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Submitted to Display of Flags and Emblems - Call for Evidence
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Introduction

1 Confirmation of having read the Northern Ireland Assembly Committee's Privacy Notice.

I confirm that I have read the privacy notice.

2 What is your name?

Name:

[REDACTED]

3 What is your email address?

Email:

[REDACTED]

4 If you are providing a submission on behalf of an organisation or business, please state its name.

Organisation:

5 The Committee for Infrastructure has agreed to publish all responses as part of the survey results. If you would like to have your survey results anonymised and for us not to publish your name or organisation, please indicate so here.

I would like my views to be anonymous and understand that my name and organisation details will be withheld, along with any identifiers in the response, but my views will still be published.

Clause 1: Removal of flags or emblems in the public interest

6 Do you agree with Clause 1 of the Bill?

Yes

7 Please provide information to support your answer here

Accessible:

Flags are being used in our community as a form of intimidation. No one in our street wants them yet a large group of men came from outside the area and put them up and threatened to paint our curbs if we took them down. It should be an individual choice whether you flag a flag and only then on your own property. No one should have the right to force their ideology on an entire community without consent and thats exactly what they are doing. Its breeds division and hatred

Clause 2: Sensitive places

8 Do you agree with Clause 2 of the Bill?

Yes

9 Please provide information to support your answer here

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In N Ireland flying a flag is a form of territorialism, like a dog peeing on a lamppost. We we should not be alienating and making people feel unwelcome and thats exactly what loyalist do when carpet bomb areas with their myriad of flags area .

Clause 3: Procedure for / notification of, or giving views on, flags or emblems

10 Do you agree with Clause 3 of the Bill?

Yes

11 Please provide information to support your answer here

Accessible:

Clause 4: Code of Practice

12 Do you agree with Clause 4 of the Bill?

Yes

13 Please provide information to support your answer here

Accessible:

Clause 5: Offence of obstructing the Department in removal of flag or emblem

14 Do you agree with Clause 5 of the Bill?

Yes

15 Please provide information to support your answer here

Accessible:

Clause 6: Request for assistance from police

16 Do you agree with Clause 6 of the Bill?

Yes

17 Please provide information to support your answer here

Accessible:

Currently, no public body will take responsibility for removing flags, citing public safety, just proving my point that flag flying is a form of bullying and intimidation. By allow them to continue flying flags at volume wherever they deem fit we have given them the upper hand, they believe themselves above the law and we ve let that happen. Someone HAS to ultimately be responsible and follow through with the regulations otherwise this is a waste of time and money

Clause 7: Interpretation

18 Do you agree with Clause 7 of the Bill?

Unsure

19 Please provide information to support your answer here

Accessible:

interpretations allows for alot of grey area and backing down, it will be interesting to see what these interpretations will be

Clause 8: Commencement

20 Do you agree with Clause 8 of the Bill?

Unsure

21 Please provide information to support your answer here

Accessible:

Clause 9: Short title

22 Do you agree with Clause 9 of the Bill?

Yes

23 Please provide information to support your answer here

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