



Ard Fheis Clár 2018

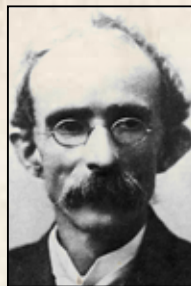
Waterfront Hall, Belfast

FRIDAY 15th JUNE

- 16.30** Registration
- 18.00** Opening Address – Deirdre Hargey Ard Mhéara Bhéal Feirste
- 18.15** Keynote Address Michelle O’Neill MLA
- 18.25** A New and Agreed Ireland – **Motions 1-16 page 5**
- 19.00** Keynote Address Pearse Doherty TD
- 19:10** Securing Your Future – Secure work and decent wages – **Motions 17-43 page 9**
- 20:15** Challenging Vested Interests – **Motions 44-48 page 17**
- 20:45** Party Development – **Motions 49-55 page 19**
- 21.00** Close

SATURDAY 16th JUNE

- 9.00** Registration
- 10.00** Local Government, Electoral Reform and Transport – **Motions 56-70 page 20**
- 11.00** New Voices – Big Ideas
– Keynote Speeches carried Live by RTE
- 13.00** Lunch
- 14.00** Tackling Climate Change – **Motions 71-85 page 23**
- 14.45** Standing With Women – **Motions 86-95 page 26**
- 16.00** Securing Your Future –
Investing in housing and quality public services – **Motions 96-146 page 29**
- 17.15** Standing up for Rural Ireland – **Motions 147-155 page 40**
- 17.45** Tea
- 18.15** Votáil 100 - A Century of Unmanageable Revolutionaries
- 19.15** Brexit and International Solidarity – **Motions 156-171 page 42**
- 20.10** Announcement of Results of Ard Chomhairle
and National Officer Board Elections
- 20.30** Presidential Address by Mary Lou McDonald TD
- 21.00** Close



POBLACHT NA hÉIREANN.
THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT
OF THE
IRISH REPUBLIC
TO THE PEOPLE OF IRELAND.

IRISHMEN AND IRISHWOMEN: In the name of God and of the dead generations from which she receives her old tradition of nationhood, Ireland, through us, summons her children to her flag and strikes for her freedom.

Having organised and trained her manhood through her secret revolutionary organisation, the Irish Republican Brotherhood, and through her open military organisations, the Irish Volunteers and the Irish Citizen Army, having patiently perfected her discipline, having resolutely waited for the right moment to reveal itself, she now seizes that moment, and supported by her exiled children in America and by gallant allies in Europe, but relying in the first on her own strength, she strikes in full confidence of victory.

We declare the right of the people of Ireland to the ownership of Ireland and to the unfettered control of Irish destinies, to be sovereign and indefeasible. The long usurpation of that right by a foreign people and government has not extinguished the right, nor can it ever be extinguished except by the destruction of the Irish people. In every generation the Irish people have asserted their right to national freedom and sovereignty; six times during the past three hundred years they have asserted it in arms. Standing on that fundamental right and again asserting it in arms in the face of the world, we hereby proclaim the Irish Republic as a Sovereign Independent State, and we pledge our lives and the lives of our comrades in arms to the cause of its freedom, of its welfare, and of its exaltation among the nations.

The Irish Republic is entitled to, and hereby claims, the allegiance of every Irishman and Irishwoman. The Republic guarantees religious and civil liberty, equal rights and equal opportunities to all its citizens, and declares its resolve to pursue the happiness and prosperity of the whole nation and of all its parts, cherishing all of the children of the nation equally, and oblivious of the differences carefully fostered by an alien Government, which have divided a minority from the majority in the past.

Until our arms have brought the opportune moment for the establishment of a permanent National Government, representative of the whole people of Ireland and elected by the suffrages of all her men and women, the Provisional Government, hereby constituted, will administer the civil and military affairs of the Republic in trust for the people.

We place the cause of the Irish Republic under the protection of the Most High God, Whose blessing we invoke upon our arms, and we pray that no one who serves that cause will dishonour it by cowardice, inhumanity, or rapine. In this supreme hour the Irish nation must, by its valour and discipline, and by the readiness of its children to sacrifice themselves for the common good, prove itself worthy of the august destiny to which it is called.

Signed on behalf of the Provisional Government:

THOMAS J. CLARKE

SEAN Mac DIARMADA

THOMAS MacDONAGH

P. H. PEARSE

EAMONN CEANNT

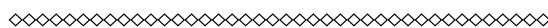
JAMES CONNOLLY

JOSEPH PLUNKETT



STANDING ORDERS

1. Standing Orders shall be adopted at the commencement of each Ard Fheis.
2. A Steering Committee and at least four tellers shall be approved by the Ard Fheis at the commencement of each Ard Fheis. Delegates or persons nominated for officership or membership of the Ard Chomhairle shall not be eligible to act as Tellers.
3. The length of time allocated to each section and therefore the timetable of the Ard Fheis will be determined in advance of the Ard Fheis by the Chairperson of the Steering Committee in consultation with the Ard Fheis Committee. The timetable and list of Chairperson (s) for Ard Fheis shall be adopted by the Ard Fheis at its commencement.
4. The Steering Committee will determine the length of time to be allocated to speakers prior to the beginning of each section of the Ard Fheis. The Steering Committee shall ensure that preference be given to the proposers of motions and amendments being taken in each section.
5. During debates priority will be given to properly nominated and accredited delegates. The Steering Committee may, at its discretion, allow for properly affiliated party members who are not delegates to speak provided there are no delegates waiting to speak at the time. The Steering Committee at its discretion may permit visitors accredited by the Ard Chomhairle to address the Ard Fheis for a specified time. Those addressing the Ard Fheis must when speaking give their names and the name of the body and area they are representing.
6. On the motion being moved "that the question be put" the Chairperson shall have no option but to put that motion to a vote of the delegates present. In the event of the motion being carried, the Chairperson, after allowing time as allocated by the Steering Committee under Standing Order 4 to the proposer of the motion or any amendment/addendum under discussion, shall have no option but to put the resolution or amendment to a vote.
7. Emergency Motions (i.e. resolutions referring to events or decisions which emerged after the deadline for submission of motions) must be handed in writing to the Ard Fheis Committee at Head Office not less than 7 days before the scheduled start of the Ard Fheis. Emergency resolutions shall be accepted at the discretion of the Steering Committee.
8. Other Emergency Motions or Emergency Amendments (resolutions referring to events which occur while the Ard Fheis is in session) may only be put to the Ard Fheis at the discretion of the Steering Committee and shall require the suspension of Standing Orders to allow the adoption of the resolution onto the Ard Fheis Clár.
9. 'Points of Order' will be allowed at the discretion of the Chairperson and shall be limited to 30 seconds.
10. The Ruling of the Chairperson must be accepted at all times. A challenge to the decision of the Chairperson requires the suspension of Standing Orders in order that a motion of no confidence in the Chair is taken.
11. A motion for the suspension of Standing Orders must be submitted in writing to the Steering Committee outlining the reason for such a motion before that motion can be put to the floor. The length of time given to the discussion of such a motion will be at the discretion of the Steering Committee. A vote to suspend Standing Orders requires a two-thirds majority of delegates present in the hall. Standing Orders must be reinstated again by two-thirds of the delegates present in the hall when the reason for the suspension has been dealt with before the Ard Fheis can proceed. Standing Orders must be suspended at the commencement of the Ard Fheis to allow the adoption onto the Ard Fheis Clár, Emergency Motions, Amendments and Addenda as indicated to the delegates by the Steering Committee.



SANAS DON ARD FHEIS (GLOSSARY OF TERMS)

An féidir le teachtaí dul isteach sa halla anois chun ullmhú vótáil ar na rúin...

Can delegates please enter the hall and prepare to vote on motions.....

An féidir leis na háiritheoirí cinntiú go bhfuil siad san áit ceart don vóta

Can tellers ensure that they are in position for the vote.

I bhfábhar / those in favour.

In aghaidh / those against

Tá sé glactha / the motion is passed

Tá sé cailte / the motion is lost

An féidir le daoine a gcartaí a chur in airde? /

Could delegates indicate clearly with their cards?

Rúin Éigeandála / Addenda / **Aguisíní** (Emergency Motions/Addenda/Amendments)

Áiritheoirí (Tellers)

An bhfuil moltóir agam don liosta? / Is there a proposer for the list?

An bhfuil cuiditheoir agam? / Is there a seconder?

Orduithe Seasta (Standing Orders)

Spreagaitheasc (Keynote Address)

Aoichainteoirí (guest speakers)

Áistarraingíodh na rúin.... / Motions are withdrawn

Anois beidh aoichainteoir idirnáisúnta / We will now have an international speaker

Tá an Ard Fheis chun tosú, tá mé ag glaach ar teachtaí, baill Ard Chomhairle agus cuairteoirí suíocháin a ghlacadh san halla.

The Ard Fheis is about to start, can I call on delegates, Ard Chomhairle members and visitors to come into the main hall, so that the debate can begin on time.

**Tá mé ag iarraidh anois ar teachtaí a bhfuil sé de rún acú labhairt sa roinn seo den Ard Fheis chun scuaine a dhéanamh ar thaobh an phóidiam anseo.**

I am now calling for speakers. Could delegates who wish to address this section of the Ard Fheis please form a queue near the podium.

Tá córas aistriúcháin comhuaineach ar fáil do dhuine ar bith atá ag iarraidh éisteacht leis an mhéid atá á rá as Gaeilge. Feicfidh sibh na cluaisíní ansin ar an taobh

Simultaneous translation will be done of speeches in Irish. Headphones are available at the side of the hall for those who have difficulty understanding our national language.

Tá an díospóireacht oscailte. Ba mhaith liom ciúnas sa halla.

The debate is now open, quiet in the hall please.

An féidir leis an Choiste Stiúrtha an teachta deireanach a ainmniú agus an féidir le daoine bheith comair.

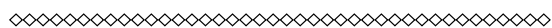
Could the Steering Committee identify the last speaker in this section and could speakers please be brief.

Sin deireadh leis an roinn seo den Ard Fheis ar

That completes the section of the Ard Fheis.

Beidh an céad roinn eile ar

The next section deals with motions on



FRIDAY 15th JUNE**A new and agreed Ireland**

1. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises the increased levels of discussion and debate around a united Ireland across society;
- welcomes such a discussion and recognises the diverse range of views of what a united Ireland could look like;
- encourages the development of a dialogue upon an all-Ireland constitutional, pluralist and rights based democracy;
- welcomes the range of conferences organised by Sinn Féin across Ireland and in London;
- recognises that the route to achieve Irish unity is clearly laid out in the Good Friday Agreement as being a referendum on both sides of the border.

Therefore this Ard Fheis:

- calls on all those political parties with a stated position of supporting a united Ireland, to bring forward their own ideas and proposals on how best to move this objective forward;
- calls on the Irish government to:
 - introduce automatic Dáil membership for MPs from the north of Ireland and, pending this, to introduce speaking and consultative rights for Northern MPs and Assembly members in the Dáil and Seanad;
 - establish an Oireachtas Committee to plan for Irish unity;
 - establish a national forum to bring together all parties and key sectors representative of civic society on the island to consult together on the constitutional and political future of the island, including the issue of Irish unity and national reconciliation;
- calls on the Irish government to:
 - encourage and lead an informed, reasoned and respectful public dialogue on the issue of Irish unity;
 - prepare a realistic plan for Irish reunification, including the establishment of an Oireachtas all-party group to bring forward a Green Paper for Irish reunification;
 - initiate a referendum on Presidential voting rights for citizens in the north of Ireland and the Irish diaspora to be held within the next 12 months;
 - develop an all-island National Health Service and all-island public services through a 'United Ireland Investment and Prosperity Plan'.

*Ard Chomhairle**Burns/McKerr/Toman Cumann (Lurgan)*

2. This Ard Fheis:

- calls on all those political parties and representatives who claim to support a united Ireland to support us in our call for a referendum on Irish unity;

Joe McManus Cumann (Garrison)

3. This Ard Fheis calls for the immediate re-establishment of the British-Irish Intergovernmental Conference as provided for under the terms of the Good Friday Agreement

Upper Bann Comhairle Ceantair

4. This Ard Fheis has a vision of a new and united Ireland which is firmly rooted in the republican values of equality, fraternity and liberty. We want an inclusive Ireland in which the diversity of identities on our island is embraced, protected and celebrated. This must include those who cherish and celebrate their British identity. A new and united Ireland must be a place for all, a united Ireland that is home if you are Irish, British, both or neither.

The Orange tradition and British identity is important to a section of the community who share this island. It is therefore important to us all.

The Good Friday Agreement not only provides a peaceful and democratic pathway to Irish unity, it also provides a model regarding rights and parity of esteem for identity regardless of national allegiance for all those living in a new and united Ireland.

This Ard Fheis recognises the need for all those who wish to see a united Ireland to engage with our unionist neighbours and to listen and engage with their hopes and fears regarding Irish unity. We recognise that actions may be required to ensure those who value their British identity that this shall not be diminished in a united Ireland, including issues such as:

- an all-Ireland Bill of Rights;
- arrangements around flags, symbols and emblems;
- the safeguarding of British citizenship and associated rights;
- the continuation of safeguards contained in the Good Friday Agreement post unity;
- measures to tackle sectarianism across society;
- maintaining and developing bodies designed to strengthen the relationships between the islands such as the British-Irish Council, the British-Irish Parliamentary Association and the British-Irish Intergovernmental Conference.

West Wicklow Cumann

5. This Ard Fheis:

- calls on the Irish and British governments to deliver on their commitments set out in the Good Friday and subsequent agreements, in the Good Friday and subsequent Agreements, and to uphold the highest standards of civil, economic and social rights in the north of Ireland;
- recognises that the human rights and equality provisions of the Good Friday Agreement provide confidence for all communities in the political institutions of the Agreement and other public authorities;
- recognises that EU law provides a supporting framework of rights that underpin the equality provisions of the Good Friday Agreement and in that a key concern is a future divergence of rights, north and south, as a consequence of Brexit, which could create barriers on the island and impede the requirement under the Good Friday Agreement for equivalent standards of protection of rights in both jurisdictions;
- reaffirms that Irish citizens in the north of Ireland can currently exercise and enjoy rights associated with EU membership and recognises that the exercise of these rights are a critical component of the citizenship provision of the Good Friday Agreement.

In particular, we call on them to introduce:

- a Bill of Rights;
- an all-Ireland Charter of Rights, and establish a Joint Committee for Human Rights, north and south;
- an all-Ireland Civic Forum;
- a review of funding for all-Ireland bodies;
- Acht na Gaeilge;
- funding of legacy inquests;
- following Britain's departure from the EU, a guarantee that those born in the north who exercise their entitlement to citizenship rights under the Good Friday Agreement will continue to enjoy rights associated with EU membership.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 6 Chontae

6. This Ard Fheis commends and supports Irish Language activists throughout Ireland and beyond for their work to promote An Ghaeilge.

In particular we commend all those campaigning for fair and equitable treatment for Gaeltacht communities, and for the implementation and defence of language rights for all citizens.

The Ard Fheis further commends the vibrant campaign for Acht Gaeilge and reiterates our commitment to the implementation of an Irish Language Act in the Six Counties.

Sinn Féin is committed to the promotion of the Irish Language, to its reestablishment as a major spoken language in Ireland and to the delivery of rights for Irish speakers.

This Ard Fheis draws attention to Sinn Féin's Irish Language policy 'Tír gan teanga, tír gan anam', and to our recently published discussion documents 'Irish Language in the pre-school sector' and 'Irish Language in the Educational System' and commends those proposals as a significant and positive contribution to the current discourse on the future of the Irish Language.

Sinn Féin further recognise that the Irish Language belongs to all the people of Ireland in the context of mutual respect and our multi-cultural society.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 6 Chontae

7. This Ard Fheis:

- notes that there are 55 million Europeans who speak a lesser used language and face daily discrimination by doing so;
- notes that endangered languages are amongst those most at risk;
- notes that these languages form a key part in the cultural heritage of their regions, however speakers of these languages are denied basic rights such as education, health and other public services which the dominant languages enjoy without question;
- recognises that as a result of this inequality, different cultures are losing a vast amount of knowledge regarding their cultural identity;
- calls for the establishment of an office of a European Language Ombudsman, who will act to ensure that citizens language rights are upheld and that linguistic diversity is protected.

Tom Barry/Leo Murphy Cumann (Ballincollig/Mid-Cork)

8. This Ard Fheis recognises the trojan work being done by Sinn Féin councillors, along with others, in the promotion of the Irish language in local councils across the Six Counties, often against the backdrop of open hostility from those who seek to deny people their language rights.

In particular, this Ard Fheis commends the securing for the very first time the appointment of an Irish Language Officer in Belfast City Council and recognises this as a progressive and symbolic step forward for the Irish language for the citizens of Belfast.

However, this Ard Fheis regrets the attitude of some Councils towards the Irish language and Irish culture, and the ongoing discrimination against Irish language speakers. This includes decisions by Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council to apply an English only policy for street signs, and policies in Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council such as the inappropriate flying of the Union Flag on council buildings and facilities such as the recycling centre in Carryduff, and its buildings at Forestside and the lack of funding for GAA clubs and facilities within its boundaries.

Cumann Mháirtirigh Lóiste Na Móna (Turf Lodge)

Martin Meehan/MacArts Fort Cumann (Glengormley)

Samuel Neilson/Bridget Hanna Cumann (Castlereagh South)

9. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises the rights of citizens to a creative life;
- agrees that the arts, and the opportunity to participate in creative activities, can play an important part in the lives of children and adults alike and can be used to in helping refugees to heal and integrate into Irish society;
- further agrees that a vibrant part of expressing culture identity can be achieved through creativity;
- Calls on the government to make available additional funding and supports to ensure artistic and creative activities are encouraged within local communities.

Wolfe Tone Cumann (Naas/Sallins)

10. This Ard Fheis notes:

- it has been three years since the 26 Counties passed by referendum the right of LGBTQI people to civil marriage equality and passed legislation to enable gender recognition rights for the transgender community;
- despite substantial strides made in 2015, inequalities remain and some political parties have allowed the momentum for change to slow in delivering full LGBTQI equality;
- the current Fine Gael government, supported by Fianna Fáil, have allowed this. They have allowed for HIV transmission rates to increase - bucking international trends, for the State to become the only western European jurisdiction without hate crime legislation and LGBTQI families continue to be denied equal rights three years after the referendum for civil marriage equality;
- the struggle for civil marriage equality in the Six Counties continues and we commend the Sinn Féin team in Stormont and the Love Equality campaigners who work tirelessly to that end;
- the publication of Sinn Féin's latest LGBTQI position paper 'On Your Side'. This is the third party publication setting out the next steps in achieving full LGBTQI equality.

This Ard Fheis calls for:

- the full implementation of the proposal raised in the 'On Your Side' document including (but not limited to):
 - all-Ireland civil marriage equality;
 - all-Ireland gender recognition for transgender young people, non-binary people. All of which based on a self-declaration model;
 - accessible LGBTQI healthcare, particularly the access of the transgender community to hormone replacement therapy;
 - renewed efforts into removing the discrimination of men who have sex with men (MSM) donating blood;
 - fair and objective sex education curriculums that are inclusive of LGBTQI young people;
 - an immediate implementation of robust hate-crime legislation;
 - accessible HIV contraception and testing, in light of rising transmission rates;
 - the prohibition of LGBTQI 'conversion' therapies.

Jim Lochrie Cumann (Drumintee)

11. This Ard Fheis stands in solidarity with the Islamic Community in Belfast following a number of racist and xenophobic incidents in South Belfast.

Nolan/Downey Cumann (Laganbank)

12. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises the important role the Human Rights Commission has to play in promoting and protecting human rights in the north of Ireland;
- expresses concern at the cut in grant aid by the NIO and the negative impact this will have on the Commission's ability to deliver its statutory functions;
- calls on the NIO to halt any further cuts to the Human Rights Commission budget.

South Armagh Comhairle Ceantair

13. This Ard Fheis:

- welcomes the Equality Commission's Consultation on Section 75 Statutory Equality and Good Relations Duties;
- notes with concern the Commission's recognition that Section 75 Duties are not being effectively implemented by public authorities.

Calls upon:

- public authorities to take every measure to ensure full compliance with Section 75;
- the Equality Commission to adopt a stronger approach to equality enforcement and to provide training in the correct application of the principle of the 'due regard' duty.

Recommends that the following statutory obligations are effectively mainstreamed within the planning and delivery of public policy and the public services:

- Section 28E of the 1998 Act;
- The Child Poverty Act 2010; and
- The Rural Needs Act (2016).

Burns/McKerr/Toman Cumann (Lurgan)

14. This Ard Fheis supports the Time for Truth Campaign and fully endorses their three demands:

- immediate release of funding for Lord Chief Justice Legacy Inquest Plan;
- full implementation and adequate resourcing of the Stormont House mechanisms;
- adequate resourcing of the Police Ombudsman's Office.

Cúige na Sé Chontae

15. This Ard Fheis calls on the Irish government to release the Crowley Report into the death of Aidan McAneaspie.

Dan McAnallen/Tom Clarke Cumann (Brantry/Eglisk)

16. This Ard Fheis calls on the Irish government to release all relevant files and documents it has on the Dublin/Monaghan Bombings in which 33 innocent civilians and a full-term baby were killed and almost 300 injured by the UVF with suspicion of involvement of British state forces and to put pressure on the British government to do the same.

Smith/Savage Cumann (Castleknock)

Securing Your Future – Secure work and decent wages

17. This Ard Fheis believes that a century of greed, elitism, and gross economic mismanagement have squandered the untold economic potential of successive generations of Irish citizens. Partition has deepened and perpetuated this system.

Countless young people have been forced from their homes to pursue their ambitions. Whole families and communities have been left behind, to the personal enrichment of a few. In 2018 little has changed. Despite encouraging post-crash economic prospects, partition, a cost of living crisis, rampant homelessness, crumbling public services, and stark social inequalities continue to stifle the future of our nation.

This Ard Fheis asserts that Sinn Féin must continue to confront this legacy of failure and of wasted opportunity, talent and ambition. We must offer a positive, achievable, and transformative alternative to the status-quo.

This Ard Fheis believes that to guarantee a life of security, dignity and flourishing as a birth right, we must ensure every citizen, north and south, enjoys a share of our island's wealth to which they are entitled.

To achieve this, this Ard Fheis believes in forging a social economy which invests in every citizen and community to unleash their potential, which rejects inequality and the primacy of vested interests, and which will ensure economic stability to bring security to people's lives and ambitions.

This Ard Fheis asserts that an economy infused with republican values will serve society first. It will guarantee a minimum standard of living, provide for world-class public services, cherish the sanctity of our natural environment and end the destructive economic legacy of partition.

Ard Chomhairle

18. This Ard Fheis recognises the benefits a united Ireland would have for businesses and enterprise, building on the respective strengths of both regional economies, and countering some of their respective weaknesses. We believe a united Ireland would be better for business, as it would be:

- a more balanced economy with key strengths in both indigenous business and FDI;
- more stable and diversified to withstand external shocks and which is adaptable to an ever-changing global economy;
- successful as a global leader in sectors of high potential future growth such as pharmaceuticals and IT;
- internationally recognised for quality and high standards;
- sustainable and providing good quality, well paid jobs and which can provide world class public services and a fair society;
- prosperous through increased investment, increased exports and economic growth.

Maria Curran Cumann (Arklow)

19. This Ard Fheis:

- notes that after 10 years of DUP Economy Ministers the north has the lowest rate of economic growth on these islands;
- recognises that the draft Industrial Strategy published in 2017 by the DUP Economy Minister neglects the potential of the all-Ireland economy, ignores the economic threat posed by Brexit and lacks the rigor and attention to detail required to address the north's economic underperformance;
- calls for the Industrial Strategy to be revised when the Executive is restored, to include an honest appraisal of past economic policy and performance, an analysis of the constraints on growth in each economic sector and a programme of support tailored to addressing these constraints with a focus on improving productivity, creating jobs, and promoting regional balance;
- acknowledges that this level of analysis requires an improvement in economic data;
- recommends the establishment of an Advisory Group with representation from trade unions and Employers to oversee the Industrial Strategy.

20. This Ard Fheis recognises that there are many families and individuals across the country who work hard, and struggle to make ends meet.

They include childcare workers, retail workers, hospitality workers, young nurses and teachers, and workers across the economy.

They enrich our communities and country through their hard work and dedication, yet they find themselves living week-to-week, always one emergency away from a full blown crisis.

This Ard Fheis recognises those people. This Ard Fheis is those people. This Ard Fheis says "no more".

This Ard Fheis pledges to lift the burden of worry and insecurity from hard working families and individuals and demands:

- a fair day's pay for fair day's work;
- an end to exploitative work practices such as zero hour and 'if-and-when' contracts;
- that the cost of living is kept under control;
- the provision of world class public services.

*Ard Chomhairle
Mairead Farrell Cumann (Moynehall)*

21. This Ard Fheis recognises:

- the hard work and dedication of childcare workers across the country;
- that childcare workers' wages quite simply do not reflect the valuable and skilled work they do;
- that many highly-skilled workers do not see any long-term career prospects in the sector;
- that successive Irish governments have completely failed to make any meaningful investment in the childcare sector;
- that this has resulted in low pay for workers and high fees for parents while most providers are operating on a break even basis and simply cannot afford to increase staff wages;
- that this cannot be allowed to continue and that workers in such an important role are only on an average of €10.27 per-hour - well short of the Living Wage of €11.70 - is totally unacceptable.
- valuing staff must sit squarely alongside the further priorities of quality for children and affordability for parents.

This Ard Fheis therefore calls for a serious focus on pay and conditions in the sector, that this be core in all future plans to expand childcare and early years provision and that it cannot be an afterthought.

Cole/Colley Cumann (Coolock)

22. This Ard Fheis recognises:

- the important role that the hospitality sector plays in the Irish economy and the invaluable work carried out by those employed in the sector;
- that young people are integral to the survival of the hospitality industry across the island and that every day young people are overtly exploited in the hospitality industry in terms of, low wages, long hours and lack of appropriate rest breaks during and between shifts;
- that the reality of the hospitality industry is that it is dominated by low pay, precarious employment and poor working conditions;
- acknowledges that in 2016, the average weekly wage of a worker in the hospitality sector was €324, which is less than half of the national weekly average of €697;
- that workers in this sector are very much dependent upon the tips which they earn at work in order to supplement their low pay;
- acknowledges a survey carried out by Sinn Féin in the Galway hospitality sector in 2016 which found that 1 in 3 workers regularly have their tips withheld by their boss;
- condemns this behaviour by employers as morally deplorable;
- commends the work being carried out by Senator Paul Gavan and Cllr Johnny Mythen in this sector and fully supports the legislation proposed by Sinn Féin to give workers a statutory legal right to their tips.

This Ard Fheis also reiterates its calls for the immediate abolition of zero-hours contracts and for employers across the economy, including in the hospitality industry, to pay their staff a living wage, regardless of age.

*Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae
Ógra Shinn Féin*

23. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises that the merged scales agreed and implemented under the Haddington Road Agreement amounts to unequal pay for post-January 2011 entrants to the public sector, with over 60,000 public sectors workers drawing less pay than their colleagues for equal work. This comprises over 20 percent of workers in our education sector, and a quarter of the workforce in our health services, including 10,000 nurses;
- resolves to achieve pay equalisation in its entirety within the period of the current Public Service Stability Agreement, with post-January 2011 entrants attaining equal pay with their colleagues, for equal work, by the close of 2020.

Ard Chomhairle

24. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises that the Financial Emergency Measures in the Public Interest Acts from 2009 to 2015 hurt those on lower and medium incomes more;
- recognises that a full restoration in pay would result in a lesser increase proportionate to pay for those on lower to middle incomes than those on higher income brackets;
- consequently resolves to prioritise restoring pay for lower and middle income public sector workers and pursue real wage increases for those on lower and modest income levels within the public sector, engendering a more equitable pay structure within the public service for all workers;
- resolves to pursue a living wage within the public sector for those of lower income, ensuring economic security for all public sector workers;
- resolves to pursue real income increases for those areas within the public service, such as nursing and social work that experience recruitment and retention crises to the detriment of our public services.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae

25. This Ard Fheis notes that:

- nursing and midwifery make up approximately 33% of the total public health service workforce;
- nurses and midwives are in the frontline and they carry the burden of trying to maintain a safe level of care within a reality of decreased services, decreasing staff, and increased demand;
- nurses and midwives educated in this state are among the highest educated and best trained healthcare/medical professionals in the world with an esteemed national and international reputation;
- nursing and midwifery are high risk occupations in terms of aggression and physical assault
- the 2016 turnover rate recorded in the Health Sector Staff Turnover Estimate for Staff Nurses and Midwives was 7.9%;
- a 2017 survey released by the Irish Nurses and Midwives Organisation showed that a staggering 78.1% of student nurses considered emigrating when they qualified with 81.49% of the total respondents placing pay, staffing levels, and working conditions as the major reason for considering leaving the health service;
- the female dominated professions of nursing and midwifery are low paid in comparison to other professions with the same educational entry requirements;
- in recent years due to a deterioration in working conditions and pay issues, amongst others, the situation for nurses and midwives has dramatically changed and has become characterised by a high stress working environment, poor staffing levels associated with unsatisfactory working conditions, and a poorly controlled working environment;
- the recruitment moratorium and associated issues have created a recruitment and retention crisis within the nursing and midwifery professions;

Calls on the Irish government to:

- introduce recruitment and retention measures based on realistic proposals which must include pay;
- agree a roadmap with unions on how full pay equality will be achieved for nurses and midwives with an implementation plan to deliver pay equality within a short timeframe;
- establish an independent commission on nursing to look at all aspects of nursing including future pay, working conditions, upskilling, and career progression, amongst other areas;
- work with unions to identify innovative and progressive mechanisms/initiatives to secure and retain staff;
- target new graduates and other nursing staff by offering permanent contracts, attractive career structures and opportunities for other learning, education, and skills development.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae

26. This Ard Fheis commits to ensuring government establishes an all-party Dáil committee on returning immigrants and emigration with responsibility for establishing a protocol to relieve the current pressures on returning immigrants and establish a policy to reduce emigration from Ireland.

Mayo Comhairle Ceantair

27. This Ard Fheis:

- acknowledges that if we are to achieve a more equal society, citizens in employment are entitled to a liveable wage and decent working conditions;
- recognises that many men and women are employed in positions without the prospect of up-skilling because they are denied suitable training and development opportunities;
- calls on the government to stop including people on CE schemes when compiling employment statistics as it is presenting inaccurate and false data that is deliberately designed to be misleading.

Liam Ryan Cumann (Athlone)

28. This Ard Fheis sends solidarity to workers in Irish Life who are the latest cohort of workers to face pension losses as their Defined Benefit scheme is to be wound down by their employer.

This, as is the case with a number of Defined Benefit schemes, is being wound down for no reason other than the employer's desire to remove the associated pension risk off their books and onto the shoulders of workers.

This Ard Fheis calls on Sinn Féin to bring forward legislation to make it illegal for solvent employers to wind down Defined Benefit schemes where the scheme is healthy and not allow employers to renege on pension obligations to workers.

Delaney/O'Rahilly Cumann (Bray)

29. This Ard Fheis recognises that poverty is a scourge on our society and commits to a rights based approach, premised on Article 11 (1) of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, as to how we will seek to address it. Tackling poverty is not just a moral obligation, it also makes economic sense.

Those who suffer poverty will have more life limiting health problems, suffer greater mental health problems and thus will require greater investment to address these problems later in life than if we had invested earlier in tackling the issues that flow from poverty. Early intervention and investment saves money.

This Ard Fheis acknowledges that tackling poverty requires interventions that take account of the individual, the family, and area-based deprivation. That such interventions should occur across the life cycle of the person and be designed to ultimately break the cycle of deprivation where a child born into poverty suffers from educational underachievement and skills leading them into unemployment or low paid employment which perpetuates the cycle of poverty right through to when they start their own families and the cycle begins all over again.

This Ard Fheis calls on the Dáil and a future Assembly to work together to bring forward anti-poverty legislation and strategies, setting out clear targets, a timetable and financial commitments, based on objective need, that will ensure

that everyone in our society has an adequate standard of living for themselves and their family, including adequate food, clothing and housing, and to the continuous improvement of their living conditions.

The Ard Fheis:

- voices its continued opposition to British Tory austerity and attacks on the welfare systems;
- reaffirms our call to, scrap the two child limit on Tax Credits, Universal Credit and income support with its disgraceful and repugnant rape clause exception;
- would bring to an end the outsourcing of benefit assessment to private companies and revise the restrictive criteria associated with entitlement to PIP when claiming under Special Rules/Terminal Illness.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 6 Chontae

30. This Ard Fheis calls on the Ard Chomhairle to establish a working group to examine the feasibility of adopting a universal basic income in the 26 Counties in which all citizens, or permanent residents, of the State would receive a regular, and unconditional sum of money, from the government in part or total substitution of existing social welfare payments and individual tax credits.

Mick Murray Cumann (Clontarf)

31. This Ard Fheis acknowledges that:

- children were recognised to have an impact on a person's ability to pay tax from as far back as 1799 and that tax payers with children paid less than those without until 1986;
- those in receipt of Social Welfare receive an increase for qualified (IQC) child/children and those in receipt of FIS also have dependents taken in to account;
- working people on a modest income get no recognition of the cost of rearing children beyond Child Benefit.

This Ard Fheis calls for the Introduction of tax credits for dependent children to help working families ease the cost of childcare.

Wilson/Coleman Cumann (Swords)

32. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises the narrow base of the current system of taxation and the need to widen this to deliver public services fit for purpose for a modern Republic;
- acknowledges the importance of Sinn Féin in government introducing an effective wealth tax;
- also acknowledges the need for a greater contribution in taxation from multinational corporations and the need for a progressive all-Ireland rate of corporate taxation;
- commits Sinn Féin to a thorough review of taxation policy to be completed by the next Ard Fheis, in order to ensure a fairer contribution from those corporations and individuals who can afford to pay more.

Clancy/O'Callaghan Cumann (Limerick City North)

Bun Na bhFál Cumann (Falls)

33. This Ard Fheis recognises that:

- there is widespread non-compliance with Irish tax law amongst artists from overseas who perform in the 26 Counties, who do not file self-assessment returns;
- while the legal framework for the tax is enacted, it is not enforced by Revenue, meaning that the 26 Counties is one of the few EU jurisdictions that do not tax visiting entertainers;
- the music sector in the 26 Counties, according to the IMRO, supports 11,510 jobs. This sector still remains unduly affected by austerity and artists still struggle to make a living from their work.

This Ard Fheis calls for the examination of the criteria and design of a 'Foreign Artists' Withholding Tax' to ensure that these artists make a contribution

Emmett/Mallin Cumann (Inchicore)

34. This Ard Fheis notes that child benefit used to be paid to the parents of a child that was in full time education up until the age of 23. This is no longer available to families. Now, a lot of families apply for grants from SUSI. However many only qualify for partial grants for e.g. the distance you have to travel to your place of study is taken in to

consideration and the grant received per month may only cover travel costs for one week of that month.

This Ard Fheis therefore believes an Education Maintenance Allowance payment for families with a child/adult dependent in full time education would alleviate the pressure on families and students who struggle to balance work and study while trying to make ends meet.

Wilson/Coleman Cumann (Swords)

35. This Ard Fheis recognises that:
- workers across the island have to contend with the unnecessary complication of having two sets of industrial relations law on the one island, separate standards with regard to health and safety, and two separate minimum wages' which leave workers exposed to a race to the bottom in relation to wages and conditions between jurisdictions;
 - partition creates a myriad of difficulties for all workers as well as for those honest, decent employers who wish to provide decent jobs for their employees by creating extra paperwork, bureaucracy and red tape;
 - for those employers who wish to exploit their workers, it provides opportunities to do so by dividing Irish workers territorially and politically;
 - partition has also distorted the political representation of workers by preventing the development of a left/right divide in politics, allowing conservative groupings dominate;
 - in the south, workers endure the second highest percentage of low paying jobs in the OECD and also the second highest level of wage inequality in the EU-15. In the north, data provided by the NICEP highlighted that wages fell by 6.9% in real terms between 2007 and 2013, while in-work poverty saw a sharp increase between 2015 and 2016 (Joseph Rowntree Foundation report 2016).

This Ard Fheis recognises that Irish unity can benefit all workers and will deliver:

- more and better paid jobs and opportunities for all workers including women and people with disabilities;
- greater mobility allowing workers work and live anywhere on the island without inconvenience;
- stronger trade unions and workers' protections;
- better pay and less red tape for workers and employers alike;
- better political representation for workers as partition is removed as fault line in Irish politics.

Wexford Comhairle Ceantair

36. This Ard Fheis:
- recognises that workers and working families are the bedrock of our communities, our society and our economy; that our society and workers in particular, have suffered from almost a decade of Tory austerity; that this has meant that in real terms, the block grant to the North has been reduced by 10.2%. Inflation has out stripped pay increases, leading to a de facto pay cut of 8.5% (Better Work, Better Lives, NIC-ICTU);
 - supports the NIC-ICTU campaign for Better Work, Better Lives and the protection of better, decent and more secure work whilst challenging the scourge of low pay.
 - recognises that Brexit poses a real and present threat to workers' rights and that the Tory government intends to use Brexit to deregulate and attack workers' rights;
 - believes that securing special designated status for the North within the EU is the best way to prevent this happening. In addition, Sinn Féin will use its influence to maintain existing protections and implement any future progressive EU Directives in respect of improving workers' rights in the event Brexit proceeds as planned;
 - commits to bringing forward draft legislation in the North to strengthen workers' rights in our society;
 - notes that some employers are wrongly treating workers as self-

employed in order to avoid paying tax and conferring employment rights. This denies workers vital protections such as sick pay and maternity leave, loses revenue for public services, and undercuts scrupulous employers;

- calls for the introduction of legislation to prevent employers from illegitimately treating workers as self-employed.

In practice this will include the following proposals:

- a commitment to progressively introduce the real living wage (Independently calculated by the Living Wage Foundation). That the Real Living Wage be applied to all workers;
- as a first step, a requirement that the Real Living Wage will be paid by any company bidding for public procurement contracts;
- the banning of zero hour contracts and ensuring that part time workers will have the same rights as full-time employees;
- legislation to increase the statutory redundancy provision to a minimum of 3 weeks per year of service. This will be available to all employees regardless of age or length of service. The period of statutory consultation with employees will be increased to 90 days. The weekly wage for the purposes of redundancy, will be calculated upon the individual's average weekly wage, including overtime and any additional premium;
- Recognition of the right to withdraw one's labour and to strike is a basic and fundamental right. Any restriction upon the exercise of that right should be removed. The current 12 week restriction upon the length of any dispute, including strike action, should be removed;
- Recognition of the rights of workers to organise themselves in unions will be facilitated by removing restrictions within legislation and allowing for employments below 20 workers to seek trade union recognition for the purposes of collective bargaining. This will also include greater access, at an earlier stage, for unions to workplaces when an application for recognition is made to the Industrial Court;
- protection from unfair dismissal being made available to all workers with more than 6 months service;
- the introduction of stronger protections against bullying and intimidation for workers and trade union representatives. We will seek to introduce stronger sanctions against employers found guilty of bullying or intimidation of any kind;
- halting all unpaid bogus internships;
- increasing paid paternity leave to 4 weeks;
- a strengthening of the power of the Labour Relations Agency to intervene and mediate in workplace disputes. This will also include reform/review of the Industrial relations mechanisms of the state to make them more user friendly to workers;
- encouraging an increased strategic focus by the trade union movement and employers organisations in the private sector to promote policies and initiatives which challenge sectarian behaviour and discrimination in the workplace and to make management and employees aware of relevant legislation.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 6 Chontae

37. This Ard Fheis instructs the party to include in any future Programme for Government in the 26 Counties, or a united Ireland, the inclusion of true Collective Bargaining legislation.

The 2015 Industrial Relations Amendment Act is not Collective Bargaining.

This Ard Fheis instructs the party to examine international collective bargaining legislation and formulate legislation that will truly protect workers and workers' rights and finally have the right to Collective Bargaining enshrined into Irish law.

Peadar Clancy/Mairéad Farrell Cumann (Ennis)

38. This Ard Fheis acknowledges the current system of industrial relations in Ireland is essentially a voluntary model. This system requires both employers and trade unionists to voluntarily engage to negotiate and resolve important industrial relations matters, unfortunately due to the behaviour of many anti-

union employers in many sectors of employment including retail, the voluntary system is being undermined at best and avoided by these unscrupulous employers.

This Ard Fheis condemns the fact that the 26 Counties is one of the only states in the European Union without adequate legislation for both union recognition and collective bargaining. Therefore, this Ard Fheis, in order to ensure state compliance with judgements of the European Court of Human Rights, calls for the immediate implementation of legislation to provide for mandatory trade union recognition and to give employees the right to collective bargaining through their representative trade union.

Greystones Cumann (Greystones)

39. This Ard Fheis supports the Fórsa trade union campaign for tax equality on trade union subventions in line with other professional bodies and the call for the reinstatement of the tax relief on trade union subventions withdrawn by the Irish government in 2011 and commits to making provision for this in Sinn Féin's 2019 alternative budget.

*Cork City Comhairle Ceantair
Patrick Sheehy Cumann (Limerick City West)
Greystones Cumann (Greystones)
Robert Emmet Cumann (Rathgar/Rathmines)*

40. This Ard Fheis affirms its commitment to the granting of employee status to PhD researchers in third level institutions, whose working hours exceed 35 hours per week.

Full time PhD research is analogous to a structured training programme in terms of workload, but without the underlying rights granted to workers on a structured training programme.

Robert Emmet Cumann (Rathgar/Rathmines)

41. This Ard Fheis supports the Youth Workers Campaign for more investment in longer term, sustainable funding lines to ensure our young people have consistency in terms of building professional relationships with their youth worker, thereby fostering youth development and community participation that young people feel they have ownership and direction of.

Cork City Comhairle Ceantair

42. This Ard Fheis asserts that:

- City Deals should be focussed on promoting inclusive growth;
- the Belfast and North West deals should be treated equally. To this end the British government should extend its formal commitment for a deal in Belfast to the North West;
- governance arrangements should be based on existing democratic structures.

Derry Comhairle Ceantair

43. This Ard Fheis:

- calls on all government departments involved in tourism, heritage and culture to market and brand Ireland on an all-island basis when seeking to attract overseas tourists;
- mandates our MEPs to consider landscape characteristics as an important tourism asset for Ireland and to work to put in place, at European level, protection for landscapes in rural communities relying on freedom from industrial characteristics for their tourism asset;
- supports establishing greater links between our communities in Ulster to create strong cross border branding with regard to tourism based on centuries of shared heritage, culture and that we also work to link this heritage to the wider European cultures it inspired.

Leo Casey/Matt Devlin Cumann (Ballymahon)

Challenging vested interests

44. This Ard Fheis recognises Ireland's political establishment has a poor record of challenging vested interests. In government, Sinn Féin will demand probity and accountability from all who hold positions of power and responsibility and by doing so we will uphold and protect the common good, and will;
- develop a statutory framework that holds senior civil servants and public officials to account for their decisions and actions, upholds the public interest and the common good and imbeds the principle of open public administration;
 - establish a seminal independent audit of the State's oversight agencies in the 26 Counties involved in combating white-collar crime to include but not limited to front line staff architecture, expenditure, enforcement, and inter-agency cooperation to include an international comparators study of other jurisdictional approaches and recommendations for prioritised implementation;
 - introduce a White Collar Crime Bill to strengthen investigative, enforcement and prosecution powers contained within existing company, employment and public administration legislation;
 - extend the power and resources of the Comptroller and Auditor General in the 26 Counties to inspect the accounts, books and records of any organisation in receipt of public funds;
 - introduce measures to protect the public interest from the often insidious relationships between the public and private sector;
 - introduce a statutory Register of Lobbying in the north to provide transparency and greater assurance that policy decisions made are done so in the best interests of everyone and not simply a lobby group which has the financial backing to buy influence and votes;
 - as a more immediate measure amend the Ministerial Code in the north to require Ministers to declare all meetings with lobbyists.

Ard Chomhairle

45. This Ard Fheis implores the Minister for Health Simon Harris to introduce a statutory 'duty of candour' for the purpose of enforcing a policy of open disclosure within the health services.

O'Hanlon/McMahon/Lynagh Cumann (Monaghan Town)

46. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises that the abuse of children took place right across the country in places and institutions which the state, voluntary organisations or religious institutions had a direct responsibility for;
- calls for an open and honest admission of the roles in such abuse that the state, voluntary organisations and religious institutions were responsible for;
- calls on all of those involved to release the information that they hold so as the full story of what children and young people were forced to endure can be fully told and that where possible those who carried out the abuse can be brought to justice.

In particular this Ard Fheis calls for the recommendations of the Historical Institutional Abuse Inquiry in the north to be fully implemented following consultation with those who suffered and further calls for the state, voluntary organisations and the religious institutions to make reparations to all involved.

This Ard Fheis also recognises the suffering of those who were in Mother and Baby Homes and calls for abuses that took place within them to be fully investigated.

Barney McFadden Cumann (Greysteel)

47. This Ard Fheis notes:
- the need for radical change within An Garda Síochána and its oversight bodies in ensuring senior Gardaí can be held accountable for their actions.
 - the culture of impunity that has existed in the senior ranks of An Garda Síochána;

Therefore, this Ard Fheis calls for:

- the government and the Minister for Justice to address the issue of accountability in a way that can restore public confidence in An Garda Síochána;
- the establishment of a Criminal Justice Inspectorate overseeing inspections of An Garda Síochána, the courts and the Director of Public Prosecutions;
- the Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission (GSOC) to be reformed, fully empowered, properly resourced, and independent in order to fulfil its oversight obligation;
- the powers of GSOC to be further enhanced in order to ensure that the Garda Commissioner comes within the remit of GSOC for investigation purposes;
- the Policing Authority to be granted a full independent capacity regarding the appointments of the Garda Commissioner, the Deputy Commissioner and the Assistant Garda Commissioners following open competition by the Public Appointments Service based on best practice in recruitment and to have the independent power to remove these senior officers.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae

48. This Ard Fheis believes that the Irish media industry faces a number of issues of real concern including:
- an over concentration of media ownership;
 - precarious working conditions;
 - lack of supports for investigative journalism;
 - lack of socio-economic, gender, disability and ethnic diversity and;
 - defamation laws that can have a chilling effect on news coverage and publications in the public interest.

Given that these issues have been flagged in a number of independent reports and that Ireland continues to fall in the World Press Freedom Index, this Ard Fheis calls for the establishment of a multi-disciplinary commission of Inquiry into the media landscape in Ireland.

Healy/Howard Cumann (Cabra East)

Party Development

49. This Ard Fheis commends the Sinn Féin health policy document - A Sinn Féin Plan for Universal Healthcare, and believes that Sinn Féin should lead by example on the issue of Mental Health by endorsing the following;
- the provision of training for all paid party activists to undertake suicide awareness training;
 - to encourage the wider membership to avail of any suicide awareness training that may be available in their own areas ;
 - to undertake a consultation process with its paid party activists to identify any additional mental health/wellness supports that may be needed within their roles;
 - following which the party will undertake to publish guidelines for paid party activists on best practise for mental health/wellness.
- Colonel Leonard Cumann (Tullyallen)*
50. This Ard Fheis asks the Ard Chomhairle to positively consider Sinn Féin putting forward a candidate in this year's presidential election, recognising that the office of Uachtarán na hÉireann is too important to be uncontested and that the Irish people should not be denied the chance to vote for a Sinn Féin candidate in any election.
- McGrath/O'Brien Cumann (East Waterford)*
51. This Ard Fheis recognises that minority partners in previous Irish government have suffered heavy subsequent losses in popularity and political development.
- This Ard Fheis also recognises that the losses suffered by minority partners in the past have come about as a result of the perfidious manner in which said minority partners abandoned their principles in favour of short sighted gains
- Therefore, this Ard Fheis re-affirms Sinn Féin's aspiration to the formation of government in the south based on our socialist republican principles and reaffirms that any potential coalition proposals must go before a Special Ard Fheis.
- Any Programme for Government in such a coalition must prioritise issues such as a road map to Irish Unity, have a commitment to creating a universal healthcare system as outlined in our Better for Health Policy and a commitment to proper investment in social housing as outlined in the Better for Housing policy.
- Ogra Shinn Féin
Countess Markievicz/Tadhg Barry Cumann (North West/Central Wards)*
52. This Ard Fheis notes that while Sinn Féin may engage in discussions with other political parties after any election, the party's only objective will be to form a broad left-wing government comprising parties and independents of a similar political ideology.
- Devlin/Plunkett Cumann (Templeogue/Terenure)*
53. This Ard Fheis sends its best wishes and warm thanks to our longest serving TD Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, TD for Cavan/Monaghan, on his decision to stand down at the next election, we wish him all the best for the future after so many years hard work.
- Kieran Doherty Cumann (Cavan Town)*
54. This Ard Fheis:
- supports the stand taken by Cliftonville Football Club and commends the dignified way in which it carried out its protest at the Irish Cup Final on the 5th May 2018;
 - confirms its support for a united Ireland national football team, and calls on the FAI and IFA to begin talks on a pathway to achieving this;
 - in recognising that we have two national leagues on this island, this Ard Fheis calls for a position paper on setting up a single national league that will see teams competing from all 32 Counties. This paper should be done by setting up a group of Sinn Féin members who have an interest in the leagues on the island and be headed up by both our spokespersons for Sport in the Six Counties and 26 Counties. The paper should also look at how we could grow the league to have the maximum impact.
- Charlie McGlade Cumann (Drimnagh)*

55. This Ard Fheis commends the party for its focus on and continued support for equality inclusion and diversity including, but not limited to:
- working for gender equality of elected representatives and internal structures;
 - treating all party members fairly, regardless of race, religion, gender label or none, sexual orientation, ethnicity, national origin, or creed;
 - being non-sectarian in all interactions;
 - supporting rights of travellers;
 - challenging those who treat people of different socio-economic levels unequally;
 - welcoming immigrants to Ireland;
 - supporting people with disabilities.

This Ard Fheis calls on the party to continue and expand its efforts to continue to be inclusive as we build a united Ireland.

Midlands/North West Cúige

SATURDAY 16th JUNE

Local Government, electoral reform and transport

56. This Ard Fheis calls on the north's Electoral Boundary Commission to reverse their current proposals and to go back to their original provisional proposals from September 2016.

Brady/Liggett Cumann (St. James)

57. This Ard Fheis reaffirms its support for the establishment of an Electoral Commission in the south, for the reform of the Electoral Office in the North (EONI) and for electoral reform as outlined in 'Towards a New Republic' and further calls for:
- the introduction of regulation for online advertising on social media platforms. In order to provide transparency for citizens we must remove control of our democratic processes from the hands of global internet giants;
 - to immediately roll out online voter registration which was due to be in place in the north by January 2017;
 - the introduction of absentee on demand voting, both north and south.

*Dunne/Meaney Cumann (Ballybrack)
Blackmountain Comhairle Ceantair
Lagmore Cumann
Donegal Comhairle Ceantair
Dublin Cúige*

58. This Ard Fheis:
- commends the Councillors Consultation Project initiated by the Office of Uachtarán Shinn Féin;
 - recognises that councillors are a vital link between the party's activist base and the national leadership and are the drivers of the party's political objectives within the communities Sinn Féin represents;
 - acknowledges that this in-depth consultation with Sinn Féin councillors across the island in the areas of communications, training and enhanced organisational structures is underway;
 - accepts that the councillors will inform the recommendations arising from the consultation;
 - commits to implement the recommendations of the interim and final Consultation reports.

Ard Chomhairle

59. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises the great work done by all our local councillors, and supports the Councillor Consultation launched by Uachtarán Mary Lou McDonald to support them in their work;

- calls on the incoming Ard Chomhairle to take this a step further and appoint a councillors representative attached to the office of local government spokespersons in both in the Dáil and Assembly. This representative would act as a link between our council teams and the Dáil/Assembly and allow local councillors to have the expert support they need;
- calls for the National Councillors Forum, as set out in our constitution, to be re-established and to meet as soon as possible after this Ard Fheis with the first meeting electing an interim officer board who will then arrange an AGM before the end of this year.

Charlie McGlade Cumann (Drimnagh)

60. This Ard Fheis condemns the cuts in funding for local government over the past decade as well as the centralisation and privatisation of local services in the south. It further calls on An Ard Chomhairle to develop a comprehensive policy paper that outlines a new model for local government in Ireland including a significant increase in the percentage of central government funding to local authorities, replacement of outsourcing with increased permanent local authority employment and the decentralisation of key public service provision to local authorities.

Mulvoy/Campbell/McGirr Cumann (City East Ward)

61. This Ard Fheis supports the abolition of the unfair Local Property Tax which directly links local authorities ability to operate with the private housing market and calls on the Ard Chomhairle to develop alternative proposals to ensure adequate funding for local authorities, with such proposals to be put to the next Ard Fheis for consideration.

Limerick City Comhairle Ceantair

62. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises the invaluable contribution councillors make to the local communities they represent;
- acknowledges the inadequacy of full time councillors current remuneration;
- commits to review, in consultation with the party's local government spokespersons, relevant legislation and develop proposals to introduce a revised pay structure for elected members' of local authorities in advance of Budget 2019 or a general election; whichever takes place first.

Fullerton/MacLochlainn/O'Hagan Cumann (Buncrana)

63. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises that there are approximately 70 million citizens across the globe who claim Irish roots;
- appreciates the diaspora as an important part of the Irish nation;
- identifies forced emigration as a crisis that successive governments have failed to tackle;
- notes that the Irish government has failed utterly in recognising the legitimate rights of the Irish abroad to vote in elections or have political representation in the Houses of the Oireachtas;
- remains steadfast in its aim of addressing this when we are in government;
- commends the work of activists and elected activists on their longstanding record on diaspora affairs and building firm relationships and connections across all sectors where Irish citizens are involved, particularly so in the USA, Canada, Britain, Europe and Australia.

Fermanagh Comhairle Ceantair

64. This Ard Fheis calls for all Irish citizens regardless of their domiciliary status, to be able to participate in Presidential elections.

O'Carolan/Kilmartin Cumann (Dungiven)

65. This Ard Fheis:
- agrees that the provision of resources to ensure adequate transport services are essential to address social isolation in rural communities and ensure the economic viability of rural Ireland;
 - further agrees that in light of the government's recent announcement to provide for the expansion of LocalLink services to provide evening transport services in some rural areas, it is now incumbent on the Minister for Transport to make available sufficient funding to ensure enhanced community transport services in order to better meet the needs of rural dwellers.
- Wolfe Tone Cumann (Naas/Sallins)*
66. This Ard Fheis opposes the de-staffing of train stations across the 26 Counties. The move towards de-staffing stations has a detrimental impact on those who rely on public transport particularly our vulnerable citizens. All our public transport should be fully accessible with no notice needed to be given by any citizen wishing to use it.
- Delaney/O'Rahilly Cumann (Bray)*
67. This Ard Fheis, given the increasing number of cyclist fatalities and injuries on our roads, supports the introduction of minimum passing distance legislation to make our roads safer for all users.
- North Antrim Comhairle Ceantair*
68. This Ard Fheis commits Sinn Féin's policy unit to look at the feasibility of setting up a state insurance body to deal with the spiralling costs of insurance premiums across the state, particularly for younger drivers.
- John Joe Sheehy Cumann (Tralee)*
69. This Ard Fheis:
- encourages active travel for all age groups and recognises the benefits in relation to improving the physical and mental health of a population, and helping to reduce congestion, air pollution, and traffic collisions;
 - calls for Sinn Féin at all levels of government to promote active travel policies; incorporate active travel plans into all major road developments; and invest in footways, Greenways, cycle lanes and other methods to allow active travel to take place safely.
- North Antrim Comhairle Ceantair*
70. This Ard Fheis:
- recognises that broadband provision is increasingly essential in accessing public and private services, ensuring social inclusion and promoting economic growth;
 - calls on future investment in broadband to prioritise areas that have the weakest internet access on the basis of objective need and notes that these are primarily rural areas.
- Newry Comhairle Ceantair*

Tackling Climate change

71. This Ard Fheis endorses Sinn Féin's policy document 'Powering Ireland 2030: Proposals for accelerated transition to climate-friendly electricity generation'.

This Ard Fheis believes that Ireland needs ambitious, sustained and co-ordinated action, to accelerate the transition away from environmentally devastating fossil fuels and to build our renewable capacity.

There is huge uncertainty as to the approach which will be taken by the British government to climate change post-Brexit.

The Irish government's Mitigation Plan is inadequate and their Project Ireland 2040, which includes the all-island Single Electricity Market, is too narrowly reliant on on-shore wind and finite fossil fuel.

Sinn Féin believe Ireland needs a more diverse energy mix with greater use of a wider range of renewable sources including:

- a much larger emphasis on off-shore wind;
- sustainable replacements, such as biogas and to a lesser extent, biomass, for fossil fuels currently underpinning dispatchable power.

The energy system we plan for is sustainable, secure and affordable. It is also achievable and can be delivered by:

- redirecting public, semi-state and private investment into developing and deploying a new energy mix;
- supporting householders, communities, farmers and small business with a broader range of grants and supports enabling them to both reduce and produce the energy we need.

The Ard Fheis also reaffirms that the North-South Interconnector must be undergrounded in line with international best practice.

Ard Chomhairle

72. This Ard Fheis, faced with the challenge of climate change, commits to fossil fuel divestment as a means of driving the transition away from carbon-dependent energy production. Fossil fuel divestment involves the selling off of financial assets related to, and prohibiting additional investments in corporations primarily involved in, the extraction, production and sale of fossil fuels.

This Ard Fheis recognises the economic and moral imperatives of fossil fuel divestment:

- the overwhelming majority of the international community has committed to maintaining levels of global warming below 1.5/2 degrees, in order to secure a safe and stable global environment;
- to achieve these targets, at least 80% of all existing proven reserves of fossil fuels cannot be extracted and burned. Despite this reality, huge investments continue to pour into fossil fuel extraction companies, inflating the value of commercial operations which must urgently end in order to prevent climate breakdown.

This Ard Fheis, therefore, supports establishing legal obligations for public bodies and capital investment schemes, such as the Ireland Strategic Investment Fund or the Local Government Pension Scheme in the north, to remove their investments from fossil fuel assets.

This Ard Fheis further supports the reinvestment of these assets into green bonds and renewable energy assets to drive the transition to a financially secure sustainable and recognises the building global momentum behind the fossil fuel divestment movement, and commits to supporting the divestment efforts of the international community.

Mulvey Cumann (Bray)

73. This Ard Fheis recognises:

- the benefits of microgeneration and how it can support the sustainability and energy efficiency of businesses, local communities and individual households through the generation of small scale renewable energy;
- micro-generation adds to the renewable energy produced in the state with the potential of supplying excess energy to the grid; reducing household and small business energy bills through self-consumption and allow people to become actively involved in the states switch to renewables energy.

This Ard Fheis endorses Sinn Féin's Microgeneration Support Scheme Bill and calls for its implementation.

*Wicklow Comhairle Ceantair
Barney Morris/Seamus Harvey Cumann (Crossmaglen)*

74. This Ard Fheis recognises the immense offshore assets the state has available that are largely underdeveloped. This includes the potential in offshore energy, inclusive of offshore wind and the emerging technologies of wave and tidal. Offshore wind alone can supply a significant amount of the state's electricity needs if it is utilised correctly. Our renewable energy future requires significant expansion in offshore energy. To achieve this Sinn Féin propose:
- creating a single body to address offshore planning and consent requirements;
 - streamlining of planning legislation to ensure swifter development of offshore projects alongside stringent environmental considerations.
- Wicklow Comhairle Ceantair*
75. This Ard Fheis:
- condemns the government's failure to introduce stricter guidelines to protect rural communities from the worst effects of industrial wind farms;
 - agrees that the one in four set-back distance currently being proposed in the government's Wind Farm Guidelines are woefully inadequate as they fail to protect rural dwellers from industrial turbines that can rise to a height in excess of 180 metres;
 - reaffirms its support for the Wind Turbine Regulation Bill 2016, tabled in the Dáil by Deputy Brian Stanley in 2014 and 2017 which stipulates a minimum setback distance of 10 times the height of the tip of the blade and that turbines over 25 metres in height must only be located in areas designated by councillors in County Development Plans;
 - calls on the government to codify in law the proposals contained within the Sinn Féin Bill in order to preserve the environment and landscape and protect rural dwellers from the serious ill-effects of having industrial size wind turbines located close to their homes;
 - demands that the government impose an immediate moratorium on current and future planning applications for industrial wind turbines that exceed 120 metres until more stricter guidelines are in place to protect rural communities.
- Barnes/McCormack Cumann (Mullingar)*
76. This Ard Fheis acknowledges the complexities related to biofuels and the consumer confusion related to its name, while also acknowledging the important role biofuels can play in greening the economy, especially the transport sector. This Ard Fheis believes in developing a sustainable indigenous biofuels industry, based on first and particularly second generation sources, both complying to high sustainability criteria in order to minimise land use change emissions and adverse effects to biodiversity.
- This Ard Fheis acknowledges the positive impact the development of this industry can have on the island of Ireland, particularly in rural communities and contributing to energy security, as well as by-producing locally produced protein for agricultural purposes. Sinn Féin believes in supporting an EU-wide palm oil ban, given the destructive environmental impact of this industry and highlights the need for high sustainability in this sector.
- Boland/Harford Cumann (Balbriggan)*
77. This Ard Fheis:
- notes with concern proposals to invest further in the importation of energy produced from nuclear fission and fracked gas sources given the implications of this for our necessary efforts to transition to low carbon, environmentally friendly societies;
 - recognises these energy sources are extremely damaging to the environment and currently there is no way to safely dispose of nuclear waste;
 - opposed the construction of any new energy infrastructure whose primary purpose is to rely on fracked gas or nuclear fission and instead call for the re-direction of investment into sustainable energy technologies.
- South Armagh Comhairle Ceantair*
78. This Ard Fheis calls for a national debate to be had, backed by scientific facts on international best practice, on the potential of nuclear energy as a national energy supply, considering the speed of depreciation of both the global natural environment and ice caps and the need for a relatively immediate solution to same on the move away from fossil fuels.
- Grey Abbey Martyrs Cumann (Kildare Town)*

79. This Ard Fheis:

- condemns the fact that 22% of households in the north and 28% of households in the south of Ireland are suffering from fuel poverty, with the north having one of the highest rates of fuel poverty in the European Union;
- calls for all new-build homes to be constructed to the highest levels of energy efficiency and to include suitable micro-generation capabilities to enable households to reduce their energy bills and also potentially provide an avenue of income through microgeneration and for the expansion of the eligibility for energy retrofitting schemes for those on low incomes free of charge in both the north and south.

Andersonstown Martyrs Cumann

80. This Ard Fheis acknowledges the dangers of a plastic dependent society and acknowledges the threat that plastic pollution poses to our environment, to marine and other life, human health, the economy and society at large. In combatting this looming problem, Sinn Féin believes that the key is reduction in overall use.

This Ard Fheis, in government, would:

- phase out single use plastics and invest in recycling capacity on the island of Ireland to allow the uptake of secondary raw materials;
- would support community led projects, such as clean ups and cup-return schemes, as well as establish a national return-deposit scheme for plastics to encourage higher rates of recycling in households;
- oppose any financial burdens placed on people for recycling and believes in extending producer responsibility by internalising the costs of the pollution and encouraging the modulation of fees to ensure products are better designed for a circular economy.

*Pól Kinsella Cumann (Northlands)
Dunne/Meaney Cumann (Ballybrack)*

81. This Ard Fheis:

- notes with concern that approximately 600 million coffee cups are used in Ireland each year, many are made from material that is difficult to recycle, and only one in four are recycled;
- calls for the introduction of an all-Ireland Coffee levy on disposable coffee cups to reduce their use, with the revenue generated to be used to fund environmental schemes.

Ladybrook and Riverdale Cumann

82. This Ard Fheis acknowledges the concerns with the scientific assessments for the reauthorisation of the active substance glyphosate, as well as the litigation around the world against Monsanto relating to non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and exposure to the substance.

Moreover, this Ard Fheis recognises the intrinsic link between this herbicide and genetically modified organisms - the two designed by the agrochemical industries, creating farmer dependency, destabilising food security and threatening biodiversity across the planet. This Ard Fheis expresses disapproval at the use of ghost-written scientific papers by EU agencies and believes that peer-reviewed, independent and veritable science should be the only standard that dictates the authorisation of chemicals in the EU.

Boland/Harford Cumann (Balbriggan)

83. This Ard Fheis commits in government to facilitate the establishment of a planning aid service offering help and transparency on planning issues and ensuring more people are engaging with the planning process helping to make our communities better places to live.

Paddy Wright Cumann (Athy)

84. This Ard Fheis re-affirms its commitment to a right to water for all Irish citizens and re-commits the party and our Oireachtas spokesperson to call on the government to ensure full equality between those on group water schemes and those in the public system.

Robert Byrne Cumann (Limerick City East)

85. This Ard Fheis recognising the vast amount of illegal dumping that is being done in rural Ireland and especially in scenic areas, which is a blight on our landscape and calls for plans to be put in place to tackle this issue.

Gleeson Cumann (Taghmon)

Standing with Women

86. This Ard Fheis notes:

- that 2018 marks the centenary of women's suffrage which historic milestone in the role of women in our struggle for national liberation and social justice;
- that in the last 100 years Ireland has seen occupation, liberation and partition. We have seen women and children suffer systemic injustices at the hands of church and state. Many of those injustices, such as the scandal of illegal adoptions, the mother and baby homes and Magdalene Laundries, are still only fully coming to light;
- that while significant strides have been made on the path to full equality for women in Ireland, significant hurdles remain, including:
 - the failure to tackle the scourge of domestic violence and to adequately protect women and children;
 - low pay and low hours contracts which disproportionately affect women workers;
 - the high cost of childcare which forces many women out of the workforce;
 - austerity measures and the disproportionate impact of same on women and children;
 - a gender pay gap of 14% despite more women obtaining higher education qualifications;
 - a failure to tackle the scourge of family homelessness which shows 3,689 children in the south without a roof over their heads;
 - a health service which is under resourced and which has been complicit in the CervicalCheck scandal which has impacted on the health and lives of hundreds of women.

This Ard Fheis believes that we can build a society in which women are truly equal and calls for the following set of principles to be prioritised as a first step;

- Tackle low pay and support low income households.
- Reshape and resource childcare.
- Transform the health system for women and their families.
- Provide supports to women and their children escaping domestic violence.
- Encourage alternative paths to work.
- Progress gender proofing and equality budgeting across government departments.

Ard Chomhairle

87. This Ard Fheis:

- reaffirms Sinn Féin's commitment to universal health and social care, free at the point of delivery, based on need and to address the significant challenges facing health and social care services in the Six Counties set out by Michelle O'Neill when Minister for Health in her transformation plan;
- remains determined to further developing all-island and cross-border health services-such as the North West Cancer Center in Altnagelvin and the all-island Congenital Heart Disease Network-in progressing towards and All-Ireland National Health Service;
- is determined to tackle the scourge of health inequalities in society where a postcode lottery means that where you are born can determine the level of your accessibility to health services and how long you will live;
- reiterates calls for parity of esteem, giving equal priority to mental health as that given to physical health as a means of improving mental health and wellbeing and tackling the serious problem of suicide that has devastated communities across the north;
- believes that early intervention and prevention measures are vital to ensure where possible people remain in good physical and mental health;
- supports greater investment in delivering services closer to the

community and people's homes through primary care and thus reduce pressure on our acute care services;

- rejects DUP backed Tory Austerity that for years has meant a year on year reduction in the Block Grant which has prevented the necessary investment in health to keep pace with growing demands;
- is concerned that continued Tory Austerity, supported by the DUP will undermine and derail health transformation in the north of Ireland as it has done previously;
- recognises that our health systems have failed women on many occasions, north and south, exposing them to and compounding injustices including the outrageous wrongdoings of thalidomide and symphysiotomy,, the unfolding vaginal mesh implant scandal and the appalling failures of the cervical cancer screening programme;
- believes that women's voices must be heard in our health system and the only safe and effective way to deliver healthcare to the women of Ireland is through a 32 country public system that is sensitive to and reflective of gender differences and diversity;
- endorses Sinn Féin's all-Ireland Policy Document - A Vision for Women's Health.

*Ard Chomhairle
Michael Moran Cumann (Tuam)*

88. This Ard Fheis calls for a change in the legislation that would allow expectant mothers a routine screening during pregnancy; this could detect Streb B which is largely a preventable disease in new-born babies.

Pól Kinsella Cumann (Northlands)

89. This Ard Fheis:

- welcomes Mr. Justice O'Hara's report entitled the Inquiry into Hyponatraemia-related deaths;
- praises the perseverance and endurance of the bereaved parents in their search for truth and justice;
- endorses Justice O'Hara's first recommendation that a statutory duty of candour be enacted and legislation introduced to give effect to this.

Countess Markievicz Cumann (Culmore)

90. This Ard Fheis supports women who choose to return to work after having children and recognises:

- that for many workers child care is expensive;
- that crèche opening hours are not always compatible with shift work which makes childcare inaccessible for many shift workers especially in the manufacturing sector.

This Ard Fheis calls for the introduction of a requirement that all IDA parks provide crèche facilities within their designated areas to accommodate their workforce at a subsidised rate.

North Clare Cumann

91. This Ard Fheis:

- acknowledges the findings of a recent ESRI report showing that out of 11 EU states, the 26 Counties has the highest rate of persistent deprivation amongst lone parents;
- recognises that research has shown that child maintenance payments play a crucial role in lifting children out of poverty;
- calls for the establishment of a child maintenance service to assist and support lone parent mothers and fathers.

Mulvey Cumann (Bray)

92. This Ard Fheis recognises the high cost of childcare for working parents and endeavours to broaden the threshold for assistance through subsidies or tax relief to benefit more families and give further choice for those currently adversely affected from availing of employment due to the crippling cost of childcare.

Patrick Sheehy Cumann (Limerick City West)

93. This Ard Fheis, recognising the decision of the people to repeal the 8th amendment of the constitution and the need for legislature to now address the issue of abortion;
This Ard Fheis:
- reasserts that abortion should be available where a woman's life, health or mental health is at risk and in cases of fatal foetal abnormality;
 - supports the Joint Oireachtas Committee findings that it is not possible to legislate for abortion in the case of rape in a compassionate way;
 - recognises that Irish women already access abortion services every day in other countries or through abortion pills purchased online without any medical supervision;
 - accepts that abortion without specific indication should be available through a GP led service in a clinical context as determined by law and licensing practice for a limited gestational period.

Sinn Féin members of a legislature shall act in line with the view of the Ard Chomhairle which will be informed by the best available medical advice, when legislating regarding the limited gestational period.

*Ard Chomhairle
Ógra Shinn Féin
Markievicz/Ryan/Farrell (Tallaght)
Ruth Hackett Cumann (Maynooth)
O'Malley/Russell Cumann (North East Inner City)
Clarke/Smith/Doherty Cumann (Finglas)
James Connolly Cumann (Ballyfermot)
Shantallow Martyrs Cumann (Shantallow)
Dublin Mid West Comhairle Ceantair
Devlin/Plunkett Cumann (Templeogue/Terenure)*

94. This Ard Fheis congratulates 'Together For Yes' for running a successful, inclusive and positive campaign and commends all those Sinn Féin members and supporters who were active during the campaign to Repeal the 8th Amendment.

James Connolly Cumann (Ballyfermot)

95. This Ard Fheis:
- recognises that abortion remains a deeply divisive issue both within Sinn Féin and in wider society;
 - understands that people's views are based on their own, often painful experience and on strongly held beliefs;
 - seeks to ensure cohesion and to allow all republicans to contribute to the objective of securing a united Ireland;
 - considers that republicanism is strong enough to accommodate different views on this difficult issue; and
 - agrees that all Sinn Féin members be allowed to articulate and vote on the issue of abortion according to their conscience.

*Gallagher/Foy Cumann (Drumconrath)
McCusker/McMullan/O'Hagan Cumann (Swatara)
Tom Kealy Cumann (Celbridge)
Seán English Cumann (Cadamstown)
Fergal O'Hanlon Cumann (Brookeborough)
McGrath/O'Brien Cumann (East Waterford)
Joe McManus/Dessie McNulty Cumann (Ballintra/Laghey)
Casement/Highstead/Kelly Cumann (Maghera)
O'Hanlon/Davey Cumann (Lavey)
Brian Keenan Cumann (Ballinascreen)
Thomas Allen Cumann (Trim)
Martin Meehan/MacArts Fort Cumann (Glengormley)
Hughes/Connolly/McElwee Cumann (Bellaghy)
O'Reilly/McGennity/Watters Cumann (Kileen)
Clarke/Smith/Doherty Cumann (Finglas)
Robert Emmett/McEldowney/McMullan Cumann (Slaughtneil)
Lawlor/Mulvihill/Clashmealcon Martyrs Cumann (Ballyheigue/Causeway/Ballyduff)
South Derry Comhairle Ceantair
Francis Bradley Cumann (Magherafelt)
Kelly/Arthurs Cumann (Kells)
Kieran Doherty Cumann (Cavan Town)
Vol.Ed O'Brien Cumann (Gorey)
Logue/Marley Cumann (Crumlin)
French/Doyle Cumann Johnstown (Navan) .*

Securing Your Future - Investing in housing and quality public services

96. This Ard Fheis calls on the government to declare a housing and homeless emergency and to introduce emergency legislation to stem the flow of adults and children into homelessness.

The emergency legislation should include:

- the Focus Ireland Amendment to the Residential Tenancies Act preventing buy to let landlords from issuing vacant possession Notices to Quit when selling their properties;
- a legal requirement for local authorities to put in place a homeless prevention plan for any family at risk of homelessness 60 days before losing their home;
- a legal limit so that no person is forced to remain in emergency accommodation no more than 6 months and;
- a target date for the ending of long term homelessness and the need to sleep rough.

Dublin Cúige

97. This Ard Fheis:

- expresses its solidarity with those facing the sale of their mortgage, farm loan or business loan to vulture funds;
- condemns the policy of the banks, especially those in which the state holds a stake, of selling the mortgages, businesses and farm loans of those doing their best to pay their way to unscrupulous vulture funds;
- notes the acquiescence of government in this strategy following the rolling out of the red carpet by Fine Gael for the vultures in previous years.

This Ard Fheis therefore calls for:

- the banks to do their job and work through their impaired loans using the many options open such as mortgage to rent, write-downs and restructurings;
- an end to the sale of all loan books which include any family home in which a genuine effort is being made to pay;
- the full legal protection of tenants in cases where buy-to-let mortgages are to be sold;
- the full regulation of all mortgage owners in the state;
- a review of the tax arrangements put in place for the vultures.

Gallagher/Foy Cumann (Drumconrath)

Ed O'Brien Cumann (Gorey)

98. This Ard Fheis calls for the introduction of a long term plan for the private rental sector to provide tenants with long term security of tenure, rent certainty and improved policing of quality and standards.

These objectives would be achieved by introducing tenancies of indefinite duration, linking rents to an index such as the CPI, inspecting 25% of all rental properties per year and requiring landlords to provide an NCT type certification on commencement of a new tenancy. The strategy should also provide increased support for landlords to improve the professionalisation of the sector.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae

Sligo Comhairle Ceantair

99. This Ard Fheis calls on the government to introduce a new model of public housing by funding the development of mixed income and mixed tenure estates on public land including social, affordable rental and affordable purchase homes of high quality, Near Zero Energy building standards and adequate transport, social and economic infrastructure and amenities.

This new model should:

- be on a scale commensurate to the level of housing need that currently exists;
- be funded through exchequer funding and low interest loans for the Housing Finance Agency and Credit Union Movement;
- ensure that the affordable housing remains permanently within affordable with a prohibition of the properties being sold into the private market in the future;
- aim to deliver 70,000 real social homes and 60,000 affordable rental and purchase homes over five years.

Kevin Barry Cumann (Carnew)

100. This Ard Fheis:

- condemns the hoarding of land by state and semi-state land bodies;
- commits Sinn Féin, both nationally and regionally, to doing all in its power to provide mixed tenure, public, affordable and rent-to-buy housing by ensuring that land, owned by state and semi state bodies, is made available for housing where needed and appropriate.

Bob Smith Cumann (Dundrum)

101. This Ard Fheis:

- expresses its concerns about the growing housing crisis in many areas across the north;
- condemns the persistent inequality in the provision of social housing in areas such as North and West Belfast and Derry and deplores the removal of equality protections by the SDLP on social housing new build targets for West Belfast, North Belfast and Derry - areas with the longest housing waiting lists in the north;
- supports the reinstatement of protections for social housing targets to tackle persistent housing inequality in areas that experience acute housing stress;
- calls for an increase in the supply of social housing;
- demands that social housing build and allocations are done on the basis of objective need;
- calls on the Department of Communities to consult on a definition of 'affordable housing' and to include the option of a definition based on income rather than market rents;
- calls for those fleeing their homes as a result of domestic violence to be entitled to intimidation points when applying for social housing in the north;
- calls for greater regulation in the private rented sector, the power to introduce rent controls where necessary to ensure affordability;
- calls for more security for tenants; and
- calls for an increase in the number of inspections to ensure compliance with housing fitness standards.

*Cúige na Sé Chontae
North Belfast Comhairle Ceantair
Falls Comhairle Ceantair*

102. This Ard Fheis:

- believes that with the correct political will and leadership the housing crisis can be solved.
- calls on Minister for Housing Eoghan Murphy to adopt the following 5 point plan:
 - funding - the Department of Housing must provide adequate funding to allow councils take the lead in developing social and affordable housing on public land;
 - affordable housing - Introduce an affordable housing model as a matter of urgency in order to facilitate the development of affordable to buy housing;
 - Affordable Rent - Department of Housing should introduce an affordable rented model to provide secure housing for families who do not qualify for council housing but remain trapped in the private rented sector facing a precarious future;
 - cut back on red tape - the Minister must reduce the bureaucracy in the procurement process by fast-tracking funding for social and affordable housing;
 - reduce stages in public procurement process - raise the ceiling in Public Spending Code whereby a cost benefit analysis is required on all projects with a value in excess of €20m.

Dublin South Central Comhairle Ceantair

103. This Ard Fheis:
- recognises the chronic need for social housing in Belfast, and in particular within the Short Strand given the historical displacement of that community and the detrimental health implications from the siting of a bus depot in the centre of a residential area;
 - calls on the Translink company to seek an alternative location for its current depot with the Short Strand in order to make available the land it currently utilises for the development of housing and social amenities;
 - commits any future Sinn Féin DFL Minister to actively pursue this.
- Sean Martin/Sean Tracey Cumann (Short Strand)*
104. This Ard Fheis supports and endorses the efforts of inner city communities in South Belfast especially the Market community in resisting bad development plans which would impact detrimentally on their quality of life and access to housing; and calls on Belfast City Council to develop principles in development planning which protects the history and social fabric of inner city communities and makes meeting social housing need a priority.
- As well as this we endorse and fully support the 'Homes Now' campaign in resisting bad developers running rough-shod over inner city working class communities.
- Nolan/Downey Cumann (Laganbank)*
105. This Ard Fheis:
- noting that after over a century and a half of rural depopulation, the most devastating recent development has been new regulations on septic tanks in counties such as Leitrim where it is now practically impossible to get planning permission for single, rural houses;
 - calls on local authorities to facilitate a system for the systematic disposal of sewage from storage tanks into town sewage systems (at appropriate conditions and charges) thus eliminating the need for septic tanks in areas where the soil is not suitable for percolation.
- Seamus Wrynn Cumann (Ballinamore)*
106. This Ard Fheis calls for the creation of a road and alleyway adoption fund administered through the Department of Infrastructure to help alleviate the unnecessary burden on residents whose streets and alleyways weren't officially adopted and handed over to the Department for routine maintenance.
- Ladybrook and Riverdale Cumman*
107. This Ard Fheis:
- recognises the significant impact regeneration, improving educational attainment and access to employment has had on tackling poverty and disadvantage for those living in the most deprived areas;
 - opposes the continuation of cuts to the programme budget; and
 - calls on the Department for Communities to retain current funding levels and ring-fence the budget.
- Pat McGeown Cumann (Beechmount)
McCloskey/Mooney Cumann (Ligoniel)
Joe Cahill Cumann (Lower Andersonstown)
Fennell/Rooney/Sands Cumann (Twinbrook)*
108. This Ard Fheis recognises the importance of operating on an all-Ireland basis across all sectors and, in particular, in the health sector. Ultimately, an all-Ireland health system, free at the point of delivery, must be a fundamental building block of a united Ireland based on equality and justice.
- Therefore, this Ard Fheis calls for:
- the introduction of a single, integrated hospital waiting list management system for the island of Ireland where people can move from one hospital to another to reduce waiting times;

- the introduction of a new IT system across the island based on the one in use in the Portuguese NHS which would generate new maximum waiting times by transferring those on the list from hospitals that are struggling to meet demand to those that are in a better position to perform the procedure more timely;
- continued access to citizens in north to the European Health Insurance Scheme;
- the widening of the individual areas of cooperation between the jurisdictions both in border areas and in areas of specialist medical practice;
- the prioritisation of the establishment of an Implementation Body in the areas of health promotion and healthcare provision, ultimately developing into an all-Ireland National Health Service;
- all-Ireland recognition of health qualifications and standards.

Comerford/Adrien Cumann (Malahide/Portmarnock)

109. This Ard Fheis calls for the end of outsourcing of health screening services by the state and for all medical laboratory testing to be completed on the island of Ireland. Except in circumstances where conducting the test overseas is in the patient's best interests for example in cases of rare disease.

Mairéad Farrell Cumann (Galway City Central Ward)

110. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises the decision in June 2016 by Michelle O'Neill as Minister for Health to lift the lifetime ban on blood donation by men who have sex with men (MSM);
- notes the recent recommendation from the expert group on the Safety of Blood, Tissues and Organs (SABTO) to further reduce the deferral period of MSM donating blood from 12 months to 12 weeks; and its implementation in Britain.
- notes that deferral periods still discriminate MSM preventing the overwhelming majority from donating blood, regardless of how responsible or committed their sexual behaviours may be.
- calls on our elected representatives to work towards the full removal of the deferral period, as done by 15 countries, along with effective blood donation screening resources which allow for this.

Cumann Mháirtirigh Lóiste Na Móna (Turf Lodge)

111. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises that on entry to any A&E, access to a patient's medical record in a timely manner is a crucial factor in effective diagnosis and treatment of the patient's condition;
- recognises that the paper medical record system currently in place, is inefficient and puts patients' lives at risk where delays occur in retrieving files from medical archives off site;
- supports the prioritisation of a National Programme to advance the roll out of an Electronically Stored Medical Records System in order to maximise efficiency and effective patient care in Irish hospitals.

North Clare Cumann

112. This Ard Fheis calls on the government to extend the list of those automatically entitled to a medical card, to include those individuals who have reached the €134 drug payment scheme threshold for 3 months in any 6 month period, for as long as they fulfil this criteria, without means test.

Grey Abbey Martyrs Cumann (Kildare Town)

113. This Ard Fheis recognises that, when it ran last, the FAST campaign to help everyone to achieve a better understanding of the warning signs of stroke had such a profound impact on public behaviour that there was an 87% increase in the numbers of patients getting to hospital in time for potentially lifesaving clot busting stroke treatment and a 190% hike in awareness of stroke warning signs.

Recognising that the incidence of stroke is set to rise by 59% and deaths from stroke will rise by 84% by 2035. This Ard Fheis therefore calls for the Department of Health:

- to ensure funding is available to reinstate the FAST Campaign;
- to ensure that every hospital treating patients with acute stroke has a properly resourced stroke unit;
- to roll out early supported discharge programmes nationally for stroke patients;
- to ensure that endovascular stroke centres providing thrombectomy are developed in conjunction with emergency services to provide access for all suitable stroke victims regardless of location.

Tony Gormley Cumann (Ballyjamesduff)

114. This Ard Fheis welcomes the introduction of the Freestyle Libre continuous glucose monitoring technology for both children and adults with Type 1 diabetes in the north and for under 21's in the south , and calls for the extension of this programme so that it is available to all those with Type 1 diabetes in the south.

*Doherty/Delaney Cumann (Navan)
O'Carolan/Kilmartin Cumann (Dungiven)*

115. This Ard Fheis:

- notes that after Brexit has taken effect, patients in the 26 Counties will no longer be able to avail of medical services in the Six Counties and the Britain under the Cross-Border Directive and calls upon the Irish government to take immediate steps to reduce unacceptable cataract surgery waiting times, which extend to several years;
- recognising trauma and fear endured over a number of years by the thousands of Irish people awaiting this surgery could be brought to an end and their lives returned to normal if only the political will existed;
- calls for action to ensure that Irish citizens who cannot afford private treatment do not become practically blind before receiving the treatment they need under the public health service.

Traolach MacSuibhne Cumann (South West/Central Wards)

116. This Ard Fheis:

- notes that 800,000 people in Ireland are living with neurological conditions such as migraine, epilepsy, multiple sclerosis, stroke, Parkinson's disease and rare and genetic conditions;
- supports the 'Invest in Neurology' campaign in calling for immediate investment to address critical deficits in neurology staffing, including neurologists, specialist nurses and health and social care professionals to recommended levels.

This Ard Fheis therefore calls for:

- targeted long term investment in neurology services to support implementation of the Neurology & Epilepsy Models of Care;
- dedicated resources to support the development of clinical pathways for headache, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease and rare and genetic neurological conditions.

Dublin Mid West Comhairle Ceantair

117. This Ard Fheis recognises the lack of rural mental health/special needs services and to offset the imbalance between rural and urban community care, calls for more funding at a community level.

Clare Comhairle Ceantair

118. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises that at present mental health services and supports for young people are not adequate to meet demand and are failing many who are in desperate need of care. This was poignantly highlighted in the recent RTE documentary The Big Picture;
- notes the value of early intervention and primary care in tackling developing mental health issues in young people and providing effective and appropriate care;
- further notes the need to foster a culture of mental well-being and support in our schools and communities.

Resolves to in government:

- ensure all young people across the state have easy access to a Jigsaw service;
- ensure all youth workers, primary and post primary teachers will be provided with Mental health first aid;
- end the shortages in Child and Adolescent Mental Health services by reforming recruitment policy and incentivising retention of staff with regard for the upcoming proposals of the Oireachtas Committee on the Future of Mental Health;
- establish a dedicated Advocacy Service for young people accessing mental health services;

- improve ease of access for young people at primary care level;
- establish a National Lead for Youth Mental Health position and corresponding positions for each Community Health Organisation;
- create transitional service under CAMHS to avoid service gaps for 18-24 year olds;
- enhance supports for 3rd level mental health and counselling supports;
- develop e-health online supports and information in consultation with young people;
- deliver the additional beds promised for inpatient youth mental health services recommended under A Vision for Change;
- improve access to specialised Eating Disorder services;
- fulfil the promise made by the Irish government in 2009 to ring fence funding for mental health services and to now do so with immediate effect.

*Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae
Fr Murphy/Manchester Martyrs Cumann (Ferns)*

119. This Ard Fheis supports the Safe Place Campaign, to provide a suicide prevention service for people, including out of hours, who have poor mental health and also for people in mental health crisis who are also addicted to drugs, alcohol or gambling to seek support from health and social care and community practitioners in their treatment and recovery.

O'Hanlon/McCusker Cumann (New Lodge)

120. This Ard Fheis:

- commends the hard work and contribution made by staff in the statutory, community, and voluntary sectors to addressing mental ill health across the island;
- calls on the incoming Ard Chomhairle to bring to the next Ard Fheis a comprehensive all-Ireland mental health policy looking at preventative actions, early intervention and service provision.

Colin Comhairle Ceantair

121. This Ard Fheis:

- acknowledges that presently, we only know the gender breakdown of suicide figures on a county by count basis meaning we cannot, with any certainty, recognise the ethnicity of those who take their own lives;
- further acknowledges that if an ethnic breakdown of figures were available, the provision on mental health care could be targeted at specific communities rather relying on vague statements and non-specific rhetoric;
- cites as an example, the second-ever national study of Traveller attitudes, which found that 90% agree that mental health problems are common among the community, while 82% have been affected by suicide;
- accepts that this startling statistic cannot be reinforced by actual numbers of suicide in the Traveller community and that the same can be said of many other ethnic groups across Ireland because we simply do not have the pertinent information;
- agrees that if such information was available, it would be hugely beneficial for government agencies and NGOs so that they could, in turn, place special focus on the issues of mental health in Ireland so that the meagre mental health budget can be spent on areas and groups that need it most;
- calls for a more transparent ethnic breakdown of suicide statistics across Ireland and the government to explore the feasibility of employing such a measure with Coroners and the Central Statistics Office.

Liam Ryan Cumann (Athlone)

122. This Ard Fheis notes the rising rates of mental ill health amongst school pupils and students, with anxiety, depression and rates of self-harm at alarming levels.

This Ard Fheis calls on the Department of Education in the North and the Department of Education and Skills in the South, to work together and promote emotional resilience as a truly transferable life skill, and to include it as part of the school curriculum at all levels, and by doing so promote positive mental health among young people.

McCaughey/Saunders Cumann (Ardoyne)

123. This Ard Fheis recognises that some patients that require involuntary admissions for mental health assistance are not receiving the care they need in a timeframe that ensures their own safety and wellbeing as well as that of their care givers, their service providers and the wider community.

This situation often occurs due to the disjointed approaches, procedures and paperwork between the relevant agents and agencies involved in the process of securing involuntary admissions for those in critical mental health situations.

The current processes for involuntary admissions can often lead to patients losing vital supports they have already secured such as emergency accommodation or group support networks leaving already vulnerable members of society with no structured supports or assistance.

This Ard Fheis calls on legislation to be enacted to improve cohesion and partnership in the filing of involuntary mental health admissions between social care professionals, psychiatric and GP services and the Gardaí where necessary, in order to ensure the timely access to services for the persons in need of urgent assistance and care.

Brett/McLoughlin Cumann (Mid Tipperary)

124. This Ard Fheis acknowledges the importance of an improved mental health service and calls upon the use of holistic and natural therapeutic approaches and the topic of mental health to be given greater precedence within the education system of Ireland. Along with the importance of an overall health system with the introduction of universal health care.

Cull/Tymon Cumann (Arigna)

125. This Ard Fheis:

- welcomes the ratification of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities by the Oireachtas;
- recognises the work of many activists across the sector in finally forcing the Irish government into accepting the need for ratification, and particularly commends Sinn Féin TD Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin on his tireless work over many years to help achieve ratification;
- recognises the unanimous passage of a Sinn Féin motion in the Dáil supporting the adoption of the Optional Protocol to the Convention.

However, this Ard Fheis regrets the refusal of the Irish government to implement the motion by its failure to adopt the Optional Protocol, designed to make the ratification of the Convention enforceable. This Ard Fheis commends the 'Make Rights Real' campaign which calls for the adoption of the Protocol and the investment in services for people with disabilities to ensure the vindication of their rights under the Convention.

*Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae
Colonel Leonard Cumann (Tullyallen)*

126. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises the difficulties encountered by families of sick children all around Ireland through the enforcement of the 'loco parentis' clause by the HSE in homecare nursing contracts for sick children;
- considers that the requirement contained in this clause on parents to provide 'a designated competent individual' to remain in their home along with a nurse caring for their child is making prisoners of parents in their own homes and is making their already very difficult lives even harder.

Therefore, this Ard Fheis, calls on the Irish government in line with a recent unanimously passed Sinn Féin motion in the Dáil on disability rights to 'immediately abolish the 'loco parentis' clause in homecare nursing contracts for sick children'.

Cumann an Máighe

127. This Ard Fheis notes the 'Power to People' report into adult social care in the north and recognises the fundamental need for co-design and co-production in addressing the challenges facing social care and the invaluable input it can have in providing solutions.

This Ard Fheis acknowledges the invaluable contribution of carers to our society and calls for carers rights to be placed on a statutory footing as recommended in the report.

*Dan McAnallen/Tom Clarke Cumann (Brantry/Eglisih)
Sean McCaughey/Aidan McAnespie Cumann (Aughnacloy)*

128. This Ard Fheis notes:
- the benefits of having dedicated awareness and educational services, that aim to reduce harm for those who are exposed to alcohol and drugs at Irish festivals;
 - the rise in drug use amongst people at music festivals, the inevitability that drugs will be used by a percentage of people attending such festivals, and that the manufacture of such drugs is carried out by those who do not adhere to any level of health and safety standards;
 - that incidences of 'bad batches' have resulted in overdoses, health emergencies and deaths of festival attendees;
 - the success of the harm reduction initiative 'The Loop' at festivals in Britain, which offers confidential drug testing services at music festivals, tests drug purity, and ensures that those who consider using drugs are safer from harm.

This Ard Fheis calls for:

- a similar drug-harm reduction initiative at Irish music festivals;
- such an initiative to offer on-site, confidential drug testing and counselling services whereby festival goers will be informed of the contents of the sample provided, with that sample subsequently destroyed.

Emmett/Mallin Cumann (Inchicore)

129. This Ard Fheis welcomes the publication of the West Belfast Community Drugs Panel report, believes that only through statutory and community dialogue will we as a society start to tackle the scourge of drugs in our society and calls on areas throughout the island to look at this approach in dealing with drug related issues in their area.

*Upper Falls Comhairle Ceantair
Cumann Mhic Leannain agus Mhic Bradaigh*

130. This Ard Fheis:
- believes that a good education is an important building block for our children if we want them to be able to fulfil their full potential;
 - recognises that the British government has continued year on year cuts to the Block Grant and that this has impacted negatively on the education budget;
 - calls for the British government, supported by the DUP, to abandon its austerity policy which is punishing the most vulnerable in our society, so as we can ensure that our children get the best educational start possible;
 - furthermore calls on the Department of Education and the Education Authority to ensure that the most vulnerable are protected, that means:
 - ensuring that the school budgets take account of educational underachievement;
 - protecting the budget allocated to Special Educational Needs;
 - ensuring that statements for special educational needs are completed with the statutory timeframe of 26 weeks;
 - that children with special educational needs are given the level of education that they require;
 - that funding for Free School Meals is protected;
 - funding for the School Uniform Grant is protected.
 - calls on the Department of Education in the north to give control of school budgets directly to Boards of Governors;

- reaffirms its commitment to an education system based upon equality and parental choice, and calls on schools to show leadership by ending the use of transfer tests and building a fully inclusive and non-selective education system for the betterment of all our young people.

Newry Comhairle Ceantair

131. This Ard Fheis recognises:

- the genuine worry and distress caused to parents, pupils and staff throughout the Special Educational Needs schools in Belfast, following the leak of the Education Authority's, 'Strategic Area Plan for School Provision 2017-2020';
- the ill-judged and insensitive way in which the Education Authority handled the situation and the subsequent dissolution of trust and confidence from those in the specialist needs sector;
- the often unacknowledged, heroic work that staff who engage children with specialist needs across the island of Ireland provide.

This Ard Fheis therefore calls for:

- the Education Authority to rebuild confidence and trust with all relevant stakeholders within the specialist needs community before continuing with the consultation process;
- the Education Authority to facilitate a meaningful engagement with schools, parents and pupils which should be the epicentre of any future consultation process, with no predetermined proposals or outcomes;
- the Education Authority to invest in, not cut, the Specialist Educational Needs sector and to concentrate on educational outcome and welfare when bringing forward future provision for children with specialist needs.

South & East Belfast Comhairle Ceantair

132. This Ard Fheis:

- welcomes the recent long overdue amendment to the Education (Admission to Schools) Bill 2016 that empowers the Minister to compel a school to open a special class or classes where the National Council for Special Education has identified a need for such provision within an area;
- acknowledges that if properly resourced, this will complement the provisions already included in the Bill which will provide for a situation where a child with special educational needs cannot find a school place, and allow the National Council for Special Education to designate a school place for the child;
- agrees that in these circumstances, additional resources must be provided to ensure children with special educational needs are catered for.

Barnes/McCormack Cumann (Mullingar)

133. This Ard Fheis:

- supports the removal of religious ethos from state funded primary and secondary schools in the 26 Counties;
- believes that the teaching of faith formation should be the responsibility of the parents and occur outside of school hours;
- in the interest of equality believes that all children attending state funded schools should be able to participate fully in all aspects of school life and should not face discrimination or segregation upon enrolment or throughout the school day based on their religion.

Carlow /Kilkenny Comhairle Ceantair

134. This Ard Fheis recognises that:

- over 92% of schools in the 26 Counties are owned and/or managed by the Catholic Church;
- over 5% of schools in the 26 Counties are owned and/or managed by the Church of Ireland;
- a significant number of hospitals in the 26 Counties are owned and/or managed by the Catholic Church.

This Ard Fheis calls on these religious institutions to hand all of these hospitals and schools, and the respective properties, back to the state.

Ógra Shinn Féin

135. This Ard Fheis:
- condemns the attempt by the north's Department of Education and Education Authority to cut the Uniform Grant in 2017 which caused unnecessary stress to children and families;
 - commends Sinn Féin for ensuring that the Uniform Grant was protected;
 - commits to an active campaign to protect the uniform grant;
 - calls upon the Department of Education and Education Authority to act in the interests of children and ensure that the uniform grant is protected.

Upper Bann Comhairle Ceantair

136. This Ard Fheis:
- notes with concern recent trends in higher education which has seen increased marketisation, the move away from publicly funded education and the increased use of casual and precarious contracts within institutions;
 - recognises the need for sustainable funding for institutions to provide high quality teaching and research;
 - calls for greater transparency in the financial management and governance of institutions including reporting of senior staff salaries and further calls for institutions receiving public funding to enter into public mission agreements.

Maginn/Rodden/Donaghy Cumann (Kilrea)

137. This Ard Fheis calls on the Irish government to abandon the need to have a third language in the leaving certificate in order to gain access to many NUI Institutes. In a terminal exam where students are assessed in only six subjects, to have three of the languages (Irish, English and French/Spanish/German etc), that's 50% languages, is a barrier to students picking Science and IT subjects.

These are areas where Ireland has a massive skills gap and currently Irish businesses must advertise abroad to fill thousands of vacancies. This skills shortage is caused in large by the fact that academic students are forced to study a third language in secondary school and therefore limits the possibility of them being able to choose the afore mentioned Science and IT subjects. These are the subjects that our 21st century economy is built around.

Carrick-On-Shannon Cumann

138. This Ard Fheis calls for the universal recognition of academic qualifications such as A-Levels and Leaving Certificate on an equal basis, by third level education institutions across Ireland when students are applying for university places.

Ógra Shinn Féin

139. This Ard Fheis:
- Recognises that the changes introduced to the school transport scheme in the 2016 counties has resulted in significant hardship for families and students across the state;
 - Commends the work of current and previous education spokespersons in highlighting this issue and putting forward proposals in the Document "A Fairer School Transport System"
 - Particularly recognises that the nearest school rule is inflexible and does not reflect the reality for rural communities where students often attend the school based on the traditional catchment area, including parish boundaries
 - Believes that students should not be required to attend a different school to siblings, neighbours and former classmates as a result of the nearest school rule
 - Calls on the Government to introduce a derogation from the nearest school rule when it is clear that the school has traditionally served the community in which the child resides

Leo Casey/Matt Devlin Cumann (Ballymahon)

140. This Ard Fheis recognises that there is considerable inconsistency in sentencing for serious crimes, particularly for sexual crimes, and this undermines public confidence in the judicial process, traumatises victims and can discourage victims of crime from coming forward. Very often, it is clear that the sentence does not fit the crime, with some serious criminal offenders receiving suspended or short sentences.

Therefore, this Ard Fheis calls for the introduction, in legislation, of a sentencing guidelines Committee which would be responsible for the drafting of guidelines, which would outline how a sentence should be calculated, and what weight should be given to any aggravating or mitigating factors. The judge would be obliged to have regard to these guidelines, with the final decision and jurisdiction lying with the Judge, safeguarding judicial independence and the separation of powers

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae

141. This Ard Fheis:
- recognises the current accountability deficit in relation to policing in the Six Counties as a result of having no political party representatives on the Policing Board;
 - registers its concerns at the current inability to appoint new independent members to the Policing Board from the recent recruitment process, thus decreasing the membership of this body to an unworkable level;
 - recognises that this is happening at a time when serious concerns are being expressed at current trends in the 6 counties towards an overemphasis on the hard end of policing at the expense of the concerns and priorities of local communities as well as the PSNI's approach to key legacy issues;
 - recognises that this highlights the requirement for the re-constitution of an effective and representative Policing Board, capable of fully holding the police to account;
 - supports the realisation of that requirement through the appointment of political members to a re-constituted Policing Board at each concerned party's discretion and using the d'Hondt system of representation.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 6 Chontae

142. This Ard Fheis:
- recognises that the organisation of An Garda Síochána is in need of radical reform;
 - expresses its concern regarding the relationship between the Department of Justice and an Garda Síochána and calls for more transparency and professionalism in this regard in the process of reforming how both structures operate and interact with one another;
 - calls on An Garda Síochána to be given the resources to take a more proactive, on street, approach to policing, with a particular focus on policing in the community based on a good rapport and relationship with those living in these communities;
 - recognises the role that the expansion of Garda Youth Diversion Projects & dedicated Community Gardaí can potentially play in proactive policing.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae

143. This Ard Fheis agrees that a mandatory minimum sentencing should be introduced for assaults on all emergency service workers in the 26 Counties - including ambulance, fire service, Gardaí and Customs. Sentencing should be based on the current legislation - Non-Fatal Offences against the Person Act 1997 - Section 2 - Assault - changed to a minimum of 6 months: Section 3 - Assault causing harm - changed to a minimum of 12 months: Section 4 - Assault causing serious harm - changed to a minimum of 5 years.

French/Doyle Cumann Johnstown (Navan)

144. This Ard Fheis recognises
The fact that sexual crimes are a particularly serious and grave crime, and the enormous and long lasting impact that sexual crimes have upon the victim, their families, friends and the wider communities. The need for policies to prevent re offending, and to ensure community safety, which are effective, and proportionate.
This Ard Fheis therefore calls for:
- Increased measures to prevent re offending, including greater resources for the monitoring of those found guilty of serious and repeated sex offences including: child sexual abuse, paedophilia and rape;
 - Including the use of electronic monitoring devices for the purpose of monitoring the location and aid in the surveillance of convicted serious sex offenders in circumstances where it is proportionate, necessary and legitimate, and is in line with the Council of Europe Recommendations on Electronic Monitoring
 - Additional measures to ensure that the victims of sexual crime are better supported, before, during and after trial, including measures regarding anonymity and court representation. Calls on the Minister for Justice to take these matters in to consideration during his review of Sexual Offences

Diarmuid O'Neill/Donncha de Barra Cumann (South East Ward)

145. This Ard Fheis notes the Criminal Justice Inspectorate report on Maghaberry Prison and calls for the full implementation of the report's recommendations.

Barney McFadden Cumann (GreySteel)

146. This Ard Fheis:
- notes that in 2015 the Minister for Justice in the 26 Counties removed the defence of reasonable chastisement for parents who physically punish their child;
 - calls for this defence to also be removed in the Six Counties;
 - further calls on more support and guidance for parents on alternative more positive ways of disciplining their child.

Clonard Martyrs Cumann

Standing up for Rural Ireland

147. This Ard Fheis:

- recognises that the Rural Needs Act requires government departments in the north to have “due regard to the social and economic needs of persons in rural areas” in all decision-making;
- welcomes the incorporation of the Brown Principles into Rural Proofing guidelines;
- calls for similar legislation to be implemented in the south;
- calls for all party policies to be rural-proofed to ensure balance and fairness for rural areas with due regard when it comes to infrastructure and investment.

*Omagh Comhairle Ceantair
Midlands/North West Cúige
Mulrennan/Coen Cumann (Ballaghaderreen)*

148. This Ard Fheis recognises that the aim of Sinn Féin’s Policy on Agriculture and Food is to make the family farm prosperous and to maintain a farming industry that provides careers and a livelihood to Irish men and women, including those of the next generation who should be able to continue the proud tradition of agri-food on this island.

This Ard Fheis calls for:

- national and EU legislation to ban the selling of products below the cost of production;
- the product shall be sold at least for the purchase price plus 10%;
- retailers shall not be able to discount a product more than 34% of its price;
- the prices that farmers receive for their produce to be no less than the cost of production and to be in line with offsetting cost of production at a set minimum percentage profit rate ensuring long term viability;
- an end to the gross disparities in Basic Payment Scheme by adopting a flat rate of payment and a mandatory cap at EU level;
- rules that will prevent large businesses not directly involved in farming from benefiting from large payments;
- full and on-time payment of Basic Payments to farmers every year in October.

Brett/McLoughlin Cumann (Mid Tipperary)

149. This Ard Fheis, recognising the financial difficulties faced by many within the farming community and the ongoing issues relating to GLAS payments, calls on the Department of Agriculture to:

- ensure that in future GLAS payments are paid out in the relevant year;
- implement a system which reduces bureaucracy and allow inspections in a manner that takes account of the reality of farming.

Noble Six/Fr. O’Flanagan/MacManus Cumann (Sligo Town)

150. This Ard Fheis:

- expresses concern at the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) plan to end Areas of Natural Constraint (ANC) support;
- notes this would have a negative impact on farmers in Severely Disadvantaged Areas;
- calls on the DAERA to review this decision and conduct a full Equality Impact Assessment.

Omagh Comhairle Ceantair

151. This Ard Fheis calls on the Irish government to purchase agricultural land for the purpose of renting land of all sizes, from community allotments to operational farms for the start-up farmers.

Furthermore, calls for the state to own land for the purpose of fodder cultivation in order to ensure that an emergency fodder supply exists should Ireland face another fodder crisis in the future.

Robert Byrne Cumann (Limerick City East)

152. This Ard Fheis acknowledges the need to reform the laws relating to dog welfare in Ireland including the reform of the dog breeding establishment legislation. We call for this to be considered in the ongoing work of compiling the Sinn Féin animal welfare policy and any reform of such legislation should consider the following:

- a reduction in the number of breeding bitches permissible on a given breeding premises;
- the establishment of a properly resourced independent inspectorate which may carry out unannounced inspections;
- new regulations to address the online advertising of puppies;
- the investment in enforcement coupled with tougher sanctions and the rollout of a public education campaign on animal welfare.

Drumm/Doherty/Clarke Cumann

153. This Ard Fheis calls on the Irish government to immediately cease the aggressive so called reforestation policy being pursued in many parts of Ireland in its current form and recognises:

- that the practice of monoculture planting, primarily of the non-indigenous Sitka Spruce, is detrimental to the ecology, biodiversity and water quality of the areas that have been planted;
- it is imperative that sustainable afforestation, continuous cover forestry and agro forestry models are implemented where appropriate, in order to halt rural depopulation and even reverse it.

This Ard Fheis proposes a change of afforestation policy, so that every plantation has more broad leaf indigenous plant species; that higher grant subsidies be applied to deciduous woodland and that environmental and socio-economic impact studies must be carried out on larger plantations.

Carrick-On-Shannon Cumann

154. This Ard Fheis believes in fostering a sustainable, indigenous and community-led kelp harvesting sector and would establish a robust and democratic licencing system to accommodate it. Sinn Féin believes our kelp forests are natural treasures and are not for the profit-making of multi-national companies. For this reason, Sinn Féin believes in the sustainable management and harvesting of these kelp forests, subject to community control.

Healy/Howard Cumann (Cabra East)

155. This Ard Fheis recognises the potential for employment and economic benefit of sustainable aquaculture as an indigenous industry and in government would fund support for training and development in this sector.

Recognising the substantial environmental impact of some types of fish farming, especially in relation to salmon, this Ard Fheis supports:

- the development of closed-system inland fish farming, as it reduces the risk of escapes, allows for more control of the environment, better reporting and better chemical control;
- off-shore fish farming should take place only in the most sheltered and safe locations, minimising the dangers of escape of stocks and with great care for the coastal environment;
- the use of spatial sensitivity mapping for identifying opportunities for fish farming that do not conflict with environmental protection;
- community consultations which must be integral to the development of aquacultures and would review the licensing procedure to ensure there is no aquaculture instalment has a negative community or environmental impact.

Given the asymmetrical competition of this sector with Asia, and particularly cheap and fast growing fish from China, this Ard Fheis supports the development of high quality, sustainable and high welfare fish farming in Ireland. Sinn Féin also supports the labelling of farmed fish on food products and believes that the use of GM feed should be banned.

Comerford/Adrien Cumann (Malahide/Portmarnock)

Brexit and International solidarity

156. This Ard Fheis:

- acknowledges the commitments made by the British government and the EU in Paragraph 49 of the Joint Report and repeated in Protocol in the Withdrawal Agreement;
- notes that this puts forward a 'backstop' option which keeps the north of Ireland in the Customs Union and significant parts of the Single Market;
- is concerned that this does not cover all of the Single Market, omitting services, which will still cause significant difficulties for businesses and people living on the border and beyond;
- notes that, even this compromise agreement in December, is now being reneged on by the British government and the DUP;
- recognising that the 'backstop' option does not go far enough this Ard Fheis calls for the people of the north to be given the right to make a choice of which Union they would chose to be part of through a Referendum on Irish Unity;
- calls on the Irish government to support the position that a Referendum on Irish Unity should be brought forward in accordance with the Good Friday Agreement.

Ard Chomhairle

157. This Ard Fheis acknowledges the commitments made in the Brexit negotiations (both the Joint Report and the Draft Agreement) where Irish citizens living in the north will continue to enjoy, exercise and have access to rights, opportunities and benefits as EU citizens:

- recognises that this body of rights includes democratic rights i.e. the right to vote and stand as candidates in EU elections;
- notes that the first test of whether these commitments will be upheld is the EU elections in June 2019;
- and is concerned that if this first test fails it will set an undesirable precedent for how all other rights are exercised for Irish citizens in the North.

In supporting the rights of Irish citizens in the north, this Ard Fheis:

- calls for the right to vote in EU elections for Irish citizens in the north;
- calls for the right to stand in EU elections for Irish citizens in the north;
- calls for the right to be represented in the EU institutions.

Ard Chomhairle

South Down Comhairle Ceantair

Derry Comhairle Ceantair

158. This Ard Fheis:

- opposes the creation of transnational lists which will only further move power away from citizens into the hands of the larger member states and lead to a decrease in accountability;
- deplores the Commission's aims to increase Frontex's budget by 30% and increase defence research to over €2bn while social programmes and agricultural subsidies are subjected to cuts;
- further strongly rejects moves towards a military union, any decision to hand over control of internal borders to Frontex and the fortification of Europe over the promotion of social programmes and inclusive strategies;
- calls for a halt to discussions, and for the Irish government to publicly withdraw its support for, the establishment of a Multilateral Investment Court. Such a Court has the potential to violate the Irish Constitution, and give corporations undue influence over legislation in the public interest;
- emphasises the need for a national debate on the European Commission's accelerating Free Trade Agenda; reiterates that the pace, depth and cumulative impact of ongoing and recently concluded negotiations has the potential to seriously damage domestic industries, lower environmental standards, lead to increased concentration and thus instability in the financial sector, and have adverse impacts on rural employment;

- calls for initiatives included in the European Social Charter to be reflected in legislation and budgetary planning instead of being constantly attacked and conditionalised against the European Semester and other financial and liberalisation constraints;
- rejects any cuts to the budget of the Common Agricultural Policy;
- criticises the duplicity of the European Commission in progressing Association Agreements, including data sharing agreements, with regimes that systematically oppress their own citizens and inflict violence; further calls for an end to the EU's complicity in the violation of human rights of migrants and refugees;
- notes that following Brexit there should be an increased emphasis on the needs of countries and regions that are on the peripheries of the EU; this necessarily involves redefining "core" network transport links and projects of common interest, the criteria through which to apply for other areas of funding, and, the prerogative of the Irish government to be exempt from or opt out of legislation that would have an uneven impact on peripheral as opposed to continental countries;
- believes that there is no future of the EU without addressing head-on the disillusionment that has grown following years of Brussels-lead austerity policies and a wealth gap wedged wider by neo-liberal policies to privatise public services and deregulate the private sector.

Kevin Barry Cumann (Carnew)

159. This Ard Fheis sends solidarity greetings to the Palestinian people living under occupation or in exile and condemns:

- the continued vicious and relentless occupation of Palestinian land;
- the decision of the US Administration to recognise East Jerusalem as the capital of Israel;
- the recent killings and injuries inflicted by Israeli soldiers on Palestinian citizens on the 'The Great March of Return';
- the use of all repressive measures by Israel against the Palestinian people.

Calls on Israel to:

- implement all outstanding UN resolutions and the enforcement of international law;
- commence inclusive negotiations with all representatives of the Palestinian people based on the right of the people of Palestine to Statehood.

And further calls for:

- the expulsion of the Israeli ambassador to Ireland in protest at continued Israeli aggression;
- the formal recognition by the Irish government of the state of Palestine on the basis of the 1967 borders with east Jerusalem as its capital.

This Ard Fheis, in marking the 70th anniversary of the Nakba, supports agreement among all Palestinian representatives, ending political divisions and developing a strategy for advancing the Palestinian cause, creating the conditions for renewed dialogue and a new collective international initiative to rekindle the moribund Middle East peace process.

*Ard Chomhairle
Coleraine Comhairle Ceantair
Liam Dignam Cumann (Clara)*

160. This Ard Fheis believes that while the Israeli government employs apartheid policies, oppression and colonisation in its occupation of Palestine, Sinn Féin should heed the call from Palestinian civic society to fully support the BDS campaign. This includes not meeting with any Israeli government grouping until requested/supported by Palestinian representatives to do so.

*Martin McGuinness Cumann (Bogside)
Ruth Hackett Cumann (Maynooth)
Dublin Cúige*

161. This Ard Fheis:
- sends solidarity greetings to the people of the Palestinian Nation;
 - reaffirms our policy to support the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions Movement;
 - supports the BDS Movement and, in future, Sinn Féin will not hold meetings or conferences in any establishment that offers products that are on the BDS list without offering alternatives.
- Joe McManus Cumann (Garrison)*
162. This Ard Fheis calls on RTÉ, (and if necessary, the Irish government), and other European broadcasters, to boycott the Eurovision Song Contest which is due to be held in Israel or occupied East Jerusalem next year, in light of Israel's ongoing and grievous violations of international law and international humanitarian law; the deliberate killing by Israeli armed forces of unarmed protesters and journalists; the unlawful acquisition and incorporation into Israel of Palestinian territory captured by Israel in military conflict; the ongoing ethnic cleansing of such territory by Israel of Palestinian residents; the apartheid policies increasingly applied to Palestinian residents of the occupied Palestinian territories by Israel; the discriminatory treatment of Palestinian residents in Israel; and the siege being enforced by Israel on the Palestinian territory of Gaza.
- Mick Murray Cumann (Clontarf)*
John Joe Sheehy Cumann (Tralee)
163. This Ard Fheis notes that:
- on 17 October 2011, an international conference for the resolution of the conflict in the Basque Country took place in Donostia/San Sebastian, including former Secretary General of the UN, Kofi Annan, and former Sinn Féin President, Gerry Adams, TD;
 - since then ETA has announced a definitive cessation of activities, completed its disarmament, apologised for the hurt it has caused, and announced that it has brought a definitive end to its organisation.
- This Ard Fheis therefore:
- calls on the Spanish and French governments to acknowledge the unprecedented opportunity which now exists for the Basque region to move beyond conflict, towards the development of a durable democratic peace process;
 - urges both the Spanish and French governments to respond with generosity, to fully engage with the peace process, and to bring forward substantive confidence building measures including on the transfer and treatment of Basque political prisoners.
- Ard Chomhairle*
164. This Ard Fheis:
- condemns the Spanish State's prosecution of Catalan civil society activists, political activists, Members of Parliament, the Speaker of the Parliament, and Catalan Ministers;
 - sends solidarity to all these civic society activists and democratically elected political representatives who are being prosecuted because they support Catalan independence and self-determination. It calls for the political prisoners to be released, those in exile to be allowed to return home, and calls for the extreme charges against them to be dropped;
 - calls on the Spanish government to turn away from its confrontational and provocative approach and to instead enter into internationally mediated negotiations with the Catalan government to find an acceptable path forward through inclusive dialogue;
 - reiterates Sinn Féin's recognition of the right of Catalans to self-determination and for Catalonia to decide its own future.
- Smith/Farrell/Griffith Cumann (Ringsend/Pearse Street)*
165. This Ard Fheis:
- notes that Raúl Castro has stepped down as the President of Cuba and Cuba has elected Miguel Díaz-Canel to become the 19th President of Cuba;
 - commends Raúl Castro on his successful Presidency and his lifelong commitment to the Cuban revolution;

- extends our congratulations to Miguel Díaz-Canel and wishes him every success;
- restates Sinn Féin's continued solidarity with Cuba and its people;
- reiterates our call for the USA to unconditionally and fully lift its illegal blockade of, and to normalise its relations with Cuba.

Smith/Farrell/Griffith Cumann (Ringsend/Pearse Street)

166. This Ard Fheis notes that since the signing of the Colombian Peace Agreement in November 2016 there has been an increase in the assassination of human rights defenders, community leaders, political activists, former FARC members and their families. These continued attacks and killings severely threaten the Colombian peace process.

The Ard Fheis calls on the Colombian government to ensure that human rights and the democratic process are respected, and for it to fully deliver its side of the peace agreement, and to bring the killers of these activists to justice.

Elizabeth O'Farrell Cumann (Portobello/Kevin Street)

167. This Ard Fheis believes the recent airstrikes by the US, Britain and France in Syria were a retrograde step and opposes any further military interventionism in the country.

The Ard Fheis calls on the international community to press for a peaceful, political solution to the Syrian conflict, calls for genuine dialogue and reconciliation led by the people of Syria that allows them to agree who they choose to lead their Country into the future free from negative foreign intervention and an immediate withdrawal of Turkish armed forces from Kurdish majority areas in Northern Syria.

This Ard Fheis extends solidarity to Kurdish and allied political groups in Western Kurdistan (Northern Syria) who are fighting to defend democracy and equality in Rojava and other areas.

*Markievicz/Tadhg Barry Cumann (North West/Central Wards)
Eamonn Lafferty Cumann (Creggan)*

168. This Ard Fheis condemns the abuse of workers' rights by Egyptian authorities where workers and trade unionists have been subjected to unfair military trials, arbitrary arrests, and dismissal from work and other disciplinary measures solely for exercising their right to strike and form independent trade unions.

Dunne/Kelly/Whitty Cumann (Wexford Town)

169. This Ard Fheis continues to support the release of Native American Political Prisoner Leonard Peltier who is in his 43rd year in prison, is 73 years old and is in poor health. We call on the United States to show compassion and release Leonard Peltier.

Carroll/Ashe Cumann (Cabra)

170. This Ard Fheis is deeply concerned about the deteriorating human rights situation in Honduras, particularly since the contentious November 2016 Presidential election which had huge irregularities. We condemn violent tactics employed by State forces against its own citizens who were protesting against these irregularities and the systematic violations of human rights by state forces. We call for the release of all political prisoners who have been detained for standing up for human rights and democracy, and against corruption and economic inequality.

Martin Meehan Cumann (Rosslare)

171. This Ard Fheis condemns the continued persecution of political and human rights activist by the sectarian Bahraini regime. We condemn the use of military courts to try activists, the reintroduction of the death penalty, the systematic torture in prisons, and the persecution of anyone who opposes the autocratic rule of the Bahraini monarchy. We call for the release of all political prisoners in Bahrain, meaningful and thorough political reform, democratic elections, and compliance with international human rights standards.

Maria Curran Cumann (Arklow)



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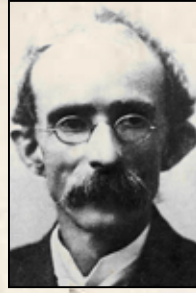
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AOINE 15ú MEITHEAMH

- 16.30** Clárú
- 18.00** Aitheasc Tosaigh – Deirdre Hargey, Ard-Mhéara Bhéal Feirste
- 18.15** Eochairaitheasc Michelle O'Neill MLA
- 18.25** Éire Nua Chomhaontaithe – **Rúin 1-16 Ich. 51**
- 19.00** Eochairaitheasc Pearse Doherty TD
- 19:10** Do Thodhchaí a Chinntiú – Obair bhuan agus pá fiúntach – **Rúin 17-43 Ich. 55**
- 20:15** Dúshlán Leasanna Dílsithe a Thabhairt – **Rúin 44-48 Ich. 63**
- 20:45** Forbairt an Pháirtí – **Rúin 49-55 Ich. 65**
- 21.00** *Clabhsúr*

SATHARN 16ú MEITHEAMH

- 9.00** Clárú
- 10.00** Rialtas Áitiúil, Athleasú Toghchánach agus Iompar – **Rúin 56-70 Ich. 66**
- 11.00** Guthanna Nua - Smaointe Móra
– Eochairáidí á gcráoladh beo ag RTÉ
- 13.00** *Lón*
- 14.00** Dul i nGleic le hAthrú Aeráide – **Rúin 71-85 Ich. 69**
- 14.45** Ag Seasamh ar son na mBan – **Rúin 86-95 Ich. 72**
- 16.00** Do Thodhchaí a Chinntiú –
Infheistíocht i dtithíocht agus i seirbhísí poiblí ardchaighdeán – **Rúin 96-146 Ich. 75**
- 17.15** Ag Seasamh ar son Cheantair Thuaithe na hÉireann – **Rúin 147-155 Ich. 86**
- 17.45** *Tae*
- 18.15** Vótáil 100 - Céad Bliain de Réabhlóidí Dobhainistithe
- 19.15** Breatimeacht agus Dlúthpháirtíocht Idirnáisiúnta – **Rúin 156-171 Ich. 88**
- 20.10** Fógairt Thorthaí Thoghcháin Ard-Chomhairle
agus Bhord na nOifigeach Náisiúnta
- 20.30** Aitheasc an Uachtaráin ag Mary Lou McDonald TD
- 21.00** *Clabhsúr*



POBLACHT NA hÉIREANN.
RIALTAS SEALADACH
PHOBLACHT NA hÉIREANN
LE MUINTIR NA hÉIREANN

A FHEARA AGUS A MHNÁ NA hÉIREANN : In ainm Dé agus ghlúnta na marbh óna bhfaigheann sí a seantraidisiún mar náisiún, tá Éire, trínne, ag gairm a clainne chun a brataí agus ag bualadh buille ar son a saoirse.

Tar éis di eagar agus oiliúint a chur ar a cuid fear trína heagraíocht rúnda réabhlóideach, Bráithreachas Phoblacht na hÉireann, agus trína heagraíochtaí míleata oscailte, Óglaigh na hÉireann agus Arm Cathartha na hÉireann, tar éis di a riailbhéas a thabhairt go foighneach chun foirfeachta agus feitheamh go rúndaingean leis an bhfaill í féin a fhoilsíú go tráthúil, tá sí ag glacadh na faille sin anois, agus le tacaíocht óna clann atá ar deoraíocht i Meiriceá agus ó chomhghuaillithe calma san Eoraip, ach ag seasamh di ar a neart dílis féin ar an gcéad ásc, tá sí ag bualadh buille agus í lándóchasach go mbéarfaidh sí bua.

Dearbhaímid gur ceart ceannasach dochloíte é ceart mhuintir na hÉireann ar dhílse na hÉireann agus ar chumhacht gan chosc ar chinniúint na hÉireann. Forghabháil an chirt sin atá á himirt le fada ag pobal agus rialtas eachtrannach, níor mhúch sí an ceart sin ná ní féidir é a mhúchadh go brách ach le díothú mhuintir na hÉireann. Gach glúin dár tháinig, dhearbhaigh mhuintir na hÉireann a gceart ar shaoirse agus ar fhlaithneas náisiúnta; sé huaire le trí chéad bliain anuas a dhearbhaigh siad faoi airm é. Ag seasamh dúinn ar an gceart bunaidh sin agus á dhearbhu arís dúinn faoi airm os comhair an tsaoil, fógraímid leis seo Poblacht na hÉireann ina Stát Ceannasach Neamhspleách agus cuirimid ár mbeo féin agus beo ár gcompánach airm i ngeall lena saoirse, lena leas agus lena mórath i measc na náisiún.

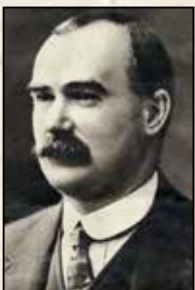
Dlíonn Poblacht na hÉireann, agus éilíonn leis seo, dílseacht mhuintir uile na hÉireann, idir fhir agus mhná. Ráthaíonn an Phoblacht saoirse chreidimh agus saoirse shibhialta, comhchearta agus comhdheiseanna dá saoránaigh uile, agus dearbhaíonn gur rún di féachaint chuig séan agus sonas an náisiúin uile agus gach páirte de, clanna uile an náisiúin a chaomhnú go cothrom, gan beann aici ar na difríochtaí ar chothaigh Rialtas coimhthíoch go cúramach iad agus a dheighil mionlach ón tromlach san am a chuaigh thart.

Go dtí go dtiocfaidh an uain, de neart ár n-arm, Rialtas Náisiúnta buan a bhunú, a dhéanfaidh ionadaíocht do mhuintir uile na hÉireann agus a thoghfar le vótaí a cuid fear agus ban uile, déanfaidh an Rialtas Sealadach, a bhunaítear leis seo, gnóthaí sibhialta agus míleata na Poblachta a riar ar iontaobhas thar ceann na muintire.

Cuirimid cúis Phoblacht na hÉireann faoi choimirce Dhia Mór na nUilechumhachtaí, a n-impímid A bheannacht ar ár n-airm, agus guímid gan aon duine a bheas ag fónamh sa chúis sin easonóir a tharraingt uirthi le mílaochas, le mídhaonnacht ná le díbhearg. Ar uair seo na cinniúna, ní foláir do náisiún na hÉireann a chruthú lena mhísneach agus lena riailbhéas, agus le toil a chlainne iad féin a íobairt mar mhaithe leis an gcoiteann, gur fiú é an dán ró-uasal dá ngairtear é.

Arna shíniú thar ceann an Rialtais Sealadaigh,

TOMÁS S. Ó CLÉIRIGH,
SEÁN Mac DIARMADA, **TOMÁS Mac DONNCHADHA,**
P. A. Mac PIARAIS, **ÉAMONN CEANNT,**
SÉAMAS Ó CONGHAILE, **SEOSAMH PLUINCÉAD.**



ORDUITHE SEASTA

1. Glacfar leis an Orduithe Seasta ag tosach na hArd Fheise.

2. Faomhóidh an Ard Fheis Coiste Stiúrtha agus ceapfar ceathrar áiritheoir ar a laghad ag tús gach Ard Fheis. Ní bheidh aon duine a ainmnítear le haghaidh thoghchán na noifigeach nó na hArd Chomhairle incheaptha ina áiritheoir.

3. Roimh an Ard Fheis beartóidh Cathaoirleach an Choiste Stiúrtha - I gcomhairle le Coiste na hArd-Fheise - cé mhéid ama a thabharfar do gach roinn. Glacfar leis an amchlár agus na Cathaoirligh don Ard Fheis seo ag tús n hArd Fheise.

4. Beartóidh an Coiste Stiúrtha cé mhéid ama a thabharfar do gach roinn den chlár, agus tabharfar príoracht do mholtóirí rún agus leasaithe i ngach roinn.

5. Le linn díospóireachtaí tabharfar tús áite do teachtaí atá ainmnithe agus creidiúnaithe mar is ceart. Is féidir leis an Choiste Stiúrtha, mas rogha leis é, cead cainte a thabhairt de bhaill den pháirtí atá creidiúnaithe mar is ceart ach nach bhfuil ina dteachtaí, sé sin muna bhfuil teachtaí ar bith ag fanacht le labhairt ag an am. Ar dhiscreíd an Choiste Stiúrtha ceadófar do chuariteoirí labhairt atá creidiúnaithe ag an Ard Chomhairle leis an Ard Fheis I gcóir am ar leith. Agus teachtaí ag labhairt ní mór dóibh a n-ainmneacha a lua mar aon leis an aonad agus an ceantar a bhfuil siad ag déanamh ionadaíochta thar a gceann.

6. Nuair a mholtar an rún "go gcuirtear an cheist" ní bheidh de rogha ag an gcathaoirleach ach an rún a chur faoi bhráid na dteachtaí. Má ghlactar leis an rún, caithfidh an cathaoirleach, tar éis am cainte a cheadú do mholtóir agus do chuiditheoir rún nó leasaithe de réir fhorálacha Ordú Seasta 4, an rún nó leasú a chur chun vóta.

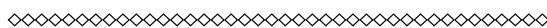
7. Ní mór do rún éigeandála (sé sin rún a dhéanann tagairt d'imeachtaí nó cinniúintí a tharla i ndiaidh an spriocdáta do rún de réir Rial 12d de Bhunreacht agus Rialacha an Pháirtí) ní mór iad a thabhairt i bhfoirm scríofa do Choiste na hArd Fheise, san Ard Oifig, seacht lá ar a laghad roimh tús na hArd Fheise. Glacfar le rún éigeandála ar dhiscreíd an Choiste Stiúrtha.

8. Ní féidir rún nó leasaithe eigeandála eile - a dhéanann tagairt d'imeachtaí a tharlaíonn agus an Ard Fheis faoi lán seol seachas ar dhiscreíd an Choiste Stiúrtha agus ní mór na hOrdaithe Seasta a chur ar fhionraí chun an rún a cheadú ar Chlár na hArd Fheise.

9. Ceadófar 'pointí oird' ar dhiscreíd an chathaoirligh agus ní cheadófar níos mó ná 30 soicind dóibh.

10. Caithfear glacadh le rialú an chathaoirligh I gcónaí. Ní mór na Ordaithe Seasta a chur ar leataobh chun dushlán a thabhairt do rialú an Chathaoirligh agus vóta mímhúiníne a ghlacadh ann.

11. Ní mór rún scríofa ag iarraidh na hOrdaithe Seasta a chur ar leataobh a thabhairt don Choiste Stiúrtha ag míniú fáth an rúin sula gceadófar é. Sonrófar am áirithe don rún ar dhiscreíd an Choiste Stiúrtha. Ní mór móramh dhá dtrian de na teachtaí atá I láthair le hiad a chur i leataobh. Ní mór móramh dhá dtrian de na teachtaí atá I láthair leis na hOrdaithe Seasta a thabhairt isteach arís nuair atá an ábhar faoi chaibidil reitithe sula bhféadfaí an Ard Fheis leanúint ar aghaidh. Ní mór na hOrdaithe Seasta a chur ar leataobh ag tús na hArd Fheise ionas gur féidir rún, agus leasaithe eigeandála agus aguisíní don Chlár a cheadú de réir treoir an Choiste Stiúrtha.



AOINE 15ú MEITHEAMH

Éire nua chomhaontaithe

1. Déanann an Ard-Fheis seo:

- leibhéal ardaithe i gcaint agus i bplé maidir le hÉirinn aontaithe ar fud na sochaí a aithint;
- fáilte a chur roimh chaint mar seo agus aitheantas a thabhairt ar an raon leathan tuairimí maidir le cén chuma a d'fhéadfadh a bheith ar Éirinn aontaithe;
- forbairt cainte a spreagadh maidir le daonlathas uile-Éireann bunreachtúil, iolraíoch agus cearta-bhunaithe;
- fáilte a chur roimh raon comhdhálacha arna n-eagrú ag Sinn Féin ar fud na hÉireann agus i Londain;
- a aithint go bhfuil an bealach le haontacht na hÉireann a bhaint amach leagtha amach go soiléir i gComhaontú Aoine an Chéasta mar reifreann ar dhá thaobh na teorann.

Mar sin, déanann an Ard-Fheis seo:

- a éileamh ar na páirtithe polaitiúla úd go léir a bhfuil seasamh ráite acu tacú le hÉirinn aontaithe, a smaointe agus moltaí féin a thabhairt chun cinn maidir le conas is fearr an cuspóir seo a thabhairt chun cinn;
- a éileamh ar rialtas na hÉireann:
 - ballraíocht Dála uathoibríoch a thabhairt isteach d'Fheisirí Parlaiminte ó thuaisceart na hÉireann agus, ag fanacht leis seo, cearta cainte agus comhairliúcháin a thabhairt isteach d'Fheisirí Parlaiminte agus Comhaltaí den Tionól ón Tuaisceart sa Dáil agus sa Seanad;
 - Coiste Oireachtais a chur ar bun le planáil le haghaidh aontacht na hÉireann;
 - fóram náisiúnta a chur ar bun leis na páirtithe go léir agus na príomh-earnálacha atá ionadaíoch ar an tsochaí shibhialta ar an oileán le dul i gcomhairle le chéile ar thodhchaí bhunreachtúil an oileáin, lena n-áirítear ceist aontacht na hÉireann agus an athmhuintearais náisiúnta;
- a éileamh ar rialtas na hÉireann:
 - comhrá poiblí eolach, réasúnach agus measúil a spreagadh agus a threorú ar cheist aontacht na hÉireann;
 - plan réadúil a ullmhú d'athaontú na hÉireann, lena n-áirítear grúpa uilepháirtí Oireachtais le Páipéar Glas a thabhairt chun cinn le haghaidh athaontú na hÉireann;
 - tús a chur le reifreann ar chearta vótála Uachtaránachta do shaoránaigh i dtuaisceart na hÉireann agus do dhiaspóra na hÉireann le réachtáil san 12 mhí seo chugainn;
 - Seirbhís Náisiúnta Sláinte uile-oileáin agus seirbhísí poiblí uile-Éireann a fhorbairt trí 'Phlean Infheistíochta agus Rathúnais Éireann Aontaithe' a fhorbairt.

Ard-Chomhairle

Cumann Burns/McKerr/Toman (An Lorgain)

2. Déanann an Ard-Fheis seo:

- A éileamh ar na páirtithe polaitiúla agus na hionadaithe úd go léir a mhaíonn go dtacaíonn siad le hÉirinn aontaithe tacú linn inár n-éileamh ar reifreann ar aontacht na hÉireann;

Cumann Joe McManus (an Garastún)

3. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo athaontú láithreach Chomhdháil Idir-Rialtasach na Breataine-na hÉireann mar a dhéantar foráil dó faoi théarmaí Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta.

Comhairle Ceantair na Banna Uachtair

4. Tá fíis ag an Ard-Fheis seo d'Éirinn nua agus aontaithe atá fréamhaithe go daingean sna luachanna poblachtacha comhionannas, bráithreachas agus saoirse. Táimid ag iarraidh Éire chuimsitheach a bheith ann ina nglactar leis an ilchineálacht féiniúlachtaí ar ár n-oileán, ina gcosnaítear agus a gceiliúrtar iad. Caithfear iad siúd ar mór leo a bhféiniúlacht Bhriotanach a bheith san áireamh. Caithfidh Éire nua agus aontaithe a bheith ina háit do chách, Éire aontaithe atá ina baile duit más Éireannach, Briotanach, an bheirt acu nó ceachtar acu thú.

Tá an traidisiún Oráisteach agus an fhéiniúlacht Bhriotanach tábhachtach do chuid den phobal a chomhroinneann an t-oileán seo. Tá sé tábhachtach dúinn go léir mar sin.

Tugann Comhaontú Aoine an Chéasta ní hamháin bealach chun cinn síochánta agus daonlathach go haontacht na hÉireann, ach cuireann sé freisin roinnt oibleagáidí maidir le cearta agus paireacht ghradaim d'fhéiniúlacht is cuma faoi dhílseacht náisiúnta do chách a mhaireann in Éirinn nua agus aontaithe.

Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo an gá dóibh siúd go léir is mian leo Éire Aontaithe a fheiceáil dul i dteagmháil lenár gcomharsana aontachtacha agus éisteacht agus plé lena ndóchais agus ábhair eagla maidir le haontacht na hÉireann. Aithnímid go bhféadfaidh sé go mbeidh gníomhartha de dhíth lena dhearbú do daoine a chuireann luach ar a bhféiniúlacht Bhriotanach nach laghdófar seo in Éirinn aontaithe, lena n-áirítear ceisteanna mar iad seo:

- Bille Ceart uile-Éireann;
- socruithe maidir le bratacha, siombailí agus suaitheantais;
- caomhnú shaoránacht na Breataine agus na cearta atá bainteach leis sin;
- na ráthaíochtaí atá i gComhaontú Aoine an Chéasta a bheith ag leanúint ar aghaidh tar éis na haontachta;
- bearta le dul i ngleic leis an seicteachas ar fud na sochaí;
- eagrais a choinneáil agus a fhorbairt a ceapadh leis na caidrimh idir na hoileáin a láidriú, lena n-áirítear Comhairle na Breataine-na hÉireann, Tionól Parlaiminteach na Breataine-na hÉireann agus Comhdháil Idir-Rialtasach na Breataine-na hÉireann.

Cumann Chill Mhantáin Thiar

5. Déanann an Ard-Fheis seo:

- a éileamh ar rialtas na hÉireann agus rialtas na Breataine a ngealltanais a chur i gcrích mar a leagtar amach i gComhaontú Aoine an Chéasta agus i gcomhaontuithe ina dhiaidh sin, agus seasamh le hardchaighdeán maidir le cearta sibhialta, eacnamaíocha agus sóisialta i dtuaisceart na hÉireann;
- a aithint go dtugann forálacha maidir le cearta daonna agus comhionannas Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta muinín do gach pobal in institiúidí polaitiúla an Chomhaontaithe agus in údaráis phoiblí eile;
- a aithint go dtugann dlí AE creatlach tacaíochta ceart a chuireann bonn agus taca faoi fhorálacha comhionannais Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta agus gur príomhábhar imní is ea éagsúlacht amach anseo idir cearta, thuaidh agus theas, de thoradh ar Brexit, a d'fhéadfadh bacainní a chruthú ar an oileán agus cur isteach ar an riachtanas faoi Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta le caighdeán choibhéiseacha le haghaidh cosaint ceart sa dá dhlínse;
- a athdhearbhú gur féidir le saoránaigh Éireannacha i dtuaisceart na hÉireann a saoránacht AE agus cearta bainteacha a fheidhmiú agus tairbhíú díobh agus a aithint go bhfuil feidhmiú na gceart seo ina chuid ríthábhachtach den fhoráil ar shaoránacht i gComhaontú Aoine an Chéasta.

Go háirithe, éilimid orthu na nithe seo a leanas a thabhairt isteach:

- Bille Ceart;
- Cairt Cheart uile-Éireann, agus Comhchoiste um Chearta Daonna, thuaidh agus theas, a chur ar bun;
- Fóram Sibhialta uile-Éireann;
- athbhreithniú ar mhaoiniú do chomhlachtaí uile-Éireann;
- Acht na Gaeilge;
- maoiniú d'fhiosrúcháin oidhreachta;
- tar éis don Bhreatain imeacht ón AE, ráthaíocht go leanfaidh daoine a rugadh sa tuaisceart a fheidhmiú na dteidlíocht ar chearta saoránachta faoi Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta ar aghaidh ag tairbhíú do chearta mar shaoránaigh AE.

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6. Molann an Ard-Fheis seo, agus tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo le gníomhairí Gaeilge ar fud na hÉireann agus níos faide i gcéin as a gcuid oibre leis an nGaeilge a chur chun cinn.

Go háirithe, molaimid dóibh siúd go léir atá ag stocaireacht le go gcaithfear go cóir agus go cothrom le pobail Ghaeltachta, agus le go gcuirfear i bhfeidhm agus go gcosnófar cearta teanga do gach saoránach.

Molann an Ard-Fheis thairis sin an feachtas bhríomhar ar son Acht na Gaeilge sa tuaisceart agus athdhearbhaímid ár dtiomantas d'fheidhmiú Acht na Gaeilge sna Sé Chontae.

Tá Sinn Féin tiomanta do chur chun cinn na Gaeilge, dá hathréimniú ar mhórtheanga labhartha in Éirinn agus do chur i gcrích cearta Gaeilgeoirí.

Tarraingíonn an Ard-Fheis seo aird ar pholasaí Gaeilge Shinn Féin, Tír gan teanga, tír gan anam, agus dár bplécháipéisí a foilsíodh le deireanas, Irish Language in the Pre-School Sector agus Irish Language in the Educational System, agus molaimid na moltaí sin mar chuidiú suntasach agus cuidiúil leis an dioscúrsa reatha ar thodhchaí na Gaeilge.

Aithníonn Sinn Féin thairis sin gur le muintir uile na hÉireann an Ghaeilge i gcomhthéacs an chóimheasa agus ár sochaí ilchultúrtha.

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7. Déanann an Ard-Fheis seo:
- a nótáil go bhfuil 55 milliún Eorpach a labhraíonn teanga neamhfhorleathan agus a mbíonn leithcheal laethúil rompu agus iad á dhéanamh sin;
 - a nótáil go bhfuil teangacha i mbaol ina measc siúd is mó atá faoi riosca;
 - a nótáil gur cuid ríthábhachtach iad na teangacha seo d'oidhreacht chultúrtha a réigiún, ach go séanta bunchearta ar lucht labhartha na dteangacha seo, mar oideachas, sláinte agus seirbhísí poiblí eile dá dtairbhíonn na teangacha ceannasacha gan cheist;
 - a aithint, de thoradh ar an neamh-chomhionannas seo, go bhfuil cultúir éagsúla ag cailleadh méid ollmhór eolais maidir lena bhféiniúlacht chultúrtha;
 - a éileamh go mbunófar oifig Ombudsman Eorpach um Theangacha, a ghníomhóidh chun a chinntiú go seastar le cearta teanga agus go gcosnaítear éagsúlacht teanga.
- Cumann Tom Barry/Leo Murphy (Baile an Chollaigh/Corcaigh Láir)*
8. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo obair na gcapall atá á déanamh ag comhairleoirí de chuid Shinn Féin, in éineacht le daoine eile, i gcur chun cinn na Gaeilge i gcomhairlí áitiúla sna Sé Chontae, i gcomhthéacs, go minic, ina bhfuil naimhdeas oscailte uathu siúd a fhéachann lena gcearta teanga a shéanadh ar dhaoine.
- Go háirithe, molann an Ard-Fheis seo ceapachán den chéad uair riamh Oifig Gaeilge i gComhairle Cathrach Bhéal Feirste agus aithnímid gur céim fhorásach agus shiombalach chun cinn é seo don Ghaeilge do shaoránaigh Bhéal Feirste.
- Ach is oth leis an Ard-Fheis seo dearcadh roinnt Comhairlí i leith na Gaeilge agus an chultúir Ghaelaigh, agus an leatrom leanúnach in éadan lucht labhartha na Gaeilge. Áirítear leis seo cinntí ag Comhairle Buirge Bhaile Nua na Mainistreach polasaí Béarla amháin a chur i bhfeidhm do chomharthaí sráide, agus polasaithe i gComhairle Cathrach Lios na gCearrbhach agus an Chaisleáin Riabhaigh, lena n-áirítear foluain mhíchuí Bhratach na hAontachta ar fhoirgnimh na comhairle agus áiseanna mar an t-ionad athchúrsála i gCeathrú Aodha Dhuibh, agus a foirgnimh ag Taobh na Coille agus an easpa maoinithe do chumainn CLG agus na háiseanna taobh istigh dá teorainneacha.
- Cumann Mháirtirigh Lóiste Na Móna (Lóiste na Móna)
Cumann Martin Meehan/Dhún Mhic Airt (Gleann Ghormlaithe)
Cumann Samuel Neilson/Bridget Hanna (An Caisleán Riabhach Theas)*
9. Déanann an Ard-Fheis seo:
- cearta saoránach ar shaol cruthaitheach a aithint;
 - a chomhaontú gur féidir leis na healaíona, agus na deiseanna a bheith páirteach i ngníomhaíochtaí cruthaitheacha, ról tábhachtach a imirt i saol leanaí agus aosach araon agus gur féidir iad a úsáid le cuidiú le teifigh cneasú agus imeascadh i sochaí na hÉireann;
 - a chomhaontú a thuilleadh gur féidir cuid bhríomhar de léiriú cultúir a chur i gcrích tríd an gcruthaitheacht;
 - A éileamh ar an rialtas maoiniú agus tacaíochtaí breise a chur ar fáil lena chinntiú go spreagtar gníomhaíochtaí ealaíonta agus cruthaitheacha laistigh de phobail áitiúla.
- Cumann Wolfe Tone (Nás/na Solláin)*
10. Déanann an Ard-Fheis seo:
- a nótáil go bhfuil trí bliana istigh ó rith na 26 Chontae trí reifreann an ceart ag daoine LADTCI ar chomhionannas pósta sibhialta agus a rith reachtaíocht le cearta aitheantais inscne a chumasú don phobal trasinscne;
 - in ainneoin céimeanna suntasacha déanta in 2015, tá neamhionannas ann fós agus tá roinnt páirtithe polaitiúla tar éis ligean do luas an athraithe moilliú i gcur i gcrích comhionannas iomlán LADTCI;
 - Tá seo ceadaithe ag rialtas reatha Fhine Gael, le tacaíocht ó Fhianna Fáil. Lig siad do rátaí tras-seolta VEID ardú – ag dul i gcoinne treochtaí idirnáisiúnta, ionas go bhfuil an Stát ar an aon dlínse in iarthar na hEorpa gan reachtaíocht um choireacht fuatha agus séantar fós ar theaghlaigh LADTCI cearta comhionanna trí bliana tar éis an reifrinn ar son comhionannas pósta sibhialta;
 - leanann an streachailt ar son comhionannas pósta sibhialta sna Sé Contae ar aghaidh agus molaimid foireann Shinn Féin in Stormont agus na stocairí ar son Comhionannas Grá a oibríonn gan staonadh chuige sin;
 - foilsíú páipéar seasaimh is deireanaí Shinn Féin ar LADTCI, On Your Side Seo an tríú foilseachán de chuid an pháirtí a leagann amach na chéad chéimeanna eile i mbaint amach comhionannas iomlán LADTCI.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- feidhmiú iomlán an togra a luaitear sa cháipéis On Your Side lena n-áirítear (ach nach bhfuil teoranta do):
 - comhionannas pósta sibhialta uile-Éireann;
 - aitheantas inscne uile-Éireann do dhaoine óga trasinscne neamh-dhénártha. Atá go léir bunaithe ar mhúnla féindearfa;
 - cúram sláinte LADTCI inrochtana, go háirithe rochtain an phobail trasinscne ar theiripe athsholáthair hormón;
 - iarrachtaí athnuaithe an t-idirdhealú in éadan fir atá i gcaidreamh collaíochta le fear fuil a dheonú;
 - curaclaim chothroma agus oibiachtúla oideachais gnéis a ionchuimsíonn daoine óga LADTCI;
 - cur i bhfeidhm láithreach reachtaíocht láidir um choireacht fuatha;
 - frithghiniúint agus tástáil inrochtana VEID, i bhfianaise rátaí tras-seolta i mbéal ardaith;e;
 - cosc teiripí 'tiontaithe' LADTCI.

Cumann Jim Lochrie (Droim an Tí)

11. Seasann an Ard-Fheis seo i ndlúthpháirtíocht leis an bpobal Ioslamach i mBéal Feirste tar éis roinn eachtraí ciníocha agus seineafóibeacha i mBéal Feirste Theas.

Cumann Nolan/Downey (Bruach an Lagáin)

12. Déanann an Ard-Fheis seo:

- ról tábhachtach atá le himirt ag an gCoimisiúin um Chearta Daonna a aithint maidir le cearta daonna a chur chun cinn agus a chosaint i dtuaisceart na hÉireann;
- imní a chur in iúl maidir leis an gciorrú i gcabhair dheontais ag OTÉ agus an tionchar diúltach a bheidh aige seo ar chumas an Choimisiúin a fheidhmeanna reachtúla a chur i gcrích;
- a éileamh ar OTÉ stad a chur le haon chiorruithe eile ar bhuiséad an Choimisiúin um Chearta Daonna.

Comhairle Ceantair Ard Mhacha Theas

13. Déanann an Ard-Fheis seo:

- fáilte a chur roimh Chomhairliúchan an Choimisiúin um Chomhionannas ar Dhualgais Chomhionannais Reachtúil agus Dea-Chaidrimh Alt 75;
- a nótáil le himní aitheantas an Choimisiúin nach bhfuil Dualgais Alt 75 á gcur i bhfeidhm go héifeachtach ag údaráis poiblí.

Éilimid:

- ar údaráis poiblí gach beart a dhéanamh le comhlíonadh iomlán Alt 75 a chinntiú;
- ar an gCoimisiún Comhionannais glacadh le cur chuige níos láidre i leith forfheidhmiú comhionannais agus oiliúint a chur ar fáil maidir le feidhmiú ceart phrionsabal an dualgais 'aird chuí'.

Molaimid na hoibleagáidí reachtúla seo a leanas a phríomhshruthú go héifeachtach i bpleanáil agus i gcur i gcrích polasaí poiblí agus na seirbhísí poiblí:

- Alt 28E d'Acht 1998;
- The Child Poverty Act 2010; agus
- The Rural Needs Act (2016).

Cumann Burns/McKerr/Toman (An Lorgain)

14. Tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo leis an bhfeachtas Am don Fhírinne agus tacaíonn go hiomlán lena dtrí éileamh:

- maoiniú do Phlean um Fhiosrúchán Oidhreachta an Tiarna Príomh-Bhreithimh a scaoileadh láithreach;
- feidhmiú iomlán agus acmhainní iomlána a chur ar fáil do mheicníochtaí Theach Stormont;
- acmhainní imleora a chur ar fáil d'Oifig Ombudsman na bPéas.

Cúige na Sé Chontae

15. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar rialtas na hÉireann Tuarascáil Crowley ar bhás Aidan McAnespie a scaoileadh.

Cumann Dan McAnallen/Tom Clarke (An Bréantar/An Eaglais)

16. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar rialtas na hÉireann gach comhad agus doiciméad bainteach dá bhfuil acu ar Bhuamáil Bhaile Átha Cliath agus Mhuineacháin inar mharaigh an UVF 33 sibhialtach neamhurchóideacha agus leanbh lántéarma agus inar ghortaigh siad beagnach 300 le hamhras go raibh fórsaí stáit na Breataine páirteach, agus brú a chur ar rialtas na Breataine an rud céanna a dhéanamh.

Cumann Smith/Savage (Caisleán Cnúcha)

Do Thodhchaí a Chinntiú – Obair bhuan agus pá fiúntach

17. Creideann an Ard-Fheis seo gur chuir céad bliain de shaint, éilíteachas agus míbhainistíocht mhór amú an fhéidearthacht eacnamaíoch as cuimse a bhí ag glúin i ndiaidh glúine de shaoránaigh Éireannacha. Dhoimhnigh agus bhunaigh an chríochdheighilt an córas seo. B'éigean do dhaoine óga gan áireamh imeacht óna mbaile lena n-uailmhianta a leanúint. Tá teaghlaigh agus pobail iomlána fágtha ar an trá fholamh, chun saibhre phearsanta do líon daoine. In 2018 is beag atá athraithe. In ainneoin dea-chuma a bheith ar chúrsaí tar éis thobchliseadh an gheilleagair, tá an chríochdheighilt, géarchéim sa chostas maireachtála, easpa dídine rábach, seirbhísí poiblí ag titim as a chéile, agus neamhionannais ghéara shóisialta fós ag tachtadh thodhchaí ár náisiúin.

Deimhníonn an Ard-Fheis seo go gcaithfidh Sinn Féin leanúint ar aghaidh ag tabhairt aghaidh ar an oidhreacht seo a chuir amú deis, tallann agus uailmhian. Caithfidh rogha dhearfach agus indéanta a chuirfidh athrú ó bhun i gcrích a thairiscint in áit an status quo.

Creideann an Ard-Fheis seo má táimid le saol slán, díniteach faoi bhláth a chinntiú mar cheart le hoidhreacht, caithfidh a chinntiú go dtairbhíonn gach saoránach, thuaidh agus theas, de sciar de rachmas ár n-oileáin a bhfuil siad ina theideal.

Le seo a dhéanamh creideann an Ard-Fheis seo gur chóir geilleagar sóisialta a cheapadh a dhéanann infheistíocht i ngach saoránach agus i ngach pobal lena bhféidearthacht a scaoileadh amach, a dhiúltaíonn don neamhionannas agus do thús áite na leasanna dílsithe, agus a chinnteoidh seasmhacht eacnamaíoch le saol agus uailmhian daoine a dhéanamh slán.

Deimhníonn an Ard-Fheis seo go riarfaidh geilleagar atá fite fuaite le luachanna poblachtacha ar an tsochaí ar dtús. Dearbhóidh sé íoschaighdeán beatha, cuirfidh sé ar fáil seirbhísí poiblí ar chaighdeán domhanda, déanfaidh sé a mhór de rithábhacht an chomhshaoil agus cuirfidh sé deireadh le hoidhreacht mhillteach eacnamaíoch na críochdheighilte.

Ard-Chomhairle

18. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo na buntáistí a bheadh ag Éirinn Aontaithe do ghnólachtaí agus don fhiontraíocht, ag tógáil ar láidreachtaí ag geilleagair áitiúla agus ag cur i gcoinne cuid dá laigí faoi seach. Creidimid go mbeadh Éire aontaithe níos fearr don ghnó, mar bheadh sí:

- ina geilleagar níos cothromaithe ann le príomhláidreachtaí sa ghnó dúchasach agus san infheistíocht dhíreach choigríche;
- níos seasmhaí agus éagsúlaithe le seasamh i gcoinne tuairteanna seachtracha agus atá in-oiriúnaithe do gheilleagar domhanda atá ag síorathrú.
- rathúil mar cheannaire domhanda in earnálacha ina bhfuil féidearthacht ann le haghaidh fás ard amach anseo, lena n-áirítear cógaisíocht agus TF;
- aitheanta go hidirnáisiúnta as cáilíocht agus caighdeán arda;
- inbhuanaithe agus ag cur ar fáil post ar thuarastal maith agus in ann seirbhísí poiblí den chéad scoth agus sochaí chothrom;
- rathúil trí níos mó infheistíochta, níos mó easpórtálacha agus fás eacnamaíoch.

Cumann Maria Curran (an tInbhear Mór)

19. Déanann an Ard-Fheis seo:

- a nótaíl, tar éis 10 bliana d'Airí Eacnamaíochta go bhfuil an ráta fáis eacnamaíoch is ísle ag an tuaisceart sna hoileáin seo;
- a aithint go ndéanann an Straitéis Thionsclaíoch dhréachtach a d'fhoilsigh Aire Eacnamaíochta an DUP in 2017 faillí i bhféidearthacht an gheilleagair uile-Éireann, go ndéanann sí neamhaird ar an mbagairt eacnamaíoch atá ó Brexit agus nach bhfuil an cruinneas agus an aird ar shonraí is gá inti le tabhairt faoi thearcfheidhmíocht eacnamaíoch an tuaiscirt;
- a éileamh go n-athbhreithneofar an Straitéis Eacnamaíoch nuair a chuirfear Stormont ar ais i réim, a mbeidh mar chuid de breithmheas macánta ar pholasaí agus ar fheidhmíocht eacnamaíoch san am a chuaigh thart, anailís ar na srianta ar fhás i ngach earnáil eacnamaíoch agus clár tacaíochta oiriúnaithe le tabhairt faoi na srianta seo ag díriú ar tháirgiúlacht, ar phoist a chruthú, agus ar chothromaíocht réigiúnach a chur chun cinn;
- a aithint go n-éilíonn an leibhéal seo anailíse feabhsú i sonraí eacnamaíoch;
- a mholadh go mbunófaí Grúpa Comhairleach le hionadaíocht ó Cheardchumainn agus ó Fhostóirí le maoirseacht a dhéanamh ar an Straitéis Thionsclaíoch

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20. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo go bhfuil a lán teaghlach agus daoine ar fud na tíre a oibríonn go crua agus atá ag streachailt leis an saol.

Áirítear leo oibrithe cúraim leanaí, oibrithe miondíola, oibrithe fáilteachais, altraí agus múinteoirí óga, agus oibrithe ar fud an gheilleagair.

Saibhríonn siad ár bpobail agus ár dtír trína n-obair chrua agus a ndúthracht, ach tá siad ag maireachtáil seachtain go seachtain, i gcónaí éigeandáil amháin ó ghéarchéim iomlán. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo na daoine sin. Is é an Ard-Fheis seo na daoine sin. Deir an Ard-Fheis seo “choíche arís”.

Geallann an Ard-Fheis seo an t-ualach imní agus neamhchinnteachta a thógáil ó theaghlaigh agus ó dhaoine atá ag obair go crua agus éilimid:

- pá lae cothrom ar son lá oibre cothrom;
- deireadh le cleachtais oibre a dhéanann dúshaothrú mar chonarthaí náid uaireanta agus ócáideacha;
- go gcoinneofar an costas maireachtála faoi smacht;
- soláthar seirbhísí poiblí den chéad scoth.

Ard-Chomhairle

Cumann Mairead Farrell (Eochail, Co. an Chabháin)

21. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- obair chrua agus dúthracht oibrithe cúraim leanaí ar fud na tíre;
- nach léiríonn tuarastal oibrithe cúraim leanaí in aon chor an obair luachmhar agus sciliúil a dhéanann siad;
- nach bhfeiceann a lán oibrithe sáraithe aon fhéidearthachtaí gaire fadtéarmacha san earnáil;
- gur theip go hiomlán ar rialtais Éireannacha as diaidh a chéile aon infheistíocht fhónta in earnáil an chúraim leanaí;
- go bhfuil de thoradh air seo pá íseal d'oibrithe agus táillí ard do thuismitheoirí agus an chuid is mó soláthraithe ag feidhmiú ar bhonn meá ar mheá agus nach féidir leo go díreach tuarastal foirne a ardú;
- nach féidir ligean dó seo leanúint ar aghaidh agus nach n-íoctar le hoibrithe atá i ról chomh tábhachtach sin ag €10.27 san uair ar an meán – go maith níos lú ná Pá Maireachtála, €11.70 – rud atá go hiomlán do-ghlactha.
- caithfidh luach ar bhaill foirne a bheith go daingean taobh le tosaíochtaí breise ardchaighdeáin do leanaí agus inacmhainneacht do thuismitheoirí.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo mar sin díriú dáiríre ar phá agus ar choinníollacha san earnáil, agus go mbeidh seo lárnach i ngach plean amach anseo leis an gcúram leanaí agus an soláthar luathbhlianta a leathnú agus nach féidir leis a bheith ina athsmaoineamh.

Cumann Cole/Colley (an Chúlóg)

22. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- an ról tábhachtach a imríonn earnáil an fháilteachais i ngeilleagar na hÉireann agus an obair ríluachmhar a dhéanann daoine atá fostaithe san earnáil;
- go bhfuil daoine óga lárnach i marthain thionscal an fháilteachais ar fud an oileáin agus go ndéantar dúshaothrú follasach ar dhaoine óga gach lá i dtionscadal an fháilteachais maidir le tuarastal íseal, uaireanta fada agus easpa sosanna scíthe idir sealanna oibre;
- gurb é atá fíor faoi thionscal an fháilteachais go bhfuil pá íseal, fostaíocht éiginnte agus droch-choinníollacha ann tríd is tríd;
- go n-aithnímid gurbh é an meántuarastal seachtainiúil ag oibrí i dtionscal an fháilteachais in 2016 €324, atá níos lú ná leath an mheántuarastail náisiúnta, €697
- go bhfuil oibrithe san earnáil seo ag brath cuid mhór ar na síntiúis a shaothraíonn siad ag an obair le cur lena bpá íseal;
- go n-aithnímid suirbhé a rinn Sinn Féin in earnáil an fháilteachais i nGaillimh in 2016 a fuair amach go gcoinníonn a saoi siar a gcuid síntiús ó 1 as 3 oibrí go rialta;
- go gcáinimid an t-iompar seo ag fostóirí mar iompar gránna mímhórálta;
- go molaimid an obair déanta ag an Seanadóir Paul Gavan san earnáil seo agus go dtacaímid go hiomlán leis an reachtaíocht a mholann Sinn Féin ceart reachtúil ar a gcuid síntiús a thabhairt d'oibrithe.

Athdheimhníonn an Ard-Fheis seo a n-éilimh deireadh a chur le conarthaí náid uaireanta agus go n-íocfaidh fostóirí i ngach cuid den gheilleagar, lena n-áirítear tionscal an fháilteachais, pá maireachtála a íoc lena bhfoireann, is cuma cén aois atá siad.

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Ógra Shinn Féin

23. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- gur pá neamhionann is toradh do na scálaí cumaiscthe a comhaontaíodh agus a feidhmíodh faoi chomhaontú Bhóthar Haddington d'iontrálaithe iar-Eanáir 2011 san earnáil phoiblí agus breis agus 60,000 oibrí de chuid na hearnála poiblí ag fáil níos lú pá ná a gcomhghleacaithe ar obair chomhionann. Breis agus 20 faoin chéad d'oibrithe atá i gceist inár n-earnáil oideachais agus ceathrú cuid den lucht oibre inár seirbhísí sláinte, 10,000 altra san áireamh;
- agus rún againn pá comhionann a bhaint amach ina iomláine le linn thréimhse reatha an Chomhaontaithe Cobhsaíochta Earnála Poiblí agus iontrálaithe iar-Eanáir 2011 ag fáil pá comhionann ar obair chomhionann lena gcomhghleacaithe, faoi dheireadh 2020.

Ard-Chomhairle

24. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- gur mó a chuireann na hAchtanna um Beartha Éigeandála Airgeadais le Leas an Phobail ó 2009 go 2015 as dóibh siúd atá ar ioncaim ísle nó mheánacha;
- gurbh é an toradh a bheadh ar chúiteamh iomlán pá méadú coibhneasta níos lú pá dóibh siúd atá ar ioncaim ísle nó mheánacha ná dóibh siúd atá ar leibhéal ioncaim níos airde;
- agus rún againn dá réir tosaíocht a thabhairt do phá a chúiteamh dóibh siúd atá ar ioncaim ísle nó mheánacha san earnáil phoiblí agus méaduithe fíora pá a iarraidh dóibh siúd atá ar ioncaim ísle nó mheánacha san earnáil phoiblí, rud a chruthóidh struchtúr pá níos cothroime san earnáil phoiblí do gach oibrí;
- agus rún againn pá maireachtála a iarraidh san earnáil phoiblí dóibh siúd atá ar ioncam íseal, rud a chinnteoidh sábháilteacht phá do gach oibrí san earnáil phoiblí;
- agus rún againn méaduithe fíora pá a iarraidh do na réimsí siúd san earnáil phoiblí, amhail altranais agus obair shóisialta a mbíonn géarchéimeanna earcaíochta agus coinneála acu a chuireann as dár seirbhísí poiblí.

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25. Tugann an Ard-Fheis seo faoi deara:

- gur altraí agus cnáimhseacha tuairim ar 33% de lucht oibre iomlán na seirbhíse sláinte poiblí;
- go bhfuil altraí agus cnáimhseacha sa líne thosaigh agus d'ualach orthu féachaint le leibhéal sábháilte cúraim a choinneáil ach go bhfuil seirbhísí agus líon foirne laghdaithe ach éileamh méadaithe;
- go bhfuil altraí agus cnáimhseacha a oiltar sa stát seo i measc na ngairmithe cúram sláinte/leighis is airde oideachais agus is dea-oilte ar domhan agus clú náisiúnta agus idirnáisiúnta orthu;
- gur slíte beatha ardriosca iad altranais agus cnáimhseachas i dtéarmaí ionsaithe fisiciúla;
- gur 7.9% ráta athrúcháin 2016 i Meastachán Athrúcháin Foirne na hEarnála Sláinte d'Altraí agus Cnáimhseacha Foirne;
- gur dochreidte gur 78.1% de mhic léinn altranais agus cnáimhseachais atá ag smaoineamh ar an eisimirce ar cháiliú dóibh agus 81.49% d'iomlán na bhfreagróirí ag lua pá, leibhéal líon foirne agus dálaí oibre ar an phríomhchúis le smaoineamh ar an tseirbhís sláinte a fhágáil de réir suirbhé a d'eisigh Cumann Altraí agus Ban Cabhrach na hÉireann in 2017;
- mná is mó atá i ngairmeacha an altranais agus an chnáimhseachais agus is íseal an pá atá acu i gcomparáid le gairmeacha eile ina bhfuil na riachtanais chéanna iontrála oideachais;
- le blianta beaga anuas mar gheall ar dhálaí oibre dul in olcas, fadhbanna pá agus deacrachtaí eile, tá athrú as cuimse tagtha ar obair altraí agus cnáimhseacha. Bíonn timpeallacht oibre ardstruis acu, tearcleibhéal líon foirne a ghabhann le dálaí míshásúla oibre agus timpeallacht oibre nach rialaítear go maith;
- mar gheall ar an mhoratóir earcaíochta agus na fadhbanna a ghabhann leis tá géarchéim earcaíochta agus coinneála i ngairmeacha an altranais agus an chnáimhseachais;

Iarrann an Ard-Fheis seo ar rialtas na hÉireann:

- bearta earcaíochta agus coinneála a thabhairt isteach a bheidh bunaithe ar mholtaí réadúla agus ar gá cúrsaí pá a chuimsiú iontu;
- plean oibre a chomhaontú le ceardchumann ar conas ionannas iomlán pá a ghnóthú d'altraí agus cnáimhseacha agus plean forfheidhmiúcháin le hionannas pá a sheachadadh laistigh d'achar gearr ama;
- coimisiún neamhspleách a bhunú ar altranais le breathnú ar gach gné den altranais lena n-áirítear pá amach anseo, dálaí oibre, uas-sciliú agus dul chun cinn gairmiúil, i measc réimsí eile;
- obair i gcomhpháirt le ceardchumann le meicníochtaí/tionscnaimh nuálacha, forchéimnitheacha a aithint chun baill foirne a aimsiú agus a choinneáil;
- díriú ar chéimithe nua agus ar bhaill eile foirne altranais trí chonarthaí buana, struchtúir tharraingteacha ghairme agus deiseanna le haghaidh forbairt scileanna eile foghlama agus oideachais a thairiscint.

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26. Tá an Ard-Fheis seo tiomanta dá chinntiú go mbunóidh an rialtas coiste Dála uilepháirtí ar imircigh ag filleadh ar Éirinn agus ar eisimirce ar a mbeidh freagracht as prótacal a bhunú leis an bhrú reatha atá ar imircigh ag filleadh a laghdú agus go socrófar polasaí le heisimirce ó Éirinn a laghdú.

Comhairle Ceantair Mhaigh Eo

27. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- má táimid le sochaí níos cothroime a bheith againn go mbeidh saoránaigh atá ag obair i dteideal pá maireachtála agus dálaí fiúntacha oibre;
- go bhfuil a lán fear agus ban fostaithe i bpoist gan aon deis acu feasta ar uas-sciliú óir bíonn deiseanna cuí oiliúna agus forbartha ceilte orthu;
- agus éilimid ar an rialtas stad de dhaoine ar scéimeanna CE a chuimsiú nuair a bhíonn staitisticí fostaíochta a thiomsú óir tugtar leis sonraí míchrúinne, bréige ar cuspóir dóibh, d'aon turas, muid a chur ar míthreo.

(Cumann Liam Ryan Baile Átha Luain)

28. Cuireann an Ard-Fheis seo a ndlúthpháirtíocht in iúl d'oibrithe in Irish Life, an grúpa oibrithe is déanaí le cailteanais pinsin a fhulaingt agus a scéim Sochar Sainithe á tabhairt chun críche ag a bhfostóir.

Is é an t-aon chúis amháin atá leis an tabhairt chun críche seo, dála go leor scéimeanna eile Sochar Sainithe, gur mian leis an fhostóir an riosca bainteach pinsin a bhaint díobh féin agus a bhrú ar na hoibrithe.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis ar Shinn Féin reachtaíocht a thabhairt chun cinn le go mbeidh sé mídhleathach ag fostóirí sócmhainneacha scéimeanna Sochar Sainithe a thabhairt chun críche má ta an scéim faoi rath agus gan a cheadú d'fhostóirí teacht salach ar oibleagáidí pinsin a gcuid oibrithe.

Cumann Delaney/O'Rahilly (Bré)

29. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo go scriosann an bhochtaineacht ár sochaí agus táimid tiomanta do chur chuige bunaithe ar chearta bunaithe ar Airteagal 11 (1) den Chúnant Idirnáisiúnta ar Chearta Eacnamaíochta, Sóisialta agus Cultúrtha, maidir le conas a rachaimid ina bhun. Ní hé amháin gur dualgas morálta é dul i ngleic leis an bhochtaineacht, tá ciall leis fosta ó thaobh na heacnamaíochta de.

Iad siúd atá thíos leis an bhochtaineacht, is mó na fadhbanna sláinte a chuireann srian ar a mbeatha a bheidh acu, fulaingeoide siad níos mó fadhbanna sláinte meabhrach agus, mar sin de, is mó an infheistíocht a bheidh de dhíth le tabhairt faoi na fadhbanna seo amach sa saol ná mar a bheadh dá ndéanfaimis infheistíocht níos luaithe le dul i ngleic leis na fadhbanna a thagann de bharr na bochtaineachta. Sábháilann an luath-idirghabháil agus an infheistíocht airgead.

Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo, má táthar le dul i ngleic le bochtaineacht, go bhfuil idirghabhálacha de dhíth a chuireann an duine aonair, an teaghlach agus díothacht bunaithe ar cheantair san áireamh. Ba chóir go dtarlódh a leithéid d'idirghabhálacha ó thús deireadh saol duine agus de chuspóir leo timthriall na bochtaineachta a shárú. An páiste a shaolaítear i gcúlra bocht, tá sé/sí i mbaol tearcghnóthachtáil oideachais agus scileanna acu gur dífhostaíocht agus fostaíocht pá íseal is toradh dóibh, rud a bhunaíonn timthriall na bochtaineachta go dtí go mbeidh a bpáistí féin acu agus

tosóidh an timthriall arís eile.

Iarrann an Ard-Fheis seo ar an Dáil agus ar Thionól amach anseo comhoibriú le reachtaíocht agus straitéisí frithbhochtaineachta a thabhairt chun cinn, ina leagfar amach spriocanna soiléire, amchlár agus gealltanais airgeadais, bunaithe ar ghá oibiachtúil, a chinnteoidh go mbeidh caighdeán cú mairachtála ag gach duine inár sochaí dóibh féin agus dá muintir, lena n-áirítear go leor bia, éadaí agus áit chónaithe agus go bhfeabhsófar a ndálaí mairachtála ar bhonn leanúnach. Cuireann an Ard-Fheis seo in iúl:

- go bhfuilimid in éadan, ar bhonn leanúnach, dhéine Thóraithe na Breataine agus ionsaithe ar na córais leasa shóisialta;
- go n-athdheimhnítear ár ngairm le fáil réidh leis an teorainn beirt pháistí ar Chreidmheas Cánach, Creidmheas Uilíoch agus tacaíocht ioncaim, go háirithe an eisceacht clásal éignithe ar cúis náire agus samhnais é;
- go gcuirfí deireadh le cur amach ar conradh do chomhlachtaí príobháideacha measúnú sochar agus go n-athbhreithneofaí na critéir shriantacha a ghabhann le teidlíocht PIP nuair a bhítear ag éileamh faoi Rialacha Speisialta/Tinneas Doleigheasta.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 6 Chontae

30. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar an Ard-Chomhairle meitheal a bhunú le breathnú ar indéantacht bunioncam uilíoch a thabhairt isteach sna 26 Contae trína bhfaigheadh gach saoránach, nó cónaitheoir buan, sa Stát suim rialta airgid gan choinníollacha, ón rialtas mar chuid nó in ionad na n-íocaíochtaí reatha leas shóisialta agus creidmheas cánach aonair.

Cumann Mick Murray (Cluain Tarbh)

31. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- an tionchar a bhíonn ag páistí ar acmhainn duine cáin a íoc. Aithníodh é chomh fada siar le 1799 agus bá lú an cháin a d'íoc daoine a raibh páistí acu ná mar a d'íoc siad siúd gan aon pháiste go dtí 1986;
- go bhfaigheann siad siúd a fhaigheann Leas Sóisialta méadú in aghaidh páiste/páistí incháilithe (IQC) agus bíonn cleithiúnaithe fosta acu siúd a fhaigheann FIS a chuirtear san áireamh;
- nach bhfaigheann oibrithe ar ioncam meánach aitheantas ar bith as an chostas a bhaineann le páistí a thógáil seachas Sochar Linbh.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo go dtabharfar isteach creidmheas cánach do pháistí cleithiúnacha le cuidiú le teaghlaigh costas cúram leanaí a mhaolú.

Cumann Wilson/Coleman (Sord)

32. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- bonn caol an chórais reatha cánach agus an gá atá lena leathnú le seirbhísí poiblí a sholáthar a fhóireann do Phoblacht chomhaimseartha;
- an tábhacht atá le Sinn Féin a bheith sa rialtas agus ag tabhairt isteach cáin rachmais éifeachtach;
- an gá atá le comhlachtaí ilnáisiúnta níos mó cánach a íoc agus an gá atá le ráta forásach cáin chorparáideach ar fud na hÉireann;
- agus tiomantas a bheith ag Sinn Féin go gcuirfear athbhreithniú iomlán ar pholasaí cánachais i gcrích roimh Ard-Fheis na bliana seo chugainn lena chinntiú go mbeidh íocaíocht níos cothroime ó na comhlachtaí agus na daoine siúd a bhfuil sé d'acmhainn acu níos mó a íoc.

Cumann Clancy/O'Callaghan (Cathair Luimnigh Thuaidh)

Cumann Bhun Na bhFál (Bóthar na bhFál)

33. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- go bhfuil neamh-chomhlíonadh dhlí cánach na hÉireann go forleathan i measc ealaíontóirí eachtracha a thaibhíonn sna 26 Contae agus nach gcuireann isteach tuairisceáin féinmheasúnaithe;
- cé go bhfuil an creat dlíthiúil achtaithe, ní fhorfheidhmíonn Ioncam Intíre é. Fágann sé sin go bhfuil na 26 Contae ar an bheagán dlínsí san AE nach ngearrann cáin ar shiamsóirí a thagann ar cuairt;
- de réir an IMRO tacaíonn earnáil an cheoil sna 26 Contae le 11,510 post. Tá tionchar nach beag go fóill ar an earnáil seo ag an déine agus ealaíontóirí ag streachailt lena mbeatha a thabhairt i dtír.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo go bhforfheidhmeoidh an stát agus a chuid institiúidí 'Scéim Shiarchoinneálach Ealaíontóirí Eachtracha' agus go n-oibreoidh ár n-ionadaithe tofa ina leith sin.

Cumann Emmett/Mallin (Inse Chór)

34. Tugann an Ard-Fheis seo faoi deara go n-íoctaí sochar linbh le tuismitheoirí leanaí a bhí san oideachas lánaimseartha a fhad le haois 23 bliain. Níl sé seo ar fáil do theaghlaigh níos mó. Anois, cuireann go leor teaghlach isteach ar dheontais ó SUSI. Ach is ar pháirt-deontais amháin atá cuid mhór acu incháilithe m.sh. cuirtear san áireamh an fad a bhíonn le taisteal chuig d'áit staidéir agus b'fhéidir nach gclúdófaí sa deontas míosúil ach taisteal i gcomhair seachtain amháin den mhí sin.

Mar sin de, creideann an Ard-Fheis seo go maolódh íocaíocht Liúntas Cothabhála Oideachais do theaghlaigh a bhfuil páiste/duine fásta cleithiúnach acu in oideachas lánaimseartha an brú atá ar theaghlaigh agus ar mhic léinn a bhíonn ag streachailt leis an chothroime idir obair agus staidéar agus iad ag iarraidh a mbeatha a thabhairt i dtír.

Cumann Wilson/Coleman (Sord)

35. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- go gcaithfidh oibrithe ar fud an oileáin glacadh leis an chastacht gan ghá go bhfuil dhá thacar dlíthe caidreamh tionsclaíoch ar oileán amháin, caighdeán ar leith maidir le sláinte agus sábháilteacht agus dhá phá fosta ar leith a fhágann oibrithe i mbaol pá dul i laghad i rith ama agus dálaí oibre idir an dá dhlínse dul chun donais;
- leis an chríochdheighilt, cruthaítear an iliomad deacrachtaí do gach oibrí agus do na fostóirí macánta, fiúntacha sin ar mian leo poist fhiúntacha a chur ar fáil dá bhfostaithe, trí pháipéarachas agus maorlathas breise a chruthú;
- maidir leis na fostóirí siúd ar mian leo teacht i dtír ar a gcuid fostaithe, tugann sé deis dóibh é a dhéanamh trí oibrithe na hÉireann a dheighilt ó thaobh críche agus polaitíochta de;
- tá ionadaíocht pholaitiúil oibrithe curtha as a riocht fosta ag an chríochdheighilt trí chosc a chur ar fhorbairt scoilt chlé/dheas sa pholaitíocht a fhágann gur grúpaí coimeádacha atá i réim;
- sa deisceart, fulaingíonn oibrithe an dara céatadán is airde de phoist pá íseal san ECFE agus an dara leibhéal is airde neamhionannas pá sa AE-15. Sa tuaisceart, de réir sonraí a sholáthair an NICEP, laghdaíodh pá faoi 6.9% i ndáiríre idir 2007 agus 2013 agus bhí méadú gear ar bhochtaineacht oibre idir 2015 agus 2016 (tuarascáil de chuid Joseph Rowntree Foundation 2016).

Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo gur leas gach oibrí aontú na hÉireann agus go soláthrófaí leis:

- tuilleadh post agus deiseanna agus pá níos fearr leo do gach oibrí, mná agus lucht míchumais san áireamh;
- soghluaisteacht níos fearr a chuirfidh ar chumas oibrithe bheith ina gcónaí agus ag obair áit ar bith ar an oileán gan aon mhíchaoithiúlacht;
- ceardchumainn agus cosaintí d'oibrithe níos láidre;
- pá níos fearr agus níos lú maorlathais d'oibrithe agus d'fhostóirí araon;
- ionadaíocht pholaitiúil níos fearr d'oibrithe dá gcuirfí deireadh leis an chríochdheighilt mar chonstaic i bpolaitíocht na hÉireann.

Comhairle Ceantair Loch Garman

36. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- gur oibrithe agus a dteaghlaigh dúshraith ár bpobal, ár sochaí agus ár gcóras eacnamaíochta; go bhfuil ár sochaí agus oibrithe go háirithe, thíos go mór le beagnach deich mbliana de dhéine na dtóraithe; i ndáiríre, ciallaíonn sé seo gur laghdaíodh blocdheontas an Tuaiscirt faoi 10.2%. Is airde boilsciú ná méaduithe pá a fhágann gur laghdú pá dáiríre 8.5% atá i gceist (Better Work, Better Lives, NIC-ICTU);
- agus tacaítear le feachtas NIC-ICTU faoi choinne Obair Níos Fearr, Saol Níos Fearr. Sna moltaí seo is mian linn díriú ar conas 'Obair níos fearr, níos fiúntaí agus níos buaine a chur chun cinn agus dúshlán an chrá a bhaineann le pá íseal i dTuaisceart Éireann a thabhairt';
- gur bagairt fhíor, láithreach é Breatimeacht ar chearta oibrithe. Is rílér go bhfuil rialtas na dtóraithe ag beartú feidhm a bhaint as Breatimeacht le cearta oibrithe a dhírálú agus a ionsaí;
- agus creidimid gurb é an dóigh is fearr le cosc a chur air seo stádas speisialta sainithe a fháil don Tuaisceart laistigh den AE. Lena chois sin, úsáidfidh Sinn Féin an tionchar atá aige le cosaintí reatha a choinneáil agus aon Treoracha

AE amach anseo a fheidhmiú maidir le cearta oibrithe a fheabhsú má théann Breatimeacht ar aghaidh mar atá beartaithe;

- beidh tiomantas againn dréacht-reachtaíocht a thabhairt chun cinn sa Tuaisceart le cearta oibrithe a neartú inár sochaí;
- tugtar faoi deara go bhfuil roinnt fostóirí ag caitheamh go héagothrom le oibrithe mar dhaoine féinfhostaithe le híoc cánach agus cearta fostaíochta a sheachaint; séanann sé seo cosaintí tábhachtacha ar oibrithe amhail pá breoiteachta agus saoire mháithreachais, cailtear ioncam do sheirbhísí poiblí agus tagann sé salach ar fhostóirí ionraice;
- éilimid tabhairt isteach reachtaíochta a chuirfeadh cosc ar fhostóirí caitheamh le hoibrithe go mídhleathach mar dhaoine atá féinfhostaithe.

I ngníomh, cuimseoidh sé seo na moltaí seo a leanas:

- gealltanais chun an fíorphá maireachtála a thabhairt isteach de réir a chéile (Ríofa go neamhspleách ag an Living Wage Foundation). Go mbainfidh an Fíorphá Maireachtála le gach oibrí;
- mar an chéad chéim, go mbeidh ar chomhlacht ar bith atá ag iarraidh conarthaí soláthar poiblí an Fíorphá Maireachtála a íoc;
- cosc a chur ar chonarthaí náid uaireanta le cinntiú go bhfuil na cearta céanna ag oibrithe páirtaimseartha agus atá ag fostaíthe lánaimseartha;
- reachtaíocht chun soláthar reachtúil iomarcaíochta a mhéadú go trí seachtaine ar a laghad in aghaidh na bliana seirbhíse. Beidh sé seo ar fáil do gach fostaí, beag beann ar aois agus fad seirbhíse. Méadófar an tréimhse de chomhairliúchán reachtúil le fostaíthe go 90 lá. Ríomhfar an pá seachtainiúil d'iomarcaíocht de réir mheánphá seachtainiúil an duine, ragobair agus aon chostas breise san áireamh;
- is ceart bunúsach é do dhaoine éirí as obair agus dul ar stailc. Ba chóir aon shrian ar an cheart sin a bhaint. Ba chóir an srian 12 sheachtain ar fhad aon aighnis a bhaint, stailc san áireamh;
- éascófar cearta na n-oibrithe chun iad féin a eagrú i gceardchumainn ó shrianta i reachtaíocht a bhaint. Rud a ligfidh d'fhostaíocht níos lú ná 20 oibrí aitheantas Ceardchumainn a lorg do chómhargáil. Cuimseoidh sé seo rochtain níos fearr ag an tús, do cheardchumainn go háiteanna oibre nuair a chuirtear iarratas isteach faoi choinne aitheantais ar an Chúirt Thionsclaíoch;
- ba chóir go mbeadh cosaint ag gach oibrí a bhfuil níos mó na sé mhí de sheirbhís aige ó dhífhostú míchothrom;
- cosaint níos láidre a thabhairt isteach in éadan bulaíochta agus imeaglaíthe d'oibrithe agus d'ionadaithe ceardchumainn. Déanfaidh muid iarracht pionóis níos láidre a thabhairt isteach in éadan fostóirí a fhaightear ciontach as bulaíocht nó as imeaglú de chineál ar bith;
- stad a chur le gach intéirneacht bhréige gan íocaíocht;
- saoire atharthachta ar íocaíocht a mhéadú go ceithre seachtaine;
- an chumhacht atá ag an Ghníomhaireacht um Chaidreamh Oibreachais a threisiú chun idirghabháil a dhéanamh ar aighnis san áit oibre. Cuimseoidh sé seo leasú/athbhreithniú ar chórais chaidreamh tionsclaíoch an stáit chun iad a dhéanamh níos áisiúla d'oibrithe;
- Fócas méadaithe straitéiseach forbartha ag gluaiseacht an cheardchumainn agus eagraíochtaí fostóirí san earnáil phríobháideach le polasaithe agus tionscnaimh a chur chun cinn a théann in éadan iompar seicteach agus leithcheal san áit oibre, agus bainistíocht agus fostaíthe a chur ar an eolas faoi reachtaíocht ábhartha.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 6 Chontae

37. Tugann an Ard Fheis seo treoir don pháirtí reachtaíocht chómhargála a chur san áireamh in aon Chlár Rialtais amach anseo sna 26 contae, nó in Éirinn aontaithe. Ní cómhargáil é an tAcht Caidrimh Thionscail (Leasú) 2015.

Tugann an Ard Fheis seo treoir don pháirtí reachtaíocht chómhargála idirnáisiúnta a phlé a chosnóidh oibrithe agus cearta na n-oibrithe, agus cearta cómhargála a chumhdach i ndlí na hÉireann sa deireadh thiar thall.

Cumann Peadar Clancy/Mairéad Farrell (Inis)

38. Aithníonn an Ard Fheis seo gur múnla deonach é, go bunúsach, an córas reatha de chaidreamh tionsclaíoch in Éirinn. Don mhúnla seo, tá ar fhostóirí agus ar cheardchumannaithe bheith i mbun plé go deonach chun idirbheartaíocht a dhéanamh agus ceisteanna tábhachtacha chaidreamh tionsclaíoch a réiteach. Ar an drochuair, mar gheall ar chuid mhór fostóirí atá in éadan ceardchumann in a lán earnálacha fostaíochta, miondíol san áireamh, tá fostóirí neamhscrupallacha ag baint den agus ag fanacht amach ón chóras deonach .
- Cáineann an Ard Fheis seo go bhfuil na 26 contae ar cheann den líon beag stát san Aontas Eorpach nach bhfuil reachtaíocht shásúil acu d'aitheantas ceardchumann agus do chómhargáil. Mar sin de, éilíonn an Ard Fheis seo, chun comhlíonadh stáit le breithiúnais na Cúirte Eorpaí um Chearta an Duine a chinntiú, reachtaíocht a sholáthraíonn aitheantas éigeantach ceardchumann a chur i bhfeidhm láithreach, agus a thugann ceart cómhargála d'fhostaithe tríd a gceardchumann ionadaíoch.
- Cumann na gCloch Liath (Na Clocha Liatha)*
39. Tacaíonn an Ard Fheis seo leis an fheachtas ceardchumann Fórsa, do chomhionannas cánach ar fhóirdheontais ceardchumann ar aon dul le comhlachtaí eile gairme agus an t-éileamh d'ath-insealbhú faoisimh cánach ar fhóirdheontais ceardchumann, bainte ag rialtas na hÉireann in 2011. Geallann sí go soláthrófar dó seo i mbuiséad malartach Shinn Féin 2019.
- Comhairle Ceantair Chathair Chorcaí
Cumann Patrick Sheehy (Cathair Luimnigh Thiar)
Cumann na gCloch Liath (Na Clocha Liatha)
Cumann Robert Emmet (Ráth Garbh/Ráth Maonais)*
40. Deimhníonn an Ard Fheis seo a gealltanais chun stad fostaí a thabhairt do thaighdeoirí PhD in institiúidí tríú leibhéal a oibríonn níos mó na 35 uair ina aghaidh na seachtaine.
- Tá taighde lánaimseartha PhD cosúil le clár struchtúrtha oiliúna ó thaobh ualach oibre de, ach gan na bunchearta a thugtar d'oibrithe ar chlár struchtúrtha oiliúna.
- Cumann Robert Emmet (Ráth Garbh/Ráth Maonais)*
41. Tacaíonn an Ard Fheis seo le feachtas na n-Oibrithe don Aos Óg faoi choinne tuilleadh infhéistíochta go fadtéarmach, línte inbhuanaithe maoinithe le cinntiú go bhfuil leanúnachas ag ár ndaoine óga maidir le caidrimh ghairme a thógáil lena n-oibrithe don aos óg, rud a chothóidh forbairt óige agus rannpháirtíocht phobail a motháíonn daoine óga go bhfuil úinéireacht acu orthu agus treorú acu díobh.
- Comhairle Ceantair Chathair Chorcaí*
42. Deimhníonn an Ard Fheis seo:
- gur chóir go mbeadh Bearta Cathrach dírithe ar fhás uileghabhálach a chur chun cinn;
 - gur chóir plé le beart Bhéal Feirste agus le beart an Iarthuaiscirt ar an dóigh chéanna. Chuige sin, ba chóir do rialtas na Breataine a ghealltanais foirmealta do Bhéal Feirste a leathnú go dtí an t-Iarthuaisceart;
 - gur chóir go mbeadh socrúithe rialachais bunaithe ar struchtúir dhaonlathacha atá ann faoi láthair.
- Comhairle Ceantair Dhoire*
43. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:
- Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo: iarann an Ard Fheis seo ar gach roinn rialtais a bhfuil baint acu le turasóireacht, le hoidhreacht agus le cultúr Éire a mhargú agus a bhrandáil ar bhonn uile-oileáin agus iad ag iarraidh turasóirí ó thíortha thar lear a mhealladh;
- Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo: tugann sí sainordú dár FPE tréithe tírdhreacha a phlé mar acmhainn thábhachtach thurasóireachta d'Éirinn agus cosaint a chur i bhfeidhm, ag leibhéal na hEorpa, do thírdhreacha i bpobail thuaithe a mbíonn ag brath ar shaoirse ó thréithe tionsclaíocha d'achmainn thurasóireachta;
- Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo: tacaíonn sí le bunú nascanna níos idir ár bpobail i gCúige Uladh chun brandáil láidir thrasteorann ó thaobh turasóireachta de a chruthú, bunaithe ar chéadta bliain d'oidhreacht agus de chultúr roinnte, agus go n-oibríonn muid chun an oidhreacht seo a nascadh leis na cultúir Eorpacha a spreag sí.
- Cumann Leo Casey/Matt Devlin (Baile Uí Mhatháin)*

Dúshlán Leasanna Dílsithe a Thabhairt

44. Aithníonn an Ard Fheis seo go bhfuil cruthúnas ann nach bhfuil bunaíocht na hÉireann go maith ag cur in éadan leasanna dílsithe. Sa rialtas, éileoidh Sinn Féin ionracas agus cuntasacht ó gach duine a bhfuil cumhacht agus freagracht aige, caomhnóidh agus cosnóidh muid leas an phobail dá bharr, agus;
- forbróidh muid creatlach reachtúil a iarrann ar státseirbhísigh agus ar oifigigh phoiblí míniú a thabhairt ar a gcinntí agus a ngníomhartha, a chaomhnaíonn leas an phobail agus a dhaingníonn prionsabal de riarachán oscailte poiblí;
 - cuirfidh muid iniúchadh ceannródaíoch neamhspleách ar bun ar ghníomhaireachtaí maoirseachta an Stáit sna 26 contae, a chuireann in éadan choireacht an bhóna bháin a chuimsíonn ach nach bhfuil teoranta d'fhoireann tosaigh, ailtireacht, caiteachas, forfheidhmiú, agus comhoibriú idirghníomhaireachta a chuimsíonn staidéar idirnáisiúnta comparadóirí de bhealaí dlínsiúla eile agus moltaí d'fheidhmiú in ord tosaíochta;
 - tabharfaidh muid Bille um Coireacht an Bhóna Bháin isteach chun cumhachtaí imscrúdaithe, forfeidhmithe agus ionchúisimh atá ann i reachtaíocht comhlachta, fostaíochta agus riarachán poiblí a threisiú;
 - cuirfidh muid le cumhacht agus le hacmhainní an Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste sna 26 contae chun iniúchadh a dhéanamh ar chuntais, ar leabhair agus ar thaifid aon eagraíochta a fhaigheann cistí poiblí;
 - tabharfaidh muid bearta isteach chun leas an phobail a chosaint ó chaidrimh idir an earnáil phoiblí agus an earnáil phríobháideach a bhíonn fealltach go minic;
 - tabharfaidh muid clár reachtúil de bhrústocaireacht isteach sa tuaisceart a thabharfaidh trédhearcacht agus gealltanas níos fearr go ndéantar cinntí de réir leas an phobail, chan ag grúpa brústocaireachta a bhfuil tacaíocht airgid aige chun tionchar agus vótaí a cheannach;
 - mar bheart níos láithrí, leasóidh muid Cód na nAirí sa tuaisceart go mbeidh ar airí gach cruinniú le brústocairí a fhógairt.

Ard Chomhairle

45. Impíonn an Ard Fheis seo ar an Aire Sláinte Simon Harris 'dualgas ionracais' reachtúil a thabhairt isteach chun polasaí nochtadh oscailte a chur i bhfeidhm sna seirbhísí sláinte.

Cumann O'Hanlon/McMahon/Lynagh (Baile Mhuineacháin)

46. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:
- aithníonn an Ard Fheis seo gur tharla mí-úsáid leanaí ar fud na tíre in áiteanna agus institiúidí a raibh freagracht dhíreach ag an stát, ag eagraíochtaí deonacha nó ag institiúidí creidimh dóibh;
 - éilíonn sí admháil oscailte agus mhacanta de ról i mí-úsáid a raibh an stát, eagraíochtaí deonacha agus institiúidí creidimh freagrach astu;
 - larrann sí orthu siúd a raibh baint acu le mí-úsáid an t-eolas atá acu a scaoileadh sa dóigh is gur féidir an scéal iomlán faoin fhulaingt a brúdh ar pháistí agus ar dhoinne óga a rá, agus nuair is féidir, iad siúd a rinne an mhí-úsáid a thabhairt os comhair na cúirte.

Éilíonn an Ard Fheis seo go gcuirfear moltaí an Fhiosrúcháin ar Dhroch-Íde Institiúideach san Am atá caite i bhfeidhm i ndiaidh comhairliúcháin leo siúd a d'fhulaing, agus iarrann sí ar an stát, ar eagraíochtaí deonacha agus ar na hinstitiúidí creidimh cúitimh a dhéanamh do gach duine a raibh baint aige.

Aithníonn an Ard Fheis seo fosta, an fhulaingt a bhí acu siúd in árais mháthreacha agus naíonán agus éilíonn sí go bhfiosraítear go hiomlán an mhí-úsáid a tharla iontu

Cumann Barney McFadden (Glas-stiall)

47. Nótálann an Ard Fheis seo:
- an gá le hathrú radacach sa Gharda Síochána agus a gcomhlachtaí maoirseachta sa dóigh is go gcinnteofar go mbeidh Gardaí sinsearacha freagrach as a ngníomhartha.
 - An tsaoirse ó phionós atá ann le fada i measc na ngrád is aired den Gharda Síochána

Mar sin de, éilíonn an Ard Fheis seo:

- go rachaidh an rialtas agus an tAire Dlí i ngleic le saincheist freagrachta ar bhealach a thugann muinín ar ais don phobal maidir leis an Gharda Síochána.
- bunú Chigireacht Ceartais Chóiriúil chun maoirseacht a dhéanamh ar chigireachtaí an Gharda Síochána, na gcúirteanna agus an Stiúrtóra Ionchúiseamh Poiblí;
- leasú a dhéanamh ar, cumhacht iomlán, achmhainní cuí agus neamhpleáchas a thabhairt do Choimisiún Ombudsman an Gharda Síochána (COGS), lena dhualgas maoirseachta a chomhlíonadh;
- cumhacht an COGS a threisiú chun cinnte a dhéanamh go bhfuil Coimisinéir na nGardaí taobh istigh de chúraimí an COGS chun críocha cigireachta;
- inniúlacht go hiomlán neamhspleách a thabhairt don Údarás Póilíneachta maidir le ceapadh Choimisinéir na nGardaí, an Leas-Choimisinéara agus Coimisinéirí Cúnta i ndiaidh iomaíocht oscailte ón tSeirbhís um Cheapacháin Phoiblí bunaithe ar dhea-chleachtas, agus cumhacht neamhspleách na hoifigigh shinsearacha seo a chur as post.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae

48. Creideann an Ard Fheis go bhfuil ábhair imní roimh thionscal na meán in Éirinn, ar nós:

- aird iomarcach d'úinéireacht na meán;
- cionníollacha neamhchinnte oibre;
- easpa tacaíochta d'iriseoireacht iniúchach;
- easpa ilchineálachta socheacnamaíoch, inscne, míchumais agus eitní.
- dlíthe clúmhílte a mbíonn tionchar drochmhisneach acu ar nuacht agus fhoilseacháin ar leas an phobail.

Ó tharla gur luadh na saincheisteanna seo i roinnt tuairiscí neamhspleácha agus go bhfuil Éire go fóill ag titim in Innéacs Domhanda ar Shaoirse an Phreasa, éilíonn an Ard Fheis seo bunú choimisiún ildisciplíneach fiosrúcháin ar na meáin in Éirinn.

Cumann Healy/Howard (An Chabrach Thoir)

Forbairt an Pháirtí

49. Molann an Ard Fheis seo cáipéis pholasáí sláinte Shinn Féin - A Sinn Féin Plan for Universal Healthcare, agus creideann sí gur chóir do Shinn Féin ceannaireacht a thabhairt maidir le Meabhairshláinte, le dea-shampla, ag moladh:
- oiliúint a chur ar fáil do gach gníomhaí páirti ar íocaíocht chun oiliúint a dhéanamh ar fheasacht i leith féinmharú;
 - An bhallaíocht ghinearálta a spreagadh leas a bhaint as aon oiliúint ar fheasacht i leith féinmharú a bheidh ar fáil ina gceantar féin
 - próiseas comhairliúcháin a dhéanamh lena ghníomhaithe páirti ar íocaíocht chun tacaíocht bhreise faoi mheabhairshláinte a bheidh de dhíth ina ról;
 - go bhfoilseoidh an páirtí, ina dhiaidh seo, treoirlínte ar dhea-chleachtas a bhaineann le meabhairshláinte.
- Cumann Colonel Leonard (Tulaigh Álainn)*
50. Iarrann an Ard Fheis seo ar an Ard Chomhairle smaoineamh go dearfach ar iarrthóir Shinn Féin i dtoghchán uachtaránachta na bliana seo, ag aithint go bhfuil oifig Uachtarán na hÉireann róthábhachtach gan a bheith san iomaíocht faoina coinne, agus níor cheart nach mbeadh deis ag Éireannaigh vóta a chaitheamh ar son iarrthóir Shinn Féin i dtoghchán ar bith.
- Cumann McGrath/O'Brien (Port Láirge Thoir)*
51. Aithníonn an Ard Fheis seo gur fhulaing comhpháirtithe mionlaigh i rialtais na hÉireann roimhe seo caileanna ó thaobh tóra agus forbairt pholaitiúil de.
- Aithníonn an Ard Fheis seo fosta, gur tharla na caileanna seo mar gheall ar an dóigh fhealltach a thréig na comhpháirtithe mionlaigh thuasluaite a bprionsabail ar mhaithe le sochair ghearr-radharcacha.
- Mar sin de, athdhearbhaíonn an Ard Fheis seo uaimhian Shinn Féin faoi rialtas sa deisceart atá bunaithe ar ár bprionsabail shóisialacha phoblachtacha agus athdhearbhaíonn sí go gcaithfear aon mholtaí faoi choinne comhrialtais a phlé in Ard Fheis speisialta.
- Caithfidh aon Chlár Rialtais i gcomhrialtas mar sin saincheisteanna cosúil le treoclár d'athaontú na hÉireann, gealltanais a bheith aige chun córas uilíoch cúram sláinte mar atá leagtha amach inár bpolasáí Better for Health, agus gealltanais a bheith aige infhéistiúcht chearta a dhéanamh i dtithíocht shóisialta mar atá leagtha amach inár bpolasáí Better for Housing.
- Ógra Shinn Féin
Cumann Countess Markievicz/Tadhg Barry (Bardaí an Iarthuaiscirt/Láir)*
52. Nótálann an Ard Fheis seo, cé gur féidir le Sinn Féin plé a dhéanamh le páirtithe eile polaitíochta i ndiaidh toghcháin ar bith, rialtas ar an eite chlé a bhunú ina bhfuil páirtithe agus neamhspleáigh leis an idé-eolaíocht pholaitiúil chéanna is ea an t-aon chuspóir a bheidh ag an pháirtí
- Cumann Devlin/Plunkett (Teach Mealóg/Tír an Iúir)*
53. Tugann an Ard Fheis seo a beannachtaí agus buíochas dár dTD is faide, Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, TD don Chabhán/do Mhuineachán, don chinneadh s'aige éirí as ag an chéad toghchán eile, guíonn muid ádh mór air amach anseo i ndiaidh na mblianta fada d'obair chrua.
- Cumann Kieran Doherty (Baile an Chabháin)*
54. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:
- Tacaíonn an Ard Fheis seo leis an seasamh a ghlac Cliftonville Football Club agus molann sí an dóigh mhaorga a rinne sé a agóid i gCluiche Ceannais Chorn na hÉireann ar an 5ú Bealtaine 2018.
 - dearbhaíonn sí a tacaíocht d'foireann aontaithe náisiúnta péile, agus iarrann sí ar FAI agus ar IFA tús a chur le plé faoi bhealach chun é seo a bhaint amach;
 - ag aithint go bhfuil dhá shraith náisiúnta ar an oileán, éilíonn an Ard Fheis seo páipéar seasaimh ar shraith amháin náisiúnta a bhunú ina bhfuil foirne ó 32 contae. Ba chóir grúpa a bhunú de bhaill Shinn Féin a bhfuil suim acu sna sraitheanna ar an oileán agus ár n-urlabhraithe spóirt sna 6 chontae agus sna 26 chontae a bheith i gceannas air. Ba chóir go n-amharcann an páipéar seo ar dhóigeanna chun an sraith a fhás ar mhaithe le huaséifeacht.
- Cumann Charlie McGlade (Droimeanach)*

55. Molann an Ard Fheis seo an páirtí ar a fhócas agus a thacaíocht leanúnach do chuimsiú comhionannais agus ilchineálachta, lena n-áirítear ach chan teoranta do:

- comhionannas inscne d'ionadaithe tofa agus struchtúir inmheánacha;
- cothrom na Féinne do gach ball an pháirtí, beag bean ar chine, reiligiún, inscne, ghnéaschlaonadh, eitneacht, náisiúntacht nó chreideamh;
- neamhseicteachas i ngach caidreamh;
- tacaíocht do chearta an lucht siúil;
- a ndúshláin a thabhairt dóibh siúd a phléann le daoine ag leibhéal éagsúla shocheacnamaíocha go míchothrom;
- fáilte a chur roimh inimircigh go hÉirinn;
- tacaíocht do dhaoine faoi mhíchumas.

Iarrann an Ard Fheis seo ar an pháirtí leanúint ar aghaidh lena iarrachtaí le bheith uileghabhálach agus iad a mhéadú agus Éire aontaithe á tógáil againn.

Cúige Lár Tíre/an Iarthuaiscirt

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Rialtas Áitiúil, leasú toghcháin agus iompar

56. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar Choimisiúna Teorann Toghcháin ó thuaidh a gcuid moltaí reatha a tharraing siar agus pileadh ar na bunmholtaí sealadacha ó Mheán Fómhair 2016.

Cumann Brady/Ligget (Naomh Séamas)

57. Athdhearbhaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo a tacaíocht go mbunófar Coimisiún Toghcháin ó thuaidh, go leasófar an Oifig Toghcháin ón Thuaidh (EONI) agus le haghaidh leasú toghcháin de réir 'I dTreo Poblacht Nua' agus éilíonn freisin:

- go dtabharfar isteach rialúchán maidir le fógraíocht ar líne ar ardán meán sóisialta. Chun trédhearcacht a sholáthar le haghaidh saoránach ní mór dúinn rialú an phróisis dhaonlathaigh a ghlacadh as lámha fhathaigh mhóra an idirlín ar fud an domhain;
- chun clárú vótálaithe a leathadh amach láithreach, a bhí le bheith i bhfeidhm ó thuaidh faoi Eanáir 2017;
- vótáil vótóirí neamhláithreacha ar éileamh a thabhairt isteach, thuaidh agus theas.

Cumann Dunne/Meaney Cumann (Baile Breac)

Comhairle Ceantair an tSléibhe Dhuibh

Cumann Loig Mhóir

Comhairle Ceantair Dhún na nGall

Cúige Bhaile Átha Cliath

58. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- moltar Tionscadal Comhairliúcháin na gComhairleoirí a tionscnaíodh ag Oifig Uachtarán Shinn Féin;
- aithnítear gur nasc ríthábhachtach iad na comhairleoirí idir na gníomhaithe agus an cheannasaíocht náisiúnta agus gurb iad a thiomáineann cuspóirí polaitiúla an pháirtí i measc na bpobal a bhfuil Sinn Féin ionadaíoch air;
- aithnítear go bhfuil an mionchomhairliúchán faoi lán seoil le comhairleoirí Shinn Féin ar fud an oileáin i réimsí cumarsáide, oiliúna agus struchtúr feabhsaithe eagrúcháin;
- glactar leis gurb iad na comhairleoirí a chuirfidh in iúl na moltaí atá ag teacht chun cinn ón gcomhairliúchán;
- tugtar tiomántas go gcuirfead i bhfeidhm moltaí na dtuarascálacha eatramhacha agus deiridh Chomhairliúcháin.

Ard Chomhairle

59. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnítear an obair mhór atá déanta ag ár gcomhairleoirí áitiúla uile, agus tacaítear leis an gComhairliúchán le Comhairleoirí atá sheol an tUachtarán Mary Lou McDonald chun tacú leo ina gcuid oibre;

- glaoítear ar an Ard-Chomhairle nua seo a fhorbairt agus ionadaí comhairleoirí a cheapadh atá ceangailte le hoifig urlabhraithe rialtais áitiúil sa Dáil agus sa Tionól araon. Bheadh an t-ionadaí seo mar nasc idir ár gcuid comhairleoirí agus an Dáil/Tionól agus thabharfadh sé an tacaíocht shainiúil atá ag teastáil uathu dóibh;
- glaoítear go mbunófar Fóram Náisiúnta na gComhairleoirí, de réir ár mbunreacht, in athuir agus go dtiocfar le chéile chomh luath agus is féidir i ndiaidh na hArd-Fheise agus go dtoghfar oifigeach eatramhach boird ag an gcéad chruinniú a eagróidh Cruinniú Cinn Bliana roimh dheireadh na bliana seo.

Cumann Charlie McGlade (Droimeanach)

60. Cáineann an Ard-Fheis seo ciorrúithe ar mhaoiniú rialtais áitiúil le deich mbliana anuas chomh maith le lárú agus príobháidiú seirbhísí áitiúla ó dheas. Éilíonn sé ar an Ard-Chomhairle páipéar cuimsitheach polasaí a fhorbairt ina léirítear samhail nua le haghaidh rialtais áitiúil in Éirinn lena n-áirítear méadú suntasach i gcéatadán maoiniú rialtais láir a chuirtear ar fáil d'údaráis áitiúla, chun fostaíocht bhuan rialtais áitiúil a mhéadú in áit seachfhoinsithe agus dílárú soláthair phríomhsheirbhísí poiblí chuig údaráis áitiúla.

Cumann Mulvoy/Campbell/McGirr Coire (Bardas Oirthear na Cathrach)

61. Tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo le Cáin Mhaoine Áitiúil éagórach a chur ar ceal a cheanglaíonn go díreach cumas údaráis áitiúla a bheith ag feidhmiú le tithíocht phríobháideach agus éilíonn don Ard-Fheis moltaí eile a fhorbairt lena n-áirithiú go mbíonn maoiniú cuí ann le haghaidh údaráis áitiúla, agus go gcuirfeadh moltaí den chineál seo faoi bhráid na chéad Ard-Fheise eile.

Comhairle Ceantair Chathair Luimnigh

62. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnítear a luacmhaire agus atá an obair a dhéanann comhairleoirí ar son na bpobal áitiúla a mbíonn siad ionadaíoch orthu;
- aithnítear nach leor an luach saothair a fhaigheann comhairleoirí lán-aimseartha i láthair na huaire;
- tugtar tiomántas chun athbhreithniú a dhéanamh, i gcomhairle le hurlabhraithe rialtais áitiúil an pháirtí, ar reachtaíocht ábhartha agus moltaí a fhorbairt chun struchtúr pá leasaithe a thabhairt isteach le haghaidh comhaltaí tofa údaráis áitiúla roimh Cháinainéis 2019 nó roimh thoghchán ginearálta; cibé acu a thagann ar dtús.

Cumann Fullerton/MacLochlainn/O'Hagan (Bun Cranncha)

63. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnítear go bhfuil beagnach 70 milliún saoránach ar dhroim an domhain a mhaíonn as fréamhacha Éireannacha;
- tuigtear gur cuid thábhachtach de náisiún na hÉireann é an diaspora;
- aithnítear gur géarchéim í an eisimirce d'éigean ar theip ar an rialtas dul i ngleic léi;
- nótáiltear gur theip ar rialtas na hÉireann go hiomlán cearta dlisteanacha vótála na nÉireannach thar lear a aithint ná ionadaíocht pholaitiúil a bheith i dTithe an Oireachtais acu;
- gealltar buanseasmhacht go rachfar i ngleic leis seo agus sinn sa rialtas;
- moltar obair na ngníomhaithe agus na gníomhaithe tofa sin agus an taifead fadbhunaithe atá acu maidir le ceist an diaspora agus caidrimh láidre a thógáil i ngach earnáil nuair a bhíonn saoránaigh na hÉireann i gceist, go háirithe i SAM, i gCeanada, sa Bhriotáin, san Eoraip agus san Astráil.

Comhairle Ceantair Fhear Manach

64. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo go mbeidh cead ag saoránaigh na hÉireann, beag beann ar an stádas atá acu sa bhaile, páirt a ghlacadh i dtoghcháin na hUachtaránachta.

Cumann O'Carolan/Kilmartin (Dún Geimhin)

65. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- aontaítear go bhfuil sé riachtanach seirbhís iompair cuí a sholáthar chun freastal a dhéanamh ar aonrú aonrú sóisialta i bpobail faoin tuath agus go mbíonn inmharthanacht eacnamaíoch ann faoin tuath in Éirinn;
 - aontaítear nach mór don Aire Iompair, agus é fógartha ag an rialtas go ndéanfar seirbhísí LocalLink a mhéadú chun seirbhísí iompair a sholáthar in áiteanna áirithe faoin tuath, maoiniú cuí a chur ar fáil lena chinntiú go mbíonn seirbhísí iompair níos fearr ann do phobal na tuaithe.

Cumann Wolfe Tone (An Nás/Na Solláin)

66. Tá an Ard-Fheis seo in aghaidh soláthar foirne a laghdú sna stáisiúin traenach ar fud na 26 Contae. Cuireann an bogadh seo i dtreo soláthar foirne a laghdú isteach orthu siúd atá ag breath ar iompar poiblí go háirithe na saoránaigh sin atá i mbaol. Ba chóir iompar poiblí a bheith ar fáil ina iomlán agus nach mbeadh ar shaoránach ar bith atá ag iarraidh é a úsáid fógra a thabhairt.

Cumann Delaney/O'Rahilly (Bré)

67. Tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo, mar gheall ar líon méadaitheach na rothaithe atá ag fáil bháis ar na bóithre, le reachtaíocht maidir le mionachar pasála ionas go mbeidh ár mbóithre níos sábháilte do gach úsáideoir.

Comhairle Ceantair Aontroim Thuaidh

68. Tiomnaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo aonad polasaí Shinn Féin chun amharc ar fhoras árachais stáit a chur ar bun chun costais shíor-mhéadaitheacha phrímheanna árachais a láimhseáil ar fud an stáit, go háirithe le haghaidh tiománaithe óga.

Cumann John Joe Sheehy (Trá Lí)

69. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- moltar taisteal gníomhach le haghaidh gach aoisghrúpa agus aithnítear na buntáistí maidir le sláinte mheabhrach agus sláinte fhisiceach an phobail a leasú, agus chun cuidiú le brú tráchta, truailliú aeir agus tasmí gluaisteán a laghdú;
 - éilítear ar Shinn Féin ar gach leibhéal rialtais polasaithe i leith taistil ghníomhaigh a chur chun cinn; pleananna taistil ghníomhaigh a ionchorprú i ngach mórffhorbairt bóithre, más féidir; agus infheistíocht a dhéanamh i gcosáin, i bhféarbhealaí, i lánáí rotháochta agus i modhanna eile ionas gur féidir le daoine a bheith ag taisteal go sábháilte.

Comhairle Ceantair Aontroim Thuaidh

70. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- aithnítear go bhfuil leathanbhanda riachtanach chun rochtain a fháil ar sheirbhísí poiblí agus príobháideacha, agus go gcinntíonn sé ionchuimsiú sóisialta agus go gcuireann sé chun tosaigh fás eacnamaíoch;
 - éilíonn maidir le hinfheistíocht i leathanbhanda go dtugtar tús áite do cheantair a bhfuil an rochtain is laige ar leathanbhanda acu ar bhonn riachtanais chuspóirigh agus nótáiltear gur ceantair tuaithe iad seo den chuid is mó.

Comhairle Ceantair an Iúir

Dul i nGleic le hAthrú Aeráide

71. Tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo le cáipéis pholasaí Shinn Féin 'Powering Ireland 2030: Proposals for accelerated transition to climate-friendly electricity generation'.

Creideann an Ard-Fheis seo go bhfuil gníomhaíocht uailmhianach, mharthanach agus chomhordaithe ag teastáil in Éirinn chun an t-aistriú ó breosla iontaise a d'fhéadfaí dochar ollmhór a dhéanamh don chomhshaol a bhrostú agus chun ár gcumas in-athnuaite a thógáil.

Tá neamhchinnteacht ollmhór ann maidir leis an gcur chuige a ghlacfaidh rialtas na Breataine maidir leis an athrú aeráide i ndiaidh na Breatimeachta.

Níl Plean Maolaithe Rialtas na hÉireann oiriúnach agus tá an togra Project Ireland 2040, lena n-áirítear Margadh Aonair Leictreachais uile-oileánda ag brath barraíocht ar ghaoth cladaigh agus breosla iontaise críochna.

Creideann Sinn Féin go bhfuil meascán níos éagsúla fuinnimh ag teastáil ó Shinn Féin agus úsáid níos fearr le baint as foinsí in-athnuaite lena n-áirítear:

- béim i bhfad níos mór ar ghaoth amach ón gcósta;
- athsholáthair inbhuanaithe, ar nós bithgháis agus ní an oiread céanna, bithmhais, le haghaidh breoslaí iontaise atá anois mar bhonn ag cur taca faoi chumhacht inseolta.

Tá an córas cuinnimh atá beartaithe againn inbhuanaithe, daingean agus inacmhainne. Is féidir é a bhaint amach agus a sholáthar trí:

- infheistíocht phoiblí, leath-stáit agus phríobháideach a atreorú chun meascán nua fuinnimh a fhorbairt agus a dháileadh;
- thacú le sealbhóirí tí, le pobail, le feirmeoirí agus le gnólachtaí beaga le réimse níos leithne deontais agus tacuithe a chumsaíonn iad chun an fuinneamh atá ag teastáil uainn a laghdú agus a sholáthar.

Athdhearbhaíonn an Ard-Fheis freisin go gcaithfidh an tIdirnascaire Thuaidh-Theas a bheith faoi thalamh de réir an dea-chlachtais idirnáisiúnta.

Ard Chomhairle

72. Tá an Ard-Fheis seo, agus dúshlán na hathraithe aeráide roimhe, tiomanta do dhífheistiú breoslaí iontaise mar bhealach chun an t-aistriú a thiomáint ó tháirgeadh fuinnimh atá ag brath ar charbón. Baineann dífheistiú breoslaí iontaise le hacmhainní airgeadais a dhíol a bhaineann hastarraingt, táirgeadh agus díol breoslaí iontaise, agus cuireann sé cosc ar infheistíocht breise i gcorparáidí a bhíonn ag plé leis.

Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo ordúithe eacnamaíocha agus morálta an dífheistithe i mbreoslaí iontaise:

- tá mórán an phobail idirnáisiúnta tiomanta do leibhéil an téimh dhomhanda a choinneáil faoi 1.5/2 chéim, ionas go mbeidh timpeallacht domhanda sábháilte agus seasmhach ann;
- chun na spriocanna seo a bhaint amach, ní féidir 80% ar a laghad de chúltaisce breoslaí iontaise a astarraingt agus a dhó. Ina ainneoin seo, tá infheistíocht ollmhór á déanamh go fóill i gcuideachtaí astarraingthe breoslaí iontaise, a mhéadaíonn luach oibriúcháin tráchtála agus is gá deireadh a chur leis seo láithreach ionas nach gclisfear ar a aeráid.

Tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo, dá bhrí sin, le hoibleagáidí dlíthiúla a bhunú le haghaidh forais phoiblí agus le haghaidh scéimeanna infheistíochta caipitiúla, ar nós Chiste Infheistíochta Straitéisí na hÉireann, nó Scéim Phinsin Rialtais Áitiúil ó thuaidh, chun a gcuid infheistíochta a bhaint amach as acmhainní breoslaí iontaise.

Tacaíonn an Ad-Fheise seo le hath-infheistíocht a dhéanamh sna hacmhainní seo mar bhannaí glasa agus mar acmhainní fuinnimh in-athnuaite chun an t-aistriú chuig inbhuanaithe ar bhonn airgeadais agus aithníonn an móiminteam domhanda taobh thiar den dífheistiú i mbreoslaí iontaise, agus tá sé tiomanta do thacú le hiarrachtaí dífheistithe an phobail idirnáisiúnta.

Cumann Mulvey (Bré)

73. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- buntáistí na micreaghiniúna agus an dóigh ar féidir leis tacú le inbhuanaitheacht agus éifeachtúlacht fuinnimh gnólachtaí, pobail áitiúla agus tithe aonair trí fhuinnimh in-athnuaite ar mhionscála a ghiniúint;
- cuireann micreaghiniúint leis an bhfuinneamh in-athnuaite a chuirtear amach sa stát agus cumas ann an fuinneamh breise a sholáthar don ghreille; ag laghdú billí fuinnimh tí agus gnólachtaí beaga trí fhéin-ídiú agus a ligeann do dhaoine a bheith gníomhach in aistriú an stáit chuig fuinneamh in-athnuaite.

Tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo le Bille um an Scéim um Thacú le Micreaghiniúint de chuid Shinn Féin agus éilíonn sé go gcuirtear i bhfeidhm é.

*Comhairle Ceantair Chill Mhantáin
Cumann Barney Morris Seamus Harvey Cumann (Crois Mhic Lionnáin)*

74. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo na hacmhainní ollmhóra amach ón gcósta atá ag ag stát agus nach bhfuil siad forbartha mar is ceart. Áirítear leis seo an poitéinseal atá i bhfuinneamh amach ón gcósta, lena n-áirítear gaoth amach ón gcósta agus teicneolaíochtaí nua rabhartha agus taoide. D'fhéadfadh an stát go leor den leictreachas atá uaidh a fháil ó ghaoth amach ón gcósta dá mbainfí úsáid mar is ceart as. Tá fairsingiú suntasach ag teastáil inár bhfuinneamh amach ón gcósta le go mbeidh todhchaí fuinnimh in-athnuaite ann. Chun é seo a bhaint amach, tá sé molta ag Sinn Féin an méid seo a leanas a dhéanamh:
- foras amháin a chruthú chun dul i ngleic le pleanáil amach ón gcósta agus le riachtanais comhthola;
 - cuíchóiriú reachtaíochta pleanála ionas go mbeidh forbairt níos gaiste ar thograí amach ón gcósta in éineacht le breithniúcháin diana ar an timpeallacht.

Comhairle Ceantair Chill Mhantáin

75. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- cáinteair teip an rialtais treoirlínte níos déine a thabhairt isteach chun ceantair tuaithe a chosaint ó na hiarmhairtí is measa ó fheirmeacha gaoithe tionsclaíocha;
 - aontaítear nach leor an t-achar "aon gach ceathrar" atá á mholadh i láthair na huaire i dTreoirlínte an Rialtais maidir le Feirmeacha Gaoithe toisc nach dtugann siad cosaint dóibh siúd atá ina gcónaí faoi tuath ó thuirbíní tionsclaíocha is féidir a bheith thar 180 méadar in airde;
 - athdhearbhaítear tacaíocht don Bhille um Rialáil Tuirbíní Gaoithe, 2016, ar chuir an Teachta Dála Brian Stanley síos ar chlár in 2014 agus arís in 2017 é, ina sonraítear mion-shlánachair 10 n-uaire níos airde ná rinn na lainne agus nach bhfuil cead tuirbíní atá níos airde ná 25 méadar a lonnú ach amháin i gceantair sonraithe ag comhairleoirí i bPleananna Forbartha Contae;
 - glaoítear ar an rialtas dlí a chódú maidir leis na moltaí atá i mBille Shinn Féin chun an timpeallacht agus an tírdhreach a chaomhnú agus chun cónaitheoirí tuaithe a chosaint ó iarmhairtí tromchúiseacha tuirbíní ar méid thionsclaíoch a bheith lonnaithe cóngarach do na bailte s'acu;
 - éilítear go gcuireann an rialtas i bhfeidhm moratorium láithreach ar iarratais phleanála reatha agus sa todhchaí le haghaidh tuirbíní gaoithe tionsclaíocha atá níos airde ná 120 méadar go dtí go mbíonn treoirlínte níos déine ann chun pobail tuaithe a chosaint.

Cumann Barnes/McCormack (An Muileann Gearr)

76. Aithnítear san Ard-Fheise seo na castachtaí a bhaineann le bithbhreoslaí agus an mearbhall a bhíonn ar chustaiméirí maidir lena ainm, agus aithnítear freisin an ról tábhachtach a bhíonn ag bithbhreoslaí chun an geilleagar a ghlású, go háirithe an earnáil iompair. Creideann an Ard-Fheis seo gur chóir tionscadal inbhuanaithe dúchasach bithbhreoslaí a fhorbairt, bunaithe ar fhoinsí céad-ghlúine agus dara-ghlúine, agus a chomhlíonann critéir ard-inbhuanaitheachta ionas go laghdófar astúcháin de bharr athruithe in úsáid talún agus droch-iarmhairtí mar thoradh ar bhithéagsúlacht.

Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo an tionchar dearfach a bhíonn ag forbairt an tionscadail seo ar Éirinn, go háirithe i gceantair tuaithe agus a chuireann le slándáil fuinnimh, chomh maith le próitéin a dhéantar go háitiúil a tháirgeadh le haghaidh na tamhlaíochta. Creideann Sinn Féin gur cheart tacú leis an gcosc ar fud an AE ar ola phailme, mar gheall ar an tionchar dochrach a bhíonn ag an tionscadal seo ar an timpeallacht agus léiríonn sé an gá le hinbhuanaitheacht san earnáil seo.

Boland/Harford Cumann (Baile Brigín)

77. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- nótaítear, le himní, moltaí chun tuilleadh infheistíochta a dhéanamh in iompórtáil fuinnimh a thagann as foinsí eamhnú núicléach agus gás fraiceáilte mar gheall ar na himpleachtaí leis seo dár n-iarrachtaí riachtanacha chun aistriú go sochaí carbóin ísil, cairdúil don timpeallacht.
 - aithnítear go ndéanann na foinsí airgeadais seo an-dochar don timpeallacht agus nach bhfuil bealach simplí ann i láthair na huaire dramhaíl núicléach a dhiúscairt go sábháilte.
 - cuirtear i gcoinne infreastruchtúr nua fuinnimh ar bith a thógail arb é an príomhchuspóir atá leis ná a bheith ag brath ar ghás fraiceáilte ná eamhnú núicléach agus ina áit sin éilítear go ndéanfar infheistíocht a atreorú go teicneolaíochtaí inbhuanaithe fuinnimh.

Comhairle Ceantair Ard Mhacha Theas

78. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo go mbíonn díospóireacht ann ar bhonn náisiúnta agus fíricí eolaíochta taobh thiar de bunaithe ar dhea-chleachtas idirnáisiúnta, ar an bpoitéinseal a bhaineann le fuinneamh núicléach mar sholáthar fuinnimh náisiúnta, go háirithe agus an timpeallacht nádúrtha domhanda agus na hoighearchaidhpeanna ag ídiú chomh gasta sin agus an gá le réiteach láithreach ar an aistriú ó bhreoslaí iontaise.

Cumann Mairtíorgh Grey Abbey (Baile Chill Dara)

79. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- cáinteann go bhfuil 22% de thithe ó thuaidh agus 28% de thithe ó dheas in Éirinn thíos faoi bhochtaineacht bhreosla, agus tá ceann de na rátaí is airde bochtaineachta breosla san Aontas Eorpach ó thuaidh.
 - éilítear go dtógfar gach teach a thógtar as an nua ar na leibhéil is airde d'éifeachtúlacht fuinnimh agus go mbeidh cumais oiriúnacha micreaghiniúna ann ionas gur féidir le tithe a mbillí fuinnimh a laghdú agus gur féidir bealach ioncaim a sholáthar tríd an micreaghiniúint agus le go leathnófar an incháilitheacht do scéimeanna aisfheistithe fuinnimh dóibh siúd ar ioncam íseal saor in aisce thuaidh agus theas.
- Cumann Mhairtíogh Bhaile Andarsan*
80. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo an dochar a bhaineann le sochaí atá ag brath ar phlaisteach agus aithníonn an bhagairt ó thruailliú plaisteach dár dtimpeallacht, do bheatha mara, do shláinte an duine, don gheilleagar agus don tsochaí ina hiomláine. Chun dul i ngleic leis an bhfadhb seo atá ag teacht, creideann Sinn Féin gurb é laghdú ar úsáid fhoriomlán an eochair.
- Sa rialtas, dhéanfaidh an Ard-Fheis seo an méid seo a leanas:
- chuirfí deireadh de réir a chéile le plaisteach aon-úsáide agus dhéanfaí infheistíocht i gcumas athchúrsála in Éirinn ionas go bhféadfaí úsáid ámhábhair thánaisteacha a mhéadú;
 - thacófaí le tionscadail a mbeidh an pobal i gceannas orthu, ar nós scéimeanna glantacháin agus scéimeanna chun cupáin a thabhairt ar ais, agus bhunófaí scéim náisiúnta éarlais-tabhairt ar ais le haghaidh plaisteach ionas go mbeadh leibhéal níos airde athchúrsála i dtithe;
 - chuirfí i gcoinne ualaí airgeadais ar bith curtha ar dhaoine le haghaidh athchúrsála agus creideann gur cheart go mbeadh freagracht níos mó ar tháirgeoirí trí costais an truaillithe a dhéanamh inmheánach agus trí mhodhnúchán táillí a thacú lena n-áirithiú go mbeadh dearadh níos fearr ar tháirgí le haghaidh geilleagair chiorclaigh.
- Cumann Pól Kinsella (An Fearann Thuaidh)
Cumann Dunne/Meaney Cumann (Baile Breac)*
81. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- nótáiltear le himní go mbaintear úsáid as 600 cupán le haghaidh caife in Éirinn gach bliain ar an meán, agus go bhfuil cuid mhór acu déanta as ábhar atá doiligh a athchúrsáil, agus ní dhéantar ach ceann as gach ceathrar a athchúrsáil;
 - éilítear go dtabharfar isteach tobhach uile-Éireann Caife ar chupáin indiúscartha le haghaidh caife chun a n-úsáid a laghdú, agus ba cheart an t-ioncam a thagann as a úsáid chun scéimeanna timpeallachta a mhaoiniú.
- Cumann Ladybrook agus Riverdale*
82. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo an t-ábhar imní leis na measúnachtaí eolaíochta chun an tsubstaint ghníomhach gliofosáit a údarú in athuair, chomh maith leis an dlíthíocht ar fud an domhain in aghaidh Monsanto maidir le liomfóma neamh-Hodgkin agus nochtadh leis an ábhar.
- Ar a bharr sin, aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo an nasc intreach idir an orgánach géinmhodhnaithe agus luibhicíd - an bheirt acu deartha ag na tionscadail agraiceimiceacha, a chruthaíonn spleáchas feirmeoirí, a dhíchobhsaíonn slándáil bia agus a dhéanann bagairt don bhithéagsúlacht ar fud na cruinne. Cuireann an Ard-Fheis seo míshástacht in iúl gur bhain gníomhaireachtaí de chuid an AE úsáid as páipéir eolaíochta scríofa ag scáthscríbhneoirí agus creideann gur cheart go mbeadh eolaíocht piarbhhreithnithe, neamhspleách agus fíor ar an aon chaighdeán a dheachtaíonn údarú ceimiceán san AE.
- Boland/Harford Cumann (Baile Brigín)*
83. Tugan an Ard-Fheis seo tiomántas sa rialtas go mbunófaí seirbhís chúnta pleanála a thugann cuidiú agus trédhearcacht ar cheisteanna pleanála agus a dhearbhaíonn go mbíonn níos mó daoine ag dul i ngleic leis an bpróiseas pleanála chun áiteanna níos fearr cónaithe a dhéanamh dár bpobail.
- Cumann Paddy Wright (Baile Átha Í)*
84. Athdhearbhaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo gur cheart go mbeadh teacht ag gach saoránach Éireannach ar uisce agus tiomnaíonn ár n-urlabhra Oireachtais éileamh ar an rialtas a bheith cinnte de go mbíonn cothroime iomlán ann idir na scéimeanna uisce ghrúpa sin agus na cinn sin sa chóras phoiblí
- Cumann Robert Byrne (Cathair Luimnigh Thoir)*
85. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis an líon ollmhór den dumpáil mhídhleathach atá á déanamh faoin tuath in Éirinn agus go háirithe sna háiteanna is mó áilleacht. Cuireann sé seo isteach go mór ar an tírdhreach agus éilíonn bearta a chur i bhfeidhm le dul i ngleic leis an gceist seo.
- Cumann Gleeson (Tigh Munna)*

Ag Seasamh ar son na mBan

86. Tugann an Ard-Fheis seo faoi deara:

- gur comóradh é 2018 ar cheart vótála na mban, cloch mhíle stairiúil i ról na mban sa streachailt ar son na saoirse náisiúnta agus na córa sóisialta;
- le 100 bliain anuas go raibh forghabháil, saoirse agus críochdheighilt in Éirinn. Gur fhulaing idir mhná agus pháistí éagóir chórasach mar gheall ar an eaglais agus ar an stát. Tá cuid den éagóir seo, ar nós na scannal a bhaineann le huchtú mídhleathach, na tithe máithreachac agus leanaí agus Neachtlanne Magdalene, ag teacht chun solais anois;
- cé go bhfuil dul chun cinn suntasach déanta ar an mbealach chun cothroime in Éirinn, tá constaicí suntasacha ann go fóill, lena n-áirítear:
 - an teip le dul i ngleic le foréigean sa bhaile agus chun mná agus leanaí a chosaint mar is ceart;
 - pá íseal agus conarthaí uaireanta ísle a mbíonn tionchar díréireach acu ar oibríthe mná;
 - costas ard cúraim leanaí a bhrúnn go leor ban amach as an bhfórsa oibre;
 - bearta déine agus tionchar díréireach a bhíonn acu siúd ar mhná agus ar leanaí;
 - bearna de 14% i gcúrsaí pá idir inscní cé go bhfaigheann níos mó ban cáilíochtaí ardoideachais níos fearr;
 - an teip ar dhul i ngleic le fadhb easpa dídine teaghlaigh a léiríonn go bhfuil 3,689 leanbh ó dheas gan dídean;
 - seirbhís sláinte nach bhfuil go leor acmhainní ann di agus a bhí comhpháirteach sa scannal CervicalCheck a raibh tionchar mór aige ar shláinte agus ar shaol na gcéadta ban.

Creideann an Ard-Fheis seo gur féidir linn sochaí a fhorbairt ina mbíonn mná cothrom agus éilíonn sé go mbíonn tacar de phrionsabail ann ar chóir tacaíocht a dhéanamh dóibh mar chéad chéim;

- Téigh i ngleic le pá íseal agus tacaigh le tithe ar ioncam íseal.
- Athmhúnlaigh agus tabhair go leor acmhainní do chúram leanaí.
- Athraigh an córas sláinte do mhná agus dá bpáistí.
- Tabhair tacaíocht do mhná agus dá bpáistí atá ag éalú ó fhoréigean sa bhaile.
- Spreag bealaí eile chun oibre.
- Cuir profáil inscne agus buiséadú cothromais ar aghaidh i ngach rannóg de chuid an rialtais.

Ard Chomhairle

87. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- athdhearbhaíonn tiomantas Shinn Féin do chúram uilíoch sláinte agus cúraim shóisialta, saor ag an bhfoinse, bunaithe ar riachtanas agus le dul i ngleic leis na dúshlán shuntasacha atá roimh sheirbhísí sláinte agus cúraim shóisialta sna Sé Chontae a bhí leagtha amach ag Michelle O'Neill ina plean aistrithe agus í ina hAire Sláinte;
- tá Sinn Féin go fóill tiomanta do sheirbhísí sláine uile-oileánda agus trasteorann a fhorbairt - ar nós Aonad Ailse Thiar-Thuaidh in Alt na nGealbhán agus an Gréasán uile-oileánda um Ghalar Croí ón mBroinn agus sin uile ag dul i dtreo Seirbhís Sláinte uile-Éireann;
- tá Sinn Féin meáite ar dhul i ngleic leis an éagothroime sa tsochaí ina gciallaíonn gurb ionann postchód agus an leibhéal inrochtaineachta atá agat ar sheirbhísí sláinte agus ar an bhfad a mhairfeas tú;
- éilíonn arís go mbíonn paireacht mheasa ann, ina dtugtar an tús áite céanna don mheabhairshláinte agus don tsláinte fhisiceach mar bhealach chun meabhairshláinte a fheabhsú agus chun dul i ngleic le fadhb mhór an fhéinmharaithe a bhfuil scrios déanta aici ar phobail ó thuaidh;
- creideann go bhfuil idirghabháil luath agus bearta cosctha riachtanach lena áirithiú go mbíonn mearbshláinte agus sláinte fhisiceach daoine go maith a oiread agus is féidir;
- tacaíonn le hinfheistíocht níos fearr chun seirbhísí a sholáthar níos congarai don phobal agus do thithe daoine trí phríomhchúram agus, dá bhrí sin, laghdaíonn sé an brú ar ár ngéarsheirbhísí cúraim;
- caitheann sé i leataobh Déine na dTóraithe agus an DUP taobh thiar de, déine arb é laghdú bliain i ndiaidh bliana ar an mBlodcheontas an toradh atá air, laghdú a chuir cosc ar an infheistíocht riachtanach i gcúrsaí sláinte chun coinneáil suas chun dáta le héilimh bhreise;

- is ábhar imní é go mbainfear an bonn den aistriú ar chúrsa sláinte i dTuaisceart na hÉireann mar gheall ar Dhéine leanúnach na dTóraithe gona thacaíocht ón DUP;
- aithnítear gur lig ár gcórais sláinte mná síos ar chuid mhór ócáidí, thuaidh agus theas, go raibh siad thíos leis agus go ndearnadh seo níos measa mar gheall ar éagóracha ar nós tailídimíd agus simfiseatóime, scannal mhogall na faighne atá ag teacht amach agus an teip uafásach ar chlár scagtha le haghaidh ailse cheirbheacs;
- creideann gur cheart go n-éistfear le guthanna ban inár gcóras sláinte agus gurb é an dóigh is sábháilte agus is éifeachtaí chun cúram sláinte a sholáthar do mhná na hÉireann ná trí chóras poiblí 32 contae a thuigeann agus a léiríonn éagsúlachtaí inscne;
- tacaíonn le Cáipéis Pholasaí uile-Éireann Shinn Féin - Fís le haghaidh Shláinte na mBan.

*Ard Chomhairle
Cumann Michael Moran (Tuaim)*

88. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo go mbeidh athrú sa reachtaíocht a ligfeadh do mháithreacha atá ag iompar scagthástáil a fháil ar bhonn gnáthaimh le linn toirchis; d'fhéadfadh sé seo Streb B a aimsiú, galar is féidir a sheachaint go mór i leanaí nua-bheirthe.

Cumann Pól Kinsella (An Fearann Thuaidh)

89. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- cuirtear fáilte roimh thuairisc An Bhreithimh O'Hara ar teideal "Inquiry into Hyponatraemia-related deaths";
- moltar buanseasmhacht agus seasmhacht na dtuisimtheoirí a bhfuil páiste leo cailte agus iad sa tóir ar an bhfírinne agus ar an gcóir;
- formhuintear an chéad mholadh a bhí an ag mBreitheamh O'Hara go n-achtófaí dualgas reachtúil oscailteachta agus go dtabharfaí reachtaíocht isteach chun éifeacht a thabhairt dó seo.

Cumann Countess Markievicz (An Chúil Mhór)

90. Tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo le mná a roghnaíonn ar dhul ar ais ar obair i ndiaidh páistí a bheith acu agus aithnítear:

- go mbíonn sé costasach d'oibrithe áirithe íoc as cúram leanaí;
- nach i gcónaí a bhíonn uaireanta oscailte creise ag teacht le sealobair agus dá bhrí sin bíonn sé doiligh ag sealobrithe teacht ar chúram leanaí, go háirithe in earnáil na déantúsaíochta.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo go dtabharfar isteach riachtanas go gcaithfidh gach páirce de chuid an IDA áiseanna creise a sholáthar laistigh dá sainlimistéar chun freastal ar a bhfórsa oibre ar ráta fóirdheonaithe.

Cumann An Chláir Thuaidh

91. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnítear tothaí tuairisce le déanaí ón Institiúid Taighde Eacnamaíochta agus Sóisialta a léiríonn go bhfuil an ráta is airde de dhíothacht leanúnach sna 26 Contae as an 11 Stát de chuid an Aontais Eorpaigh i measc tuismitheoirí aonair;
- aithnítear gur léirigh taighde go bhfuil ról riachtanach ag íocaíochtaí cothabhála leanaí maidir le leanaí a shaoradh ón mbochtaineacht;
- éilíonn go mbunófar seirbhís um chothabháil leanaí chun cuidiú agus chun tacú le tuismitheoirí aonair.

Cumann Mulvey (Bré)

92. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis an costas ard a bhaineann le cúram leanaí le haghaidh tuismitheoirí atá ag obair agus déantar iarracht an tairseach le haghaidh cuidithe trí fhóirdheontais nó fhaoiseamh cánach a leathnú ionas go mbainfidh níos mó teaghlach tairbhe as agus go mbeidh rogha sa bhreise acu a bhfuil bac orthu dul i mbun fostaíochta mar gheall ar chostas ollmhór cúraim leanaí.

Cumann Phádraig Sheehy (Cathair Luimnigh Thiar)

93. Ní mór don Ard-Fheis seo, agus cinneadh mhuintir na hÉireann an 8ú leasú ar an mbunreacht a aisghairm agus an gá le reachtas a bheith ann, dul i ngleic le ceist an ghinmhille;

San Ard-Fheis seo:

- athdhearbhaítear gur chóir go mbeadh ginmhilleadh ar fáil sa chás ina mbíonn beatha, sláinte nó meabhairshláinte mná i mbaol agus i gcásanna ina bhfuil mínormáltacht mharfach féatais ann;
- tacaíonn le torthaí Chomhchoiste an Oireachtais nach féidir reachtú le haghaidh ginmhille i gcás éignithe ar bhealach atruach;
- aithnítear go bhfuil rochtain ag mná na hÉireann ar sheirbhísí ginmhille gach lá i dtíortha eile nó trí phiollaí ginmhille ceannaithe ar líne gan maoirseacht leighis ar bith a bheith ann;
- glactar leis gur cheart go raibh ginmhilleadh gan léiriú faoi leith a bheith ar fáil trí sheirbhís a bhfuil Dochtúir Ginearálta i gceannas air i gcomhthéacs cliniciúil de réir an dlí agus an chleachtais cheadúnaithe ar feadh tréimhse shrianta iompair.

Gníomhóidh baill reachtais Shinn Féin de réir thuairim na hArd-Chomhairle, tuairim a bhunófar ar an gcomhairle leighis is fearr dá bhfuil ar fáil, agus reachtaíocht á cur ar bun maidir leis an tréimhse shrianta iompair.

Ard Chomhairle

Ogra Shinn Féin

Markievicz/Ryan/Farrell (Tamhlacht)

Cumann Ruth Hackett (Maigh Nuad)

Cumann O'Malley/Russell (Lár na Cathrach Thoir Thuaidh)

Cumann Clarke/Smith/Doherty Cumann (Fionnghlas)

Cumann James Connolly (Baile Formáid)

Cumann Mhairtirigh an tSeantalamh (An Seantalamh)

Comhairle Ceantair Bhaile Átha Cliath Thiar Meán

Devlin/Plunkett Cumann (Templeogue/Terenure)

94. Déanann An Ard-Fheis seo comhghairdeas le 'Together for Yes' as feachtas rathúil, cuimsitheach agus dearfach a reáchtáil agus moltar baill agus tacadóirí Shinn Féin a bhí gníomhach le linn an fheachtais chun an 8ú Leasú a Aisghairm.

Cumann James Connolly (Baile Formáid)

95. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnítear gur ceist í ceist an ghinmhille atá an-deighilteach i Sinn Féin agus sa tsochaí go ginearálta;
- tuigtear go bhfuil tuairimí daoine bunaithe ar an eispéireas atá acu féin, eispéireas a bhí pianmhar agus tuairimí atá bunaithe ar chreideamh láidir;
- táthar ar lorg comhtháthaithe agus go mbeidh deis ag gach poblachtánach cur leis an gcuspóir chun Éire Aontaithe a bhaint amach;
- meastar go bhfuil an poblachtánachas láidir go leor chun freastal ar thuairimí áirithe ar an gceist seo; agus
- aontaítear gur cheart go mbeadh cead ag baill Shinn Féin tuairimí a léiriú agus vóta a chaitheamh ar cheist an ghinmhille de réir a gcoinsias féin.

Cumann Gallagher/Foy Cumann (Droim Conrach)

Cumann McCusker/McMullan/O'Hagan (An Suaitreach)

Cumann Tom Kealy (Cill Droichid)

Seán English (Baile Mhic Ádaim)

Cumann Fergal O'Hanlon (Achadh Lon)

Cumann McGrath/O'Brien (Port Láirge Thiar)

Cumann Joe McManus/Dessie McNulty (Baile na Trá/Leathaigh)

Casement/Highstead/Kelly (Machaire Rátha)

O'Hanlon/Davey (Leamhaigh)

Brian Keenan Cumann (Baile na Scríne)

Cumann Thomas Allen (Baile Átha Troim)

Cumann Martin Meehan/MacArts Fort (Gleann Ghormlaithe)

Cumann Hughes/Connolly/McElwee (Baile Eachaidh)

Cumann O'Reilly/McGennity/Watters (Cillín)

Cumann Clarke/Smith/Doherty Cumann (Fionnghlas)

Cumann Robert Emmett/McEldowney/McMullan (Sleacht Néill)

Cumann Lawlor/Mulvihill/Mhairtirigh Chlais Mhaolchon (Baile Thaidhg/An Tóchar/Baile Dubh)

Comhairle Ceantair Dhoire Theas

Cumann Francis Bradley (Machaire Fiolta)

Kelly/Arthurs Cumann (Ceanannas Mór)

Cumann Ciarán Doherty (Baile an Chabháin)

Cumann Vol.Ed O'Brien (Guair)

Cumann Logue/Marley (Cromghlinne)

Cumann French/Doyle Baile Sheáin (an Uaimh)

Do Thodhchaí a Chinntiú –

Infheistíocht i dtithíocht agus i seirbhísí poiblí ardchaighdeán

96. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar an rialtas géarchéim a fhógairt i gcúrsaí tithíochta agus easpa dídine agus reachtaíocht éigeandála a thabhairt isteach chun sruth na ndaoine fásta agus leanaí atá ar tí a bheith gan dídean a stad.

Ba cheart go n-áireofar sa reachtaíocht éigeandála:

- Leasú Focus Ireland ar an Acht um Thionóntachtaí Cónaithe ina gcuirtear cosc ar thiarnaí talún fógraí maidir le Fógraí Fágála a chur amach agus iad ag díol a gcuid tithe;
- riachtanas dlíthiúil le haghaidh údaráis áitiúla plean chun easpa dídine a chosc le haghaidh teaghlaigh ar bith atá i mbaol easpa dídine 60 lá sula gcailleann siad a dteach;
- teorainn dhlíthiúil ionas nach gcaithfidh duine ar bith fanacht in iostas éigeandála ar feadh tréimhse nach faide ná 6 mhí agus;
- spriocdháta chun deireadh a chur le heaspa dídine san fhadtréimhse agus an gá le codladh amuigh.

Cúige Bhaile Átha Cliath

97. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- cuirtear dlúthpháirtíocht in iúl leo siúd a bhfuil a morgáiste, iasacht feirme nó gnólachta le díol chuig creach-chiste;
- cáinteas polasaí na mbanc, go háirithe na bainc sin a bhfuil sciar ag an stát iontu, morgáistí, gnólachtaí agus iasachtaí feirme na ndaoine sin atá ag déanamh a ndíchill a mbealach a íoc a dhíol le creach-chistí gan trócaire.
- nótaítear toiliú an rialtais sa straitéis seo agus an cairpéad dearg a chur amach ag Fine Gael do na creachadóirí sna blianta roimhe seo.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo, dá bhrí sin:

- ar na bainc a gcuid oibre a dhéanamh agus dul fríd na hiasachtaí lagaithe tríd na roghanna ar fad a úsáid ar nós cíos in ionad morgáiste, ligint anuas agus athstruchtúrú;
- deireadh le leabhair iasachtaí a dhíol a bhfuil baile teaghlaigh iontu atá ag déanamh iarracht mar is ceart íoc;
- cosaint dhleathach iomlán tionóntaí i gcásanna nuair atá morgáistí ceannach le ligean ar cíos le díol;
- rialachán iomlán gach úinéir morgáiste sa stát;
- athbhreithniú ar na socrúithe cánach curtha i bhfeidhm do na creachadóirí.

Cumann Gallagher/Foy (Droim Conrach)

Cumann Ed O'Brien (Guaire)

98. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo go dtabharfar isteach plean fadtréimhseach le haghaidh na hearnála príobháidí cíosa le go mbeidh slándáil fhadtréimhseach tionachta ag tionóntaí, cinnteacht cíosa agus póilíníú feabhsaithe de cháilíocht agus de chaighdeán.

D'fhéadfaí na cuspóirí seo a bhaint amach trí thionóntachtaí d'fhad neamhshonracha a thabhairt isteach, ina nasctar cíos le hinnéacs ar nós an ITB, trí imscrúdú a dhéanamh ar 25% de gach ionaid réadmhaoine cíosa sa bhliain agus tabhairt ar thiarnaí talaimh deimhniúchán ar nós TNG a sholáthar sula gcuirfí tús le tionóntacht úr de chineál ar bith. Ba cheart go mbeadh tacaíocht sa bhreis sa straitéis inar féidir le tiarnaí talaimh gairmiúlacht na hearnála a fheabhsú.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae

Comhairle Ceantair Shligigh

99. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar an rialtas samhail nua de thithíocht phoiblí a thabhairt isteach trí mhaoiniú a chur ar fáil d'fhorbairt eastát tithíochta d'ioncaim agus de thionóntaí measctha ar thalamh poiblí. Ba cheart go mbeadh tithe sóisialta, inacmhainne, cíos agus incheannaithe d'ardchaighdeán agus caighdeán foirgníochta Neas-Nialasach ann chomh maith le hiompar cuí, agus infreastruchtúr sóisialta agus eacnamaíoch.

Ba cheart go mbeadh an tsamhail seo:

- ar scála a oireann ar cóimhéid leis an riachtanas tithíochta atá ann faoi láthair;
- maoinithe tríd an státchiste agus trí iasachtaí úis ísil don Ghníomhaireacht Airgeadais do Thithe agus do Ghluaiseacht an Chomhair Chreidmheasa;
- mar dhearbhuí go bhfanann tithíocht ar phraghas réasúnta ann go buan agus mar bhac ar ionaid réadmhaoine a dhíol leis an margadh príobháideach as seo amach;
- mar aidhm chun 70,00 teach sóisialta agus 60,000 teach cíosa agus incheannaithe a sholáthar sna cúig bliana amach romhainn.

Cumann Kevin Barry (Carn an Bhua)

100. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- cáinte an stát agus comhlachtaí leathstáit as talamh a chruinniú;
- tiomáinte Sinn Féin, ar bhonn náisiúnta agus réigiúnach, gach is féidir leis an dhéanamh chun tithíocht tionachta measctha, phoiblí, inacmhainne agus ligean ar cíos le ceanach a sholáthar trí chinnte a dhéanamh de go mbíonn talamh, ar leis an stát agus comhlachtaí leathstáit é, ar fáil le haghaidh tithíochta nuair is gá.

Cumann Bob Smith (Dún Droma)

101. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- léirítear imní faoin ngéarchéim tithíochta atá ag dul in olcas i gcuid mhór ceantar ó thuaidh;
- cáinte éagothroime leanúnach sholáthar tithíochta sóisialta i gceantair ar nós Bhéal Feirste Thiar agus Thuaidh agus i nDoire agus léirítear an-imní faoi chosaintí cothroime atá á bhaint ar shiúl ag an SDLP ar spriocanna nua chun tithe sóisialta a thógáil i mBéal Feirste Thiar, Thuaidh agus i nDoire - ceantair a bhfuil na liostaí feithimh is faide le haghaidh tithe ó thuaidh;
- tacaítear le cosaintí a chur ar bun arís le haghaidh spriocanna tithíochta sóisialta le dul i ngleic le héagothroime tithíochta i gceantair atá thíos faoi dhian-strus tithíochta;
- éilítear go mbíonn méadú ann i soláthar tithíochta sóisialta;
- éilítear go dtógfar tithe sóisialta agus go ndailfear tithe ar bhonn riachtanais;
- éilítear ar an Roinn Pobal comhairle a fháil maidir le sainmhíniú ar 'tithíocht ar phraghas réasúnta' agus go mbeidh rogha de shainmhíniú ann bunaithe ar ioncam in áit cíos margaidh;
- éilítear go bhfaighidh na daoine sin atá ag teitheadh óna dtithe mar gheall ar fhoréigean sa bhaile pointí imeaglaithe agus iad ag cur isteach ar thithíocht shóisialta ó thuaidh;
- éilítear rialúchán níos fearr san earnáil phríobháideach cíosa, agus an chumhacht chun rialaithe cíos a thabhairt isteach nuair is gá lena bheith cinnte go mbíonn na tithe ar phraghas réasúnta;
- éilítear tuilleadh slándála le haghaidh tionóntaí; agus
- éilítear méadú i líon na gcigireachtaí ionas go mbíonn comhlíonadh ann le caighdeán oiriúnachta tithe.

*Cúige na Sé Chontae
Comhairle Ceantair Bhéal Feirste Thuaidh
Comhairle Ceantair na bhFál*

102. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- creidtear leis an toil cheart pholaitiúil agus an cheannaireacht cheart gur féidir an ghéarchéim tithíochta a réiteach.
- éilítear ar an Aire Tithíochta Eoghan Murphy an plean 5 pointe seo a leanas a ghlacadh ar bord:
 - maoiniú - ní mór don Roinn Tithíochta maoiniú cuí a chur ar fáil ionas gur féidir le Comhairlí a bheith chun tosaigh maidir le tithíocht shóisialta ar phraghas réasúnta a fhorbairt ar thalamh poiblí;
 - tithíocht ar phraghas réasúnta - Samhail tithíocht ar phraghas réasúnta a thabhairt isteach go práinneach ionas gur féidir forbairt tithíocht ar phraghas réasúnta a éascú;
 - Cíos Réasúnta - ba cheart don Roinn Tithíochta samhail cíosa ar phraghas réasúnta a thabhairt isteach le tithíocht shlán a dhaingniú le haghaidh teaghlaigh nach bhfuil incháilithe le haghaidh tithíocht de chuid na comhairle atá gafa san earnáil phríobháideach cíos agus todhcháí s'acu in amhras;
 - Gearradh siar ar an maorlathas - ní mór don Aire an maorlathas atá sa phróiseas soláthair a laghdú trí thithíocht shóisialta ar phraghas réasúnta a bhogadh go mearl
 - céimeanna sa phróiseas soláthair phoiblí a laghdú - an teorainn ar an gCód Caiteachais Phoiblí a ardú ina mbeidh anailís costais is tairbhe ag teastáil i ngach tionscadal ar luach thar €20m.

Comhairle Ceantair Bhaile Átha Cliath Lár Theas

103. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnítear an géarghá le tithíocht shóisialta i mBéal Feirste, go háirithe ar an Trá Ghearr, mar gheall ar dhíshealbhú stairiúil an phobail sin agus na drochimpleachtaí don tsláinte as iostas busanna a lonnú i lár ceantair chónaithe;
- éilítear ar Translink suíomh eile a lorg ar an Trá Ghearr don suíomh ionas go mbeidh an talamh a bhíonn in úsáid aige faoi láthair ar fáil chun áiseanna tithíochta agus sóisialta a fhorbairt;
- iarrrtar ar Aire DFL ar bith a bheidh ag Sinn Féin sa toadhchá seo a chur chun cinn go gníomhach.

Cumann Sean Martin/Sean Tracey (An Trá Ghearr)

104. Tacaíonn agus formhuineann an Ard-Fheis seo le hiarrachtaí pobail ionchathrach i mBéal Feirste Thuaidh, go háirithe pobal an mhargaidh, seasamh in aghaidh drochphleananna forbartha a mbeadh drochthionchar acu ar chaighdeán na beatha agus rochtain ar thithíocht; agus éilíonn ar Chomhairle Cathrach Bhéal Feirste prionsabail a fhorbairt maidir le pleanáil forbartha a chosnaíonn stair agus déantús sóisialta na bpobal ionchathracha agus déanann sé tostaíocht do riachtanais tithíochta sóisialta.

Chomh maith leis sin tacaímid go hiomlán leis an fheachtas 'Tithe Anois' agus é ag seasamh in aghaidh droch-fhorbróirí agus iad ag déanamh cibé rud is mian leo i bpobail an lucht oibre san ionchathair.

Cumann Nolan/Downey (Bruach an Lagáin)

105. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- tugtar faoi deara i ndiaidh breis agus céad caoga bliain de bhánú na tuaithe, is é an fhorbairt reatha is tromchúisí ná na rialúcháin nuair maidir le dabhaigh shéarachais i gcontaethe ar nós Liatroma mar a bhfuil sé beagnach dodhéanta cead pleanála a fháil anois le haghaidh tithe aonair faoi tuath;
- éilítear ar údarais áitiúla córas a éascú le haghaidh diúscairt chórasach séarachais ó umair stórála go córas séarachais na mbailte (de réir coinníollacha agus muirir chuí) agus dá bhrí sin ní bheidh gá le dabhaigh shéarachais i gceantair nach bhfuil an ithir oiriúnach le haghaidh síothlaithe.

Cumann Seamus Wrynn (Béal an Átha Móir)

106. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo go gcruthófar ciste chun aire a thabhairt do bóithre agus pasáistí a bhí i seilbh phríobháideach roimh agus go ndéanfaí é seo a riar ag an Roinn Bonneagair. Cuideoidh sé seo leis an ualach atá ar chónaitheoirí, ualach nach bhfuil gá leis, nár ghlac an Roinn a gcuid sráideanna agus pasáistí chuici féin d'fhonn ghnáthchothabháil.

Cumann Ladybrook agus Riverdale

107. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnítear an tionchar suntasach a bhí ag athfhorás, gnóthachtáil oideachais agus rochtain ar fhostaíocht ar dhul i ngleic leis an mbochtaineacht agus míbhuntáiste dóibh siúd a bhfuil cónaí orthu sna háiteanna is mó faoi mhíbhuntáiste;
- cuirtear i gcoinne na ciorruithe leanúnacha ar bhuiséad an chláir; agus
- éilítear ar an Roinn Pobal na leibhéil mhaoinithe reatha a choinneáil trí imfhálú a dhéanamh sa bhuiséad.

Cumann Pat McGeown (Beechmount)

Cumann McCloskey/Mooney (Lag an Aoil)

Cumann Joe Cahill (Baile Andarsan Íochtar)

Cumann Fennell/Rooney/Sands Cumann (An Ladhar)

108. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo an tábhacht a bhaineann le feidhmiú ar bhonn uile-Éireann i ngach earnáil, go háirithe in earnáil na sláinte. Sa deireadh thiar, ní mór córas sláinte uile-Éireann, saor in aisce ag an fhoinsé, a bheith mar bhunbhloc tógála taobh thiar d'Éirinn Aontaithe bunaithe ar chothroime agus chóir.

Dá bhrí sin, éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- go dtabharfaí isteach córas bainistíochta comhtháthaithe sna hospidéal chun liostaí feithimh a shocrú le haghaidh mhuintir na hÉireann, córas a ligeann do dhaoine bogadh ó ospidéal amháin go ceann eile chun agá feithimh a laghdú;

- córas TF nua a thabhairt isteach ar fud an oileáin bunaithe ar an gceann atá in úsáid i Seirbhís Sláinte an Phortaingéil as a dtiocfadh uas-agaí feithimh tríd na daoine sin ar liostaí in ospidéal atá ag streachailt a aistriú chuig ospidéal atá in áit níos fearr chun an nós imeachta a dhéanamh;
- rochtain leanúnach a bheith ag saoránaigh ó thuaidh ar Scéim Árachais Shláinte na hEorpa;
- go leathnófar na réimsí aonair chomhoibrithe idir na dlínsí i gceantair na teorann agus i réimse an tsainchleachtais leighis;
- tosaíocht a dhéanamh de Chomhlacht Forfheidhmithe a bhunú i réimsí chothú na sláinte agus sholáthar cúraim shláinte, agus Seirbhís Sláinte uile-Éireann mar thoradh air as seo amach;
- go n-aithneofar cáilíochtaí agus caighdeáin sláinte ar bhonn uile-Éireann.

Cumann Comerford/Adrien (Mullach Íde/ Port Mearnóg)

109. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo go gcuirfear deireadh le seachfhoinsiú seirbhísí scagthástála sláinte ag an stát agus go ndéanfar gach tástáil i saotharlanna leighis i saotharlanna in Éirinn. Ach amháin i gcásanna nuair a bheadh sé le leas an othair an scágthástáil a dhéanamh thar sáile, mar shampla nuair a bheadh galar neamhchoitianta ann.

Cumann Mairéad Farrell (Bardas Chathair na Gaillimhe Láir)

110. San an Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnítear an cinneadh a rinne Michelle O'Neill i Meitheamh 2016 mar Aire Sláinte an cosc saoil a thógáil a bhí ar fhir a mbíonn caidreamh collaí acu le fir eile fuil a dheonú (MSM);
- tugtar faoi deara an moladh reatha ón sainghrúpa ar Shábháilteacht Fola, Fíochan agus Orgán (SABTO) an tréimhse iarchuir a laghdú ó 12 mí go 12 seachtain; agus a chur i bhfeidhm sa Bhreatain.
- tugtar faoi deara go ndéanann tréimhsí iarchurtha idirdhealú ar MSM agus cuireann cosc ar a mbunús fuil a dheonú, beag beann ar a fhreagraí agus a thiománta a bhíonn a n-iompar ó thaobh caidrimh chollaí de.
- éilítear ar ár n-ionadaithe tofa a bheith ag obair chun an tréimhse iarchurtha a bhaint ar shiúl ar fad, mar atá déanta ag 15 thír, chomh maith le hacmhainní éifeachtacha scágthástála fola a cheadaíonn é seo.

Cumann Mháirtirigh Lóiste Na Móna (Lóiste na Móna)

111. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnítear ar dhul isteach go hAonad Timpistí agus Éigeandála ar bith gur riachtanach é rochtain a bheith ar thaifead leighis othair in am chun diagnóis éifeachtach a dhéanamh ar riocht an othair;
- aithnítear go bhfuil an córas atá ann faoi láthair ina gcoinnítear eolas ar pháipéar mí-éifeachtach agus go gcuireann sé beatha othar i mbaol nuair a bhíonn moill ann nuair a théitear ar lorg taifead leighis nach bhfuil ar an láthair;
- tacaítear le tosaíocht a dhéanamh de Chlár Náisiúnta chun Córais a leathadh amach ina gcoinnfeofar taifid go leictreonach ionas go mbeidh cúram othar ar bharr na héifeachtúlachta in ospidéal na hÉireann.

Cumann an Chláir Thuaidh

112. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar an rialtas liosta na ndaoine atá i dteideal cárta leighis go huathoibríoch a shíneadh, le go mbeidh na daoine sin a bhfuil an tairseach íocaíochta drugaí €134 bainte amach acu 3 mhí in aon tréimhse 6 mhí, a fhad is go gcomhlíonann siad na critéir seo, gan tástáil acmhainne.

Cumann Mairtirigh na Mainistreach Léithe (Baile Chill Dara)

113. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo go raibh tionchar chomh láidir sin ag an bhfeachtas FAST, nuair a ritheadh é go deireanach le cuidiú le gach duine tuiscint níos fearr a fháil ar na comharthaí rabhaidh stróc, ar iompar poiblí go raibh ardú 87% i líon na n-othar a fuair a fhad leis an ospidéal in am le cóir leighis a fháil le téacht fola a scrios, rud a d'fhéadfadh beatha a shábháil, agus ardú 190% i bhfeasacht ar chomharthaí rabhaidh stróc.

Ag aithint go bhfuil minicíocht strócanna le hardú faoi 59% agus ardóidh básanna ó stróc faoi 84% faoi 2035. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo mar sin ar an Roinn Sláinte:

- a chinntiú go bhfuil maoiniú ar fáil leis an bhFeachtas FAST a thabhairt ar ais;
- a chinntiú go bhfuil aonad stróc le hacmhainní cuí ag gach ospidéal atá ag cur cóir leighis ar othair a raibh stróc géar acu;
- cláir le haghaidh scaoileadh luath le tacaíocht a rolladh amach go náisiúnta d'othair stróc;
- a chinntiú go bhfuil ionaid stróc ionsoithíocha a chuireann trombectóime forbartha i gcomhar le seirbhísí éigeandála le rochtain a thabhairt do gach íospartach stróc is cuma cén áit.

Cumann Tony Gormley (Baile Shéamuis Dhuibh)

114. Fáiltíonn an Ard-Fheis seo roimh thabhairt isteach na teicneolaíochta le monatóireacht leanúnach a dhéanamh ar ghlúcós do leanaí agus daoine fásta a bhfuil diaibéiteas chineál 1 acu, Freestyle Libre, sa tuaisceart agus do dhaoine faoi 21 sa deisceart, agus éilimid an clár seo a shíneadh ionas go mbeidh sé ar fáil do chách a bhfuil diaibéiteas chineál 1 acu sa deisceart.

*Cumann Doherty/Delaney (an Uaimh)
Cumann O'Carolan/Kilmartin (Dún Geimhin)*

115. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- nótálaimid tar éis Brexit a bheith i bhfeidhm nach mbeidh othair sna 26 Chontae in ann úsáid a bhaint as seirbhísí leighis sna Sé Chontae agus sa Bhreatain faoi Treoir Thrasteorann agus éilimid ar rialtas na hÉireann céimeanna a ghlacadh láithreach le tréimhsí feithimh do-ghlactha fada le haghaidh obráidí catarachtaí, is féidir a bheith blianta ar fad;
- ag aithint gur féidir deireadh a chur le tráma agus eagla a d'fhulaing na mílte Éireannach thar roinnt blianta ag fanacht leis an obráid seo agus a saol a dhéanamh normálta arís dá mbeadh amháin an toil pholaitiúil ann;
- éilimid gníomhaíocht lena chinntiú nach mbeidh saoránaigh Éireannacha nach bhfuil acmhainn acu do chóir leighis phríobháideach beagnach dall sula bhfaighidh siad an chóir leighis a theastaíonn uathu faoin tseirbhís sláinte phoiblí.

Cumann Thraolaigh Mhic Suibhne (Bardaí Thiar Theas/Láir)

116. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- nótálaimid go bhfuil 800,000 duine in Éirinn ag maireachtáil le riochtaí néareolaíochta mar mhígréin, titimeas, scléaróis iolrach, stróc, galar Parkinson, agus riochtaí géiniteacha tearca;
- tacaímid leis an bhfeachtas 'Infheistigh sa Néareolaíocht', ag glao ar infheistíocht láithreach le tabhairt faoi easnaimh ghéarchéimneacha i soláthar foirne néareolaíochta, lena n-áirítear néareolaithe, ultraspeisialtóirí agus gairmithe cúraim sláinte agus shóisialta go leibhéil mholta.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo, dá bhrí sin:

- infheistíocht dhíríthe fadtéarma i seirbhísí néareolaíochta le tacú le feidhmiú na Múnlaí Cúraim Néareolaíochta & Titimis;
- acmhainní tiomnaithe le tacú le forbairt conairí cliniciúla do thinneas cinn, scléaróis iolrach, galar Parkinson agus riochtaí géiniteacha tearca.

Comhairle Ceantair Bhaile Átha Cliath Thiar Meán

117. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo an easpa seirbhísí meabhairshláinte/riachtanais speisialta faoin tuath agus leis an míchothroime a sheach-chur idir cúram pobail tuaithe agus uirbeach, éilimid níos mó maoinithe ag leibhéal an phobail.

Comhairle Ceantair an Chláir

118. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnímid go bhfuil seirbhísí agus tacaíochtaí meabhairshláinte do dhaoine óga neamhimeor le riar ar éileamh agus go bhfuil ag teip orthu riar ar a lán daoine a bhfuil géarghá acu le cúram. Cuireadh béim air seo go brónach sa chlár faisnéis ar RTÉ le deireanas, The Big Picture;
- nótálaimid an luach a bhaineann le hidirghabháil luath agus cúram príomhúil ag dul i ngleic le saincheisteanna meabhairshláinte atá i mbéal forbartha i ndaoine óga agus cúram éifeachtach agus cuí a chur ar fáil;
- nótálaimid a thuilleadh an gá le cultúr folláine agus tacaíochta intinne a chothú inár scoileanna agus pobail.

Geallaimid agus sinn i rialtas:

- a chinntiú go bhfuil rochtain éasca ag daoine óg ar fud an stáit ar sheirbhís míreanna mearaí;
- a chinntiú go gcuirfear garchabhair mheabhairshláinte do gach oibrí óige, múinteoir bunscoile agus iar-bhunscoile;
- deireadh a chur le ganntanais i seirbhísí meabhairshláinte do leanaí agus d'ógánaigh trí pholasaí earcaíochta a athchóiriú agus coinneáil foirne a dhreasú i leith moltaí atá ag teacht aníos ón gCoiste Oireachtais ar Thodhchaí na Meabhairshláinte;
- seirbhís Abhcóideachta thiomnaithe a bhunú do dhaoine óga atá ag rochtain seirbhísí meabhairshláinte;

- éascaíocht rochtana a fheabhsú do dhaoine óga ag leibhéal an chúraim phríomhúil;
- post Ceannasaíochta Náisiúnta do Mheabhairshláinte Óige a bhunú agus poist chomhfhreagracha do gach Eagraíocht Sláinte Pobail;
- seirbhís idirthréimhseach a chruthú faoin CAMHS le bearnaí seirbhíse a sheachaint do dhaoine 18-24 bliana d'aois;
- tacaíochtaí a fheabhsú do thacaíochtaí meabhairshláinte agus comhairleoireachta 3ú leibhéal;
- tacaíochtaí agus eolas sláinte ar líne a fhorbairt i gcomhairle le daoine óga;
- na leapacha breise a gealladh do sheirbhísí meabhairshláinte d'othair chónaitheacha a gealladh agus a moladh faoi A Vision For Change;
- rochtain a fheabhsú ar sheirbhísí speisialaithe le haghaidh neamhord itheacháin;
- an gealltanais a rinne rialtas na hÉireann in 2009 maoiniú do sheirbhísí meabhairshláinte a imfháil a chomhlíonadh agus é a dhéanamh anois le héifeacht láithreach.

*Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae
Cumann Fr Murphy/Manchester Martyrs (Fearna)*

119. Tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo le Feachtas na Spásanna Sábháilte, le seirbhís um fhéinmharú a chosc a chur ar fáil do dhaoine, lena n-áirítear lasmuigh de ghnáthuaireanta, a bhfuil droch-mheabhairshláinte acu agus freisin do dhaoine atá andúilmhear i ndrugaí, alcól, le tacaíocht a lorg ó chleachtóirí sláinte agus cúraim shóisialta ina gcóir leighis agus ina dtéarnamh.

Cumann O'Hanlon/McCusker (an Lóiste Úr)

120. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- molaimid obair chrua agus an méid a rinne baill foirne sna hearnálacha reachtúla, pobail agus dheonacha le tabhairt faoi droch-mheabhairshláinte ar fud an oileáin;
- éilimid ar an Ard-Chomhairle atá ag teacht isteach polasaí cuimsitheach uile-Éireann meabhairshláinte ag breathnú ar ghníomhartha coiscitheacha, idirghabháil luath agus soláthar seirbhíse.

Comhairle Ceantair Chollann

121. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnímid nach bhfuil a fhios againn faoi láthair ach miondealú inscne figiúirí féinmharaithe de réir contae, rud a chiallaíonn nach féidir linn, le cinnteacht ar bith, eitneacht na ndaoine a chuireann lámh ina mbás féin a aithint;
- aithnímid thairis sin dá mbeadh miondealú eitneach figiúirí ar fáil, d'fhéadfaí soláthar cúraim meabhairshláinte a dhíriú ar phobail faoi leith seachas a bheith ag brath ar ráitis dhoiléire agus reitric neamhshonrach;
- luaimid mar shampla an dara staidéar náisiúnta riamh ar thuairimí Taistealaithe a fuair amach go n-aontaíonn 90% go bhfuil fadhbanna meabhairshláinte coitianta i measc an phobail, agus gur baineadh féinmharú do 82% acu;
- glacaimid leis nach féidir tacú leis an staitistic a bhainfeadh geit as duine le fíorúimhreacha maidir le féinmharú sa phobal Taistealaithe agus gur féidir an rud céanna a rá faoina lán grúpaí eitneacha eile ar fud na hÉireann mar ní an t-eolas bainteach againn go díreach;
- aontaímid dá mbeadh eolas mar seo ar fáil, bheadh sé ina bhuntáiste mór do ghníomhaireachtaí rialtais agus d'eagraíochta neamhrialtasacha ionas go mbeadh siad in ann, ar a seal, díriú go speisialta ar shaincheisteanna na meabhairshláinte in Éirinn ionas gurbh fhéidir an buiséad bídeach don mheabhairshláinte a chaitheamh ar réimsí agus ar ghrúpaí is mó atá ina dhíth;
- éilimid miondealú eitneach níos trédhearcaí ar staitisticí féinmharuithe ar fud na hÉireann agus ar an rialtas an fhéidearthacht a fhiosrú maidir le beart mar seo a úsáid le Cróinéirí agus an Phríomh-Oifig Staidrimh.

Cumann Liam Ryan (Baile Átha Luain)

122. Nótálann an Ard-Fheis seo rátaí ardaitheacha droch-mheabhairshláinte i measc daltaí scoile agus mac léinn, le himní, dúlagair agus rátaí féindochar ag leibhéal scanrúla.
Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar an Roinn Oideachais sa Tuaisceart agus ar an Roinn Oideachais agus Scileanna sa Deisceart a bheith ag obair le chéile agus athléimneacht mhothúcháinach a chur chun cinn mar scil saoil atá inaistrithe go fíor, agus í a chur san áireamh mar chuid den churaclam scoile ag gach leibhéal, agus trí seo a dhéanamh an mheabhairshláinte a chur chun cinn i measc daoine óga.
Cumann McCaughey/Saunders (Ard Eoin)
123. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo nach bhfuil roinnt othar a dteastaíonn iontráil ainneonach uathu le haghaidh cabhair mheabhairshláinte ag fáil an chúraim a theastaíonn uathu i bhfráma ama a chinntíonn a sábháilteacht agus a bhfolláine féin chomh maith lena gcúramóirí, a soláthraithe seirbhíse agus an mhórfhobail.
Tarlaíonn seo go minic mar gheall ar chur chuige, nósanna imeachta agus páipéarachas as alt idir na gníomhairí agus na gníomhaireachtaí bainteacha atá páirteach sa phróiseas le hiontrálacha ainneonacha a fháil dóibh siúd atá i gcásanna meabhairshláinte géibheannacha.
Is minic na próisis reatha d'iontrálacha ainneonacha ina gcúis le hothair tacaíochtaí rithábhachtacha a chailleadh, a d'fhéadfadh a bheith faighte acu roimhe sin, leithéid cóiríocht éigeandála nó líonraí tacaíochta grúpa, rud a fhágann baill den tsochaí atá leochaileach cheana féin gan tacaíochtaí nó cabhair struchtúrtha.
Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis reachtaíocht a bheith achtaithe le comhtháthú agus comhpháirtíocht a fheabhsú i gcomhdú iontrálacha ainneonacha meabhairshláinte idir gairmithe cúraim shóisialta, seirbhísí síciatrachta agus dochtúir teaghlaigh agus na Gardaí nuair is gá, le rochtain thráthúil a chinntiú ar sheirbhísí do na daoine a bhfuil cabhair agus cúraim ag teastáil uathu go géar.
Cumann Brett/McLoughlin (Tiobraid Árann Láir)
124. Admhaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo an tábhacht a bhaineann le seirbhís mheabhairshláinte fheabhsaithe agus éilímid go mbainfí úsáid as cuir chuige teiripeacha iomlánaíocha agus nádúrtha agus go dtabharfaí suntas níos mó d'ábhar na meabhairshláinte i gcóras oideachais na hÉireann. In éineacht leis an tábhacht a bhaineann le córas sláinte foriomlán le tabhairt isteach cúram sláinte uilíoch
Cumann Cull/Tymon (an Arignigh)
125. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- fáiltimid roimh dhaingniú Choinbhinsiún NA um Chearta Daonna a bhfuil Míchumas orthu ag an Oireachtas;
 - aithnímid an obair ag a lán gníomhaithe ar fud na hearnála ag fórsáil rialtas na hÉireann faoi dheireadh glacadh leis an ngá le daingniú, agus molaimid go háirithe TD de chuid Shinn Féin, Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, ar a obair gan staonadh thar a lán blianta le cuidiú le daingniú a bhaint amach;
 - aithnímid rith d'aon ghuth rún de chuid Shinn Féin sa Dáil ag tacú le glacadh leis an bPrótacal Roghnach leis an gCoinbhinsiún.
- Ach is oth leis an Ard-Fheis diúltú rialtas na hÉireann an rún a chur i bhfeidhm trí gan glacadh leis an bPrótacal Roghnach, a ceapadh le daingniú an Choinbhinsiún infheidhmithe. Molann an Ard-Fheis seo an feachtas 'Déan Cearta Fíor' a éilíonn go nglacfaí leis an bPrótacal agus infheistíocht i seirbhísí do dhaoine a bhfuil míchumais orthu le deimhniú a gceart faoin gCoinbhinsiún.
*Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae
Cumann Colonel Leonard (Tulaigh Álainn)*
126. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- aithnímid na deacrachtaí a bhíonn ag teaghlaigh a bhfuil leanaí breoite acu ar fud na hÉireann tríd an gclásal 'loco parentis' a bheith forfheidhmithe ag an FSS i gconarthaí altranaís baile do leanaí breoite;
 - measaimid go bhfuil an riachtanas atá sa chlásal sin do thuismitheoirí 'duine inniúil ainmnithe' a chur ar fáil le fanacht ina dteach in éineacht le haltra atá ag tabhairt cúraim dá leanbh ag déanamh cimí de thuismitheoirí ina dtithe féin agus ag déanamh a saoil, atá an-deacair cheana féin, níos deacra fiú.
- Mar sin, éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar rialtas na hÉireann, de réir rún de chuid Shinn Féin a ritheadh d'aon ghuth le deireanas sa Dáil ar chearta míchumais 'an clásal maidir le 'loco parentis' i gconarthaí altranaís baile do pháistí breoite a chur ar ceal láithreach'.
Cumann na Máighe

127. Nótálann an Ard-Fheis seo an tuarascáil 'Power to People' ar chúram sóisialta d'aoisigh sa tuaisceart agus aithnímid an gá bunúsach le comhdhearadh agus comhtháirgeadh nuair atáthar ag tabhairt faoi dhúshláin atá roimh an gcúram sóisialta agus an t-ionchur is féidir a bheith aige maidir le réitigh a sholáthar.

Aithnímid an Ard-Fheis seo an méid ríluachmhar a chuireann cúramóirí lenár sochaí agus éilimid cearta cúramóirí a bheith curtha ar bhonn reachtúil mar a mholtar sa tuarascáil.

*Cumann Dan McAnallen/Tom Clarke (An Bréantar/An Eaglais)
Cumann Sean McCaughey/Aidan McAnespie (Achadh na Cloiche)*

128. Tugann an Ard-Fheis seo faoi deara:

- na buntáistí a bhaineann le feasacht agus seirbhísí oideachais tiomnaithe a bhfuil d'aidhm acu dochar a laghdú dóibh siúd atá gan chosaint ar alcól agus drugaí ag féilte in Éirinn;
- tá an méadú in úsáid drugaí i measc daoine ag féilte ceoil, an chinnteacht go mbainfidh céatadán de na daoine ag freastal ar fhéilte mar seo úsáid as drugaí, agus go bhfuil déantús drugaí mar seo déanta ag daoine nach gcloíonn le haon leibhéal caighdeán sláinte agus sábháilteachta;
- go raibh de thoradh ar 'dhrochbhaisc' ródháileoga, éigeandálaí sláinte agus básanna ag féilte;
- rath an tionscnaimh laghdaithe dochair 'The Loop' ag féilte i mBreatain, a thugann seirbhísí tástála drugaí faoi rún ag féilte ceoil, a thástálann íonacht drugaí, agus a chinntíonn go bhfuil daoine a smaoiníonn ar dhruaí a úsáid níos sábháilte ó dhochar.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- tionscnamh laghdaithe dochair drugaí ag féilte ceoil in Éirinn;
- a leithéid de thionscnamh a bheith ag tairiscint tástáil drugaí agus seirbhísí comhairleoireachta faoi rún ar an láthair ina gcuirfear in iúl do lucht freastail féilte faoi inneachair an tsampla a thugann siad, agus an sampla sin a scrios ina dhiaidh sin.

Cumann Emmett/Mallin (Inse Chór)

129. Fáiltíonn an Ard-Fheis seo le foilsiú thuarascáil Phainéal Pobail Bhéal Feirste Thiar ar Dhruaí, creidimid nach dtosóimid mar shoचाí ag dul i ngleic le sciúirse drugaí inár sochaí ach trí dhialóg reachtúil agus phobail agus éilimid ar cheantair ar fud an oileáin breathnú ar an gcur chuige seo maidir le plé le saincheisteanna a bhaineann le drugaí ina gceantar.

*Comhairle Ceantair na bhFál Uachtair
Cumann Mhic Leannain agus Mhic Bhrádaigh*

130. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- creidimid go bhfuil oideachas maith ina bhloc tógála tábhachtach dár leanaí más mian linn go mbeidh siad in ann a lán-fhéidearthacht a bhaint amach;
- aithnímid gur lean rialtas na Breataine ar aghaidh bliain tar éis bliana ag ciorrú an bhlocdheontais agus gur imir seo tionchar diúltach ar an mbuiséad oideachais;
- éilimid ar rialtas na Breataine, a bhfuil tacaíocht acu ón DUP, éirí as a pholasaí déine atá ag gearradh pionóis ar na daoine is leochailí inár sochaí, ionas go mbeimid in ann a chinntiú go bhfaigheann ár leanaí an tús oideachais is fearr agus is féidir;
- thairis sin, éilimid ar an Roinn Oideachais agus ar an Údarás Oideachais a chinntiú go gcosnaítear na daoine is leochailí, ciallaíonn sé sin:
 - a chinntiú go gcuireann buiséad na scoile san áireamh tearcghnóthachtáil oideachais;
 - an buiséad a chosaint a leithdháiltear do Riachtanais Oideachais Speisialta;
 - a chinntiú go bhfuil ráitis le haghaidh riachtanais speisialta oideachais críochnaithe sa fhráma ama reachtúil, 26 seachtaine;
 - go dtugtar do leanaí a bhfuil riachtanais speisialta oideachais acu an leibhéal oideachais a theastaíonn uathu;
 - go gcosnaítear maoiniú do Bhéilí Saora Scoile;
 - go gcosnaítear maoiniú an Deontais Éide Scoile.
- éilimid ar an Roinn Oideachais sa tuaisceart smacht ar bhuiséid scoile a thabhairt do Bhoird Gobharnóirí;

- athdhearbhaímid ár dtiomantas do chóras oideachais bunaithe ar chomhionannas agus rogha tuismitheoirí, agus éilimid ar scoileanna ceannaireacht a léiriú trí dheireadh a chur le húsáid teisteanna aistrithe agus córas lán-ionchuimsitheach agus neamhroghnaitheach a thógáil chun leasa dár ndaoine óga.

Comhairle Ceantair an Iúir

131. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- an fhíor-imní agus anacair do thuismitheoirí, daltaí agus baill foirne ar fud scoileanna do Riachtanais Speisialta i mBéal Feirste tar éis sceitheadh 'Strategic Area Plan for School Provision 2017-2020' de chuid an Údaráis Oideachais;
- an bealach éigríonna agus tútach inar láimhseáil an tÚdarás Oideachais an scéal agus an chailliúint iontaoibhe agus muiníne uathu siúd in earnáil na riachtanas speisialta;
- obair na laoch is minic nach n-aithnítear a thugann baill foirne a phléann le leanaí a bhfuil riachtanais speisialta acu ar fud an oileáin.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo, dá bhrí sin:

- ar an Údarás Oideachais muinín agus iontaoibh a atógáil le gach páirtí leasmhar bainteach sa phobal riachtanas speisialta sula rachaidh siad ar aghaidh leis an bpróiseas comhairliúcháin;
- ar an Údarás Oideachais teagmháil bhríoch a éascú le scoileanna, tuismitheoirí agus daltaí a ba cheart a bheith ag croílár aon phróiseas comhairliúcháin amach anseo, gan aon mholtaí nó torthaí réamhshocraithe;
- ar an Údarás Oideachais infheistíocht a dhéanamh, ní ciorrú, san earnáil riachtanas speisialta agus díriú ar thorthaí agus ar leas nuair atá soláthar amach anseo á thabhairt chun cinn do leanaí a bhfuil riachtanais speisialta acu.

Comhairle Ceantair Bhéal Feirste Theas & Thoir

132. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- fáiltimid roimh an leasú le deireanas a bhí ag teastáil le fada ar an Education (Admission to Schools) Bill 2016 a thugann cumhacht don Aire iallach a chur ar scoil rang nó ranganna speisialta a oscailt ina bhfuil riachtanas aitheanta ag an gComhairle Náisiúnta do Riachtanais Speisialta do sholáthar mar sin i gceantar;
- aithnímid má thugtar acmhainní cuí go gcomhlánóidh seo na forálacha atá sa Bhille cheana féin a dhéanfaidh foráil le haghaidh cás nach féidir le leanbh ag a bhfuil riachtanais speisialta teacht ar áit scoile, agus ligean don Chomhairle Náisiúnta d'Oideachas Speisialta áit scoile a ainmniú don leanbh;
- comhaontaímid go gcaithfear sna tosca seo acmhainní breise a chur ar fáil lena chinntiú go ndéantar freastal ar leanaí a bhfuil riachtanais speisialta oideachais acu.

Cumann Barnes/McCormack (An Muileann Gearr)

133. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- tacaímid le héiteas reiligiúnach a bhaint ó bhunscoileanna agus ó iar-bhunscoileanna státmhaoinithe sna 26 Chontae;
- creidimid gur chóir gur freagracht tuismitheoirí é teagasc foirmithe creidimh agus gur chóir dó tarlú taobh amuigh d'uaireanta scoile;
- ar mhaithe le comhionannas creidimid gur chóir go mbeadh leanaí atá ag freastal ar scoileanna státmhaoinithe a bheith in ann páirt iomlán a ghlacadh i ngach gné de shaol na scoile agus nár chóir idirdhealú nó leithscaradh a dhéanamh orthu ag clárú dóibh nó i rith an lae scoile bunaithe ar a gcreideamh.

Comhairle Ceantair Cheatharlach/Chill Chainnigh

134. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- go bhfuil os cionn 92% de scoileanna sna 26 Chontae faoi úinéireacht agus/nó faoi bhainistíocht na hEaglaise Caitlicí;
- go bhfuil os cionn 5% de scoileanna sna 26 Chontae faoi úinéireacht agus/nó faoi bhainistíocht Eaglais na hÉireann;
- go bhfuil líon suntasach ospidéal sna 26 Chontae faoi úinéireacht agus/nó faoi bhainistíocht na hEaglaise Caitlicí.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar na hinstiúidí seo na hospidéal agus scoileanna seo, agus an mhaoin faoi seach, a thabhairt ar láimh ar ais don stát.

Ógra Shinn Féin

135. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- cáinimid an iarracht ag Roinn Oideachais an tuaiscirt agus an Údarás Oideachais an Deontas Éide Scoile a chiorrú in 2017, a bhí ina chúis le strus gan ghá do leanaí agus do theaghligh;
- molaimid Sinn Féin as a chinntiú gur cosnaíodh an Deontas Éide Scoile;
- geallaimid feachtas gníomhach leis an deontas éide scoile a chosaint;
- éilimid ar an Roinn Oideachais agus ar an Údarás Oideachais gníomhú chun leasa do leanaí agus a chinntiú go gcosnófar an deontas éide scoile.

Comhairle Ceantair na Banna Uachtair

136. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- nótálaimid le himní treochtaí le deireanas san ardoideachas ina bhfuil margadú méadaithe, bogadh ar shiúl ó oideachas maoinithe go poiblí agus úsáid mhéadaithe conarthaí ócáideacha agus neamhchinnte in institiúidí;
- aithnímid an gá le maoiniú inbhuanaithe d'institiúidí le teagasc agus taighde ar ardchaighdeán a chur ar fáil;
- éilimid trédhearcacht níos mó i mbainistíocht agus i rialáil airgeadais institiúidí lena n-áirítear tuarastail ball sinsearach foirne a thuirisciú agus éilimid thairis sin ar institiúidí a fhaigheann maoiniú poiblí comhaontuithe misin phoiblí a dhéanamh.

Cumann MhigFhinn/Mhic Rodáin/Mhic Dhonnchadha (Cill Ria)

137. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar rialtas na hÉireann deireadh a chur leis an ngá leis an tríú teanga san ardteistiméireacht le fáil isteach ina lán institiúidí in Ollscoil na hÉireann. I scrúdú ceann cúrsa ina ndéantar measúnú ar scoláirí i sé ábhar go díreach, más teangacha iad trí cinn acu (Gaeilge, Béarla agus Francís/Spáinnis/Gearmáinis etc.), sin 50% i dteangacha agus is bac é sin ar scoláirí ag roghnú ábhair Eolaíochta agus TF.

Tá a lán réimsí ann ina bhfuil bearna ollmhór scileanna ag Éirinn agus faoi láthair caithfidh gnólachtaí fógraí a chur thar sáile leis na mílte folúntas a líonadh. Tá an ganntanas scileanna seo mar gheall cuid mhór ar an bhfíric go gcaithfidh scoláirí acadúla staidéar a dhéanamh ar an tríú teanga sa mheánscoil agus, mar sin, cuireann sin teorainn ar an bhféidearthacht go mbeidh siad in ann na hábhair eolaíochta agus TF a luaitear thuas a roghnú. Is iad seo na hábhair a bhfuil ár ngeilleagar sa 21ú haois tógtha timpeall orthu.

Cumann Chora Droma Rúisc

138. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo aitheantas uilíoch ar gach cáilíocht acadúil, lena n-áirítear A-Leibhéil agus Ardteistiméireacht ar bhonn comhionann, ó institiúidí oideachais tríú leibhéal ar fud na hÉireann nuair atá scoláirí ag cur isteach ar áiteanna ollscoile.

Ógra Shinn Féin

139. An Ard-Fheis seo an cruatan a bhí ar theaghligh agus ar mhic léinn ar fud an stáit mar gheall ar an scéim iompair scoile a tugadh isteach sna 26 contae;

- Molann an Ard-Fheis obair urlabhraithe reatha agus roimhe seo chun an cheist seo a shoiléiriú agus moltaí a chur chun tosaigh sa cháipéis "Córas Iompair Scoile Níos Sábhailte"
- Aithníonn ach go háirithe go bhfuil an scoil maidir leis an scoil is cóngaraí dolúbtha agus nach léiríonn sé an réadúlacht le haghaidh pobail tuaithe mar ar minic a bhíonn mic léinn ag freastal ar an scoil bunaithe ar cheantar traidisiúnta na scoile, lena n-áirítear teorainneacha paróiste
- Creideann nár cheart go mbeadh ar mhic léinn freastal ar scoil éagsúil ó shiblí, comharsana agus iar-pháirtithe ranga mar gheall ar an riail maidir leis an scoil is cóngaraí
- Éilíonn ar an Rialtas maolú a thabhairt isteach ón riail maidir leis an scoil is cóngaraí nuair is léir go ndearna an scoil freastal traidisiúnta ar an bpobal ina bhfuil an leanbh ina chónaí

Cumann Leo Casey/Matt Devlin (Baile Uí Mhatháin)

140. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo go bhfuil neamhréireacht mhór i ndaoradh do chuireanna dáiríre, go háirithe do chuireanna gnéasacha, agus baineann seo as faoi mhuintir an phobail sa phrós bhreithiúnach, fágann sé tráma ar íospartaigh agus is féidir leis cur i gcoinne íospartaigh coiriúlachta teacht chun tosaigh. Go han-mhíoch is léir nach bhfuil an daor oiriúnach don choir, le roinnt ciontóirí coiriúla ag fáil pianbheitheanna ar fionraí nó pianbheitheanna gairide.

Mar sin, éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo go dtabharfaí isteach, i reachtaíocht, treoirlínte daortha a thabharfadh breac-chuntas ar conas ba chóir pianbheith a áireamh, agus cén meáchan ba chóir a thabhairt ar son aon imthosca géaraitheacha nó maolaithe. Bheadh d'oibleagáid ar an mbreitheamh aird a bheith aige/aici ar na treoirlínte seo, ag cumhdach ag an am céanna neamhspleáchas breithiúnach – faoin mbreitheamh a bheadh an cinneadh deiridh i gcónaí.

Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae

141. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- aithnímid an easnamh cuntasachta reatha maidir le póilíneacht sna sé chontae de thoradh ar gan aon ionadaithe páirtithe polaitiúla a bheith ar an mBord Póilíneachta;
 - cuirimid ar taifead ár n-ímní maidir leis an neamhábaltacht reatha baill nua a cheapadh ar an mBord Póilíneachta ón bpróiseas earcaíochta le deireanas, ag laghdú, mar sin, ballraíocht an eagrais seo go dtí leibhéal do-fheidhmithe;
 - aithnímid go bhfuil seo ag tarlú ag am nuair atá ábhair ímní dháiríre á gcur in iúl maidir le treochtaí reatha sna 6 chontae i leith ró-bhéim ar an gceann crua den phóilíneacht agus ábhair ímní agus tosaíochta na bpobal áitiúil thíos leis, chomh maith le chur chuige SPTÉ i leith príomh-shaincheisteanna oidhreachta.
 - aithnímid go dtarraingíonn seo aird ar an ngá le Bord Póilíneachta éifeachtach agus ionadaíocht a athbhunú, in ann na péas a choinneáil go hiomlán cuntasach;
 - tacaímid le réadú an riachtanais seo trí bhaill pholaitiúla a cheapadh ar Bhord Póilíneachta athbhunaithe faoi rogha gach páirtí atá i gceist agus ag úsáid chóras ionadaíochta d'Hondt.
- Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 6 Chontae*
142. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- aithnímid go bhfuil eagraíocht an Gharda Síochána, agus ag éileamh athchóiriú radacach;
 - cuirimid in iúl ár n-ímní maidir leis an gcaidreamh idir An Roinn Dlí agus Cirt An Garda Síochána agus éilimid níos mó trédhearcachta agus gairmiúlachta a bheith ann ina leith seo sa phróiseas a bhaineann le athchóiriú ar conas a fheidhmíonn an dá struchtúr agus a idirghníomhaíonn siad le chéile;
 - éilimid go dtabharfaí don Gharda Síochána na hacmhainní le cur chuige níos réamhghníomhaí, feiceálach a ghlacadh i leith na póilíneachta, le fócas ar leith ar phóilíneacht sa phobal bunaithe ar dháimh agus ar dhea-chaidreamh leo siúd a chónaíonn sna pobail seo;
 - aithnímid an ról is féidir le Tionscadail Athstíúrtha Ógánach na nGardaí agus Gardaí Pobail thiomanta a imirt sa phóilíneacht réamhghníomhach.
- Grúpa Parlaiminteach na 26 Chontae*
143. Comhaontaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo gur chóir daoradh íosta éigeantach a thabhairt isteach ar son ionsaithe ar gach oibrí seirbhíse éigeandála sna 26 Chontae – lena n-áirítear otharcharr, an tseirbhís dóiteáin, Gardaí agus Custaim.
- Ba chóir daoradh a bheith bunaithe ar an reachtaíocht reatha – an tAcht um Chionta Neamh-Mharfacha in Aghaidh an Duine 1997 – Alt 2 – lonsaí – athraithe go 6 mhí ar a laghad: Alt 3 – lonsaí is cúis le díobháil a dhéanamh – athraithe go 12 mhí ar an laghad: Alt 4 – lonsaí is cúis le díobháil thromchúiseach a dhéanamh. – athraithe go 5 mhí ar an laghad:
- Cumann French/Doyle Baile Sheáin (an Uaimh)*
144. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo go bhfuil coireacht ghnéis an-tromchúiseach go deo agus go mbíonn tionchar fadtréimhseach acu ar an íospartach, ar an teaghlach, ar chairde agus ar an mórphobal.
- Tá polasaithe ag teastáil uainn chun athchiontú a chosc, agus chun sábháilteacht an phobail a chinntiú, polasaithe atá éifeachtach, agus comhréireach.
- Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo, dá bhrí sin:
- Bearta méadaithe chun athchóiriú a chosc, lena n-áirítear acmhainní breise chun monatóireacht a mhéadú orthu siúd go léir a fuarthas ciontach in athchionta gnéasacha tromchúiseacha lena n-áirítear; mí-úsáid ghnéasach leanaí, péidifíliá agus éigniú;
 - gaireas clibeála leictreonaí a úsáid ar mhaithe le monatóireacht a dhéanamh ar láthair ciontóirí gnéasacha tromchúiseacha agus faireachas a dhéanamh orthu nuair a bhíonn sé riachtanach, comhréireach agus dlísteanaigh, agus de réir Mholtaí Chomhairle na hEorpa ar an Monatóireacht Leictreonach
 - Bearta breise lena chinntiú go tacaíocht níos fearr ag íospartaigh roimh, le linn agus i ndiaidh trialach, lena n-áirítear bearta maidir le neamhainmníocht agus ionadaíocht sa chúirt.
 - Éilíonn ar an Aire Dlí agus Cirt amharc ar na ceisteanna seo agus athbhreithniú á dhéanamh aige ar Chion Gnéasach
- Cumann Diarmuid O'Neill/Donncha de Barra (Bardas Thoir Theas)*
145. Nótálann an Ard-Fheis seo tuarascáil na Cigireachta Ceartais Choiriúil ar Phríosún Maigh gCabraí agus éilímid feidhmiú iomlán mholtaí na tuarascála.
- Cumann Barney McFadden (Glas-stiall)*
146. San Ard-Fheis seo:
- nótálaimid gur bhain an tAire Dlí agus Cirt sna 26 Chontae in 2015 ar shiúl an chosaint ceartú réasúnach do thuismitheoirí a thugann pionós corpartha dá leanaí;
 - éilimid go mbainfí ar shiúl an chosaint seo sna Sé Chontae;
 - éilimid thairis sin níos mó tacaíochta agus treorach a bheith ann do thuismitheoirí maidir le bealaí difriúla agus níos dearfaí lena leanbh a smachtú.
- Cumann Clonard Martyrs*

Ag seasamh suas ar son Thuath na hÉireann

147. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnímid go n-éilíonn an Rural Needs Act ar ranna rialtais sa tuaisceart "aird chuí a bheith acu ar riachtanais shóisialta agus eacnamaíocha daoine i gceantair thuaithe" i ngach cinnteoireacht;
- fáiltímid roimhe gur comhtháthaíodh Prionsabail Brown i dtreoirilínte Profála Tuaithe;
- éilímid go gcuirfí reachtaíocht chomhchosúil i bhfeidhm sa deisceart;
- éilímid go mbeidh gach polasaí páirtí tuathphrofáilte le cothromaíocht agus cothroime a chinntiú do cheantair thuaithe le haird chuí maidir le hinfreastruchtúr agus infheistíocht.

*Comhairle Ceantair na hÓmaí
Cúige Lár na Tíre/Iarthuaiscirt*

Cumann Mulrennan/Coen (Bealach an Doirín)

148. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo gurb é is aidhm do Pholasaí Shinn Féin ar Thalmhaíocht agus ar Bhia an fheirm theaghlaigh a dhéanamh rathúil agus tionscal feirmeoireachta a choinneáil a thugann gairmeacha beatha agus slí mhaireachtála d'fhir agus do mhná Éireannacha, lena n-áirítear iad siúd sa chéad ghlúin eile ba chóir a bheith in ann leanúint ar aghaidh leis an traidisiún bródúil agraibhia ar an oileán seo.

Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo:

- reachtaíocht náisiúnta agus AE le cosc a chur ar tháirgí a dhíol faoin gcostas táirgthe;
- díolfar an táirge ar an laghad ag an bpraghas ceannaigh móide 10%;
- ní bheidh miondíoltóirí in ann lascaine a thabhairt ar tháirge níos mó ná 34% dá phraghas;
- ní bheidh na praghsanna a fhaigheann feirmeoirí ar son a dtáirgí níos lú ná an costas táirgthe agus beidh siad de réir costas fritháirimh táirgthe ag céatadán íosta socraithe ráta brabúis ag cinntiú inbhuanaitheacht fhadtéarmach;
- deireadh leis na difríochtaí móra sa Scéim um Íocaíocht Bhunúsach trí ghlacadh le ráta cothrom íocaíochta agus teorainn ag leibhéal AE;
- rialacha a choiscfidh gnólachtaí móra nach bhfuil baint dhíreach acu leis an bhfeirmeoireacht ó thairbhe a bhaint as íocaíochtaí móra;
- íocaíocht iomlán in am íocaíochtaí Bunúsacha le feirmeoirí gach bliain i mí Deireadh Fómhair.

Cumann Brett/McLoughlin (Tiobraid Árinn Láir)

149. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo na deacrachtaí airgeadais atá roimh a lán daoine sa phobal feirmeoireachta agus na saincheistanna leanúnacha a bhaineann le híocaíochtaí GLAS do Chomhshaol na Talmhaíochta, éilímid ar an Roinn Talmhaíochta:

- a chinntiú go mbeidh íocaíochtaí GLAS á n-íoc amach sa bhliain ábhartha;
- córas a chur i bhfeidhm a laghdaíonn maorlathas agus a cheadaíonn cigireachtaí ar bhealach a chuireann san áireamh réaltacht na feirmeoireachta.

Cumann Noble Six/Fr. O'Flanagan/MacManus (Baile Shligigh)

150. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- cuirimid in iúl imní le plean na Roinne Talmhaíochta, Comhshaoil agus Gnóthaí Tuaithe (RGCGT) deireadh a chur le tacaíocht do Limistéir faoi Shrianta Náisiúnta (LSN);
- nótálaimid go mbeadh drochthionchar aige seo ar fheirmeoirí i Limistéir faoi Mhíbhuntáiste Géar;
- éilímid ar an RTCGT an cinneadh seo a athbhreithniú agus Measúnú Tionchair Comhionannais iomlán a dhéanamh.

Comhairle Ceantair na hÓmaí

151. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar rialtas na hÉireann talamh talmhaíochta a cheannach ar mhaithe le talamh ar gach méid a ligean ar cíos, ó gharraithe scóir pobail go feirmeacha oibre d'fheirmeoirí ag tosú amach.

Thairis sin, éilímid ar an stát talamh a bheith ina sheilbh aige ar mhaithe le caomhnú fodair lena chinntiú go bhfuil soláthar éigeandála fodair ann má bhíonn géarchéim fodair ag Éirinn arís amach anseo.

Cumann Robert Byrne (Cathair Luimnigh Thoir)

152. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo an gá leis na dlíthe a bhaineann le leas madraí in Éirinn a athchóiriú, lena n-áirítear athchóiriú reachtaíocht maidir le eagraíochtaí póraithe madraí. Éilimid go gcuirfí seo san áireamh san obair leanúnach a bhaineann le polasaí leasa ainmhithe Shinn Féin a thiomsú agus ba chóir d'aon reachtaíocht athchóirithe na nithe seo a leanas a chur san áireamh:
- laghdú i líon na mbitsí póraithe atá incheadaithe ar aon áitreabh póraithe;
 - cigireacht neamhspleách le hacmhainní cuí a bhunú a dhéanfadh cigireachtaí gan fógra;
 - rialúcháin nua le tabhairt faoi fhógairt coileán ar líne;
 - infheistíocht i bhforfheidhmiú in éineacht le pionóis níos déine agus feachtas oideachais poiblí ar leas ainmnithe a rolladh amach.

Cumann Drumm/Doherty/Clarke

153. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar rialtas na hÉireann stad láithreach den pholasaí dian athfhoraoisithe, mar a ghlaoitear air, atá á leanúint ina lán áiteanna in Éirinn ina chruth reatha, agus aithnímid:
- go bhfuil cleachtas na plandála monashaothraithe, go príomha an Sprús Sitceach, chun dochair d'éiceolaíocht, bithéagsúlacht agus cáilíocht uisce na gceantar a plandáladh;
 - tá sé ríthábhachtach go gcuirfí i bhfeidhm múnlaí le haghaidh foraoisiú inbhuanaithe, foraoiseacht clúdaigh leanúnaigh agus agraifhoraoiseacht nuair is cuí, le stad a chur le bánú na tuaithe agus é a iompú thart fiú.

Molann an Ard-Fheis seo an polasaí foraoisithe a athrú, ionas go mbeidh níos mó speiceas leathanduilleogach dúchasach i ngach plandáil; go gcuirfí fóirdheontais níos airde i bhfeidhm ar choillearnach dhuillsilteach agus go gcaithfí staidéir ar thionchar comhshaoil agus socheacnamaíoch a dhéanamh ar phlandálacha níos mo.

Cumann Chora Droma Rúisc

154. Creideann an Ard-Fheis seo gur chóir earnáil saothraithe ceilpe inbhuanaithe, dhúchasach agus faoi cheannaireacht an phobail agus chuirimis ar bun córas ceadúnaithe láidir agus daonlathach le slí a thabhairt dó. Creideann Sinn Féin gur taisce náisiúnta iad ár bhforaoiseacha ceilpe agus ní le haghaidh brabús a dhéanamh ag comhlachtaí ilnáisiúnta. Ar an gcúis seo creideann Sinn Féin i mbainistiú agus i saothrú inbhuanaithe na bhforaoiseacha ceilpe seo, faoi réir rialáil an phobail.

Cumann Healy/Howard (an Chabrach Thoir)

155. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo an fhéidearthacht le haghaidh fostaíochta agus leas eacnamaíoch an do Bharshaothraithe inbhuanaithe mar thionscadal dúchasach agus dá mbeimis i rialtas mhaoineoimis tacaíocht d'oiliúint agus d'fhorbairt san earnáil seo.

Ag aithint tionchar suntasach comhshaoil roinnt cineálacha feirmeoireachta éis, go háirithe maidir le bradán, tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo le:

- feirmeoireacht éisc intíre córais iata a fhorbairt, mar laghdaíonn sé an riosca éalaithe, ligeann sé níos mó smachta ar an timpeallacht, tuairisciú níos fearr agus smacht níos fearr ar cheimiceáin;
- níor chóir d'fheirmeoireacht éisc san fharraige amuigh tarlú ach sna háiteanna is foscúla agus is sábháilte, ag íoslaghdú na contúirtí go n-éalóidh stoc agus le cúram mór do thimpeallacht an chósta;
- mapáil íogaireachta spásúla a úsáid le deiseanna a aithint le haghaidh feirmeoireacht éisc nach dtagann salach ar chosaint comhshaoil;
- comhairliúcháin phobail a chaithfidh a bheith lárnach d'fhorbairt do Bharshaothraithe agus dhéanfaimis athbhreithniú ar an gcur chuige ceadúnaithe lena chinntiú nach bhfuil tionchar diúltach pobail nó comhshaoil ag aon fheisteas do Bharshaothraithe.

Agus comórtas neamhshiméadrach na hearnála seo leis an Áise san áireamh, agus go háirithe iasc saor atá ag dul i líonmhaire ón tSín, tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo le feirmeoireacht éisc ar ardchaighdeán, atá inbhuanaithe agus a bhfuil ardleibhéal leasa ag baint léi a fhorbairt in Éirinn. Tacaíonn Sinn Féin chomh maith le lipéadú éisc a ndearnadh feirmeoireacht orthu i dtáirgí éisc agus creidimid gur chóir cosc a chur ar chothú géinmhodhnaithe a úsáid.

Cumann Comerford/Adrien (Mullach íde/Port Mearnóg)

Breathimeacht agus Dlúthpháirtíocht Idirnáisiúnta

156. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- aithnímid na gealltanais déanta ag rialtas na Breataine agus an AE in Alt 49 den Chomhthuarascáil agus a rinneadh arís sa Phrótacal sa Chomhaontú um Tharraingt Siar;
- nótálaimid go gcuireann seo chun tosaigh rogha 'cúlstop' a choinníonn tuaisceart na hÉireann san Aontas Custaim agus i gcodanna suntasacha den Mhargadh Aonair;
- tá imní orainn nach gclúdaíonn seo an Margadh Aonair go léir, ag fágáil amach seirbhíse, rud a bheidh ina chúis le deacrachtaí suntasacha do ghnólachtaí agus do dhaoine atá ag maireachtáil ar an teorainn agus níos faide i gcéin;
- nótálaimid go bhfuil rialtas na Breataine agus an DUP ag loiceadh ar an gcomhaontú comhréitigh seo i mí na Nollag fiú;
- ag aithint nach dtéann an rogha 'cúlstop' fada go leor éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo go dtabharfaí do mhuintir an tuaiscirt an ceart rogha a dhéanamh cé acu Aontas a roghnódh siad a bheith mar chuid de trí Reifreann ar Aontas na hÉireann;
- éilímíd ar rialtas na hÉireann tacú leis an seasamh gur chóir Reifreann ar Aontas na hÉireann a thabhairt chun cinn de réir Chomhaontú Aoine an Chéasta.

Ard-Chomhairle

157. Aithníonn an Ard-Fheis seo na gealltanais déanta sna caibidlí ar Brexit (an Comhthuarascáil agus an Dréacht-Chomhaontú) go dtairbheoidh saoránaigh Éireannacha sa tuaisceart fós de chearta, deiseanna agus buntáistí mar shaoránaigh AE, go bhfeidhmeoidh siad iad agus go mbeidh rochtain acu orthu fós:

- aithnímid a n-áirítear ar an gcorpas ceart seo cearta daonlathacha i.e. an ceart vóta a chaitheamh agus seasamh mar iarrthóirí i dtoghcháin AE;
- nótálaimid gurb é an chéad teist ar cé acu a sheasfar nó nach sheasfar leis na gealltanais seo toghcháin AE i Meitheamh 2019;
- tá imní orainn má theipeann ar an teist seo go dtabharfaidh sé fasach neamh-inmhianaithe maidir le conas a fheidhmítear gach ceart eile do shaoránaigh Éireannacha sa tuaisceart.

Agus sinn ag tacú le cearta shaoránach Éireannach sa tuaisceart, éilíonn an Ard-Fheis:

- a ceart vóta a chaitheamh i dtoghcháin AE do shaoránaigh Éireannacha sa tuaisceart;
- a ceart seasamh i dtoghcháin AE do shaoránaigh Éireannacha sa tuaisceart;
- a ceart ar ionadaíocht in institiúidí AE.

Ard-Chomhairle

Comhairle Ceantair an Dúin Theas

Comhairle Ceantair Dhoire

158. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- cuirimid i gcoinne liostaí trasnáisiúnta a chruthú nach ndéanfaidh ach cumhacht a bhogadh ar shiúl a thuilleadh ó shaoránaigh isteach i lámha na mballstát níos mó agus a bheith ina chúis le laghdú cuntasachta;
- ceapaimid gur mór an náire aidhmeanna an Choimisiúin buiséad Frontex a mhéadú de 30% agus taighde ar chosaint a mhéadú go níos mó ná €2bn a fhad is go bhfuil ciorruithe á ndéanamh ar chlár shóisialta agus ar fhóirdheontais talmhaíochta;
- diúltaímid a thuilleadh go láidir gluaiseacht i dtreo aontas míleata, aon chinneadh smacht ar theorainneacha inmheánacha a thabhairt do Frontex agus daingniú na hEorpa thar chur chun cinn clár sóisialta agus straitéisí ionchuimsitheacha;
- éilímíd stad ar phlé faoi, agus do rialtas na hÉireann a thacaíocht a tharraingt siar do, Chúirt Infheistíochta Iltaobhach a bhunú. Tá an fhéidearthacht ag Cúirt mar seo Bunreacht na hÉireann a shárú, agus tionchar míchuí a thabhairt do chorparáidigh ar reachtaíocht chun leasa don phobal;
- cuirimid béim ar an ngá le díospóireacht náisiúnta ar Chlár Oibre Saorthrádála Choimisiún na hEorpa, atá ag bailiú luais, athdhearbhaímid go bhfuil an fhéidearthacht ag luas, doimhne agus tionchar carnach caibidlí leanúnacha agus a cuireadh i gcrích le deireanas le dochar tromchúiseach a dhéanamh ar thionscail intíre, caighdeán chomhshaoil a ísliú, a bheith ina chúis le níos mó comhchruinnithe agus, mar sin, éagobhsaíocht san earnáil airgeadais, agus tionchair dhíobhálacha a bheith aige ar fhostaíocht faoin tuath;

- éilimid tionscnaimh atá san áireamh sa Chairt Shóisialta Eorpach a bheith léirithe i reachtaíocht agus pleanáil bhuiséadach seachas a bheith ionsaithe de shíor agus coinníollacha a bheith leagtha síos dóibh i gcoinne an tSeimeastair Eorpaigh agus srianta eile maidir le hairgeadas agus léirscaoileadh;
- diúltaímid d'aon chiorruithe ar bhuiséad an Chomhbheartais Talmhaíochta;
- cáinimid caime Choimisiún na hEorpa ag tabhairt chun cinn Comhaontaithe Gaolmhara, lena n-áirítear comhaontuithe maidir le comhroinnt sonraí, le réimis a dhéanann leatrom córasach ar a saoránaigh féin agus a ghearrann foréigean; éilimid thairis sin deireadh le comhpháirteachas AE i sárú cearta daonna imirceach agus teifeach;
- nótlaimid tar éis Brexit gur chóir béim níos mó a bheith ar riachtanais tíortha agus réigiún atá ar imeall an AE; is gá go mbaineann seo le naisc iompair croí-líonra agus tionscadail chomhleasa a ath-shainmhíniú, na critéir le hiarratas a dhéanamh ar réimsí eile maoinithe, agus sainphribhléid rialtas na hÉireann díolúine a bheith acu nó éirí as reachtaíocht ag a mbeadh tionchar neamhchothrom ar thíortha imeallacha seachas ilchríochacha;
- creidimid nach bhfuil todhchaí ag an AE gan aghaidh a thabhairt ar an díomá atá tar éis fás tar éis blianta de pholasaithe déine faoi cheannas na Bruiséile agus bearna rachmais dingthe níos leithne ag polasaithe nualíobrála seirbhísí poiblí a phríobháidiú agus an earnáil phríobháideach a dhírialáil.

Cumann Kevin Barry (Cam an Bhua)

159. Cuireann an Ard-Fheis seo beannachtaí dlúthpháirtíochta chuig muintir na Palaistíne atá ag maireachtáil faoi fhorghabháil nó ar deoraíocht agus cáinimid:
- forghabháil leanúnach, mhailíseach agus shíoraí thalamh Palaistíneach;
 - cinneadh Riarachán SAM an Iarúsailéim Thoir a aithint mar phríomhchathair Iosrael;
 - na maruithe agus na gortuithe a rinne saighdiúirí Iosraelacha le deireanas ar shaoránaigh Phalaistíneacha ar 'Mhórshíúil an Fhillte';
 - úsáid gach birt leatromaigh ag Iosrael in éadan mhuintir na Palaistíne.
- Éilimid ar Iosrael:
- gach rún NA atá le feidhmiú ag fheidhmiú agus an dlí idirnáisiúnta a fhorfheidhmiú;
 - caibidlí ionchuimsitheacha a thosú le gach ionadaí de mhuintir na Palaistíne bunaithe ar cheart mhuintir na Palaistíne a bheith ina stát.
- Agus éilimid thairis sin
- ambasadóir Iosrael go hÉirinn a dhíbirt mar agóid i gcoinne ionsaitheacht leanúnach Iosrael;
 - aitheantas foirmiúil ag rialtas na hÉireann ar stát na Palaistíne ar bhunús teorainneacha 1967 leis an Iarúsailéim Thoir mar phríomhchathair aige.

Tacaíonn an Ard-Fheis seo, ag comóradh 70 bliain ón Nakba, le comhaontú idir gach ionadaí Palaistíneach, ag cur deireadh le scoilteanna polaitiúla agus ag forbairt straitéis le haghaidh cur chun cinn chúis na Palaistíne, ag cruthú coinníollacha le haghaidh dialóg athnuaite agus comhthionscnamh nua idirnáisiúnta le próiseas síochána díbheo an Mheánoirthir a athbheochan.

Ard-Chomhairle

*Comhairle Ceantair Chúil Raithin
Cumann Liam Dignam (Clóirtheach)*

160. Creideann an Ard-Fheis seo gur chóir do Shinn Féin, a fhad is atá rialtas Iosrael ag úsáid polasaithe apartheid, leatrom agus coilíniú ina fhorghabháil ar an bPalaistín, aird a thabhairt ar an nglao ó shochar shibhialta na Palaistíne tacaíocht iomlán a thabhairt d'fheachtas BDS. Áirítear leis seo gan bualadh le haon ghrúpa ó rialtas Iosrael go dtí go n-iarrfaidh ionadaithe na Palaistíne go ndéanfar é, nó go dtacóidh siad leis.

Cumann Martin McGuinness (Taobh an Bhogaigh)

Cumann Ruth Hackett (Maigh Nuad)

Cúige Bhaile Átha Cliath

161. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- cuirimid beannachtaí dlúthpháirtíochta go muintir Náisiún na Palaistíne;
- athdhearbháimid ár bpolasaí tacú leis an ngluaiseacht um Baghcat, Dífheistiú agus Smachtbhannaí;
- tacaímid leis an nGluaiseacht BDS agus, amach anseo, ní bheidh cruinnithe nó comhdhálacha ag Sinn Féin a thairgeann táirgí atá ar an liosta BDS gan rudaí eile a thairiscint.

Cumann Joe McManus (an Garastún)

162. Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar RTÉ, (agus, más gá, rialtas na hÉireann), agus ar chraoltóirí Eorpacha eile, baghcat a dhéanamh ar Chomórtas Amhrán na hEoraifíse atá le bheith san Iosrael nó in Iarúsailéim Thoir atá forghafa an bhliain seo chugainn, i bhfianaise sárúithe leanúnacha géara Iosrael ar an dlí idirnáisiúnta agus ar an dlí idirnáisiúnta daonnúil; marú d'aon turas ag fórsaí armtha Iosraelacha agóideoirí agus iriseoirí neamharmtha; críocha Palaistíneacha a ghabh Iosrael i gcoimhlint mhíleata a shealbhú go mídhleathach agus a ionchorprú isteach san Iosrael; glanadh eitneach leanúnach chónaitheoirí na gcríocha seo ag Iosrael; polasaithe apartheid atá á gcur i bhfeidhm níos mó agus níos mó ar chónaitheoirí chríocha forghafa na Palaistíne ag Iosrael; leatrom ar chónaitheoirí Palaistíneacha in Iosrael; agus an léigear atá á fhorfheidhmiú ag Iosrael ar an gcríoch Palaistíneach, Gaza.

Cumann Mick Murray (Cluain Tarbh)

Cumann John Joe Sheehy (Trá Lí)

163. Nótálann an Ard-Fheis seo:

- ar an 17 Deireadh Fómhair 2011 bhí comhdháil idirnáisiúnta le haghaidh réiteach na coimhlinte i dTír na mBascach in Donostia/San Sebastian, ina raibh iar-Ard-Rúnaí NA, Kofi Annan, agus iar-Uachtarán Shinn Féin, Gerry Adams, TD;
- ó shin tá fógartha ag ETA stad deifnídeach gníomhaíochtaí, chuir siad i gcrích a ndí-armáil, ghabh siad leithscéal as an ngortú a rinne siad, agus d'fhógair gur chuir siad deireadh deifnídeach lena n-eagraíocht.

Déanann an Ard-Fheis seo mar sin:

- a éileamh ar rialtas na Spáinne agus na Fraince aitheantas a thabhairt don deis gan réamhshampla atá anois ann don réigiún Bascach bogadh chun cinn ón gcoimhlint, i dtreo próiseas síochána buan daonlathach a fhorbairt;
- áitímid ar rialtas na Spáinne agus na Fraince freagairt go fial, a bheith go hiomlán páirteach sa phróiseas síochána, agus bearta substainteacha tógála muiníne a thabhairt chun cinn lena n-áirítear maidir le cimití polaitiúla Bascacha a aistriú agus an chaoi a gcaitear leo.

Ard-Chomhairle

164. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- cáinimid ionchúiseamh Stát na Spáinne ar ghníomhaithe ón tsochaí sibhialta, gníomhaithe polaitiúla, Comhaltaí Parlaiminte, Ceann Comhairle na Parlaiminte, agus Airí Catalónacha sa Chatalóin;
- cuirimid dlúthpháirtíocht chuig na gníomhaithe ón tsochaí sibhialta agus na hionadaithe polaitiúla seo go léir a bhfuil ionchúiseamh á dhéanamh orthu de bhrí go dtacaíonn siad le neamhspleáchas agus féintreorú na Catalóine. Éilímid go scaoilfear saor na cimití polaitiúla, go ligfear dóibh ata ar deoraíocht filleadh abhaile, agus éilímid go ligfear titim do na cúisimh ghéara atá ina n-éadan;
- éilímid ar rialtas na Spáinne iompú óna chur chuige achrannach agus ghríosaitheach agus, seachas sin, a bheith páirteach i gcaibidlí ina bhfuil eadráin idirnáisiúnta le rialtas na Catalóine le teacht ar bhealach chun tosaigh atá inghlactha trí dhialóg ionchuimsitheach.
- athdhearbháimid aitheantas Shinn Féin ar chearta mhuintir na Catalóine ar an bhféintreorú agus don Chatalóine a todhchaí féin a shocrú.

Cumann Smith/Farrell/Griffith (an Rinn/Sráid an Phiarsaigh)

165. San Ard-Fheis seo:

- nótálaimid go bhfuil Raúl Castro i ndiaidh éirí as mar Uachtarán Chúba agus go bhfuil Miguel Díaz-Canel tofa ag Cúba le bheith ar an 19ú Uachtarán ar Chúba;
- molaimid Raúl Castro ar a Uachtaránacht rathúil agus a thiomantas ar feadh a shaoil do réabhlóid Chúba;
- cuirimid ár gcomhghairdeas in iúl do Miguel Díaz-Canel agus guímid gach rath air;
- athdhearbháimid dlúthpháirtíocht Shinn Féin le Cúba agus lena muintir;

- athdhearbhaímid ár n-éileamh ar SAM a imshuí mídhleathach ar Chúba a thógáil go haontaobhach agus go hiomlán, agus lena chaidreamh le Cúba a normalú.
Cumann Smith/Farrell/Griffith (an Rinn/Sráid an Phiarsaigh)
166. Nótálann an Ard-Fheis seo, ó síníodh Comhaontú Síochána na Colóime i Samhain 2016 go bhfuil méadú i líon na gcosantóirí ceart daonna, ceannairí pobail, gníomhaithe polaitiúla, iarbhaill FARC agus a dteaghlaigh atá á marú. Is bagairt mhór iad na hionsaithe agus na maruithe seo ar phróiseas síochána na Colóime.
Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis seo ar rialtas na Colóime a chinntiú go léirítear meas ar chearta daonna agus ar an bpróiseas daonlathach, agus go gcuirfidh siad i gcrích go hiomlán a dtaobhsan den chomhaontú síochána, agus marfóirí na ngníomhaithe seo a thabhairt os comhair na cúirte.
Cumann Elizabeth O'Farrell (Portobello/Sráid Chaoimhín)
167. Creideann an Ard-Fheis seo gur céim ar gcúl a bhí sna hionsaithe aeir le deireanas ag SAM, an Bhreatain agus an Fhrainc sa tSiria agus cuirimid in aghaidh aon idirghabhálachas míleata eile sa tír.
Éilíonn an Ard-Fheis ar an gcomhphobal idirnáisiúnta brú a chur le haghaidh réiteach síochánta polaitiúil ar an gcoimhlint sa tSiria, éilímid fíor-dhialóg agus athmhuintearas faoi cheannas mhuintir na Siria a ligeann dóibh a chomhaontú cé a bheidh i gceannas ar a dtír feasta, saor ó idirghabháil dhiúltach choimhthíoch agus aistarraingt láithreach fhórsaí armtha na Tuirce ó limistéir ina bhfuil tromlach Coirdíneach i Siria Thuaidh.
Cuireann an Ard-Fheis seo dlúthpháirtíocht in iúl do ghrúpaí Coirdíneacha agus do ghrúpaí polaitiúla gaolmhar leo sa Chordastáin Thiar (an tSiria Thuaidh) atá ag troid leis an daonlathas agus an comhionannas a chosaint in Rojava agus i gceantair eile.
Cumann Markievicz/Tadhg Barry (Bardaí Thiar Thuaidh/Láir)
Cumann Eamonn Lafferty (an Creagán)
168. Cáineann an Ard-Fheis seo mí-úsáid cearta daonna ag údaráis Éigipteacha, mar ar fhulaing oibrithe agus ceardchumannaithe trialacha míleata míchothroma, gabháil threallach, agus dífhostú agus bearta smachta eile díreach as a gceart a úsáid stailc a dhéanamh agus ceardchumainn neamhspleácha a bhunú.
Cumann Dunne/Kelly/Whitty (Baile Loch Garman)
169. Leanann an Ard-Fheis seo ar aghaidh ag tacú leis an gcime polaitiúil Meiriceánach Dúchasach Leonard Peltier atá sa 43ú bliain dó i bpríosún, atá 73 bliana d'aois agus a bhfuil a shláinte go dona. Éilímid ar na Stáit Aontaithe comhbhá a léiriú agus Leonard Peltier a scaoileadh saor.
Cumann Carroll/Ashe (an Chabhrach)
170. Tá an-imní ar an Ard-Fheis seo faoi staid na gceart daonna i Hondúras, atá ag dul in olcas, go háirithe ó bhí an toghchán uachtaránachta conspóideach i Samhain 2016, ina raibh a lán mírialtachtaí. Cáinimid taicticí foréigneacha a úsáideann fórsaí an stáit i gcoinne a saoránach féin a bhí ag déanamh agóide in éadan na mírialtachtaí seo agus sárúithe córasacha ceart daonna ag fórsaí stáit. Éilímid go scaoilfí saor gach cime polaitiúil atá á gcoinneáil as an fód a sheasamh ar son ceart daonna agus ar son an daonlathais, agus in éadan na héillitheachta agus an éagthroime eacnamaíoch.
Cumann Martin Meehan (Ros Láir)
171. Cáineann an Ard-Fheis seo leatrom leanúnach ar ghníomhaithe ceart daonna ag réimeas seicteach Bhairéin. Cáinimid úsáid cúirteanna míleata le gníomhaithe a thriail, pionós an bháis a thabhairt isteach arís, céasadh córasach i bpríosún, agus leatrom ar aon duine a chuireann i gcoinne riail uathlathach mhonarcacht Bhairéin. Éilímid go scaoilfí saor gach cime polaitiúil i mBairéin, athchóiriú polaitiúil bríoch agus críochnúil, toghcháin dhaonlathacha, agus comhlíonadh caighdeán idirnáisiúnta maidir le cearta daonna.
Cumann Maria Curran (an tInbhear Mór)



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