

Following the publication of the [Government's LGBT Action Plan](#), a spokesperson for the Church of England said:

"We warmly welcome the Government commitment to eradicate gay conversion therapy in this country.

"As a motion endorsed overwhelmingly by the Church of England's General Synod last summer concludes, the practice is unethical, potentially harmful and has no place in the modern world.

"Since then the Church of England has pressed the Government to consider outlawing the practice and the Second Church Estates Commissioner Dame Caroline Spelman has held a number of meetings with ministers to that end.

"As we await the detail of any proposals, we also welcome the recognition that any steps taken should not have the unintended consequence of preventing people seeking spiritual support from their faith leader in the exploration of their sexual orientation or gender identity."

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