Private Member's Bill to modernise Human Fertilisation, Embryology, and Legal Parentage and Surrogacy arrangements in the Isle of Man

https://consult.gov.im/private-members/pm-bill-human-fertilisation

The activity ran from 15/08/2023 to 29/09/2023

Responses to this survey: 137

1: May we publish your response?

Consent publishing

There were 137 responses to this part of the question.



Option	Total	Percent
Yes, you can publish my response in full	33	24.09%
Yes, you may publish my response anonymously	81	59.12%
No, please do not publish my response	23	16.79%
Not Answered	0	0.00%

2: What are your thoughts on the current restrictions in the registration of births for same-sex couples?

What are your thoughts on the issue of same-sex parentage and the current restrictions in the registration of births for same-sex couples?

There were 128 responses to this part of the question.

3: How important do you think parental responsibility is in determining the rights and duties of a parent?

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There were 121 responses to this part of the question.

4: Should these rights be automatically granted to both same-sex parents?

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There were 136 responses to this part of the question.

Option	Total	Percent
Yes	116	84.67%
No	20	14.60%
Not Answered	1	0.73%

5: Do you think the current definitions of "mother" and "father" in Manx law adequately reflect the diverse range of modern families?

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There were 115 responses to this part of the question.

6: Should same-sex couples be allowed to apply for parental orders via the Manx Court to become a child's legal parents through surrogacy?

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Yes	116	84.67%
No	19	13.87%
Not Answered	2	1.46%

What factors should be considered in such cases?

There were 64 responses to this part of the question.

7: Do you think Manx law should be updated to recognise and accommodate the rights of same-sex parents?

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No	21	15.33%
Not Answered	0	0.00%

If so, what specific changes or provisions would you like to see in a new bill?

There were 71 responses to this part of the question.

8: How do you believe the proposed changes to Manx law regarding same-sex parentage align with principles in the UK? Are there any concerns or considerations that should be taken into account?

How do you believe the proposed changes in same-sex parentage laws align with principles of equality and human rights?

There were 93 responses to this part of the question.

9: Are there any other suggestions or recommendations you would like to make regarding same-sex parentage and the registration of births in the Isle of Man?

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10: Are you content with the prohibitions and offences in connection with embryos, germ cells, gametes, and genetic material within the Bill?

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There were 114 responses to this part of the question.

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Yes	93	67.88%
No	21	15.33%
Not Answered	23	16.79%

11: Do you believe current Manx surrogacy law is fit for purpose?

What are your views on the current surrogacy laws? Do you believe they are fit for purpose?

There were 95 responses to this part of the question.

12: What is your opinion on the new pathway to legal parenthood suggested by the UK Law Commission, which would allow intended parents to become parents of the child from birth?

What is your opinion:

There were 85 responses to this part of the question.

Should the surrogate have the right to withdraw consent in this process?

There were 84 responses to this part of the question.

13: Regulation: How do you feel about oversight of individual surrogacy agreements by non-profit Regulated Surrogacy Organisations (RSOs) regulated by the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority (HFEA)?

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There were 62 responses to this part of the question.

14: Should there be reforms to parental orders in surrogacy cases? Should there be reforms to parental orders in surrogacy cases?



There were 89 responses to this part of the question.

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Yes	76	55.47%
No	13	9.49%
Not Answered	48	35.04%

Do you have any further comments on this:

There were 25 responses to this part of the question.

Do you agree with allowing the court to make a parental order even if the surrogate does not consent, based on the child's welfare? Please explain why or why not?

There were 70 responses to this part of the question.

15: What are your thoughts on the creation of a Surrogacy Register (suggested by the UK Law Commission) to enable children born through surrogacy to trace their origins when they are older?

Do you believe this framework adequately addresses the needs of those children?

There were 77 responses to this part of the question.

16: How do you feel about the proposed rules on payments in surrogacy arrangements (suggested by the UK Law Commission)?

Please provide your comments:

There were 58 responses to this part of the question.

Are the permitted payment categories appropriate, and are the prohibited payments comprehensive enough to prevent exploitation?

There were 44 responses to this part of the question.

17: Do you support the prohibition of commercial surrogacy, ensuring that surrogacy arrangements are conducted with good intent?

Do you support the prohibition of commercial surrogacy, ensuring that surrogacy arrangements remain altruistic? why or why not

There were 77 responses to this part of the question.

18: What is your opinion on encouraging intended parents to opt for domestic surrogacy arrangements instead of international ones?

Please provide your comments Q19:

There were 67 responses to this part of the question.

Do you believe proposed measures suggested by the UK Law Commission safeguard the welfare of children in international surrogacy agreements?

There were 58 responses to this part of the question.

19: Overall, what additional recommendations or changes would you suggest to improve the regulation and practice of surrogacy in the Isle of Man?

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There were 55 responses to this part of the question.