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Monday 30-10

■ 09:30 - 17:30 Minister attending Constituency Clinics - Damien English ☺

Tuesday 31-10

- 09:30 - 10:30 Minister to perform official opening of houses in **Drumlish** (Drumlish, Co. Longford) - Damien English
- 11:00 - 11:30 Meet **Joseph Gilhooly** (Longford Arms Hotel) - Damien English
- 13:00 - 14:00 **Keep Free** - Damien English ☺
- 15:00 - 16:00 Minister meeting with **Social Housing Delivery Team** (Minister's Office, CH) - Damien English ☺
- 16:00 - 22:00 **Keep Free** - Damien English ☺

Wednesday 1-11

Thursday 2-11

Friday 3-11

- 08:00 - 08:15 Minister on **Morning Ireland** (By phone) - Damien English
- 09:30 - 11:00 Minister to meet officials re housing and rental accommodation (Custom House) - Damien English

Saturday 4-11

Sunday 5-11

**6-11-17 -
12-11-17**

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Monday 6-11

Tuesday 7-11

- Dáil Sitting 2pm - 11pm**
- 11:00 - 12:00 Launch Meath Laterlife Network's Home Directory (Contact Sue Russell: 087-2934672) (Ardboyne Hotel, Navan) -**
- 13:00 - 14:00 Keep Private (LH) - Damien English**
- 14:00 - 15:00 LQ and Order of Business (LH) - Damien English**
- 15:00 - 16:00 Minister meeting with Social Housing Delivery Team (Minister's Office, CH) - Damien English**
- 16:00 - 16:30 Meeting Min. Doyle and Deputy Boyd Barrett (LH - Fire Regulations) - Damien English**
- 16:30 - 17:00 Celbridge briefing (Stewart Logan/Niall) (CH) - Damien English**
- 17:00 - 18:00 Water Services Bill 2017 - Briefing for Report Stage (LH) - Damien English**
- 17:55 - 18:10 Minister to take Dept. Topical Issue (No. 4) (Dáil) - Damien English**
- 18:05 - 21:00 Water Services Bill 2017 Report Stage (Dáil) -**

Wednesday 8-11

Thursday 9-11

- Dáil Sitting 10am - 11pm**
- 10:00 - 12:00 Water Services Bill 2017 - Report Stage resumed (Dáil) - Damien English**
- 10:00 - 11:15 Government Task Force on Emergency Planning (Emergency Centre, Agriculture House, Kildare Street) - Damien English**
- 11:30 - 12:00 Minister officiating at "Be Winter Ready" Launch (Emergency Centre, Agriculture House, Kildare Street) - Damien English**
- 12:00 - 12:47 LQ and Questions on Promised Legislation (LH) - Damien English**
- 13:30 - 15:30 Visit UCD re Student Accommodation Policy (Sutherland Law school on campus - UCD) - Damien English**
- 17:30 - 19:00 Parliamentary Party Meeting (PP Room, Leinster House) - Damien English - (DECLG)**
- 17:30 - 18:00**

- Dáil Sitting 10am - 9.18pm**
- 12:00 - 12:47 LQ and Questions on Promised Legislation (LH) - Damien English**
- 12:47 - 13:30 Block Voting (Dáil) - Damien English**

Friday 10-11

Saturday 11-11

- 13:00 - 14:00 Attend the SFA Annual Lunch (Round Room, Mansion House) - Damien English**
- 16:00 - 22:00 FG National Conference (Slieve Russell Hotel, Cavan) - Damien English**

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Sunday 12-11

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Monday 13-11

■ 13:00 - 16:00 Visit to Laois (County Hall, Portlaoise) - Damien English

Tuesday 14-11

■ 09:30 - 10:00 Minister to address Information Session on Social Housing (Tullamore) - Damien English
 ■ 14:00 - 15:00 LQ and Order of Business (LH) - Damien English ☺
 ■ 14:00 - 14:30 AirBnB Briefing (Minister's Office, LH) - Damien English
 ■ 14:45 - 15:30 Minister to meet Mary Hurley (Min's Office, LH) - Damien English
 ■ 15:30 - 17:00 Briefing re Estimates (LH) - Eoghan Murphy
 ■ 17:29 - 17:41 Minister to take Dept. Topical Issue (No.2) (Dáil) - Damien English
 ■ 18:15 - 20:15 For info only: Statements on Joint Oireachtas Committee on HPLG Report on "The Impact of short term lettings on Ireland's housing and rental market" (Seanad) - Damien English

Wednesday 15-11

■ 09:00 - 12:30 JOC & Select Committee on Estimates (Committee Room 1, LH2000) - Damien English
 ■ 11:30 - 12:00 Launch Community Housing Awards - Winners Brochure (The Architectural Archive, 45 Merrion Square East) - Damien English
 ■ 12:00 - 12:47 LQ and Questions on Promised Legislation (LH) - Damien English ☺
 ■ 15:00 - 15:30 Meet Lucy Cronin, Airbnb (LH) - Damien English
 ■ 15:30 - 15:42 Minister to take Topical Issue No. 1 Dept (Dáil) - Damien English
 ■ 15:42 - 15:54 Minister to take Topical Issue No. 2 Dept (Dáil) - Damien English
 ■ 16:00 - 16:30 Meeting Brid O'Connell and Paddy Kelly (Guaranteed Irish) (LH - to brief Minister) - Damien English
 ■ 16:45 - 18:45 PMB Housing (Homeless Families) Bill Labour - Damien English
 ■ 16:45 - 17:15 Meet John Farrelly re Social Housing (LH) - Damien English
 ■ 17:30 - 19:00 Parliamentary Party Meeting (PP Room, Leinster)

Thursday 16-11

■ 09:30 - 11:30 Minister attending Meath Enterprise Week Exhibition and Showcase (Knightsbrook Hotel, Trim) - Damien English
 ■ 12:00 - 12:47 LQ and Questions on Promised Legislation (LH) - Damien English ☺
 ■ 12:00 - 12:30 Chief Planners from the Five Admins. meeting (Informal drop by) (CH) - Damien English
 ■ 12:47 - 13:30 Block Voting (Dáil) - Damien English ☺
 ■ 14:30 - 15:30 Minister to meet officials regarding enhanced leasing initiative and other funding models (Minister's Office, CH) - Damien English
 ■ 17:00 - 20:00 FYI - Bank of Ireland Enterprise Town comes to Trim (Trim Castle Hotel) - Damien English
 ■ 18:00 - 22:00 Keep Free - Damien English

Friday 17-11

■ 09:00 - 09:30 Reminder- check if still available for Aldi event on the 25th (Johnstown House Estate Hotel, Enfield) - Damien English
 ■ 10:10 - 10:20 Minister on LMFM (LMFM Studios, Drogheda) - Damien English
 ■ 11:00 - 13:00 Apprenticeship Awards (Crowne Plaza, Dundalk) - Damien English

Saturday 18-11

Sunday 19-11

**20-11-17 -
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Monday 20-11

Tuesday 21-11

- 10:00 - 11:00 Visit CSPE Class, Colaiste Na Mi, Navan (Brigid Murphy) ((talk about democracy and politics in Ireland)) - Damien English
- 13:00 - 13:30 Address An Taisce - Ocean Talks & Ocean Hero Awards (Royal College of Physicians, 6 Kildare Street) - Damien English
- 14:00 - 15:00 LQ and Order of Business (LH) - Damien English ↻
- 15:00 - 16:00 Minister meeting with Social Housing Delivery Team (Minister's Office, CH) - Damien English ↻
- 17:30 - 18:30 Keep Free - Damien English

Wednesday 22-11

Thursday 23-11

- 09:30 - 10:00 Minister to address Information Session on Social Housing (LGMA Offices, Local Government House, 35-39 Ushers
- 11:30 - 12:00 Meeting with Maurice O'Connell - Pathfinder pilot Housing with Support for older people (LH (Sean McLaughlin
- 12:00 - 13:02 LQ and Questions on Promised Legislation (LH) - Damien English ↻
- 13:30 - 14:30 Visit Modular Housing Units (Donabate) - Damien English
- 15:30 - 16:00
- 15:35 - 17:35 PMB - Planning and Development (Amendment) Bill 2017 (Sol-PBP) - Minister to provide cover from 4.35pm and
- 15:45 - 16:15 Minister to address delegates attending Information Day on ETC (European Territorial Cooperation)
- 16:15 - 16:45 Minister Griffin meeting with Boyne Waterway-Greenway (LH) - Damien English
- 17:30 - 19:00 Parliamentary Party Meeting (PP Room, Leinster House) - Damien English - (DECLG) ↻

- 08:30 - 10:30 Ministerial Management Board Meeting (Rm 741 LH) - Damien English
- 10:00 - 11:30 Minister to attend Cabinet Committee D (Infrastructure) (Sycamore Room, Govt. Buildings) - Damien English
- 12:00 - 12:47 LQ and Questions on Promised Legislation (LH) - Damien English ↻
- 12:47 - 13:30 Block Voting (Dáil) - Damien English ↻
- 14:30 - 15:30 Meeting re Modular Housing (Min Creed's office, LH) - Eoghan Murphy
- 16:30 - 18:30 REALTA Awards (Departmental Excellence and Innovation Awards) (CH) - Damien English

Friday 24-11

Saturday 25-11

- 07:45 - 08:45 County Meath Association of Chambers & Business Council (Ardboyne Hotel) - Damien English
- 11:30 - 14:00 Visit to Sligo (Sligo Park Hotel) - Damien English

Sunday 26-11

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Monday 27-11

■ 12:30 - 13:30 Threshold Annual Report launch (Mansion House) - Damien English

Tuesday 28-11

- 10:00 - 11:00 Visit Castlepollard CC CSPE Class. ((Talk about job as a TD)) - Damien English
- 13:30 - 14:30 Meet Jim O'Neill Trinity IM (CH) - Damien English
- 13:45 - 14:00 Minister to meet with Roger Harrington and Danny O'Brien (Minister's Office, LH) - Damien English
- 14:00 - 15:00 LQ and Order of Business (LH) - Damien English
- 14:30 - 15:00 Officials meeting with Minister Jim Daly and deputation regarding Bantry Bay (LH) - Damien English
- 15:00 - 16:00 Minister meeting with Social Housing Delivery Team (Minister's Office, CH) - Damien English
- 15:02 - 15:45 Postponed Voting Block from 23 Nov. (Dáil) - Damien English

Wednesday 29-11

- 12:00 - 12:47 LQ and Questions on Promised Legislation (LH) - Damien English
- 17:30 - 19:00 Parliamentary Party Meeting (PP Room, Leinster House) - Damien English - (DECLG)

Thursday 30-11

- 10:00 - 11:00 Minister Richard Bruton and Minister Joe Mc Hugh visiting constituency (Rath Carn, Co Meath) - Damien English
- 12:00 - 13:00 Keep private (Dáil) - Damien English
- 12:00 - 12:47 LQ and Questions on Promised Legislation (LH) - Damien English
- 12:47 - 13:30 Block Voting (Dáil) - Damien English
- 17:00 - 18:00 Minister to speak at Riona Ni Fhlanghaile retirement event (Conference Room, Custom House) - Damien English
- 17:00 - 17:15 Minister to take Dept. Topical Issue (Dáil) - Damien English

Friday 1-12

- 09:15 - 09:30 Minister to do interview with LMFM (By Phone) - Damien English
- 11:00 - 15:00 Visit Offaly (Details to follow (Marcella Corcoran-Kennedy)) - Damien English

Saturday 2-12

Sunday 3-12