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

In support

I am pleased that Scotland as a progressive and forward-thinking nation has proactively legislated to reduce and remove discrimination for non-heterosexual individuals.

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

In support

I am very supportive of this.

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

Neither

I have no opinion on this.

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?

Neither

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?**

I feel it is important for awareness to be raised regarding the fact that there will not be an obligation to marry a same-sex couple - just as currently a church can decline to marry a heterosexual couple. If objection is on "moral" grounds, I do not feel this has any place in modern society.

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

I do not see how this Bill infringes freedom of speech in any way. Rather, it increases the freedom of those who would be able to marry under the Bill who currently cannot do so, and in so doing does not suppress the freedom of anyone else.

**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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