How would you characterise your views on the Bill in general?

In support

i strongly support this bill, which is required to help Scotland move to a more equal society where the rights of all are protected.

How would you characterise your views on the introduction of same sex marriage, so that same sex couples can marry each other?

In support

i strongly support same sex marriage, as it is important that the rights and opportunities of marriage are available to all across Scotland, and not just heterosexuals.

How would you characterise your views on putting belief celebrants on the same footing as religious celebrants?

In support

Religions are just long-running, 'traditional' and well organised groups related to a belief. So, in keeping with the focus of this bill to equalise rights for those getting married, the rights of minority belief groups should be the same as the rights of

How would you characterise your views on the arrangements for authorising celebrants to solemnise opposite sex and same sex marriage (including the opt-in procedures)?

How would you characterise your views on civil partnerships changing to marriages?

In support

it should be an option for those currently in civil partnerships to change the official nature of their partnership to a marriage if they so wish.

How would you characterise your views on allowing civil marriage ceremonies to take place anywhere, other than religious premises, agreed between the couple and registrar?

In support

i agree that civil marriage ceremonies should be able to be conducted in any place agreed by the couple and the registrar
How would you characterise your views on allowing the religious and belief registration of civil partnerships?

How would you characterise your views on allowing transgender persons to stay married when obtaining a full Gender Recognition Certificate, which provides legal recognition in the acquired gender?

In support
i fully support this. it is barbaric, cruel and humiliating to force a couple to divorce if one of them changes the physical nature of their body to achieve the gender they feel they are and always have been.

Would you like to comment on the wider issue of protections for those in society who may have concerns about same sex marriage?

If someone doesn't like the idea of same sex marriage they don't need to enter into one! if the discussion was about allowing multi-racial marriage there would be no conceivable support for people in opposition to multi-race marriage, and yet somehow it seems to be acceptable when the issue is gender. It cannot be acceptable for people to use religion (or other personal beliefs) to inhibit/oppose the joining of two individuals who love each other on the grounds of their gender.

Would you like to comment on the wider issue of freedom of speech?

Would you like to comment on any other wider issues in relation to the Bill that are not mentioned above?

Are you responding as...

a private individual

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