

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**  
**ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS FOR**  
**TUESDAY TO THURSDAY, 5 – 7 DECEMBER 2023**

**Announcement of Business for the Week:**

Tuesday's business shall be:

- Motion for a Supplementary Estimate for Public Services [Vote 26] *(without debate)*
- Motion *re* Confidence in the Minister for Justice *(to conclude within 2 hrs 27 mins and any division claimed to be taken immediately)*
- Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2014/62/EU as regards certain reporting requirements *(to conclude within 57 minutes)*

Tuesday's private members' business shall be the Motion *re* Renters, selected by Sinn Féin.

Wednesday's business shall be:

- Statements pre European Council meeting of 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> December, pursuant to Standing Order 124 *(not to exceed 112 mins)*
- Planning and Development Bill 2023 (Second Stage, resumed) *(if not previously concluded, to adjourn either at 6 p.m. or after 1 hr 21 mins, whichever is the later)*
- Social Welfare (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2023 (Report and Final Stages) *(to commence no earlier than 5 p.m., and to conclude within 90 mins)*
- Criminal Justice (Engagement of Children in Criminal Activity) Bill 2023 (Report and Final Stages) *(if not previously concluded, to adjourn after 60 minutes)*

Wednesday's private members' business shall be the Motion *re* Immigration, selected by the Rural Independent Group.

Thursday's business shall be:

- Motion *re* Delivery of a Rights-Based Care Economy in Ireland *(to conclude within 2 hrs 2 mins)*
- Planning and Development Bill 2023 (Second Stage, resumed) *(if not previously concluded, to adjourn either at 7 p.m. or after 3 hrs 16 mins, whichever is the later)*

Thursday evening business shall be the Second Stage of the Tenancy Protection Bill 2023.

**Proposed Arrangements for this week's business:**

In relation to Tuesday's business, it is proposed that:

1. the ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
  - (i) the Dáil shall sit later than 10.32 p.m.; and
  - (ii) the time allotted to Government business shall be extended in accordance with the arrangements for that business, with consequential effect on the commencement times for the items following in the ordinary routine of business, namely, private members' business, Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media, and topical issues;
  
2. the proceedings on the Motion *re* Confidence in the Minister for Justice shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 2 hours and 27 minutes, with arrangements in accordance with—
  - (i) the Order of the Dáil of 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2020, for 135 minutes, and
  - (ii) the Resolution of the Dáil of 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2023, in relation to 2 minutes for non-aligned members,and a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a speech in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes, and members may share time; and
  
3. the proceedings on the Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2014/62/EU as regards certain reporting requirements shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 57 minutes, and the following arrangements shall apply thereto:
  - (i) the order of speaking and allocation of time shall be as follows:
    - opening speech by a Minister or Minister of State - 10 minutes;
    - speech by representative of Sinn Féin - 10 minutes;
    - speeches by representatives of the Labour Party, Social Democrats, People-Before-Profit-Solidarity, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group - 5 minutes per party or group;
    - speeches by non-aligned members – 2 minutes;
    - a speech in response by the Minister – 5 minutes; and

- (ii) members may share time.

In relation to Wednesday's business, it is proposed that:

1. the ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the following extent:
  - (i) the SOS pursuant to Standing Order 25(1) shall be taken immediately following the Statements pre European Council meeting of 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> October, pursuant to Standing Order 124, which shall be taken on the conclusion of Parliamentary Questions to the Taoiseach pursuant to Standing Order 46(1), with consequential effect on the time for commencement of Government business immediately following the SOS; and
  - (ii) the weekly division time may be taken earlier than 8.45 p.m., and shall in any event be taken on the adjournment of proceedings on the Criminal Justice (Engagement of Children in Criminal Activity) Bill 2023, or where those proceedings conclude within one hour, on the conclusion thereof, with consequential effect on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil;
2. the following arrangements shall apply in relation to the Statements pre European Council meeting of 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> December, pursuant to Standing Order 124:
  - (i) the statements shall not exceed 102 minutes, and the arrangements for that time shall be in accordance with the Order of the Dáil of 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2020, and the Resolution of the Dáil of 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2023;
  - (ii) following the statements, a Minister or Minister of State shall be called upon to make a statement in reply which shall not exceed 10 minutes; and
  - (iii) members may share time;
3. the resumed proceedings on Second Stage of the Planning and Development Bill 2023 shall, if not previously concluded, be interrupted and stand adjourned either at 6 p.m. or after 1 hour and 21 minutes, whichever is the later;
4. the proceedings on Report and Final Stages of the Social Welfare (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2023 shall be taken no earlier than 5 p.m., and shall, if not previously

concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 1 hour and 30 minutes by one question which shall be put from the Chair, and which shall, in relation to amendments, include only those set down or accepted by the Minister for Social Protection; and

5. The proceedings on the Report and Final Stages of the Criminal Justice (Engagement of Children in Criminal Activity) Bill 2023 shall, if not previously concluded, be interrupted and stand adjourned after 1 hour and shall not be resumed on Wednesday.

In relation to Thursday's business, it is proposed that:

1. the ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the extent that topical issues may be taken earlier than 7.24 p.m., and shall in any event be taken on the adjournment of Second Stage of the Planning and Development Bill 2023, or in the event Second Stage of that Bill concludes within the allotted time, on the conclusion thereof, and the Second Stage of the Tenancy Protection Bill 2023 shall be taken on the conclusion of topical issues, with consequential effect on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil;
2. the Motion *re* Delivery of a Rights-Based Care Economy in Ireland shall be taken in Government time immediately following the SOS and the proceedings thereon shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion after 2 hours and 2 minutes, and the following arrangements shall apply thereto:
  - (i) the order of speaking and allocation of time shall be as follows:
    - opening speech by the proposer - 10 minutes;
    - speech by a Minister or Minister of State - 10 minutes;
    - speech by Government representative – 10 minutes;
    - speeches by representatives of Sinn Féin, the Labour Party, Social Democrats, People-Before-Profit-Solidarity, the Regional Group, the Rural Independent Group and the Independent Group - 10 minutes per party or group;
    - speeches by non-aligned members - 2 minutes;

- a speech in response by a Minister or Minister of State - 10 minutes; and
- a speech in response by the proposer - 10 minutes; and

(ii) members may share time; and

3. any resumed proceedings on the Second Stage of the Planning and Development Bill 2023 shall, if not previously concluded, be interrupted and stand adjourned either at 7 p.m. or after 3 hours and 16 minutes, whichever is the later.

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