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
People who love one another and are in a relationship that is legal should not be stopped from marrying one another.

How would you characterise your views on putting belief celebrants on the same footing as religious celebrants?
Neither

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
People should be able to marry where ever they want to make their day special to them.

How would you characterise your views on allowing the religious and belief registration of civil partnerships?
In support
I grew up with the Church of Scotland and I would love to get married to my partner in the church in which has been a big part of my life. God is about loving everyone, not picking and choosing.
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?

Neither

If they are to stay with their partner after the operation then there is no need for them not to remain married. Let people be who they want to be!

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

As a gay man myself, coming from rural Scotland, I have found the concerns and worries that some friends and family members had when I told them I was gay vanished once they understood. A lot of people fear same sex marriage as they do not understand gay culture. Once they have learned that it is not a disease or a choice and that we are human beings then most change the way they view things. So many people have become understanding one they know more about the subject. Teaching in what we need to do, not preach hate! We are normal people going about our normal lives. Let us live our normal lives and get married.

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

I respect people's right to freedom of speech as long as it is not hate related. It just becomes offensive and well not very nice.

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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