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While it is indisputable that the BBC provides a valuable range of services in a range of media formats which no other media corporation can match, I am concerned with the issue of objectivity and the television licence fee.

It is impossible for any news media to maintain complete objectivity in its reporting and clearly despite its best efforts to present fair and balanced viewpoints the BBC is frequently failing badly.

I would like to see amendments to the television licencing system whereby those who do not wish to view BBC television programmes may pay a reduced fee, making the BBC digital television channels pay-per-view.

I would also like much greater viewer/listener/reader involvement in deciding what is presented by the BBC and also judging the fairness of what is presented in all its mediums since it is after all a public service. I.e. the BBC should be a more democratic institution which may alleviate the grievances of those members of the public who feel that the BBC does not fairly portray their views.

I would not like to see the abolition of the BBC.

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