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

In support

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

This makes sense to keep only two categories of marriage and grouping the religious and belief system together is less confusing for the public. It is very important that the bill does not create two different versions of marriage, same-sex marriage and mixed-sex marriage, because that would lead to continued discrimination.

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 opposition

If a couple have already gone through a Civil Partnership and Civil Partnership is remaining then they should have to go through a Civil Marriage is they wish to be married, but there should be an inexpensive, administrative, option for this. Furthermore, clarification is needed for those who have a Civil Partnership which was registered abroad.

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

This would put registrars on the same footing as humanists and ministers who are allowed to marry couples anywhere.

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

It should be marriage for all. If same sex couples are to be allowed to have a marriage or a civil partnership, heterosexual couples should be allowed the same option.

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?

N/A

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

N/A

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

N/A

Are you responding as...

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