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Deepening public engagement in UK universities

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- Why should universities engage with the public?
- How do universities need to change to embrace public engagement?

Irrelevant and out of touch with society

Secretive and untrustworthy

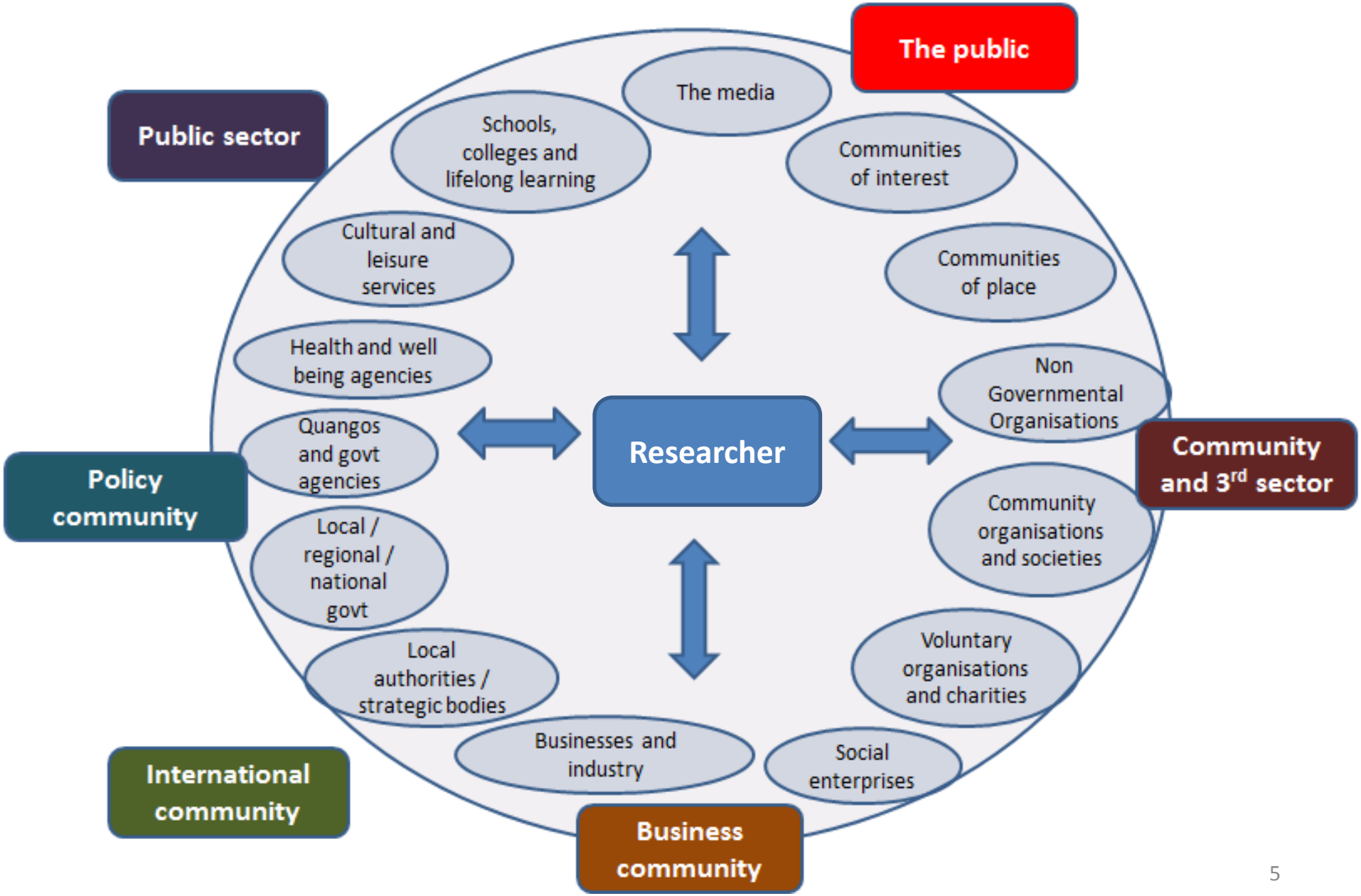
Unaccountable and a waste of tax payers' money

Elitist and reinforcing inequality

‘Engagement implies strenuous, thoughtful, argumentative interaction with the non-university world’

Association of Commonwealth Universities

Who are we engaging with?



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IMPACT!

The Researcher Development Framework

Change
Ahead

Manchester Beacon

connecting people, place & knowledge

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MANCHESTER 1824 The University of Manchester

Manchester Metropolitan University

THE UNIVERSITY OF SALFORD

MOSI MUSEUM OF SCIENCE & INDUSTRY

Manchester: Knowledge Capital

Northwest REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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Culture change

PURPOSE

Embedding a commitment to public engagement in institutional mission and strategy, and championing that commitment at all levels

PROCESS

Investing in systems and processes that facilitate involvement, maximise impact and help to ensure quality and value for money

PEOPLE

Involving staff, students and representatives of the public and using their energy, expertise and feedback to shape the strategy and its delivery

Relevant

Accountable

Trusted

Socially responsible

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We help universities engage with the public

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Are you new to this?

Easy ways to get started with public engagement

How to engage

We've created a toolkit for people who want to engage the public.

Ways we can help

- Join our public engagers' network
- Ask us for advice

Universities already signed up include:

University of the West of England

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