MARRIAGE AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP (SCOTLAND) BILL

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

In opposition

Catholic Truth is totally opposed to the interference with traditional marriage by politicians. The ramifications are very serious indeed and can only worsen the current decadent state of Scottish society.

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

In opposition

It is nothing short of ridiculous to allow two men or two women to marry each other. This will lead to teachers and parents feeling constrained in how children are taught about marriage and family life. I am already hearing of parents who are planning to home-school their children to remove them from the immoral influence of state education.

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

In opposition

I believe this move is indicative of the way our society is now dominated by a ruthless secular totalitarianism.

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 opposition

I am completely opposed to the whole idea of the Government - any Government - interfering in traditional marriage. It is a temerity too far.

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

In opposition

Marriage is between one man and one woman for life. Calling a partnership between two people of the same gender, or a person and an animal, "marriage" doesn't make it so. It is NOT the business of Government to be redefining marriage in this way.
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 opposition

I am completely opposed to the whole idea of the Government - any Government - interfering in traditional marriage. No Government has the right to meddle with a basic building block of society in this way.

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

In opposition

The Government should not be supporting, in any way, the unnatural unions of homosexual couplings.

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 opposition

That the question should even be raised, is evidence of the decadent state of the political class. Ridiculous. Enabling people to "acquire" a "gender" is not the business of Government any more than redefining marriage is the business of Government. Utterly ludicrous.

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

Yes I most certainly would. How long will it be before people with the "views" published by me in this submission, will be an imprisoned or sent to be "re-educated" into the new morality? There is a real danger that the totalitarianism already at work in our society will worsen if this Bill goes through. Teachers, parents and priests who teach and preach that marriage is only morally correct between one man and one woman for life, will be regarded as oddballs and we will be at risk of losing jobs, having children removed from the family home and even at risk of losing their liberty. As G.K. Chesterton said: "there is no-one so intolerant as a full blown liberal" and we are already seeing that in our society today, through the dominance of the homosexual/transgender lobby. Homosexuality has gone from being illegal to being almost a state religion. And I do not believe for a second that it is possible to put in place protections for those of us who will never conform to this evil legislation and its offshoots. Already, in England, one homosexual couple have instigated legal action against the Church of England, because of the "protection" put in place by the Westminster Government to prevent Anglican clergy being forced to perform same sex marriages. We all know perfectly well, including the hypocritical politicians who pretend that this sort of thing won't happen, that it WILL happen. There can be no protection against the tiny but powerful homosexual community. They have politicians in their pockets.
Would you like to comment on the wider issue of freedom of speech?

I believe that there will be little or no freedom of speech on the issue of homosexuality and related issues, if this bill goes through.

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

The fact that the homosexual community is at greater risk of contracting sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS, and that the statistics are a matter of the gravest concern is something that is being swept aside. Encouraging homosexual couplings is

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