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BBC Radio is a marvellous city of treasures, wonders and strolling players, of prophets, holy men and fools.

Don't sell it off to the guys in the cars with blacked-out windows. We've all seen them cruising around. We know what they want. We know what will happen if they get what they want.

Don't take the money in the suitcase.

They will destroy the city. In its place they will build a shopping mall where every outlet is a franchise or a discount store. You'll search in vain for anything original or well-made; for a bookstore selling anything but bestsellers; for a restaurant where the food is fresh and wholesome.

My licence fee gives me the freedom of the city. I want to keep it.

Mrs Rochelle Parker.

