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We have always felt that the BBC is one of the best things about living in England, although in Television the standard may have gone down a little in recent years, for instance Panorama was unmissable at its earlier time, but its later time is far less satisfactory.

The BBC has some good documentaries, sometimes spoilt by loud music or other sound effects which can completely drown out the commentary.

If digital television really gives a better picture then we are in favour of it, as is half the country.

If the BBC can make some money by commercial services which can be used to improve programmes then it should continue to do so.

The absence of advertising on television by commercial companies is one of the BBC's most attractive features.

The role of the governors depends on the quality and ability of the governors. They should regulate and contrive to keep a high standard, and should firmly insist of the BBC's independence from government interference.

The high standard of impartiality and accuracy must be maintained by BBC television and radio, and also should apply to the World Service which has always been a good advertisement for Britain, known throughout

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The world for fairness and integrity.

The public should not have a greater say and influence on the BBC as this would result in a lower standard, as can be seen in the tabloid press.

Yours faithfully

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