Muslim woman 'backs death penalty for homosexuality' on live radio

This follows <u>London Evening Standard</u>. The young woman is named Zainab. She lives in Upney which is a district of Barking, one stop further on the District Line heading towards Dagenham. Its not exactly the back of beyond.

In a shocking tirade on live radio, a caller named Zainab also equated gay people with paedophiles and claimed it was against her religion.

During a fractious exchange, the openly gay radio host asked the 22-year-old caller, from Upney in east London, how society should treat gay people.

"My religion is very clear about gay people and you know what it says about gay people," she replied. "I don't know what the exact punishment is in the Quran for gay people but it is death penalty." Asked if she thought the Quran was right, she added: "I believe the Quran is the word of God. . . don't get my religion into it. Don't twist my religion to say that it accepts gay people. No it does not accept gay people and it's against my religion."