

# Review of: "Sustainable futures: a quality-focused model for inclusive knowledge co-production"

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**Potential competing interests:** No potential competing interests to declare.

Overall: This is a very interesting paper that has a lot of potential. It could be strengthened by embedding your work in existing research and practice more thoroughly.

There are some grammar and word choice edits to be made throughout. See attachment for additional comments.

Introduction: Your writing is fluid and enjoyable to read. Please be more aware of your argumentation. Large statements that imply global truths are easy to refute. You also contradict yourself in a few places. Overall, a good start with some editing. Check your grammar and especially rules for compound sentences, commas, and semicolons. Also, it would be helpful to be in stronger contact with existing literature.

Theoretical framework: Concisely written. The number and diversity of references is a bit thin.

Conceptual framework: Are Inputs, Processes, and Outputs sub-sections? If so, then it would be helpful to edit the section heading settings to make this visually clear. The concept overall is presented understandably.

Methodology: Whose case study framework are you using? How are you setting up your analysis? I recommend looking at Yin for defining case bounds and unit of analysis.

Cases: With six cases, it is easy for the reader to lose an overview. Perhaps it would be possible to include a table at the beginning to introduce the six cases that shows the case number, the projects involved, the stakeholders, the author's role, and the time period (or other relevant information)? This would make it easier to process the information.

The scope of the cases is impressive, and the first-hand experience is invaluable.

Findings and discussion: You talked about emerging themes. How did you arrive at them? Did you use thematic analysis? What was the data analyzed?

It would strengthen your findings to recognize existing theories and models such as communities of practice and living laboratories. In general, your discussion would be stronger if it was in dialogue with existing research and theory. In particular, you may find the work of Wegner (communities of practice) and Mezirow (transformative learning) useful for the synthesis of interaction with others and reflection.



Thank you for your paper!