

That Dáil Eireann

Notes:

- The wasteful spending of public funds by this Government.
- The exposure of further waste of public money in recent weeks on a €336,000 bike shed and a €1,400,000 security hut.
- The cost overrun related to modular homes for Ukrainians and the debacle of the new children's hospital becoming the most expensive in the world.

Condemns:

The further wasteful spending announced in Budget 2025 in respect of the allocation of €9,000,000 for phone pouches.

Further notes:

- In her final report on the provision of child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS) in the State, the Inspector of Mental Health Services concluded that she could not provide an assurance to all parents in Ireland that their children have access to a safe, effective and evidence-based mental health service.
- There are now 3681 children compared to 2,115 children waiting on a first-time appointment with CAMHS since this Government was formed and likewise a further
- 18,368 children waiting for a 1st time psychology appointment.
- The additional allocation for 2025 for mental health set out in the government's Budget is an insufficient €16 million.

Mandates:

The government to end the further waste of public money on mobile phone pouches, reverse that decision and invest this badly needed funding in mental health services and schools.