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Ref:- BBC Charter Review.

Dear Sir,

I am writing a few suggestions concerning the forthcoming review. To be brief:-

The BBC should have a review more often.

I live in a middleclass area of mostly retired & semi-retired people & some of these views have been discussed with neighbours.

The popular programmes with us are (a) sport (b) soaps (c) current affairs (d) period stories (e) detective plays.

We admire the way racing is presented, football not so good.

We think standards are falling rapidly. Presenters, particularly female ones, we think are the worst, males to a lesser degree, the two young men should be relegated to childrens programmes, (Ant & Dec) or sent to Siberia.

Like most older people we think that the sexual content is too blatant, & the lesbian & homo behavior largely unnecessary, & quite offensive.

The "dialect" content is taking hold, & is largely unnecessary. We were with some Americans recently & although they love our programmes they couldn't understand a lot of dialects, I believe we should export as much as we can.

May I appeal for better sound quality. Some programmes are excellent, but some (e.g. "Holly City") are poor. To this end I now have digital TV + Radio. This "noise" is probably due to age, but then there are 20 million people over 60 whose hearing is declining.

We believe the licence fee is the best way to fund the BBC. ~~with some "quality" advertising, not the income~~ which we get on Sky.

Summing up, I think the BBC does a very good job, the radio being a lot superior to TV; again particularly the music content.

Could some of your questions be addressed to the public on TV?

I hope some of these comments are useful

Yours Faithfully

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