

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND BUSINESS SCHEDULE FOR

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY, 30 APRIL 2024 - 2 MAY 2024

(AS AGREED AT ITS MEETING ON 25 APRIL 2024)

Tuesday 30 April 2024 (2:00 p.m. - 10:01 p.m.)

Leaders' Questions (<i>Sinn Féin, Labour Party, Regional Group, Independent Group</i>)	2.00 p.m. - 2.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Order of Business and Questions on Policy or Legislation	2.34 p.m. - 3.04 p.m. (30 mins)
Taoiseach's Questions	3.04 p.m. - 3.49 p.m. (45 mins)
Government Business	4.00 p.m. - 5.41 p.m. (1 hr 41s)
- Supports for Survivors of Residential Institutional Abuse Bill 2024 (Second Stage) (<i>to commence no earlier than 4.00 p.m. and if not previously concluded, to adjourn after 1 hr 41 mins</i>) (Dept of Education)	
Private Members' Business (Sinn Féin)	5.41 p.m. - 7.43 p.m. (2 hrs 2 mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> Cost of Living (working title)	
P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth	7.43 p.m. - 9.13 p.m. (90 mins)
Topical Issues	9.13 p.m. - 10.01 p.m. (48 mins)
Adjournment	10.01 p.m.

Wednesday 1 May 2024 (9:10 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.)

Topical Issues	9.10 a.m. - 9.58 a.m. (48 mins)
Private Members' Business (Rural Independent Group)	9.58 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (122 mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> EU Migration and Asylum Pact	
Leaders' Questions (<i>Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, Regional Group, Rural Independent Group</i>)	12.00 p.m. - 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Questions on Policy or Legislation	12.34 p.m. - 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)
Taoiseach's Questions	1.04 p.m. - 1.49 p.m. (45 mins)
SOS	1.49 p.m. - 2.49 p.m. (60 mins)
Government Business	2.49 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. (6 hrs 41 mins)
- Supports for Survivors of Residential Institutional Abuse Bill 2024 (Second stage, resumed, if not previously concluded) (<i>if not previously concluded, to adjourn either at 5.30 p.m. or after 2 hrs 41 mins, whichever is the later</i>)	
- Criminal Law (Sexual Offences and Human Trafficking) Bill 2023 (Report and Final Stages) (<i>to commence no earlier than 4.30 p.m and if not previously concluded, to adjourn after 2 hrs</i>) (Dept of Justice)	
- Gambling Regulation Bill 2022 (Report Stage, Amendment 33, resumed, and Final Stage) (<i>if not previously concluded, to adjourn either at 9.30 p.m. or after 2 hrs, whichever is the later</i>) (Dept of Justice)	
Deferred Divisions	9.30 p.m. - 10.00 p.m. (30 mins)
Adjournment	10.00 p.m.

Thursday 2 May 2024 (9:00 a.m. - 7:27 p.m.)

P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Health	9.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m. (90 mins)
P.Q.s: Oral - Minister for Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform	10.30 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. (90 mins)
Leaders' Questions (<i>Sinn Féin, Social Democrats, People Before Profit-Solidarity, Rural Independent Group</i>)	12.00 p.m. - 12.34 p.m. (34 mins)
Questions on Policy or Legislation	12.34 p.m. - 1.04 p.m. (30 mins)
SOS	1.04 p.m. - 1.44 p.m. (40 mins)
Government Business	1.44 p.m. - 5.24 p.m. (3 hrs 40 mins)
- Defence (Amendment) Bill 2024 (Second Stage) (<i>if not previously concluded, to adjourn either at 5.24 p.m. or after 3 hrs 40 mins whichever is the later</i>) (Dept of Defence)	
Topical Issues	5.24 p.m. - 6.12 p.m. (48 mins)
Thursday evening business: Committee Report	6.12 p.m. - 7.27 p.m. (75 mins)
- Motion <i>re</i> Report entitled "Report on Offshore Renewable Energy" (<i>Committee on Enterprise, Trade and Employment</i>)	
<i>Adjournment</i>	7.27 p.m.

The proposed arrangements for the taking of business are as follows:

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BUSINESS

Tuesday proposal no. 1 - Arrangements for business

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the extent that private members' business may be taken earlier than 6.12 p.m. and shall in any event be taken on the adjournment of the proceedings on Second Stage of the Supports for Survivors of Residential Institutional Abuse Bill 2024, or where those proceedings conclude within the available time, on the conclusion thereof, with consequential effect on the commencement times for the items following in the ordinary routine of business, namely, oral Parliamentary Questions to the Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth, and topical issues, and on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil

Tuesday proposal no. 2 - Supports for Survivors of Residential Institutional Abuse Bill 2024

- The proceedings on Second Stage of the Supports for Survivors of Residential Institutional Abuse Bill 2024 shall commence no earlier than 4.00 p.m. and shall, if not previously concluded, be interrupted and stand adjourned after 1 hour and 41 minutes, and shall not be resumed on Tuesday

Wednesday proposal no. 1 - Arrangements for business

- The ordinary routine of business as contained in Schedule 3 to Standing Orders shall be modified to the extent that the Dáil may sit later than 9.30 p.m., and shall adjourn either on the conclusion of the weekly division time, or where there are no postponed divisions, on the adjournment or conclusion of the proceedings on the Gambling Regulation Bill 2022, as appropriate: Provided that where there are postponed divisions, the weekly division time shall be taken on the adjournment or conclusion of the proceedings on the Gambling Regulation Bill 2022

Wednesday proposal no. 2 - Supports for Survivors of Residential Institutional Abuse Bill 2024

- Any resumed proceedings on Second Stage of the Supports for Survivors of Residential Institutional Abuse Bill 2024 shall, if not previously concluded, be interrupted and stand adjourned either at 5.30 p.m. or after 2 hours and 41 minutes, whichever is the later, and the Bill shall not be resumed on Wednesday

Wednesday proposal no. 3 - Criminal Law (Sexual Offences and Human Trafficking) Bill 2023

- The proceedings on Report and Final Stages of the Criminal Law (Sexual Offences and Human Trafficking) Bill 2023 shall commence no earlier than 4.30 p.m. and shall, if not previously concluded, be interrupted and stand adjourned after 2 hours, and shall not be resumed on Wednesday

Wednesday proposal no. 4 - Gambling Regulation Bill 2022

- The proceedings on the resumed Report Stage and on the Final Stage of the Gambling Regulation Bill 2022 shall, if not previously concluded, be interrupted and stand adjourned either at 9.30 p.m. or after 2 hours, whichever is the later, and the Bill shall not be resumed on Wednesday

Thursday proposal no. 1 - Arrangements for business

- In relation to Thursday's arrangements:
 - (i) 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 either at 5.24 p.m., or on the conclusion of Second Stage of the Defence (Amendment) Bill 2024, whichever is the earlier, with consequential effect on the commencement time for the Motion *re* Report entitled "Report on Offshore Renewable Energy", and on the time for the adjournment of the Dáil; and

(ii) the Dáil on its rising shall adjourn until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 8th May, 2024

Thursday proposal no. 2 - Defence (Amendment) Bill 2024

- The proceedings on Second Stage of the Defence (Amendment) Bill 2024 shall, if not previously concluded, be interrupted and stand adjourned either at 5.24 p.m. or after 3 hours and 40 minutes, whichever is the later, and the Bill shall not be resumed on Thursday

INDICATIVE BUSINESS FOR SITTING WEEK BEGINNING 8 MAY 2024

Government business: Statements to mark Europe Day

Sinn Féin's private members' business: Motion *re* Housing (working title)

Independent Group's private members' business: Motion *re* Crisis in Childcare and Elderly care in Ireland (working title)

UPCOMING THURSDAY EVENING BUSINESS

16th May 2024: Neighbour Disputes (Vegetation) Bill 2017 (Second Stage) (*Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh*)

23rd May 2024: Motion *re* Report entitled "Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education" (*Committee on Education, Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science*)

30th May 2024: Commission for Future Generations Bill 2023 (Second Stage) (*Deputy Marc Ó Cathasaigh*)

13th June 2024: Protection of Accident Victims from Non-Consensual Recording of Images Bill 2022 (Second Stage) (*Deputy Duncan Smith*)

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26 April 2024