

I wish to oppose this Bill and make the following submission that I want to be treated as confidential.

This Bill is an attack on the freedoms that we enjoy - to come together and voice our opinions. These are both protected under Articles 10 and 11 of the Human Rights Act.

This Bill is a heavy hammer against pro-life vigils that are peaceful. The police already possess adequate powers to tackle any alleged activity which is against the rule of law. No actual evidence has been produced regarding illegal activity.

'Abortion Zones' will hinder vulnerable women of an alternative to abortion. There is substantial evidence of numerous women who have accepted help and support outside abortion clinics. This has saved the lives of the baby and prevented the trauma of abortion.

Why at a time when the NHS is facing mounting financial pressure are you proposing this measure? This may cost in the regions £100,000s, given the costs incurred in England.