How would you characterise your views on the Bill in general?
In support
It's vital and should happen as quickly as possible.

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

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

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)?
In support

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

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

How would you characterise your views on allowing the religious and belief registration of civil partnerships?
In support

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

Would you like to comment on the wider issue of protections for those in society who may have concerns about same sex marriage?
What does "concerns" mean? Strange question. If two people wish to get married, they should be able to do so. Noone else should have any say in that. Nobody needs protection from people choosing to get married. More often, same sex people need protection from the prejudice, bigotry and stigma of other people.

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

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

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**Are you responding as...**

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