

To Department for Culture, Media and Sport, BBC Charter review
public consultation YOUR BBC YOUR SAY

RADIO

Radio 4

I value all the following:

The regular impartial news. The Today programme. World at One
Any Questions. Sunday (7.10 am) From our own correspondent
Many excellent and interesting talks.
Gardeners' Questiontime Woman's hour
Christian Services. Thought for the day. Special input at
Christmas, Easter and other days.

Radio 3

Classical music. Evening concert around 7.30 pm. Operas
Composer of the week. Some arts programmes

BBC World Service

The news and talks on the news worldwide. Stories and foreign music
I listen to the programmes sometimes during the night as well as
as in the day. I consider them to be outstandingly good, in some
ways the best of all the BBC. It should be more advertised so
that other listeners in the UK are aware of it

Radio 5 Live

Very good and informative with a relaxed manner

Radio Kent

Very good on local news, traffic and weather

Changes

I am totally satisfied with BBC Radio.
My only disappointment was the change to the time of the Sunday
programme to 7.10 am from 8.10 am, and nowadays I very seldom hear
it as it is too early. I would prefer the Sunday service to be
a little later.

From Mrs. K. Cobbett,

TVBBC One and BBC Two

I value the News at 6 pm and 10 pm.

The history and documentaries are very good, especially those of the 20th century with live footage, Churchill, world wars etc. The Prince John dramatisation (youngest child of George V) was quite outstanding and the life of Pope John Paul II excellent. Programmes on Christianity and also on Hindu, Muslim, Jewish beliefs and ceremonies.

Political programmes.

Art with pictures and sculpture, e.g. Michelangelo programmes. Neil MacGregor (National Gallery) series on the pictures at a special exhibition of Christ about three years ago.

Royal occasions. Ballet. Art. Films.

Best 100 books of the century and people of the Millennium etc.

Nature programmes especially David Attenborough.

Travel programmes and archaeological programmes.

University Challenge and general knowledge quiz programmes.

Comedy especially Fawlty Towers and Bremner Bird and Fortune.

Songs of Praise is always excellent.

Stately homes and architecture in this country and abroad.

There are so many excellent programmes I would have had to have kept a diary in order to list them.

Changes

While I understand BBC TV is the best in the world I deplore the lowering of standards which influence society particularly young people and also children in behaviour and language in three areas, namely sex, violence and blasphemy.

Sex

There is great concern about increasing teenage sex, teenage mothers, abortion, STDs, broken families, adultery etc. Also rapists, perverts paedophiles, using photos of children, porn, sex crimes. By showing more and more sex the TV is arousing and inciting passion. There is a lack of moral responsibility of those in charge. They see ratings and money as more important than morality. Anyone can choose to buy and watch a video. This is different from TV which is beamed into homes where young and vulnerable people may be influenced in their behaviour.

Violence

By showing ever increasing violence surely TV encourages a more violent society?

Blasphemy

BBC TV should never mock or insult any of the mainline faiths or God himself. For a Christian to hear Jesus Christ mocked or blasphemed is deeply offensive and surely equally so for a Muslim with Mohammed. Light hearted jokes need not be offensive.

Bad language

TV deals with this very well by the use of the 'beep' which is not all offensive!

Royal Family

Excellent news coverage but please do not criticise them.

Unlike politicians they have not chosen their roles. It is very unkind to continue programmes on the life and death of the Princess of Wales that must cause such distress to her sons.