

Top 10

Halloween treats from Budget 2018



€177m

Reductions of 0.5% & 0.25% in USC rates and lower USC threshold increased by €600



€60m

Additional funding for TUSLA. Extension of ECCE Pre-school Programme to 2 years



€132m

Standard rate income tax band increased by €750 for single earners



€325m

Brexit loan scheme introduced to help SMEs and agri-food/food business



€343m

Value of Social Welfare package increases, includes €5 per week payment increases



€750m

Fund to facilitate commercial investment in housing finance



€418m

Additional funding for housing construction and acquisition and refurbishment for social housing



€63m

Additional support to the justice system



€175m

€149m for housing assistance payments and €26m for other housing emergency services



€1.5bn+

'Rainy Day Fund' allocation of €1.5bn with further annual contributions of €500m