

Assessing Research Impact: A model for Otago Polytechnic

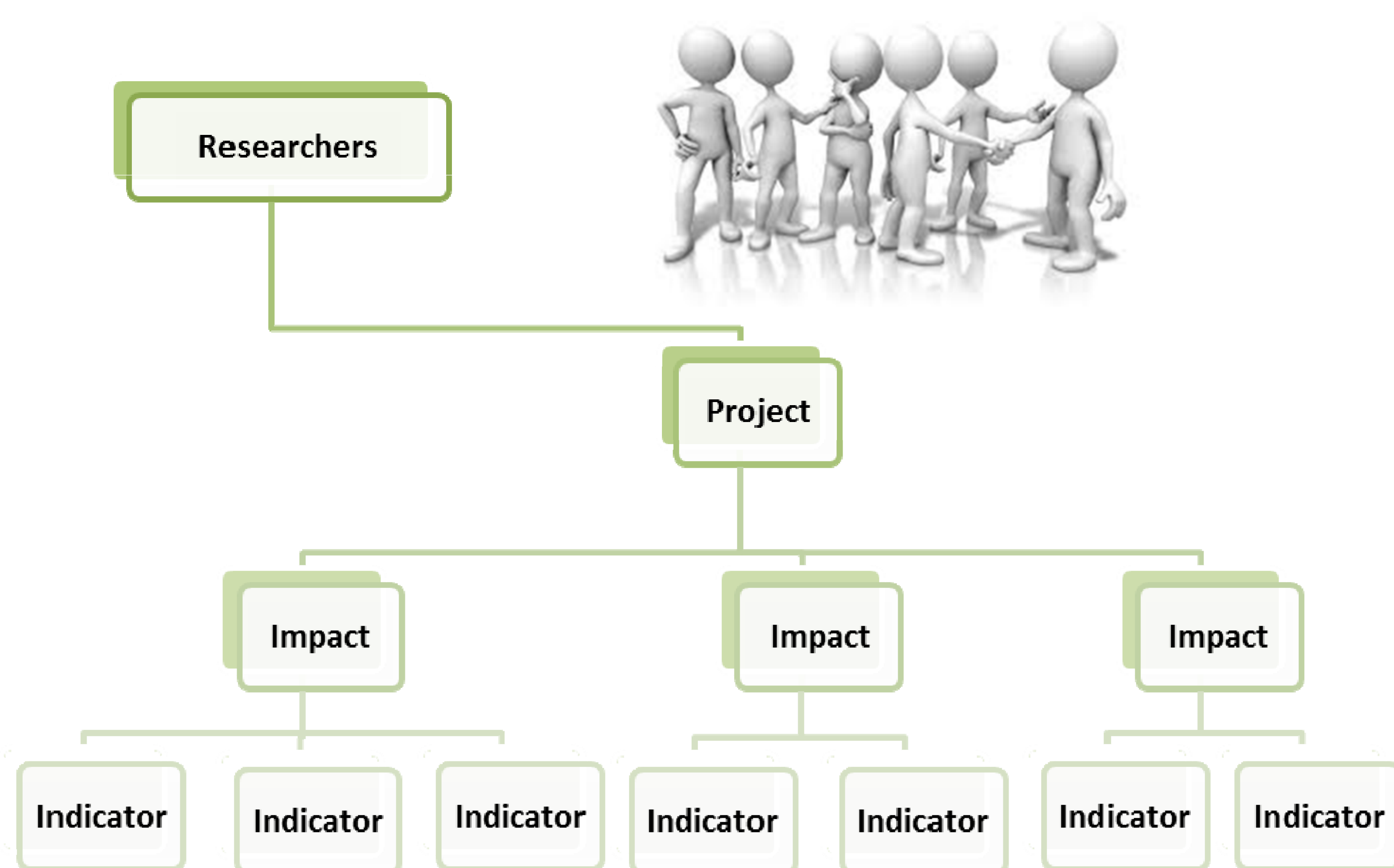
What is impact?

“any effect on, change or benefit to the economy, society, culture, public policy or services, health, the environment or quality of life, beyond academia”:
REF2014



Why it matters to us

- TEC’s knowledge transfer expectations
- International trends including REF2014
- Indications NZ will follow suit
- 2018 PBRF round Research Contribution
- Encouraging researchers
- Attracting industry to work with us
- Making more and more of a difference



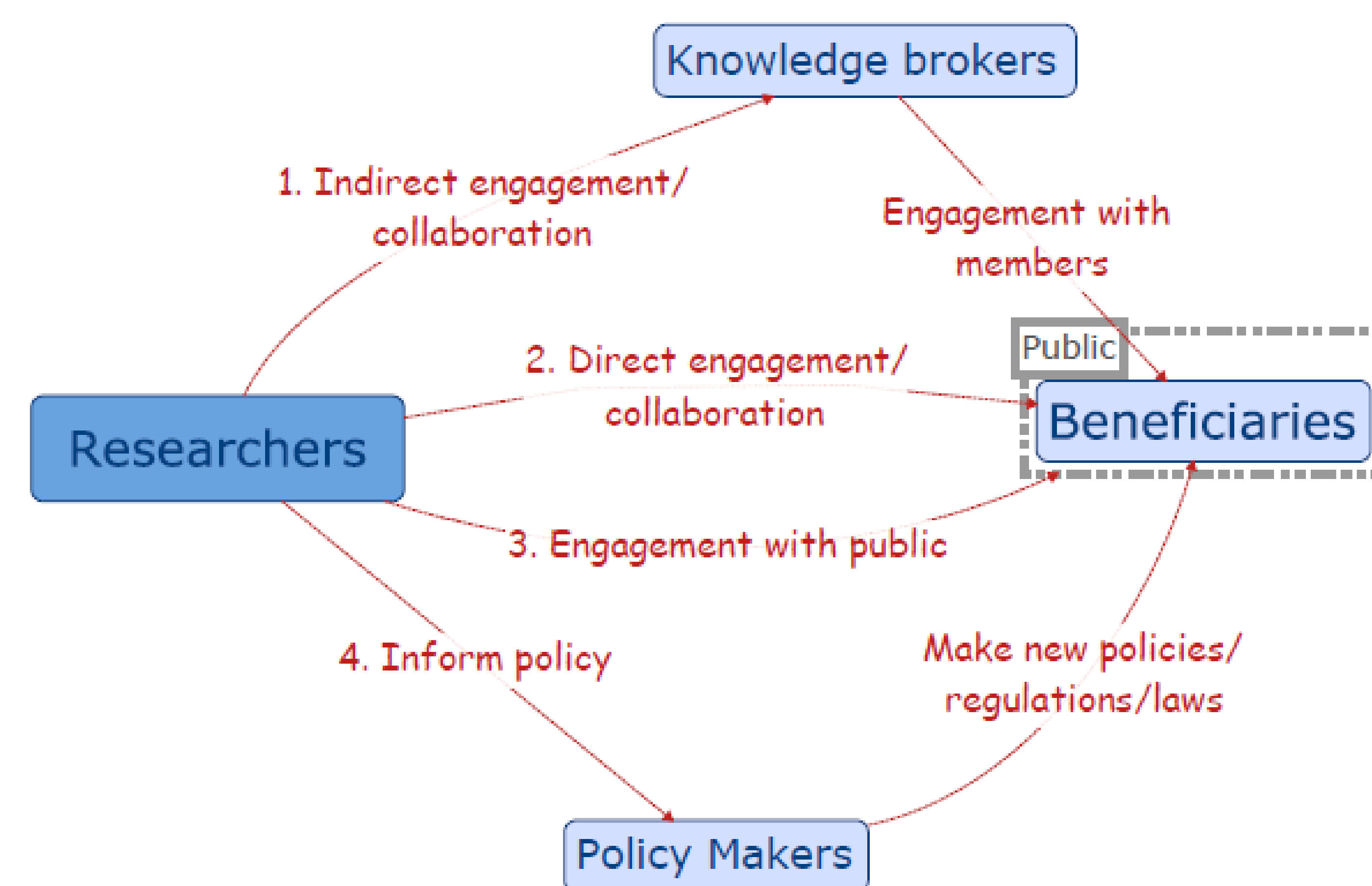
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At user-testing stage

Principles

- Prospective rather than retrospective
- Staff and students
- Every discipline
- Types: economic, environmental, social, cultural
- Up to 3 indicators of success per impact
- Up to 3 impacts per research project
- Rate magnitude of difference, likelihood, spread
- Review at end of research project
- Review when impacts expected

Pathways to Impact



Training and Support

- Understanding pathways to impact
- Plan to maximise impact
- Support people available
- New student expectations
- Establishing best practice

