

# Building support for engaged research (together)

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'Participatory or co-produced research strengthens research outcomes by involving the communities and users of research, better recognising their experience, needs and preferences, and giving greater agency to communities to implement findings.'



# **Opening up Participatory Research programme**

- Mapping and thematic review of the 'participatory research ecosystem' at The University of Manchester.
- Additional support for projects identified through the mapping that would help to build capacity.
- Recommendations to improve support and action plan.
- Development of video case studies.



Find out more about the mapping exercise.



## **Engaged research**

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### What do you call 'participatory research'? 148 responses

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# Themes, gaps and the hyperlocal

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### Opening up Participatory Research

This series of films explores key themes that emerged during <u>our work to map and better understand the participatory</u> <u>research ecosystem at the University of Manchester</u>. The films capture a range of engaged research practices from full co-production to participatory methods and collaboration.



Methods

Co-Creative Methods and Unified Approaches



Beyond Patient Involvement



Navigating formal research ethics processes

## Watch <u>the Opening up</u> <u>Participatory Research</u> <u>films</u>



**Co-Production** 

Co-Production: Past, Present and Futures



Interdisciplinary Co-Production with Industry



Collective Power of Co-Production



Co-Creation, Solidarity and Friendship



Over-Researched Communities



# Actions for next 1-5 years

## Communication and culture; Guidance; Processes; Networking and shared practice

- Development of communities of practice
- Project to improve our Ethics (and other) processes
- Web hub for engaged research
- Build collective knowledge base to lobby the Higher Education sector for system-wide change (<u>The Co-</u> <u>Production Futures Inquiry</u>).
- Work to improve understanding/recognition
- Evaluation and continuous improvement



Find out more about the <u>Co-Production Futures Inquiry</u>



# Working with our closest communities

- Showcase mutual benefit and coresearchers' practice not just 'our researchers achievements.'
- Develop more appropriate ways of capturing the impact of participatory research (<u>Stories of</u> <u>Change</u>).
- Community
  Conversations.
- 'Over-researched communities' project.



Read more about <u>one of the projects that informed the Over-researched</u> <u>communities work</u> work and a related <u>poem by Tina Cribbin</u> (pictured, left).



## **Research Culture Framework**

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#### Building better research cultures together

Research culture and environment is the way that we collaborate, communicate, and interact with each other; it is the behaviours, attitudes, and values that shape how our research is developed, conducted, and used; and it is the mechanisms by which we recognise and reward our work.

Our research culture and environment hub brings together support, resources, case studies and spotlights within four four research culture themes which you can explore below.



## Supporting diverse and rewarding careers

Developing our researchers with training and support at all career stages, building capabilities for successful academic and industrial career paths.



## Upholding responsible and ethical research

Enabling our researchers to produce work of the highest quality in its rigour, integrity, sustainability and creativity.



Enabling open and impactful research

Supporting our researchers to produce work that is open, reproducible and robust, and has a positive impact on our communities and beyond.



Building collaboration and interdisciplinarity

Mobilising and deepening collaborations across the University, to spark new ideas and deliver new solutions and applications.

## Find out more about our Research Culture Framework



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## **Sustainability and community**



Watch the <u>film about the Uncertain Futures project</u> and visit the <u>project</u> <u>website</u>.