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

In opposition

Marriage CAN only be between a man and a woman, and the government simply doesn't have the ability to change that basic biological, historical, societal, familial fact.

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 impossible in terms of the simple meaning of words.

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

In opposition

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

The government's silly plans demean marriage for all.

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

In opposition

It is unnecessary and it is unwanted even by the gay community in general.

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?

Neither

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

In opposition

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

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

It will be impossible for the government to protect people; those who will benefit will be solicitors in the many cases that will come before the courts.

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

It seems that we lost it a long time ago; people who speak against SSM are shouted down or worse

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

Are you responding as...

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