

Sir,

My sincere congratulations to the Independent newspaper for launching the "Your World - Your Say" campaign. No other UK newspaper is devoting this level of support or column space to the global warming debate.

While it is important that the UK achieve its Kyoto and domestic carbon reduction targets, both from a political and environmental point of view, it is equally important to remember that global warming will continue to be a threat whatever the UK targets may be.

The UK is only responsible for 2% of annual world carbon emissions and anything short of a truly global response, involving all the major carbon polluters such as USA, China and India, will be required if we are to control global warming.

And this is where the real challenge starts. Changing our ingrained world culture of unsustainable financial exploitation will be very difficult. But it is happening because individual concerns are finding a common voice, which demands urgent and effective local, national and international action.

And the "Your World - Your Say" campaign has shown just how strong this common voice has grown.

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