

Oireachtas Monitor 189

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1. Coming up this week in the Houses of the Oireachtas (26 October 2015 -30 October 2015)

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2. Last week's Oireachtas Questions and Debates (19 October 2015 -23 October 2015)

- a. [Asylum/Immigration](#)
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a. Asylum/Immigration

Parliamentary Questions- Written Answers

Department of Justice and Equality:

- [Asylum Seeker Accommodation](#), Eric Byrne (Dublin South Central, Labour)
- [Departmental Reports](#), Aengus Ó Snodaigh (Dublin South Central, Sinn Fein)

Department of Children and Youth Affairs:

- [Direct Provision System](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)
- [Asylum Support Services](#), Sandra McLellan (Cork East, Sinn Fein)

Department of Social Protection:

- [Direct Provision Allowance Payments](#), Thomas Pringle (Donegal South West, Independent)

b. Education (incl. ECCE and Child Care)

Parliamentary Questions- Written Answers

Department of Education and Skills:

- [Schools Building Projects Expenditure](#), Ruth Coppinger (Dublin West, Socialist Party)
- [DEIS Programme Data](#), Michael McGrath (Cork South Central, Fianna Fail)
- [School Patronage](#), Jonathan O'Brien (Cork North Central, Sinn Fein)
- [School Enrolments](#), Clare Daly (Dublin North, United Left)
- [School Patronage](#), Jonathan O'Brien (Cork North Central, Sinn Fein)

Department of Social Protection:

- [School Meals Programme](#), Jack Wall (Kildare South, Labour)

Department of Children and Youth Affairs:

- [School Completion Programme](#), David Stanton (Cork East, Fine Gael)
- [School Completion Programme](#), Maureen O'Sullivan (Dublin Central, Independent)
- [Education Welfare Service](#), Ruth Coppinger (Dublin West, Socialist Party)
- [School Completion Programme](#), Joan Collins (Dublin South Central, United Left)
- [Early Childhood Care Education](#), Robert Troy (Longford-Westmeath, Fianna Fail)
- [Early Years Strategy Implementation](#), Michelle Mulherin (Mayo, Fine Gael)
- [Child Care Costs](#), Robert Troy (Longford-Westmeath, Fianna Fail)
- [Child Care Services Provision](#), Mick Wallace (Wexford, Independent)
- [Child Care Services Funding](#), Joan Collins (Dublin South Central, United Left)
- [Child Care Costs](#), Helen McEntee (Meath East, Fine Gael)
- [Child Care Services Funding](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)
- [After-School Support Services](#), Mary Mitchell O'Connor (Dún Laoghaire, Fine Gael)
- [Early Childhood Care Education](#), Michael McGrath (Cork South Central, Fianna Fail)

Debates

- Dáil debates, Topical Issue Debate, [Schools Building Projects Status](#)
- Dáil debates, [Education \(Amendment\) Bill 2015: First Stage](#)

c. Child Services/ Children in Care

Parliamentary Questions- Written Answers

Department of Children and Youth Affairs:

- [Residential Institutions](#), Clare Daly (Dublin North, United Left)
- [Departmental Strategies](#), Sandra McLellan (Cork East, Sinn Fein)
- [Budget 2016](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)
- [Family Resource Centres](#), Robert Troy (Longford-Westmeath, Fianna Fail)
- [Youth Services Funding](#), Dessie Ellis (Dublin North West, Sinn Fein)
- [Child Care Proceedings](#), Joan Collins (Dublin South Central, United Left)

- [Child and Family Agency Staff](#), Denis Naughten (Roscommon-South Leitrim, Independent)
- [Child and Family Agency Expenditure](#), Mattie McGrath (Tipperary South, Independent)
- [Aftercare Services](#), Mattie McGrath (Tipperary South, Independent)
- [Child and Family Agency Funding](#), Thomas Pringle (Donegal South West, Independent)

Debates

- Dáil debates, Priority Questions, [Children in Care](#)

d. Child Abuse/ Child Protection

Parliamentary Questions- Written Answers

Department of Justice and Equality:

- [Garda Vetting Application Numbers](#), Niall Collins (Limerick, Fianna Fail)
- [Criminal Law](#), Mick Wallace (Wexford, Independent)

Department of Children and Youth Affairs:

- [Bullying in the Workplace](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)
- [Child Protection](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)
- [Child Abuse Reports](#), Joan Collins (Dublin South Central, United Left)
- [Child Abuse](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)
- [Child Protection Services](#), Tommy Broughan (Dublin North East, Independent)
- [Child Protection Services](#), Robert Troy (Longford-Westmeath, Fianna Fail)

Debates

- Seanad, [Children First Bill 2014: Report and Final Stages](#)
- Dáil debates, Priority Questions, [Domestic Violence Refuges](#)

e. Family

Parliamentary Questions- Written Answers

Department of Justice and Equality:

- [Legislative Measures](#), Pádraig MacLochlainn (Donegal North East, Sinn Fein)

Department of Children and Youth Affairs:

- [Inter-Country Adoptions](#), Maureen O'Sullivan (Dublin Central, Independent)

Debates

- Dáil Debates, [National Carers Strategy](#)
- Dáil debates, Other Questions, [Inter-Country Adoptions](#)

f. Disability and Special Educational Needs

Parliamentary Questions- Written Answers

Department of Health:

- [Autism Support Services](#), John Halligan (Waterford, Independent)
- [Disability Support Services Provision](#), Barry Cowen (Laois-Offaly, Fianna Fail)

Department of Education and Skills:

- [Special Educational Needs Staffing](#), Jonathan O'Brien (Cork North Central, Sinn Fein)

Department of Social Protection:

- [Domiciliary Care Allowance Eligibility](#), Clare Daly (Dublin North, United Left)

Department of Children and Youth Affairs:

- [Special Educational Needs Service Provision](#), Helen McEntee (Meath East, Fine Gael)
- [Special Educational Needs Service Provision](#), Mick Wallace (Wexford, Independent)
- [Special Educational Needs Service Provision](#), Robert Troy (Longford-Westmeath, Fianna Fail)

g. Health and Wellbeing

Parliamentary Questions- Written Answers

Department of Health:

- [Hospital Waiting Lists](#), Billy Kelleher (Cork North Central, Fianna Fail)
- [Mental Health Services Staffing](#), Mick Wallace (Wexford, Independent)
- [National Children's Hospital Status](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)
- [Hospital Waiting Lists](#), Fergus O'Dowd (Louth, Fine Gael)
- [Traveller Community](#), Ruth Coppinger (Dublin West, Socialist Party)
- [Mental Health Services Funding](#), Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin (Cavan-Monaghan, Sinn Fein)
- [Mental Health Services Provision](#), Mick Wallace (Wexford, Independent)
- [Counselling Services](#), Ruth Coppinger (Dublin West, Socialist Party)
- [Mental Health Services](#), Dan Neville (Limerick, Fine Gael)
- [Mental Health Services Funding](#), Dan Neville (Limerick, Fine Gael)
- [Tobacco Control Measures](#), Finian McGrath (Dublin North Central, Independent)

- [Tobacco Control Measures](#), Finian McGrath (Dublin North Central, Independent)
- [Childhood Obesity](#), Robert Troy (Longford-Westmeath, Fianna Fail)
- [Departmental Expenditure](#), Billy Kelleher (Cork North Central, Fianna Fail)
- [Orthodontic Service Provision](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)
- [General Practitioner Contracts](#), Niall Collins (Limerick, Fianna Fail)
- [Speech and Language Therapy](#), Ruth Coppinger (Dublin West, Socialist Party)
- [Mental Health Services Funding](#), Colm Keaveney (Galway East, Fianna Fail)
- [Respite Care Services](#), Terence Flanagan (Dublin North East, Renua Ireland)
- [Dental Services Provision](#), Seán Fleming (Laois-Offaly, Fianna Fail)

Debates

- Dáil debates, [Assisted Decision-Making \(Capacity\) Bill 2013: Report Stage](#)
- Public Accounts Committee, [Health Service Executive Financial Statements 2014, 2014 Annual Report and Appropriation Accounts of the Comptroller and Auditor General, Vote 39: Health Service Executive](#)
- Joint Oireachtas Committee on Health and Children, [Health and Social Care Professionals Act Regulations: Minister for Health](#)
- Dáil debates, Priority Questions, [Mental Health Services Funding](#)

h. Child Benefit/ Social Welfare/ Poverty/ Housing

Parliamentary Questions- Written Answers

Department of Children and Youth Affairs:

- [Child Poverty](#), Catherine Murphy (Kildare North, Social Democrats)
- [Child Poverty](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)
- [Homeless Persons Data](#), Ruth Coppinger (Dublin West, Socialist Party)

Department of Social Protection:

- [Family Income Supplement Eligibility](#), Paul Connaughton (Galway East, Fine Gael)
- [Qualified Child Increase Payments](#), Willie O'Dea (Limerick City, Fianna Fail)

Department of Environment, Community and Local Government:

- [Homeless Accommodation Provision](#), Finian McGrath (Dublin North Central, Independent)
- [Traveller Accommodation](#), Paul Murphy (Dublin South West, Socialist Party)
- [Homeless Persons Supports](#), Michael Healy-Rae (Kerry South, Independent)

Debates

- Seanad debates, Commencement Matters, [Local Authority Housing Provision](#)

i. Juvenile Justice/ Human Rights/ Equality

Parliamentary Questions- Written Answers

Department of Children and Youth Affairs:

- [National Youth Strategy](#), David Stanton (Cork East, Fine Gael)
- [Juvenile Offenders](#), Bernard Durkan (Kildare North, Fine Gael)
- [Detention Centres Provision](#), Robert Troy (Longford-Westmeath, Fianna Fail)

Debates

- Seanad debates, [Marriage Bill 2015: Second Stage](#)

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