Minister for Health the actions she will take following the publication of the Report on Traveller Health published by the Joint Committee on Key Issues affecting the Traveller Community (details supplied); the steps she will take on recommendations to improve access through mobile clinics, lower screening ages for cervical check; to provide an update on the implementation of the National Traveller Health Action Plan; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marie Sherlock. [52268/26]

159. To ask the Minister for Health the efforts that are being made in Mayo to bring down the number of people on the waiting list for home support or receiving less than their allocated hours; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Rose Conway-Walsh. [52283/26]

160. To ask the Minister for Health the progress made in the development of a nationally coordinated service model for the assessment and treatment of ADHD for children and adults; the steps being taken to implement improved assessment and treatment pathways; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [52291/26]

161. To ask the Minister for Health to confirm when the report into midwifery and nursing numbers, commissioned by the National Women and Infants Health Programme will be published; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marie Sherlock. [52271/26]

162. To ask the Minister for Health her views on the public health risks posed by Brazilian beef, particularly given that, despite plans for its removal from the EU safe food list, it continues to be imported in large volumes; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Natasha Newsome Drennan. [52296/26]

163. To ask the Minister for Health if her Department have plans for secondary locations for Naas Hospital services, given the current population growth in the area and the lack of space on the hospital grounds; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Neville. [52290/26]

164. To ask the Minister for Health the proportion of the health budget spent on primary care; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [48057/26]

165. To ask the Minister for Health the current projected timeline for the completion and opening of the surgical hub and ambulatory oncology unit at Letterkenny University Hospital; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [51753/26]

166. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 2466 of 13 January 2026, the progress to date in developing a new service in Cavan/Monaghan; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [48295/26]

167. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients from Counties Louth, Meath, Monaghan and Cavan who were required to travel outside the northeast region for cardiac procedures in each of the past five years; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paula Butterly. [52248/26]

168. To ask the Minister for Health if she is satisfied that the current catch-up arrangements are sufficiently flexible for students who miss their routine HPV vaccination; and whether provision can be made to allow such students to access the vaccine free of charge. — Pa Daly. [51051/26]

169. To ask the Minister for Health the steps being taken by her Department to increase the number of public health nurses; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [48115/26]

170. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the progression of the master plan for the redevelopment of University Hospital Galway ‘timelines for the 1st phase’; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Kyne. [51131/26]

171. To ask the Minister for Health to clarify when the Model 3 Report (details supplied) at Letterkenny University Hospital will be published along with a plan to address the issues raised by the report. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [51754/26]

172. To ask the Minister for Health for an update regarding the implementation of the Model of Care for Lipodema. — Maeve O'Connell. [47297/26]

173. To ask the Minister for Health the status of a new psychiatric unit at Cavan Hospital; the timeframe within which it is expected to be delivered; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52258/26]

174. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the HSE assessment of a medication (details supplied) for inclusion under the drugs payment scheme; the current stage of the process; the timeline for decision, having regard to the prolonged assessment period; the ongoing cost to patients; the impact on women unable to access HRT; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [52097/26]

175. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on plans to increase hospital bed capacity in Cork City. — Séamus McGrath. [52171/26]

176. To ask the Minister for Health to issue a discretionary medical card to all cancer patients during their illness; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [48109/26]

177. To ask the Minister for Health the steps being taken to reduce outpatient waiting times; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Fearghaíl. [47999/26]

178. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the development of a new maternity unit at University Hospital Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [48108/26]

179. To ask the Minister for Health the current number of designated dementia care beds in the HSE Mid-West region, broken down by county; the number of people currently on a waiting list for a dementia specific bed in County Clare; her plans to increase capacity in County Clare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Cooney. [52216/26]

180. To ask the Minister for Health whether there will be a full inquiry and survivor centred redress for those who were abused in Ireland's psychiatric institutions; if not, the reasons; whether a timeline has been set for any such inquiry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sorca Clarke. [51115/26]

181. To ask the Minister for Health the progress to date towards the new proposed elective hospital for Cork; the current status of the project; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [52149/26]

182. To ask the Minister for Health the measures being taken by her Department and the HSE to reduce waiting times for community mental health services, including counselling services, particularly for young people and persons presenting with moderate mental health difficulties; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [52292/26]

183. To ask the Minister for Health if she will examine the case for the establishment of an urgent care centre and minor injury clinic at Our Lady's Hospital, Manorhamilton (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [51864/26]

184. To ask the Minister for Health if she has considered the provision of CT scans at Monaghan Hospital. — Cathy Bennett. [52262/26]

185. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 434 on the 25 March 2026, if the programme for Phase 2 of the Finglas Primary Care Centre project will be developed through 2026 as indicated; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [48183/26]

186. To ask the Minister for Health if her Department has reviewed the independent review assessing the regulatory processes of the Health Information and Quality Authority's inspection of nursing homes, which highlighted the need for regulatory reform in a number of key areas; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Natasha Newsome Drennan. [52295/26]

187. To ask the Minister for Health her views on the urgent need for capital investment in the department of psychiatry, Kilkenny. — John McGuinness. [52297/26]

188. To ask the Minister for Health when the contract for SouthDoc will be readvertised. — Thomas Gould. [51022/26]

189. To ask the Minister for Health as Chair of the EU Health Council of Ministers, if she will push for the inclusion of SPF products on the EU VAT rate list of reduced-rate pharmaceutical products; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marie Sherlock. [52267/26]

190. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the development of a new primary care centre in Gorey, County Wexford. — Malcolm Byrne. [51854/26]

191. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the latest update and steps being taken by the HSE to address the ongoing vacancy of a consultant ophthalmologist in South Tipperary; the number of recruitment campaigns undertaken to fill this post and their outcomes; the reasons no candidates have been successfully appointed to date; the current waiting list figures for ophthalmology services in South Tipperary; the interim measures in place to provide care to patients; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Murphy. [41534/26]

192. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to uphold the Labour Court recommendation that perfusionists pay be linked with other medical scientists to prevent further strike action; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [52099/26]

193. To ask the Minister for Health the extent of the use of SMS messaging systems for outpatient appointment reminders across public hospitals and healthcare facilities; the number of messages issued and level of utilisation by each site; whether all facilities with access to such systems are making full use of them; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [47996/26]

194. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to expand access to publicly funded dental services beyond current eligibility criteria to include all school-aged children and not just those in primary school, given concerns about access to preventative dental care among young people; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [51539/26]

195. To ask the Minister for Health her assessment of the recent ESRI projections of regional workforce requirements for HSE primary and community care services to 2040; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Sean Fleming. [48056/26]

196. To ask the Minister for Health the steps being taken to reduce in-patient and day case waiting times; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Fearghaíl. [47998/26]

197. To ask the Minister for Health whether current CAMHS operational guidelines are adequate to meet rising and increasingly complex demand, given ongoing capacity and staffing constraints that have resulted in 5,335 children and young people being refused services in County Wicklow over the past five years. — Fionntán Ó Súilleabháin. [29360/26]

198. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the delivery of the recently announced increase in National Ambulance Service resources for County Clare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Joe Cooney. [52215/26]

199. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to tackle the waiting list for orthodontist care for children now not being seen throughout primary school; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere. [48000/26]

200. To ask the Minister for Health if she will review the funding provided in SLA’s for section 39 agencies providing older people services in general, many of which are on the same level of funding since 2015; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O’Shea. [52175/26]

201. To ask the Minister for Health the number of presentations to hospital with nitrous oxide related injuries; her plans tackle this issue; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Ward. [52157/26]

202. To ask the Minister for Health her views on whether the current delay in the Skyclarys reimbursement negotiations aligns with the “equitable access” promised in the newly launched National Rare Disease Strategy 2025–2030; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [30663/26]

203. To ask the Minister for Health the next step towards the full implementation of Sláintecare and provide full medical card cover to those whose income is equal to or below the median wage; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [52041/26]

204. To ask the Minister for Health the progress being made to resolve clinical and regulatory issues which stand in the way of single women and same-sex couples in accessing free AHR; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [52043/26]

205. To ask the Minister for Health the measures being taken to strengthen preventative healthcare and early intervention in order to improve health outcomes and reduce long-term pressure on hospital services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [52238/26]

206. To ask the Minister for Health the details of the SMS reminder systems in use across public hospitals, including the service providers involved; whether systems are centrally procured or locally arranged; the functionality available, including whether two-way communication is enabled; the associated costs, including cost per message and total expenditure in the most recent twelve-month period; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Albert Dolan. [47997/26]

207. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the Limerick Surgical Hub that was due to open in May 2026; when it is due to open; the steps she is taking to ensure it operates at full capacity; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Maurice Quinlivan. [52247/26]

208. To ask the Minister for Health if she has convened stakeholders to consider the recommendations of the review of the Health (Regulation of Termination of Pregnancy) Act 2018 relating to section 11 of that Act; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [52159/26]

209. To ask the Minister for Health when a facility (details supplied) will be fully operational; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Aindrias Moynihan. [52098/26]

210. To ask the Minister for Health the progress being made in expanding the use of digital health technologies to improve patient access, reduce waiting times and support more efficient delivery of healthcare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [52237/26]

211. To ask the Minister for Health the number of the 16 eating disorder teams envisaged under the model of care that are fully staffed; to provide a breakdown of staffing levels across each team; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [52137/26]

212. To ask the Minister for Health when she expects an implementation plan will be published following a report (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Muirí. [52135/26]

213. To ask the Minister for Health the workforce planning basis now used by the Department of Health and the HSE for specialist mental health services; the reason explicit multidisciplinary staffing benchmarks continue to apply in areas such as specialist mental health services for older people, while comparable national staffing benchmarks are no longer routinely published or applied across other specialist mental health services since A Vision for Change; the methodology that has replaced the staffing benchmark approach set out in A Vision for Change; whether this methodology allows the Department and the HSE to quantify the gap between current approved posts and required staffing levels by discipline, team and HSE region; whether she will publish clear staffing standards for general adult, child and adolescent, rehabilitation and recovery, crisis resolution and other specialist mental health teams; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Liam Quaide. [52222/26]

214. To ask the Minister for Health the number and location of all primary care centres in the development pipeline; the average length of time it takes to complete the development of a primary care centre from concept through to completion in each of the six health regions; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [48116/26]

215. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the proposed opening of the Midleton Community Hospital, Midleton, County Cork to patients; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel McCarthy. [51254/26]

216. To ask the Minister for Health to outline if the Finglas Primary Care Centre remains on track for Phase 1 works to commence in Q2 2026; to provide the latest update on enabling works for the project; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [48182/26]

217. To ask the Minister for Health if she will undertake a review of the daily charge imposed on older people using HSE transport services to access HSE-funded services, with a view to abolishing this fee, given that many users hold free travel passes but cannot avail of them on these HSE-operated services; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [51863/26]

218. To ask the Minister for Health to increase the number of public nursing home beds in County Laois; to ensure that St Anne's Ward in St Vincents Hospital Mountmellick is kept in use when the new extension is opened; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Stanley. [52042/26]

CEISTEANNA LE hAGHAIDH FREAGRAÍ SCRÍOFA QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

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

*219. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if there is a minimum period that exists for the renewal of a valid passport that has not been lost, where the applicant seeks a change of name on their passport; if not, the reason the Passport Service may have advised an applicant (details supplied); the process for the renewal of passports in such circumstances; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Noel McCarthy. [52362/26]

*220. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to review a case (details supplied); if she will expedite the application; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [52397/26]

*221. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade further to Parliamentary Question No. 126 of 11 June 2026, if officials will make contact with Irish citizens (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louise O'Reilly. [52483/26]

*222. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade for a detailed report in regard to matters (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52531/26]

*223. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to give a detailed response in relation to claims of breaches to the UN Charter (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52533/26]

*224. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade to urgently address concerns regarding a facility (details supplied) in County Limerick; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52534/26]

*225. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade the supports her Department provides, or can provide, to civil society organisations in Palestine and Israel that are working to promote peace, dialogue and mutual understanding between communities, and to foster more effective and progressive political representation; whether, in her role as President of the European Council of Foreign Ministers, she intends to advocate for increased EU funding and support for such peace-building and reconciliation initiatives; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Fearghail. [52539/26]

*226. To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade if her attention has been drawn to the case of a doctor (details supplied), who has been held for over 500 days in detention by Israel, mostly in solitary confinement, without charge or conviction, and who is now reported to be in a critical condition; the efforts she has made to raise this case with EU colleagues; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [52599/26]

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

*227. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment if he will review correspondence (details supplied); if he will outline the supports, schemes, or alternative funding options that may be available to a homeowner who do not qualify for existing refurbishment or retrofit grants due to eligibility criteria; if he will address the broader issue of homeowners who are excluded from available schemes despite investing their own resources to keep older properties occupied and maintained; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [52321/26]

*228. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment for an update on the marine protected areas legislation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [52307/26]

*229. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment if he will publish the general directives he has laid down pursuant to section 20 (4) of the Turf Development Act 1946, in accordance with which the power of Bord na Móna to develop bog that has been substantially cleared of turf must be exercised; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [52361/26]

*230. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment to clarify the implementation of grants for battery storage in relation to solar panels; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Christopher O’Sullivan. [52395/26]

*231. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment to provide an update on the progress of the Tonn Nua offshore wind project off the coast of Waterford; whether any delays to the project have been identified to date; whether the project is currently expected to exceed its projected budget; and, if so, the estimated extent of any cost increases. — Peadar Tóibín. [52551/26]

*232. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment to outline the tender and assessment process through which the Tonn Nua offshore wind project was awarded to the ESB-Ørsted joint venture, including the evaluation criteria applied, the number of bidders involved and the basis upon which the successful bid was selected. — Peadar Tóibín. [52552/26]

*233. To ask the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment to outline the basis on which the Tonn Nua offshore wind project secured a 20-year Contract for Difference at a strike price of €98.72 per megawatt hour; and to provide details of the assessment carried out to determine value for money for the State and consumers. — Peadar Tóibín. [52553/26]

Chun an Aire Iompair: To the Minister for Transport.

*234. To ask the Minister for Transport if the NTA are independently auditing the ledger of a project (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Conor Sheehan. [52322/26]

*235. To ask the Minister for Transport if consideration has been given to ensuring the EV scrappage scheme is accessible to disability allowance recipients and low-income households; the ways coordination with other disability supports is being factored in; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shane Moynihan. [52329/26]

*236. To ask the Minister for Transport the plans nationally or locally to phase out AVGAS100LL in favour of unleaded alternatives. — Paul Murphy. [52366/26]

*237. To ask the Minister for Transport if he has received representations from a youth organisation (details supplied) to reduce the cost of public transport for young people in order to promote climate action and reduce the cost of living; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [52407/26]

*238. To ask the Minister for Transport the assessment that has been conducted regarding the road safety risks associated with e-scooters being operated on footpaths and public roads by underage users; whether additional enforcement measures are being considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Lawless. [52426/26]

*239. To ask the Minister for Transport if he will provide a list from Irish Rail of all delays on the southbound DART services from 10 May 2026 to 10 June 2026 inclusive; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [52450/26]

*240. To ask the Minister for Transport the amount collected by Bus Éireann on seat reservation fees in the years of 2024, 2025 and to-date in 2026, in tabular form; and the additional improvements that were carried out as result of those fees. — Seamus Healy. [52491/26]

*241. To ask the Minister for Transport the current status of the review of e-scooter legislation referenced by the Minister of State with responsibility for Road Transport in the Dáil last month; if terms of reference have been set for this review; the timeline for its completion; if it will examine mandatory helmet and hi-vis requirements for e-scooter users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [52495/26]

*242. To ask the Minister for Transport the breakdown, by age category of rider and by Garda region, of the 837 fixed charge notices issued for e-scooter offences since the legislation came into effect in May 2024; the number of these notices issued to riders under the age of 16; the number of repeat offenders identified; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [52496/26]

*243. To ask the Minister for Transport if his Department holds or plans to establish a national dataset recording e-scooter-related injuries and incidents, given that current data on child casualties is being generated on an ad hoc basis by individual hospitals rather than through any centralised Department or agency mechanism; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [52497/26]

*244. To ask the Minister for Transport if a formal inter-agency working group exists involving his Department, the Department of Health, the Department of Education and Youth, the Road Safety Authority and An Garda Síochána to address the rise in child e-scooter injuries; if such a group has produced any reports, recommendations or action plans to date; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [52498/26]

*245. To ask the Minister for Transport the steps that have been taken by RSA to mitigate delays in driver testing waiting times; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Lahart. [52536/26]

*246. To ask the Minister for Transport if he is aware of the hardship being caused to individuals experiencing lengthy delays in exchanging recognised foreign driving licences for Irish licences through the NDLS, particularly where these delays affect a person's ability to travel to work and maintain employment; whether additional resources will be provided to expedite the verification process with overseas licensing authorities; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [52556/26]

*247. To ask the Minister for Transport the number of dynamometer checks carried out on e-scooters in each of the years 2024, 2025 and to date in 2026; the number of devices found to exceed the 20 km/h legal speed limit; if his Department has examined whether commercially available e-scooters are being sold with the capacity to exceed this limit out of the box; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [52494/26]

*248. To ask the Minister for Transport when he expects to publish the revised National Aviation Policy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Callaghan. [52583/26]

*249. To ask the Minister for Transport his plans for a National Counter Unmanned Aircraft System (C-UAS) strategy; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Callaghan. [52584/26]

*250. To ask the Minister for Transport the accountability the National Transport Authority has to him in the event of lack of supply of fleet to Bus Éireann, when spare fleet exists in storage by Dublin Bus (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gillian Toole. [52609/26]

*251. To ask the Minister for Transport the results of the flight paths review carried out by the DAA and AirNav (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Gillian Toole. [52611/26]

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

*252. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide funding as a matter of priority to Kerry County Council for the appointment of consultants to prepare an application for coastal protection works at Rossbeigh Beach, Glenbeigh, County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52417/26]

*253. To ask the Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation to provide funding as a matter of priority to Kerry County Council for the appointment of consultants to prepare an application for flood relief works at Cromane Lower, Killorglin, County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52418/26]

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

*254. To ask the Minister for Enterprise, Tourism and Employment to give favourable consideration to recommendations by an organisation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52448/26]

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

*255. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 574 of 27 January 2026, the steps that a school (details supplied) will now take to secure a review of the decision to exclude the school from the DEIS Band 1 programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52351/26]

*256. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the secondary schools in County Monaghan that have DEIS status, per band; the years they were allocated their current DEIS status, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52352/26]

*257. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the primary schools in County Monaghan that have DEIS status, per band; the years they were allocated their current DEIS status, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52353/26]

*258. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the secondary schools in County Cavan that have DEIS status, per band; the years they were allocated their current DEIS status, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52354/26]

*259. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the primary schools in County Cavan that have DEIS status, per band; the years they were allocated their current DEIS status, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52355/26]

*260. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to provide an update on the Exceptional No Service Interim Grant, noting that it was made available to families affected when Bus Éireann issued tickets for the 2025/2026 school year and difficulties subsequently arose with a small number of contracted services in certain localities (details supplied). — Erin McGreehan. [52357/26]

*261. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the status of the school building programme for a school (details supplied); when her Department will grant permission to pass Stage 2(b); if the school's building programme on the list of building programmes issued in January 2026; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [52358/26]

*262. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to confirm that a teacher (details below) has the 34 years of service as a teacher to qualify for voluntary early retirement; whether their query

form 1 application for a statement of retirement benefits could be issued; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Kyne. [52359/26]

*263. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if approval will issue in respect of a new service for a school (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [52363/26]

*264. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if a new service has been extended to schools (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brendan Smith. [52364/26]

*265. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the status of an application for a school building project (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [52380/26]

*266. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth when an SNA application for a school (details supplied) will be approved; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Keira Keogh. [52381/26]

*267. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth the way in which a person working part-time in a post primary school can achieve Droichead registration if they do not work the required 200 hours in an academic year, if they are unable to increase their hours even temporarily due to caring commitments. — Thomas Gould. [52396/26]

*268. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will increase investment in the youth work sector to increase service provision. — Willie O'Dea. [52404/26]

*269. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will increase capital funding for youth hubs and infrastructure to support connection, service provision and prevention. — Willie O'Dea. [52405/26]

*270. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if a redress scheme will be provided for survivors of historic sexual abuse suffered at the hands of members of an organisation (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [52484/26]

*271. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth to urgently address the deep frustration and disappointment with the administration of this year's Primary School Summer Programme by her Department; if she will address the issues highlighted in correspondence (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52519/26]

*272. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth whether her Department has issued guidance, circulars or advice to boards of management regarding the management of situations where a member of teaching staff transitions gender while employed; whether such guidance addresses the school's obligations under equality legislation, communication with staff, students and parents, and the ethos of denominational schools; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [52525/26]

*273. To ask the Minister for Education and Youth if she will review and amend the criteria requiring survivors of institutional abuse to pay up front for education courses before they can claim for them (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Darren O'Rourke. [52549/26]

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

*274. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport if disability grants are available for a para-athlete (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [52510/26]

*275. To ask the Minister for Culture, Communications and Sport the funding available to assist sports clubs to meet increasing costs of rental and staff wages while using facilities owned by others; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Eoin Ó Broin. [52527/26]

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

*276. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will consider options to facilitate a resolution in a case (details supplied) where archaeological costs associated with the discovery of a significant burial site have risen to approximately €400,000; whether he has engaged with the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage on the matter; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Fearghail. [52419/26]

*277. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his Department has made an expression of interest in taking ownership of Dunguaire Castle in Kinvara, County Galway; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [52449/26]

*278. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he is concerned that hare numbers are declining; the steps he will take to protect hare numbers; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [52198/26]

*279. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the options open to persons who cannot afford to pay for a Fire Service callout and who do not qualify for a full waiver; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [52324/26]

*280. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the local government borrowing ceiling that has been for each year from 2020 to 2026; to detail borrowing sanctions in each year with a breakdown by local authority; and to confirm the status of these sanctions such as approval to borrow or drawdown of actual borrowings. — Eoin Ó Broin. [52365/26]

*281. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the reason the CEO of Uisce Éireann is set to receive an overall pay package this year of €391,953 which is an overall rise of €118,000 on their pay package for 2025; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52375/26]

*282. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if he will consider concerns raised in correspondence regarding a local authority's methodology for allocating local property tax funding between municipal districts; whether he will examine the rationale for the allocation model adopted; the extent to which objective indicators such as deprivation, population needs and infrastructure requirements were taken into account (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Fearghail. [52401/26]

*283. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of social housing units commenced and completed in County Roscommon and in County Galway between 1 January 2026 and 1 July 2026, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52443/26]

*284. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of applications received and approved under the croí cónaithe scheme in County Roscommon and County Galway between 1 January and 1 July 2026 in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52444/26]

*285. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of applications for planning permission for one-off rural dwellings received by Roscommon County Council and Galway County Council between 1 January and 1 July 2026; and the number granted and refused, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52445/26]

*286. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to give favourable consideration to a recommendation (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52447/26]

*287. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of households on the social housing waiting list in County Roscommon and County Galway, broken down by local authority area and household composition, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52468/26]

*288. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of vacant local authority dwellings in County Roscommon and County Galway; the length of time each property has remained vacant; and the reason each dwelling remains unoccupied, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52469/26]

*289. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of applications received under the Vacant Property Refurbishment Grant in County Roscommon and County Galway; the number approved; the number completed; and the value of grants paid to date, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52470/26]

*290. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the average processing time for planning applications submitted to Roscommon County Council and Galway County Council during 2026, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52481/26]

*291. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of fully completed and occupied units in each local authority area developed by the LDA, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [52513/26]

*292. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of units currently at construction phase in each local authority area by the LDA, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [52514/26]

*293. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if the Draft Sustainable Rural and Gaeltacht Housing National Planning Statement will require ongoing verification of Irish language use in Gaeltacht properties granted permission on language-competency grounds, beyond the point-in-time assessment; if any monitoring, reporting, or compliance mechanism is planned to prevent resale or letting to non-Irish-speaking occupiers once the occupancy condition period has elapsed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O'Flynn. [52521/26]

*294. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the proposed minimum residency or employment period an applicant must complete in a destination Gaeltacht area before Inter-Gaeltacht Recognition can be invoked to satisfy local need criteria; if this mechanism has been assessed for risk of enabling applicants to prioritise higher-demand Gaeltacht areas ahead of persons with longstanding multi-generational ties to that area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O’Flynn. [52522/26]

*295. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if, in removing the capacity of planning authorities to impose blanket bans on backland and ribbon development, the draft National Planning Statement will introduce any aggregate density ceiling, cumulative impact assessment, or equivalent safeguard to prevent incremental over-development in sensitive or high-amenity rural and Gaeltacht areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O’Flynn. [52523/26]

*296. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if his Department will consider replacing the discretionary provision that a planning authority “may apply a more restrictive approach” in metropolitan and high-amenity areas with a mandatory standard, in order to prevent inconsistent application between neighbouring local authorities and a recurrence of the inconsistency the National Planning Statement is intended to resolve; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ken O’Flynn. [52524/26]

*297. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to amend regulations governing the retirement age for retained firefighters, allowing those who remain medically and physically fit to continue serving until they reach the State pension age of 66; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52526/26]

*298. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage if steps will be taken in relation to anti-social behaviour (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52535/26]

*299. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of social homes delivered by each local authority in each year since the publication or adoption of that local authority’s current development plan; and the projected number of social homes to be delivered in each remaining year of the current development plan period, broken down by local authority, year, delivery stream and target, in tabular form. — Liam Quaide. [52572/26]

*300. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of social homes allocated or provided by each local authority to people with an intellectual disability in each year since the publication or adoption of that local authority’s current development plan; and the target or projected number of such allocations for each remaining year of the current development plan period, by local authority and year, in tabular form. — Liam Quaide. [52573/26]

*301. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the number of people with an intellectual disability currently recorded on the active social housing support list in each local authority area; and whether intellectual disability is recorded separately from other disability categories in each local authority’s housing need assessment, in tabular form. — Liam Quaide. [52574/26]

*302. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the length of time people with an intellectual disability have been on the active social housing support list, for each

local authority; the mean waiting time; and the longest waiting time, in tabular form. — Liam Quaide. [52575/26]

*303. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage whether local authorities record or estimate emerging housing need among people with an intellectual disability, including through engagement with disability service providers, families, the HSE or relevant voluntary bodies; the estimated number of people with an intellectual disability who are expected to require housing in future years in each local authority area; and the time period covered by those estimates, in tabular form. — Liam Quaide. [52576/26]

*304. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage when he expects the new rural housing guidelines to be adopted by each of the 31 local authorities; the process and timeframe involved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52577/26]

*305. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the up-to-date position with a social housing project in County Kildare (details supplied); the number and type of houses to be constructed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52578/26]

*306. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the up-to-date position with a social housing project in County Kildare (details supplied); the number and type of houses to be constructed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52579/26]

*307. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the amount of land purchased by each local authority for the purpose of constructing social housing over each of the last three years; the locations of these lands; the size of these lands, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52580/26]

*308. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the up-to-date position regarding the review into social housing income limits; the timeframe involved; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52581/26]

*309. To ask the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage the current position with inter county HAP applications; if those on a local authority list can rent a home in any other local authority and receive a HAP payment; if there are any limitations on the amount that is payable in another local authority; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52582/26]

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

*310. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if he will review the case of a person (details supplied); if he will provide an update on the disability allowance application; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [52344/26]

*311. To ask the Minister for Social Protection the reason for the refusal of a person (details supplied) for an exceptional needs payment; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ruth Coppinger. [52384/26]

*312. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if he will review the legislative provisions governing the backdating of domiciliary care allowance in circumstances where a child is subsequently diagnosed with a congenital or lifelong condition that existed from birth but remained undiagnosed for a prolonged period despite ongoing medical engagement; whether

consideration has been given to providing for exceptions to the current six-month backdating limit in exceptional cases; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Fearghail. [52393/26]

*313. To ask the Minister for Social Protection if he will examine whether the statutory six-month limit on backdating domiciliary care allowance may give rise to hardship in cases where entitlement could not reasonably have been identified earlier due to a delayed diagnosis of a congenital condition; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Ó Fearghail. [52394/26]

*314. To ask the Minister for Social Protection for a breakdown of the additional payments for people in receipt carer's allowance; the number of people in receipt of additional allowances (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [52537/26]

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

*315. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether a preliminary estimate exists of the capital expenditure, annual operating expenditure, staffing requirements, and the procurement timetable for the implementation of a national entry and exit registration system for non-Irish and non-British citizens; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52598/26]

*316. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the current regulatory framework for section 32 assessors; whether he intends on introducing an independent statutory framework, including safeguarding and mandatory reporting obligations for court-appointed professionals; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [52325/26]

*317. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if consideration has been given to the introduction of multi-disciplinary child welfare teams to advise the courts in complex cases involving children; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [52326/26]

*318. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether training is available for judges and all family justice professionals in coercive control, domestic abuse, trauma and child development; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Ciarán Ahern. [52327/26]

*319. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his Department will ensure two join family visa applications can be examined and expedited (details supplied). — Robert Troy. [52346/26]

*320. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration to examine the delays affecting an extension of student conditions (1G Extension) visa application (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Cian O'Callaghan. [52398/26]

*321. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether he is aware of the case of a person (details supplied); and to expedite the case. — Thomas Gould. [52399/26]

*322. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether emergency requests submitted through the immigration customer service portal are reviewed; the service standard that

applies to such requests; the escalation mechanism that exists where no response is received; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Jennifer Whitmore. [52402/26]

*323. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of incidents involving the illegal use of e-scooters reported to An Garda Síochána in County Mayo in each of the past three years; the number of fixed penalty notices issued and e-scooters seized during this period; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Lawless. [52420/26]

*324. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the measures An Garda Síochána is taking to enforce legislation relating to the use of e-scooters by persons under the legal age requirement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Lawless. [52421/26]

*325. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if he will provide details of Garda resources assigned to Ballinrobe; the number of Garda members currently assigned to the town; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Lawless. [52422/26]

*326. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of complaints relating to anti-social behaviour involving e-scooters in Ballinrobe, County Mayo since May 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Lawless. [52423/26]

*327. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of crimes investigated by Gardaí that were recorded as happening within Leinster House; the number of crimes investigated by Gardaí that were recorded as happening within Government buildings in each of the past ten years of such crimes, in tabular form; and to detail the category of crime the recorded crimes were in. — Peadar Tóibín. [52554/26]

*328. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration if his Department accepts and considers applications made under section 4(7) of the Immigration Act 2004 from non-nationals who do not possess a current permission to remain in the State; if so, the legal basis upon which such applications are considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Callaghan. [52585/26]

*329. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of applications received under section 4(7) of the Immigration Act 2004 from persons who did not hold a current immigration permission at the time of application in each of the past five years; the number granted and refused; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Catherine Callaghan. [52586/26]

*330. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of fines that have been issued in relation to the use of e-scooters, broken down by year, where data is available. — Peadar Tóibín. [52589/26]

*331. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of e-scooters that have been seized by An Garda Síochána since the commencement of the recent enforcement campaign/clampdown on e-scooter regulations. — Peadar Tóibín. [52590/26]

*332. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether an assessment has been carried out of the number of biometric capture stations that would be required to process all non-Irish and non-British arrivals entering the State annually; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52600/26]

*333. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether his Department has carried out a feasibility study, business case, cost-benefit analysis or preliminary costing exercise in respect of an electronic entry and exit registration system; if so, to provide details of the estimated capital and operating costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52601/26]

*334. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether his Department has examined the implementation costs and staffing requirements associated with the European Union entry/exit system (details supplied) and the applicability of those costs to the State. — Matt Carthy. [52602/26]

*335. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the estimated annual volume of passport, biometric and travel movement records that would be generated under an entry and exit registration system applying to all non-Irish and non-British travellers entering and leaving the State; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52603/26]

*336. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the estimated storage and infrastructure costs associated with retaining entry and exit records for periods of three years, five years and ten years respectively; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52604/26]

*337. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the proportion of total passenger movements into and out of the State that are undertaken by Irish and British citizens who can avail of free movement under the terms of the common travel area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52605/26]

*338. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration whether his Department has estimated the number of additional immigration officers, enforcement personnel, information technology staff and data protection personnel that would be required for the operation of an electronic entry and exit registration system; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52606/26]

*339. To ask the Minister for Justice, Home Affairs and Migration the number of passenger arrivals in each of the past five years (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Matt Carthy. [52607/26]

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

*340. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures his Department is taking to support the restoration of native oyster reefs and other nature-based solutions in Ireland's marine environment to improve biodiversity, enhance water quality and strengthen coastal resilience; whether further restoration projects are planned; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Heneghan. [52570/26]

*341. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine further to Parliamentary Question No. 649 of 30 June 2026, the whereabouts of the 23,760 non-coursing greyhounds entered on the Rásaíocht Con Éireann Traceability System in 2021; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [52330/26]

*342. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine in view of confirmation from RCÉ that the RCÉTS does not retain a static record identifying the exact cohort of greyhounds included in the traceability system at a specific date, and that it is therefore not possible to retrospectively determine the active or inactive status of individual greyhounds on the system, if he considers the RCÉTS to be fit for purpose; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [52331/26]

*343. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for an update in relation to TB eradication scheme; the cost of the scheme from 2021 to 2026; the number of farmers compensated on that time; the number of reactors of that time per county; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51850/26]

*344. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine for an update in relation to Ireland’s negotiating position in the next round of talks in relation to the CAP strategic plan; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O’Sullivan. [51851/26]

*345. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps he is taking to address the reported oversubscription of the straw incorporation measure; whether he intends to reduce payment rates, reduce eligible hectares, or impose any other limitation on participants; if he will provide an additional budget allocation to ensure all eligible applicants receive their full payment under the scheme; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52360/26]

*346. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the measures being taken to support the growth and international expansion of Irish-owned food and agri-food businesses; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52387/26]

*347. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the steps being taken to support farm succession; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52388/26]

*348. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the way in which Agricultural Reserve allocation was distributed for each of the years 2023, 2024 and 2025, by each sector that benefited, the amount allocated and the basis upon which sectors were selected; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [52414/26]

*349. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine whether his Department considered recognising the 2023/2024 potato crop losses as a force majeure event for the purposes of CAP administration; the criteria considered in arriving at the decision taken; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [52415/26]

*350. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to identify each occasion since 2014 on which Ireland has sought, received or considered seeking Agricultural Reserve or equivalent exceptional market support from the European Commission following adverse weather events; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Fitzmaurice. [52416/26]

*351. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of WTE qualified veterinary surgeons employed by Horse Racing Ireland as of 1 July 2026, in tabular form. — Seamus Healy. [52489/26]

*352. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the number of WTE qualified veterinary surgeons employed by Greyhound Racing Ireland as of 1 July 2026, in tabular form. — Seamus Healy. [52490/26]

*353. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine if he will publish the Review of the Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES) as undertaken by senior management within his Department and announced at the end of October 2024; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — John Connolly. [52512/26]

*354. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the total amount spent by Rásaíocht Con Éireann on homing greyhounds no longer useful to the industry for each of the years 2019 to 2025 (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [52587/26]

*355. To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine the fees and expenses paid to four individuals for recent fundraising information evenings at greyhound tracks (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Shónagh Ní Raghallaigh. [52588/26]

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

*356. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to acquire a facility (details supplied) for urgently required respite for adults and children with profound disabilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52451/26]

*357. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of children in counties Roscommon and Galway awaiting completion of an assessment of need under the Disability Act 2005; and the number waiting more than six months and more than twelve months, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52461/26]

*358. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of vacant posts within Children's Disability Network Teams nationally and by health region; the average time taken to fill these vacancies; whether consideration is being given to streamlining the recruitment approval process to reduce delays in services for children with disabilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Peter Roche. [51551/26]

*359. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the steps she is taking, in conjunction with the HSE, to address the shortage of planned respite services for children with disabilities in County Galway; whether she is aware of the pressures outlined by service providers arising from crisis placements displacing planned respite; and if she will provide an update on the status of the proposed after-school respite programme at (details supplied) including timelines for approval, funding, and implementation. — Albert Dolan. [33107/26]

*360. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to urgently provide respite hours at home for a child (details supplied) in County Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52356/26]

*361. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality when a service can expect to receive an update on an application (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Brian Brennan. [52400/26]

*362. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to give consideration to acquiring locations (details supplied) for urgently required respite for adults and children with profound disabilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52454/26]

*363. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the number of children in the CDNT in Longford; and the number of speech therapists in Longford. — Micheál Carrigy. [52485/26]

*364. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the reason the sanctioning of AIM Level 7 support is not given until July (details supplied); the reason these decisions cannot be made earlier; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [52499/26]

*365. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality when there was last an increase in the rate paid for ECCE. — Claire Kerrane. [52504/26]

*366. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the estimated full year cost of increasing the rate paid to ECCE to €100 per child per week. — Claire Kerrane. [52505/26]

*367. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she is aware that ECCE providers are struggling to meet costs; and if she will look at an increase given the importance and success of ECCE and the need to maintain that. — Claire Kerrane. [52506/26]

*368. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if she has looked at lengthening the ECCE year to provide more to children and parents. — Claire Kerrane. [52507/26]

*369. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if ESF+ funding is available to support the expansion of family resource centres in terms of renovations of an empty building; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Claire Kerrane. [52508/26]

*370. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality to report on an instruction by Tusla to an ASD childcare provider (details supplied) that services may not be provided to any child over five years and 11 months; her views that such an instruction removes an invaluable service to many families; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Seán Crowe. [52548/26]

*371. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality if her Department intends to operate a fee increase assessment process for core funding for the programme year 2026/2027; if not, the mechanism by which it is intended to replace this process; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O’Gorman. [52557/26]

*372. To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the progress on support measures being provided to persons with Down syndrome and their families. — Malcolm Byrne. [53009/26]

Chun an Aire Sláinte: To the Minister for Health.

*373. To ask the Minister for Health whether consideration has been given to the treatment of the nursing homes support scheme (fair deal scheme) means test in cases where applicants own or have an interest in properties that are significantly devalued due to defective concrete; if the reduced or impaired market value of such properties is fully recognised in the financial

assessment; if there are plans to introduce a specific exemption, adjustment mechanism, or guidance to ensure that applicants are not unfairly assessed on notional property values that do not reflect realisable market value; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Charles Ward. [52383/26]

*374. To ask the Minister for Health the number of licences granted for the cultivation of industrial hemp in each of the years 2023, 2024, 2025 and to date in 2026, broken down by county. — Martin Daly. [52441/26]

*375. To ask the Minister for Health if she will engage with the HSE to expedite a long-term care bed placement for a Kerry constituent (details supplied) in Killarney; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52323/26]

*376. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to increase the funding provided to the Mater Hospital's lymphoedema programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [52332/26]

*377. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the number of specialists currently in place in the Mater Hospital's lymphoedema programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [52333/26]

*378. To ask the Minister for Health if her Department will consider a catch-up HPV vaccine programme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [52334/26]

*379. To ask the Minister for Health the actions her Department is taking to increase the uptake of the HPV vaccine; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [52335/26]

*380. To ask the Minister for Health the efforts to increase HPV vaccine coverage among men and boys; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Roderic O'Gorman. [52336/26]

*381. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the disposal of the former health centre at Tinahely, County Wicklow. — Malcolm Byrne. [47898/26]

*382. To ask the Minister for Health to outline the current protocols in place for cases of suspected drink spiking; the reason hospitals do not carry out toxicology testing in these cases, even when requested by patients and families; if she will commit to establishing a clear national pathway across the justice system and in our hospitals, supported by appropriate clinical protocols; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [36879/26]

*383. To ask the Minister for Health when she will appoint a project board to lead the development of the new hospital campus at Raheen Limerick; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [47842/26]

*384. To ask the Minister for Health if she will provide an update on her Department's and HSE plans to develop new primary care centres across County Clare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Cathal Crowe. [47843/26]

*385. To ask the Minister for Health if she is aware of delays in accessing first antenatal appointments at University Hospital Galway, with women now reportedly waiting until 16–17 weeks gestation rather than the standard 12-week timeframe; the reasons for these delays; the

risks posed to maternal and foetal health, particularly for high-risk pregnancies; and the steps she is taking to ensure timely and safe antenatal care for women across the UHG catchment area. — Albert Dolan. [33109/26]

*386. To ask the Minister for Health if she plans to change the income thresholds for those over the age of 66 in receipt of the drug reimbursement scheme, for both single individuals and couples; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul McAuliffe. [31244/26]

*387. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people currently qualifying under the drug payment scheme in the Laois-Offaly LHO area; how this compares to June 2020; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [47991/26]

*388. To ask the Minister for Health the number of home care support hours to be provided to people in the Laois-Offaly LHO area in 2026; the way in which this compares to 2020; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Tony McCormack. [47992/26]

*389. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on the dental school screening programme; if such an initiative is in place in all national schools across the State; the number of checks should be carried out for each pupil over the course of their primary school years; if targets are in place; if so, if they been achieved; where and the reason the targeted number of checks have not been achieved; if she will provide detailed information on the provision of the service in the south-west region.; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Séamus McGrath. [48146/26]

*390. To ask the Minister for Health the process involved with the end-to-end review that her Department is undertaking in relation to the drug reimbursement process; when she anticipates it will be completed; her plans for gauging with stakeholders; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [47940/26]

*391. To ask the Minister for Health if she will make provision in legislation to acknowledge community care homes as being a distinct group of not-for-profit service providers and establish a separate funding stream to support the sector. — John McGuinness. [48292/26]

*392. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a transparent framework for the allocation of home care packages and other resources for patients being discharged to their homes. — John McGuinness. [48293/26]

*393. To ask the Minister for Health if she can provide an update on the application for the drug pluvicto; if she is aware that this drug is available to private patients through their health insurance, but not available to public patients; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig O'Sullivan. [47941/26]

*394. To ask the Minister for Health for an update on plans to increase the number of consultants in emergency medicine by a further 50%; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [48082/26]

*395. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which she will ensure more senior staff are rostered in emergency departments during weekends and public holidays for better decision-making; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Eamon Scanlon. [48083/26]

*396. To ask the Minister for Health if she will bring forward regulations to require nursing homes to adopt mandatory minimum patient-to-staff ratios given the current regulatory framework does not set any specific staffing levels and instead only obliges providers to ensure that the number and skill mix of staff is appropriate having regard to the needs of the residents; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paula Butterly. [30589/26]

*397. To ask the Minister for Health in light of a surge in the number of people seeking treatment for cocaine addiction and Ireland being the second highest country in the EU for cocaine use, if she will support a cross-departmental approach to address this issue. — Paula Butterly. [45624/26]

*398. To ask the Minister for Health if she will commit to establishing a sexual assault treatment unit (SATU) in County Louth, given the current absence of such a facility in the region and the significant travel burden placed on victims of sexual violence; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paula Butterly. [46797/26]

*399. To ask the Minister for Health if she will consider extending the upper age of eligibility for CAMHS from 18 to 21 years to ensure continuity of care during the transition to adult mental health services (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paula Butterly. [47224/26]

*400. To ask the Minister for Health if there are any minimum staff-to-resident ratios recommended or applied in practice across nursing homes (details supplied); the extent to which such requirements are standardised across public and private facilities; if she is considering the introduction of explicit minimum staffing ratios in order to ensure consistent standards of care; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paula Butterly. [47225/26]

*401. To ask the Minister for Health if she will provide an update on actions taken to accelerate the development of endometriosis services in Cork; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [47580/26]

*402. To ask the Minister for Health the efforts being made through her Department and the HSE to accelerate the current recruitment processes in place across the country for home support workers; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — John Paul O'Shea. [47581/26]

*403. To ask the Minister for Health her position regarding a licence for the sale of nicotine-consuming products such as nicotine pouches; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Barry Ward. [45652/26]

*404. To ask the Minister for Health the actions she will take to assess the profits of the health insurance sector; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pearse Doherty. [39796/26]

*405. To ask the Minister for Health the actions she will take to assess the profits of the health insurance sector and reduce health insurance premiums. — Pearse Doherty. [48247/26]

*406. To ask the Minister for Health the funding he has provided to increase the effectiveness of the DRIVE programme in Cork city. — Thomas Gould. [35672/26]

*407. To ask the Minister for Health whether she will establish a national, multi-annual radiotherapy equipment replacement programme with ring-fenced funding given that 80% of

linear accelerators/linacs require immediate or imminent replacement in Cork; the timeline for its introduction; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [33924/26]

*408. To ask the Minister for Health to confirm the progress to date towards the new proposed elective hospital for Cork, the current status of the project; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Colm Burke. [33923/26]

*409. To ask the Minister for Health the number of MHIDs that currently fulfil the baseline criteria by CHO; and the number that should be fully staffed by the Model of Service. — Thomas Gould. [52340/26]

*410. To ask the Minister for Health the timeline, by geographical area or CHO, for full staffing of each MHID. — Thomas Gould. [52341/26]

*411. To ask the Minister for Health the number of MHIDs that have a roadmap for full service delivery by geographical area, or CHO. — Thomas Gould. [52342/26]

*412. To ask the Minister for Health the number of staff currently employed in each MHID by grade level or profession; the number of people of each of these MHIDs supports; and the timeline for full staffing. — Thomas Gould. [52343/26]

*413. To ask the Minister for Health the plans to make mounjaro more financially accessible to patients who cannot afford to access it privately; whether consideration has been given to including mounjaro under the drugs payment scheme; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Mac Lochlainn. [52345/26]

*414. To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 1269 of 28 April 2026, the reason a response has not issued; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Healy-Rae. [52347/26]

*415. To ask the Minister for Health if the HSE Delayed Discharges Implementation Group, introduced in 2019, is still operating; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marie Sherlock. [52349/26]

*416. To ask the Minister for Health the estimated financial cost per delayed transfer of care per night; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marie Sherlock. [52350/26]

*417. 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 decision to remove the medical card of the person and their dependent child; if she will outline the criteria used in assessing eligibility; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Niamh Smyth. [52379/26]

*418. To ask the Minister for Health to outline her plans for the development of capital projects at University Hospital Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52391/26]

*419. To ask the Minister for Health if her attention has been drawn to a youth organisation (details supplied) that has applied for increased funding; and if she will accede to their request. — Willie O'Dea. [52403/26]

*420. To ask the Minister for Health the number of referrals received by each community mental health team in counties Roscommon and Galway in each of the past six months; the number of referrals accepted; the number of referrals rejected and returned to the referring GP; and the average waiting time from referral to first appointment, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52430/26]

*421. To ask the Minister for Health the number of referrals received by each community mental health team in counties Roscommon and Galway in each of the past six months; the number of appointments offered; the number of appointments not attended; and the number of patients discharged without being seen, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52431/26]

*422. To ask the Minister for Health the number of referrals received by each CAMHS team serving counties Roscommon and Galway in each of the past six months; the number of referrals accepted; the number of referrals rejected and returned to the referring GP; and the average waiting time from referral to first appointment, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52432/26]

*423. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children currently awaiting an appointment with CAMHS in counties Roscommon and Galway, broken down by community healthcare network area and by length of wait in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52433/26]

*424. To ask the Minister for Health the number of referrals received from general practitioners to paediatric outpatient services at Portiuncula University Hospital during the period 1 January 2026 to 1 July 2026; the number of appointments issued; and the average waiting time from receipt of a GP referral to first appointment. — Martin Daly. [52434/26]

*425. To ask the Minister for Health the number of referrals received from general practitioners to orthopaedic services at Portiuncula University Hospital during the period 1 January 2026 to date; the number of patients currently awaiting an appointment; and the average waiting time from GP referral to first outpatient appointment. — Martin Daly. [52435/26]

*426. To ask the Minister for Health the current average waiting time for a hip replacement and a knee replacement at Portiuncula University Hospital; and the number of patients awaiting each procedure, respectively in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52436/26]

*427. To ask the Minister for Health the number of GP-referred MRI scans requested under the HSE community diagnostic imaging scheme in counties Roscommon and Galway between 1 January 2026 and 1 July 2026; the number completed; and the average waiting time from acceptance of referral to scan. — Martin Daly. [52437/26]

*428. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients currently awaiting a dermatology appointment in counties Roscommon and Galway, broken down by hospital and by length of wait, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52438/26]

*429. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients currently awaiting an appointment with respiratory services in counties Roscommon and Galway; and the number of patients awaiting assessment by the sleep clinic, together with the average waiting time for both services, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52439/26]

*430. To ask the Minister for Health the number of autism diagnoses made in Counties Roscommon and Galway in each of the years 2023, 2024, 2025 and to date in 2026, broken down by service provider and age category. — Martin Daly. [52440/26]

*431. To ask the Minister for Health the number of industrial hemp processing or decortication facilities currently operating in the State; and their locations. — Martin Daly. [52442/26]

*432. To ask the Minister for Health to give a progress report in regard to the new Cahersiveen primary care centre; when this project will be delivered for the people of Cahersiveen, Iveragh and south Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52452/26]

*433. To ask the Minister for Health to give consideration to acquiring locations (details supplied) for urgently required respite for adults and children with profound disabilities; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52453/26]

*434. To ask the Minister for Health if she will consider expanding the list of medicines available under the medical card and community drugs schemes to include saxenda for the treatment of obesity and weight management; if she is aware of the financial burden placed on patients who require this medication; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52457/26]

*435. To ask the Minister for Health the number of approved consultant psychiatrist posts serving counties Roscommon and Galway; the number currently filled; the number vacant; and the duration of each vacancy, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52459/26]

*436. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children awaiting an autism assessment in counties Roscommon and Galway; and the number waiting less than six months, six to twelve months and more than twelve months, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52460/26]

*437. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children awaiting a first appointment for speech and language therapy in counties Roscommon and Galway; and the average waiting time; and the number waiting more than twelve months for an appointment. — Martin Daly. [52462/26]

*438. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children awaiting a first appointment for occupational therapy in counties Roscommon and Galway; the average waiting time; and the number waiting more than twelve months for an appointment. — Martin Daly. [52463/26]

*439. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children currently awaiting access to children's disability network team services in counties Roscommon and Galway; the average waiting time, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52464/26]

*440. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients who waited more than twelve hours for admission through the emergency department of Portiuncula University Hospital during each month of 2026. — Martin Daly. [52465/26]

*441. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons awaiting home support services in counties Roscommon and Galway; the number of approved home support hours currently undelivered, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52466/26]

*442. To ask the Minister for Health the number of persons awaiting approval under the nursing home support scheme (fair deal) in Counties Roscommon; and Galway and the average waiting time for approval, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52467/26]

*443. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children from counties Roscommon and Galway admitted to approved inpatient CAMHS units in each of the past three years and to date in 2026, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52471/26]

*444. To ask the Minister for Health the number of children presenting with mental health difficulties to emergency departments in counties Roscommon and Galway during each of the past three years and to date in 2026. — Martin Daly. [52472/26]

*445. To ask the Minister for Health the number of referrals received by Primary Care Psychology services in counties Roscommon and Galway during each of the past three years and to date in 2026; the number accepted; the number rejected; and the average waiting time for a first appointment, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52473/26]

*446. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients awaiting endoscopy procedures in counties Roscommon and Galway, broken down by hospital and by waiting time bands, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52474/26]

*447. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients currently awaiting CT scans in counties Roscommon and Galway, broken down by hospital and by length of wait, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52475/26]

*448. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients from counties Roscommon and Galway referred to the National Treatment Purchase Fund in each of the past three years and to date in 2026, broken down by speciality, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52476/26]

*449. To ask the Minister for Health if a radiotherapy machine (details supplied) has been left sitting unused in UHG; the length of time this has been the case; the cost of the machine; the cost of ongoing maintenance of the machine; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Louis O'Hara. [52477/26]

*450. To ask the Minister for Health the number of patients from counties Roscommon and Galway who travelled outside their county for outpatient appointments or procedures in each of the past three years and to date in 2026, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52478/26]

*451. To ask the Minister for Health the average ambulance response time for Category 1 and Category 2 emergency calls in counties Roscommon and Galway during each of the past three years and to date in 2026, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52479/26]

*452. To ask the Minister for Health the number of occasions during 2026 on which no ambulance was immediately available to respond to an emergency call in counties Roscommon and Galway, in tabular form. — Martin Daly. [52480/26]

*453. To ask the Minister for Health to confirm the exact date at which she and the Minister of State for Older People were presented with a copy of a review (details supplied) into the effectiveness of Ireland's nursing home regulatory and inspection framework; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [52486/26]

*454. To ask the Minister for Health the date at which a review (details supplied) into the effectiveness of Ireland's nursing home regulatory and inspection framework was presented to HIQA; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [52487/26]

*455. To ask the Minister for Health the reasons a review (details supplied) into the effectiveness of Ireland's nursing home regulatory and inspection framework was not published until 2 July 2026; if she or the Minister of State for Older People made the decision not to publish it until July; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Pádraig Rice. [52488/26]

*456. To ask the Minister for Health the number of WTE consultants in emergency medicine, registrars in emergency medicine and senior house officers in emergency medicine posts filled at Tipperary University Hospital as of 1 July 2026; if she will provide the same figures as of 31 July 2023, in tabular form. — Seamus Healy. [52492/26]

*457. To ask the Minister for Health whether any business case has been submitted seeking additional ENT staffing resources for University Hospital Limerick since 2022; if so, the details of such submissions; and the outcome of each. — Seamus Healy. [52493/26]

*458. To ask the Minister for Health given the ongoing delays to the building of the National Children's Hospital, if she will outline the changes that have been made to procurement rules and practices within her Department and the HSE to ensure such delays do not occur again; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Malcolm Byrne. [52517/26]

*459. To ask the Minister for Health to provide an update on plans to improve regulation on vaping and nicotine products and to consider the points made on public health grounds (details supplied). — Séamus McGrath. [52520/26]

*460. To ask the Minister for Health the up-to-date position with a capital project in County Kildare (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52540/26]

*461. To ask the Minister for Health If she plans to add Crohn's disease to the long-term illness card; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52541/26]

*462. To ask the Minister for Health the entitlement cancer patients have to acquiring a full medical card; if there are plans to change this entitlement; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52542/26]

*463. To ask the Minister for Health her plans to extend accident and emergency services in accident and emergency department at Naas General Hospital, County Kildare; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52543/26]

*464. To ask the Minister for Health if she is aware of the lack of availability of GP services in the Kildare south area; the plans she is putting in place to address this; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52544/26]

*465. To ask the Minister for Health if she will give an update on extending an out of hours GP service in County Kildare (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52545/26]

*466. To ask the Minister for Health the list of services available at a primary care centre in County Kildare (details supplied); if these services are fully staffed; the plans in place to extend the services at this centre; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Mark Wall. [52546/26]

*467. To ask the Minister for Health when a child (details supplied) will receive an assessment of need; when they will access the other supports and services needed; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Conor D. McGuinness. [52555/26]

*468. To ask the Minister for Health to provide a progress report in regard to the new Cahersiveen Primary Care Centre; when will this long-awaited project be delivered for the people of Cahersiveen, Iveragh and South Kerry; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52558/26]

*469. To ask the Minister for Health to provide the necessary staff as a matter of urgency to allow the closed beds in Dingle, Cahersiveen and Kenmare Community Hospitals to open; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52559/26]

*470. To ask the Minister for Health if there are funding restrictions in place for surgeries at a hospital (details supplied); and if she will make a statement on the matter. — David Cullinane. [52561/26]

*471. To ask the Minister for Health the way in which an individual can return unused medications or EpiPens without incurring a cost at a pharmacy; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Marie Sherlock. [52562/26]

*472. To ask the Minister for Health the reason the community midwife clinic for births after caesareans is being removed from Limerick Maternity Hospital; the plans to replace this service; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Willie O'Dea. [52563/26]

*473. To ask the Minister for Health the number of GPs providing early medical abortion by county, in tabular form. — Pádraig Rice. [52564/26]

*474. To ask the Minister for Health the progress on support measures being provided to persons with Down syndrome and their families. — Malcolm Byrne. [52571/26]

*475. To ask the Minister for Health the number of people that have attended accident and emergency departments as a result of e-scooter-related incidents; and the breakdown of such incidents, by location where available. — Peadar Tóibín. [52593/26]

*476. To ask the Minister for Health the steps she will take to assist with the financial situation of healthcare workers, including a worker (details supplied), infected with long-Covid during the course of their work whose critical illness payment on full pay has recently ended; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Paul Murphy. [52597/26]

*477. To ask the Minister for Health the measures currently in place to support persons presenting with suicidal ideation or experiencing a mental health crisis at University Hospital Kerry and across County Kerry, including staff training, assessment protocols and suicide prevention services; the additional measures that are planned; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52608/26]

*478. To ask the Minister for Health the number of cases of cancers (details supplied) in each of the years 2015 to 2019 and 2020 to 2025, in tabular form; and if she will make a statement on the matter. — Gillian Toole. [52610/26]

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

*479. To ask the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science if he will review the SUSI assessment process for applicants who receive little or no financial support from their parents but are unable to qualify as formally estranged and therefore continue to be assessed on parental income; whether alternative pathways to establish financial independence are being considered; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Naoise Ó Cearúil. [52378/26]

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

*480. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the reasons for the refusal of a grant (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Niall Collins. [52328/26]

*481. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the amount allocated by his Department to women's and men's sheds, over the past five years, in tabular form. — Conor D. McGuinness. [52367/26]

*482. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the amount allocated by his Department and the dormant accounts fund for the seniors alert scheme, over the past five years, in tabular form. — Conor D. McGuinness. [52368/26]

*483. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the measures his Department has in places to tackle rural loneliness. — Conor D. McGuinness. [52369/26]

*484. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht his views on whether the level of funding made available to the tidy towns by his Department is sufficient; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Conor D. McGuinness. [52370/26]

*485. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the supports provided by his Department to agricultural shows. — Conor D. McGuinness. [52371/26]

*486. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht if local authorities have requested increases in ORIS funding; and if so, the amount. — Conor D. McGuinness. [52372/26]

*487. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht the percentage share of LEADER spending allocated for capital and current expenditure. — Conor D. McGuinness. [52374/26]

*488. To ask the Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht to significantly increase the funding allocation for local improvement schemes (private roads), to allow local authorities such as Kerry County Council to clear priority lists that include hundreds of roads; and if he will make a statement on the matter. — Michael Cahill. [52529/26]