

**What do you like or dislike about the BBC?**

Its greatest asset should be its resources and ability to provide the public with reliable, fair and unbiased information and news reporting. In the main it still achieves this. However programme content has deteriorated and is now often no better and frequently worse than its commercial counterparts it seeks to emulate.

**If you live in England, does the BBC give you enough information about your region?**

The London news could and should be made more newsworthy.

**Do you have any advice on how the BBC can make the best use of new technology?**

Digital radio has proved a disappointment – the quality is inferior to existing FM. The number of speech programmes has not increased – only music programmes seem to have benefited. On showing so far the money used for new technology could have been put to improve the content of the established terrestrial services.

**Should the BBC continue to sell things (like DVDs, magazines, toys)?**

No objection to this as long as these initiatives are self financing.

**How should we pay for the BBC? Is the licence fee the best way? Can you think of any other ways?**

The licence fee is now out of date. Why should the licence payer have to pay for services he is never going to use and in many parts of the country cannot receive?

The licence fee goes up each year and licence payers seem to have no say in this. There should be a core licence payment for a basic service with subscriptions for additional entertainment/commercially orientated services.

**How do we make sure the BBC listens to the public?**

By making it more responsible to the public through the Board of Governors who are supposed to represent the licence payer. Many do not know who the Governors are or what functions they perform.

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