

Written evidence from Anonymous (FOE0040)

Question 3 : PSPO legislation needs to be reviewed because:

- There are concerted efforts by pro-abortion activists to shut down pro-life vigils which threaten the civil liberties of those who take part in them, including many [REDACTED]
- A Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO), or buffer zone, has been imposed in Ealing, Twickenham and Manchester where claims of intimidation and wrong-doing are unsubstantiated.
- There is increasing pressure in Parliament, led by pro-abortion activist MPs, to introduce an unjust national measure to outlaw pro-life vigils:
 - Rupa Huq MP has introduced a Ten Minute Rule Bill to curtail pro-life vigils: <https://www.spuc.org.uk/News/ArticleType/ArticleView/ArticleID/384450>
 - Priti Patel MP, the Home Secretary, told the House of Commons on 9 November **abortion clinics are providing “important services and advice”** and she has assured “the whole House that we are reviewing our work and policies on this important issue, and I think that that is absolutely right and proper”. <https://hansard.parliament.uk/commons/2020-11-09/debates/441A322B-2C2A-442C-98FB-083D6AF12889/AbortionClinicsBufferZones>
- If pro-life vigils are made illegal because pro-life views are held by some to be unacceptable, other pro-life activities will also be vulnerable to unjust suppression.
- Unless groups such as [REDACTED] are present, women who are looking for real help with their problem pregnancies, will not have an opportunity to avail of the financial, emotional and practical support that is on offer.

Question 7:

Everyone has the right to freedom of expression, including organisations like the [REDACTED], who speak up for the very youngest of society, babies in their mothers’ wombs, we are their voice, pleading for their very lives.

A terrible injustice occurs each time an innocent child in the womb is destroyed, we consider it a civil duty to speak up for the life that is about to be lost, at the site where this takes place, i.e. an abortion ‘clinic’, in order to draw attention to the fact that this crime against humanity takes place at this spot.

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