



A GUIDE TO GRA REFORM

Why reform the Gender Recognition Act?

1. The current process does not comply with United Nations Human Rights Commission guidance.
2. The current process is overly complicated and bureaucratic.
3. The current process is expensive.
4. The current process requires a wait of at least 2 years
5. The current process requires medical reports and pathologises trans identities.
6. The current process depends on a panel of strangers deciding a trans person's identity for them.
7. The current process doesn't offer legal recognition to trans people under 18.
8. The current process ignores non-binary people.
9. The current process requires married trans people to get permission from their spouse.
10. The current process leaves people in a legal grey area.

What changes are needed?

1. To make the process affordable, straight forward and easy to understand.
2. To allow for a statutory declaration without a need for medical reports.
3. Legal recognition for under 18s.
4. Legal recognition for non-binary people.
5. For the process to be quicker – 2 years is too long.

What won't change?

Under the Equality Act (2010), trans people are able to access single sex services and facilities once they begin their social transition and without a GRC. Reforms to the GRA won't change this.

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Did you know?

In Malta trans people applying for gender recognition are able to self declare. The process in Malta also recognises non-binary people.

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