

Review of: "Participatory budgeting for public involvement in environmental sustainability at a Thai university"

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This paper on participatory budgeting for public involvement in environmental sustainability at a Thai university is well written and presented. The literature review presents several different ways in which participatory budgeting can happen and introduces a case study from a Thai university. Students voted on six different proposals to improve environmental sustainability at the university, it would have been interesting to know more details of exactly what information was made available to students about each proposal. The analysis could have focused on important criteria which students used to make a judgement on the ranking of the projects (could have used multi decision criteria analysis). As the report states, only those interested will participate and therefore the sample engaged in the process may not be fully representative of the student population. What steps can be taken to engage for students in the process and make the sample more representative? Figure 1 could be clearer — Is the top row one of the projects or the overall budget? What were the costs of the 6 project proposals? Given the budget and limited number of projects, what real choice was there? Overall, an interesting article but could address the points raised.

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