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?

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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

The 'default' position should be that gender change has no automatic effect on the marriage. To do otherwise would tend to suggest that the gender change was in some sense 'wrong'. Evidently though, a gender change will fundamentally affect an existing marriages and there should therefore be a quick and 'painless' means to dissolve the marriage at the behest of either party.

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

People do not need 'protection' from the views or preferences of others unless those views or preferences have a real affect on people who do not share them.

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

Freedom of speech should be the default position. Only if it has a real and demonstrable adverse affect on others should it be restricted.

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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