

## **Public Engagement**

Public engagement describes the many of ways in which the activity and benefits of higher education and research can be shared with the public. Engagement is a two-way process, involving interaction and listening, with the goal of generating **mutual benefit**. This activity feeds into the HE-BCI Survey.

Public and Community Engagement is central to the **Engage for Change** ambitions in the Sussex 2025 strategy. It informs our REF Impact Submission, the **Knowledge Exchange Framework (KEF)**, and Sussex's Civic University Agreements. Moreover, the University is a signatory on the [Manifesto for Public Engagement](#), further committing to sharing knowledge, resources, and skills with the public, and to listening to and learning from the expertise and insight of the different communities with which we engage.

The University is working in collaboration with the National Coordinating Centre for Public Engagement (NCCPE) to explore how staff, researchers and postgraduate students perceive public engagement at Sussex. [Consultation](#) and analysis work is underway to produce the recommendations that will underpin future work on public engagement.