

UK uni-based policy-focused centres/groups v3 PLEASE EDIT & COMMENT

Notes

- A. This list is a community-sourced resource to highlight the growing breadth of activity, contributions are welcome
- B. Its neither official nor comprehensive
- C. *Italics = focused on a particular policy area vs a broader focus on 'policy' or 'govt'*
- D. Not included: parts of govt, funds/funders, PSREs, institutes, learned socs, subject assns, think tanks
- E. Please flag if you *don't* want this info shared more widely
- F. Put together by [Louis Coiffait-Gunn](#) and the Universities Policy Engagement Network (UPEN, @PolicyOpen, over 100 member unis and counting...)
- G. Now featuring in a proper [research journal article](#) courtesy of Hannah Durrant (@HannahDurrant29 @WCfPP) and Eleanor MacKillop.

The list

1. Anglia Ruskin University, *Global Sustainability Institute* [@GSI_ARU](#)
2. Bournemouth University [@bournemouthuni](#), policy and public affairs [@policybu](#)
3. Brunel University London [@Bruneluni](#), Brunel Public Policy [@BrunelPolicy](#)
4. Capabilities in Academic Policy Engagement (CAPE) [@CAPE_acuk](#), UCL, Cam., Manchester, Northumbria, Nottingham
5. Cardiff University, [@cardiffuni](#) and [@whatworksuk](#), Wales Centre for Public Policy [@WCfPP](#)
6. City, University of London [@CityUniLondon](#), *Centre for Food Policy* [@FoodPolicyCity](#)
7. Durham University [@durham_uni](#), [@Global_Policy](#), Global Policy Institute [@DurhamPolicyHub](#)
8. Eastern Academic Research Consortium (Arc) [@TheEasternARC](#) UEA, Essex and Kent
9. Imperial College [@imperialcollege](#), [@imperial_forum](#) The Forum, [@Grantham_IC](#) hub for climate & environment, Abdul Latif Jameel Institute for Disease and Emergency Analytics ([JIDEA](#)) [@Imperial_JIDEA](#)
10. King's College London [@KingsCollegeLon](#), The Policy Institute [@policyatkings](#),
11. Lancaster University, Management School [@LancasterManage](#), Work Foundation [@WorkFoundation](#)
12. London School of Economics, LSE, (social science) Impact Blog [@LSEImpactBlog](#)
13. Loughborough University [@lborouniversity](#), Centre for Research in Social Policy
14. Manchester Metropolitan University [@ManMetUni](#), [@mcrmetropolis](#), Policy Evaluation & Research Unit [@MMUPolicyEval](#)
15. Nottingham Trent University [@TrentUni](#), Nottingham Civic Exchange [@NottsCivicEx](#)
16. N8 AgriFood, food systems, 8 northern unis [@N8agrifood](#)
17. Queen Mary University of London [@QMUL](#), Mile End Institute [@MileEndInst](#), Global Policy Institute, [@QMGPI](#),
18. Queen's University Belfast, [@QUBPolicy](#)
19. *Research on Research Institute* ([RoRI](#)), [@RoRInstitute](#) James Wilsdon [@jameswilsdon](#)
20. School of African and Oriental Studies, University of London [@SOAS](#) Influencing the Corridors of Power, [@SOASICOP](#); *Centre for Development, Environment and Policy*; *Centre for Sustainable Finance*, [@CSF_SOAS](#)
21. Scottish Policy & Research Exchange [@SPRExchange](#)
22. Sheffield Hallam University, [@CRESR SHU](#) policy research on disadvantage
23. Swansea University [@SwanseaUni](#), [@SUMorganAcademy](#), Morgan Advanced Studies Institute
24. Transforming Evidence for policy & practice [@TransformUre](#)

25. UCL @ucl, @UCLPublicPolicy, Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose @IIPP_UCL @ConUnit_UCL, UCL Social Research Institute CLOSER, the home of longitudinal research @CLOSER_UK, Dept of Science, Technology, Engineering and Public Policy Policy Impact Unit (STEaPP) @UCLSTEaPP
26. UKFIRES, resource efficiency and industrial strategy, @UKFIRES on beyond net-zero, universities of Cambridge, Oxford, Nottingham, Bath, Strathclyde & Imperial
27. University of Bath @UniofBath, Institute for Policy Research (IPR) @UniofBathIPR,
28. University of Birmingham, Policy Birmingham @BhamPolicy
29. University of Bristol @BristolUni, Policy Bristol @PolicyBristol, @UoBrisSPS, Centre for Urban & Public Policy Research
30. University of Cambridge @Cambridge_Uni, @BennettInst, Centre for Science & Policy (CSaP) @CSciPol, Cambridge University Science & Policy Exchange (CUSPE) @CamCUSPE, @CambridgeCBR, Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership (CISL) @cisl_cambidge, Centre for the Study of Global Human Movement (GHuM) @CentreGHuM, Cambridge Zero climate change, Cambridge Global Challenges, SDGs @CmbridgeGloba1, Centre for Science, Technology & Innovation Policy (CSTI) @CSTI, Cambridge Industrial Innovation Policy (CIIP) @CIIP
31. Ulster University Economic Policy Centre, and ARK Social Policy Hub.
32. University of East Anglia, @CERRE_ThinkTank on regulation
33. University of Edinburgh @EdinburghUni, The Centre for Science, Knowledge and Policy @skape_ed
34. University of Essex, Institute for Social & Economic Research ISER @iseressex, Understanding Society @usociety,
35. University of Exeter @UniofExeter, @Leep_Institute, Land, Environment, Economics & Policy Institute, Global Systems Institute (GSI) @GSI_Exeter
36. University of Glasgow @UofGlasgow, Policy Scotland @policyscotland research & knowledge exchange hub
37. University of Kent Centre for Health Service Studies @CHSS_Kent, Personal Social Services Research Unit @pssru_kent, Tizard Centre @TizardCentre on autism and intellectual disabilities
38. University of Leeds @UniversityLeeds, @policyleeds
39. University of Lincoln The Lincoln Policy Hub @UoL_CSS ParliLinc :Lincoln Parliamentary Research Centre @ParliLinc
40. University of Liverpool @LivUni, @livuniheseltine, Heseltine Institute for Public Policy, Practice & Place
41. University of London, IoE EPPI Centre, iLondon International Development Centre LIDC @LIDC_UK, 7 UoL institutions
42. University of Manchester @OfficialUoM, Policy@Manchester @UoMPolicy
43. University of Newcastle, Policy@NewcastleUni @PolicyNCL, National Centre Rural Business Innovation, Older People and Frailty Policy Research Unit @OPF_PRU (Newcastle, Manchester and LSE)
44. University of Nottingham @UniofNottingham, @UoN_Institute, Institute for Policy and Engagement
45. University of Oxford @UniofOxford, Oxford Policy Engagement Network @oxpolicyengaged, @BlavatnikSchool, Blavatnik School of Government, social policy dept @DSPI_Oxford, Oxford Martin School @oxmartinschool
46. University of Sheffield @sheffielduni, Grantham Centre for Sustainable Futures @granthamcsf, @sheffwellbeing, Centre for Wellbeing in Public Policy
47. University of Southampton, Public Policy|Southampton @PublicPolicyUoS,
48. University of Sussex @SussexUni, Policy@Sussex social science @Policy_Sussex UK Trade Policy Observatory @uk_tpo, Science Policy Research Unit (SPRU) @SPRU
49. University of Teesside @TeessideUni, PACE
50. University for the Creative Arts (UCA), Centre for Sustainable Design
51. Yorkshire Universities @YorkshireUnis, 12 Yorkshire & Humber HEIs, Place-Based Economic Recovery Network (PERN)

52. [Insights North East](#), led by Newcastle University and delivered via a core partnership with the NHS, North of Tyne Combined Authority Newcastle City Council and Northumbria University.

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So what?

What could we do to make this info more useful?

1. Maps?
2. Interactive?
3. Crowdsourced and updateable?
4. Quality control? (requires resources)
5. Categories and groups
6. Definitions
7. 'Top 100 Twitter accounts you should follow'
8. Wikipedia entry
9. ~~A Twitter list (done, thanks Rob Davies)~~
10. Hosted on UPEN's website?
11. Breakdown content in diff ways
12. Other ideas?

Audiences:

- In government
- In unis