

MARRIAGE AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP (SCOTLAND) BILL

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

In support

Strongly in favour.

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 see this as a fundamental human right.

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

In support

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

I agree with the equality network in that: "...a small amendment is needed to section 11(2) of the bill, in order to give those religious and belief bodies that want to, the option of using the gender-free form of the marriage ceremony, in section 11(2

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

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?

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

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

I would also like to see an introduction of mixed-sex civil partnerships.

Are you responding as...

a private individual

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