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**TAOISEACH** Leo Varadkar, Housing Minister Eoghan Murphy and Senator Jerry Buttimer each channel their inner 007 as they dress to impress at the HIV Ireland Red Ball in Dublin.

Speaking at the event in the Guinness Storehouse on Saturday night, Mr Varadkar said it was time to “end the stigma” for people who are HIV positive.

The Taoiseach added that the stigma against gay people in Ireland has been lifted since the marriage equality referendum, and urged the public to do the same for those who are HIV positive.