

# Session One: Future Vision- responsible innovation

## Purpose

- Generate a shared vision for the end point of this project and the reputation you want to gain with some creative stimulus
- Foundation work for the project manifesto
- Talking and sharing ideas with each other

## Process

3 activities – dialogue – mixing groups

Reflection and actions



# Discussing 2021 - Future Vision/Reputation



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# Things to Focus on to achieve vision

- Communication
  - Create and maintain communication channels.
  - Frequent communication between experimentalists and theorists.
- Do my job!
- Robust, flexible problem solving
- Jamie: make tools – tell me what the tools need to do
- Make sure meetings are fun – have access to pubs/social lubrication
- Be collegiate
- Focus on the details and be mindful of the big picture
- Community support for individual careers
- Make time
- Ethical implications – weapons use
- To ensure not a car crash – make sure everyone is signing up to the vision and everyone needs to say if they have a different vision.
- Meta Data – balance of time and effort
- Data Security
- Open Source (always?)

# Session 2: Beyond the Lab

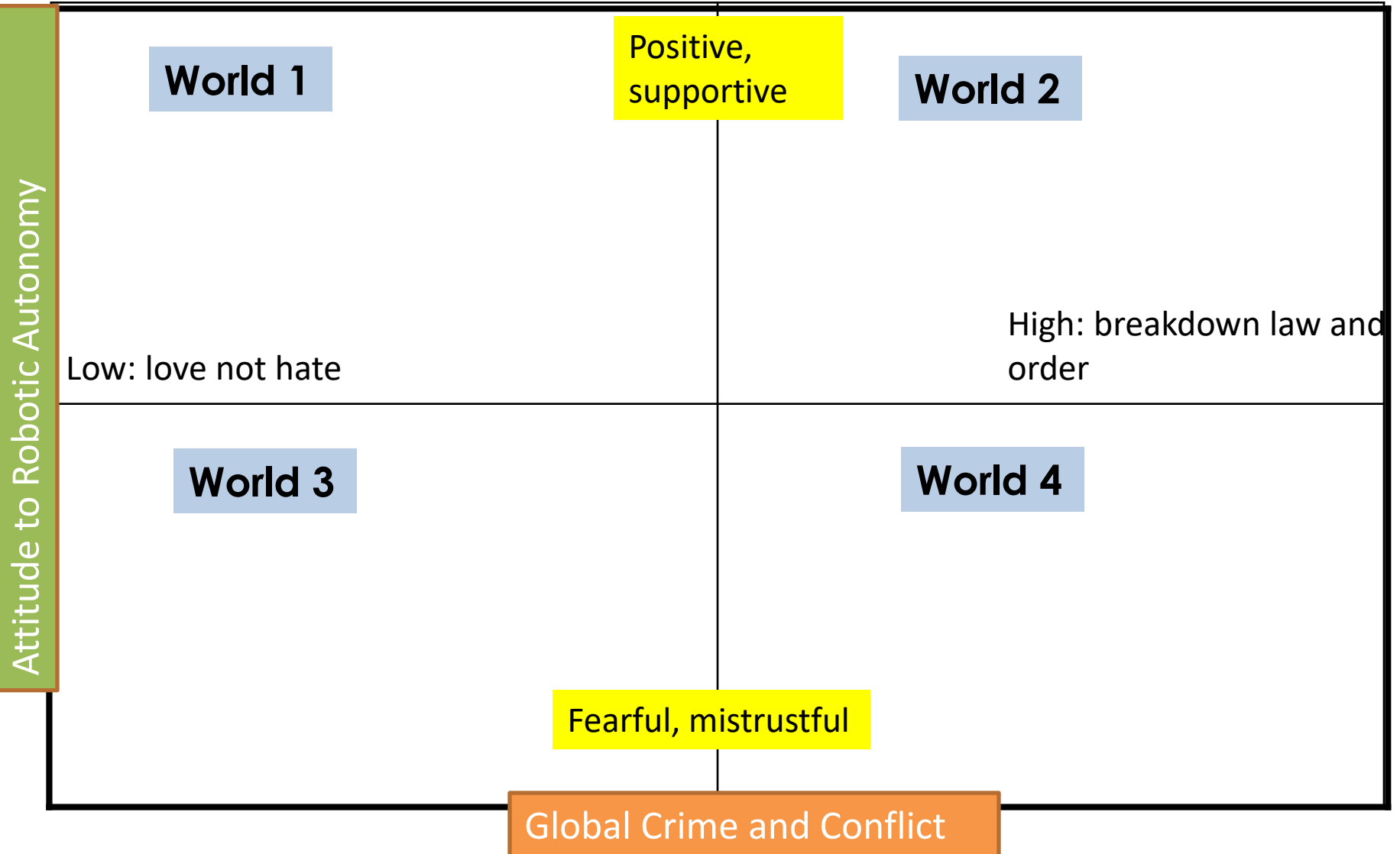
## **Purpose**

To anticipate the future possibilities for our world and the implications for this project

## **Activity**

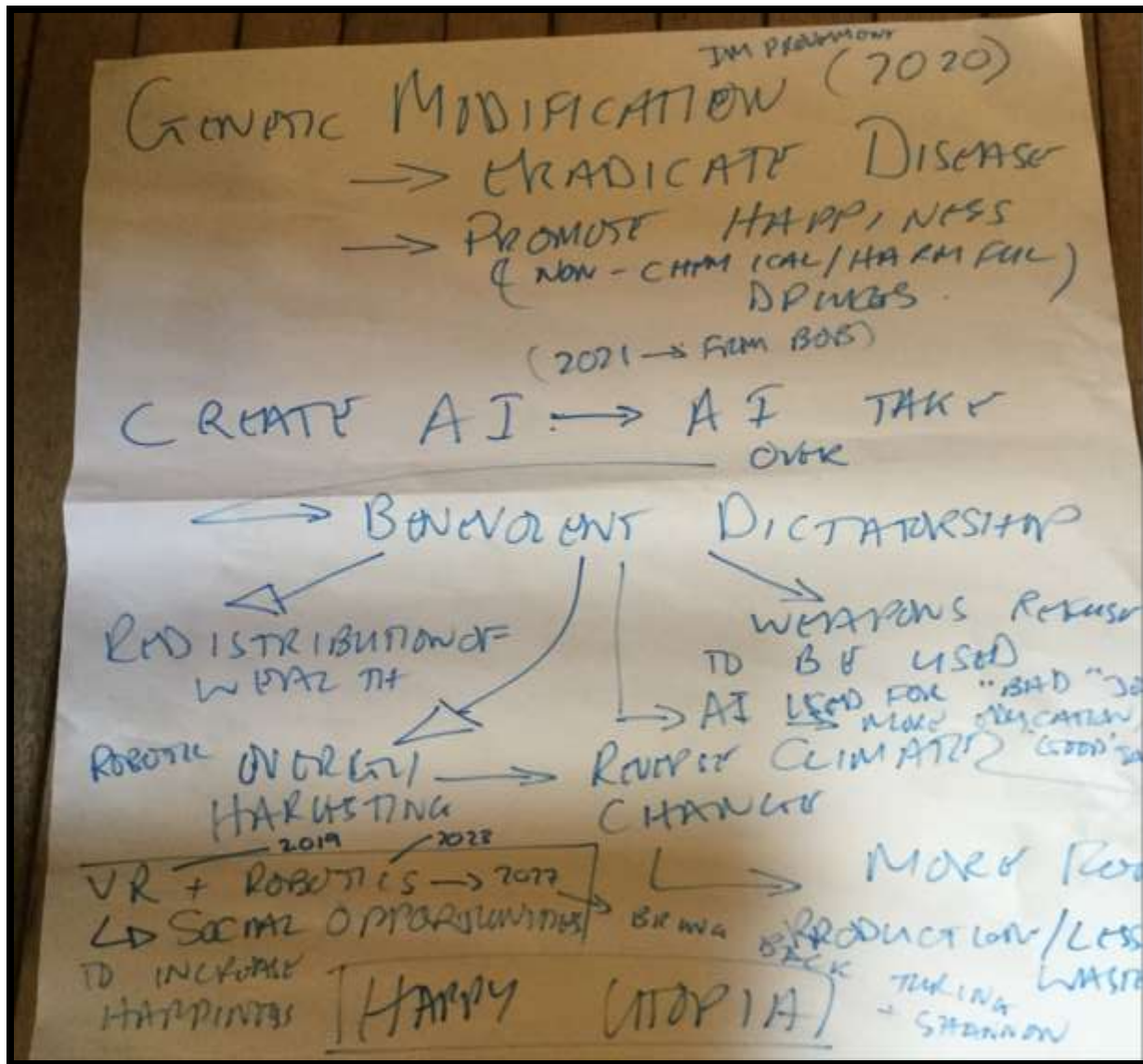
- Exploring scenarios
- Stimulating discussion about possible implications and risks
- Agree any actions to be taken

# Generate Scenarios 2027





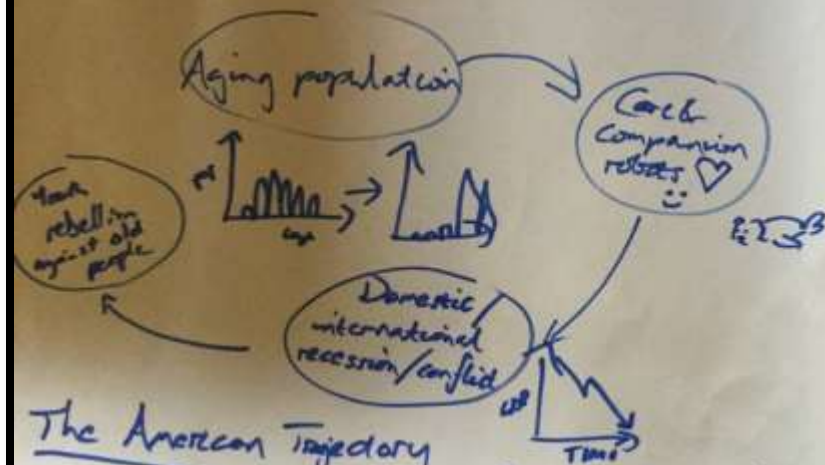
# World One- Happy Utopia



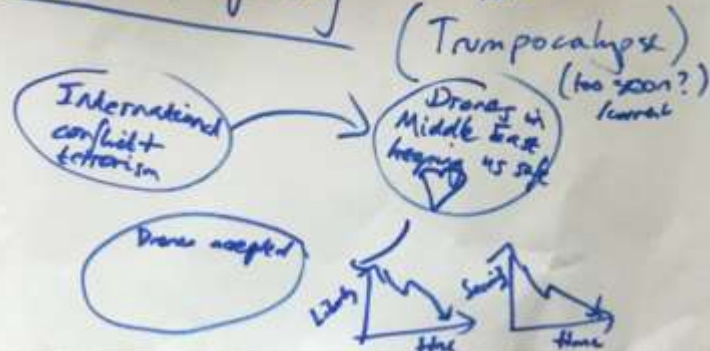
# World 2: Safe Under Watchful Eyes

World 2 - Societal  
turmoil, the human attitudes  
to robots

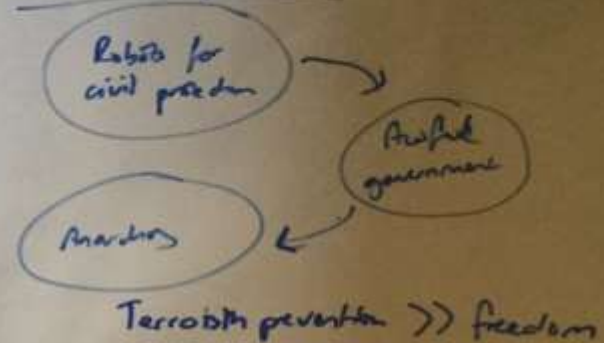
## The Japanese Trajectory (Youthpocalypse)



## The American Trajectory



## UK trajectory

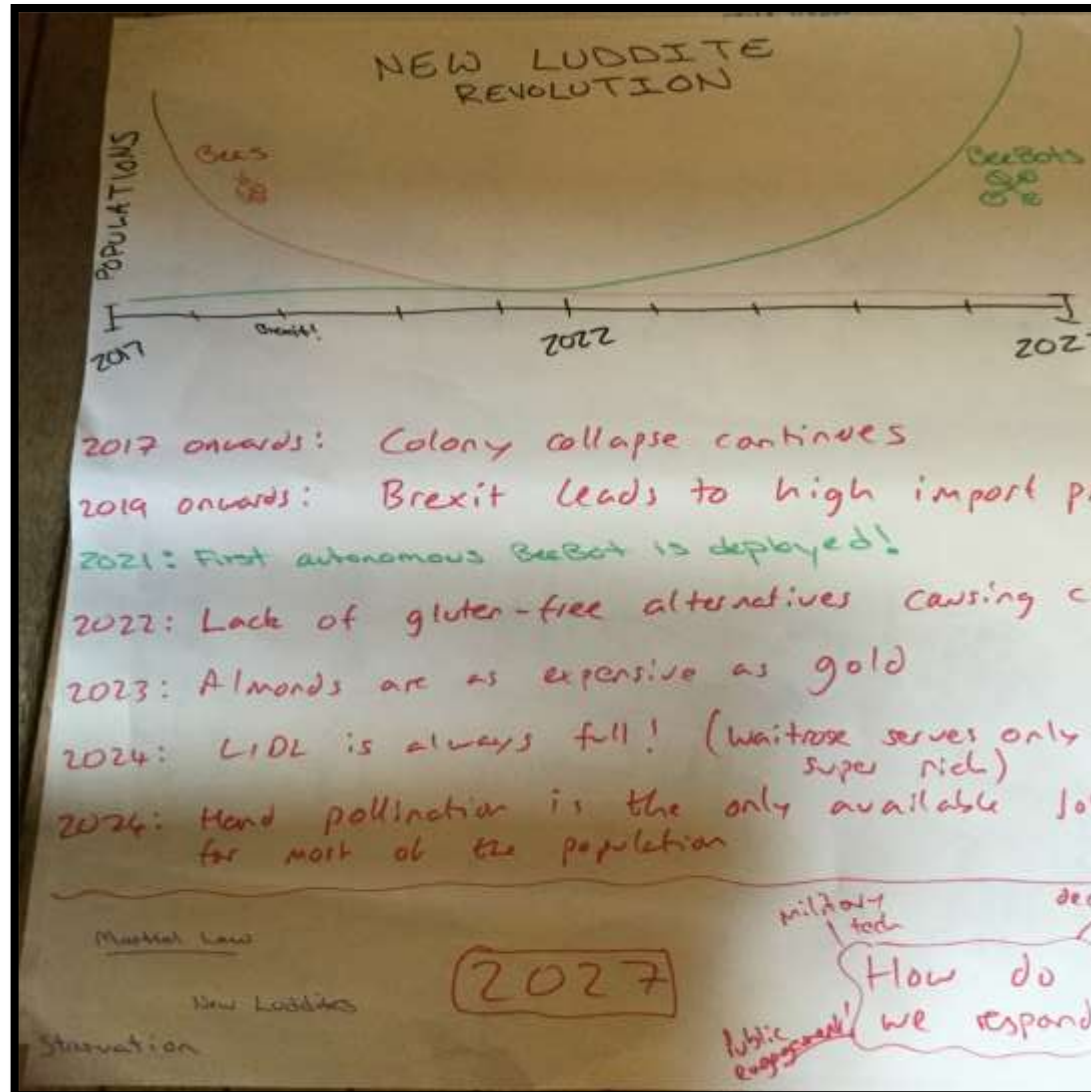


SAFE UNDER  
WATCHFUL EYES

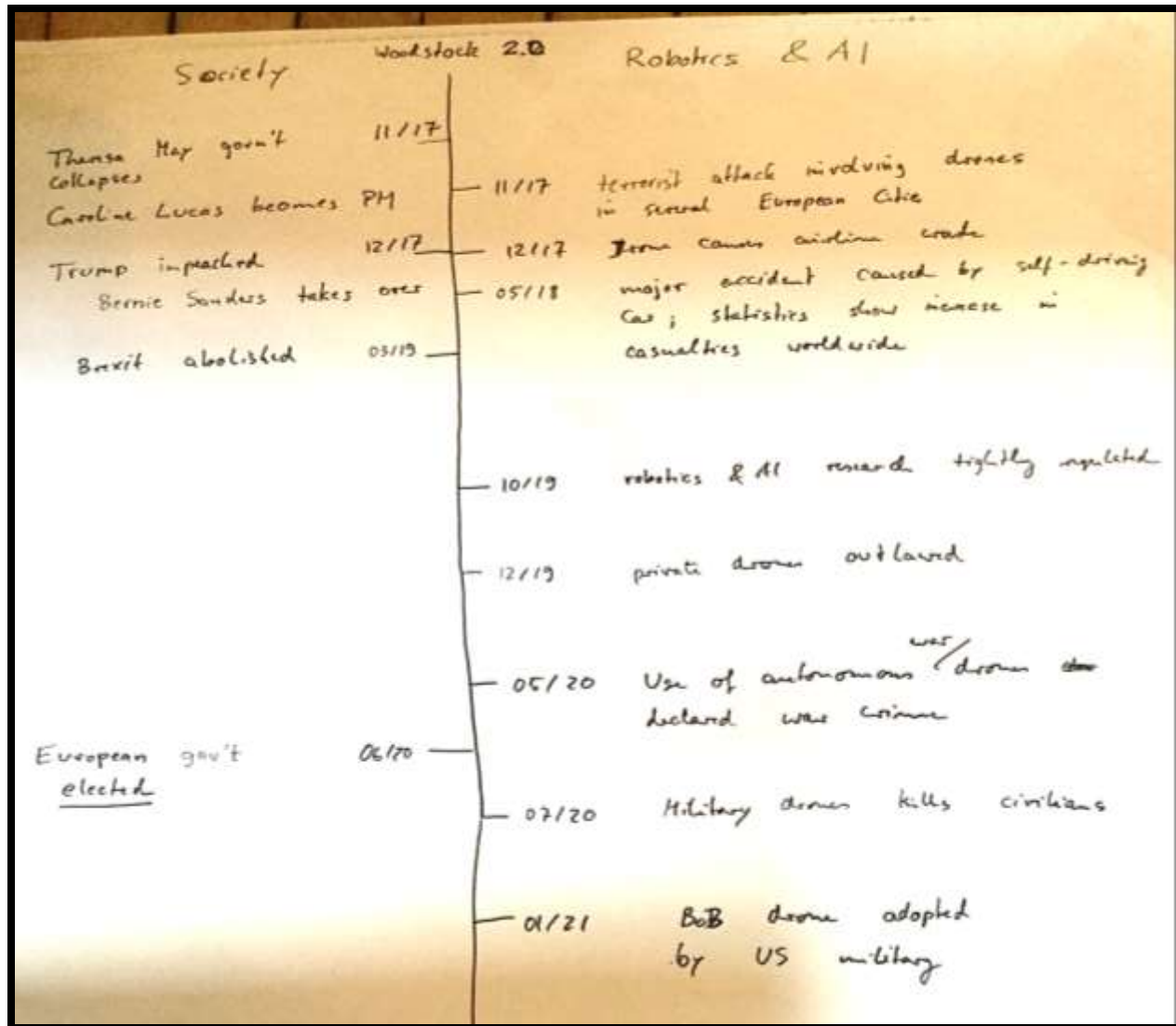




# World 3: New Luddite Revolution



# World 4: Woodstock 2.0



# Reflections and Review



# Session 3: Exploring AREA

## Purpose

Explore the EPSRC Guidance on Responsible Innovation and relate to this project – demonstrate you have considered it and taken appropriate action

## Activity

- Complete audit questions on product/process and purpose – assess what is in place
- Identify any areas for further work

# AREA

Anticipate

Engage

“Responsible Innovation means taking care  
of the future through collective stewardship  
of science and innovation in the present”  
Stilgoe, Owen, Macnaughten – Nov 2013 Research Policy

Reflect

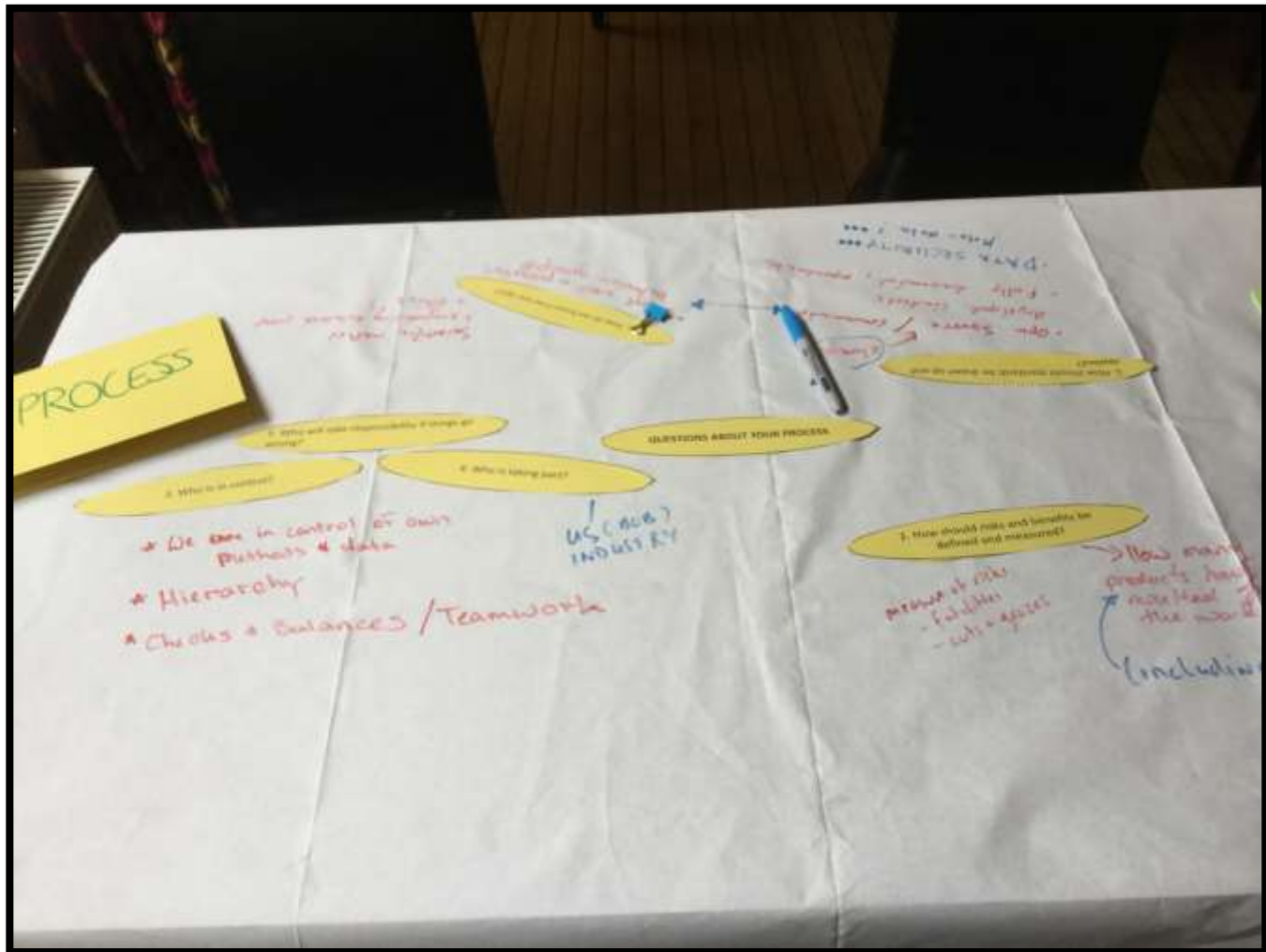
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# Review of Audit Questions



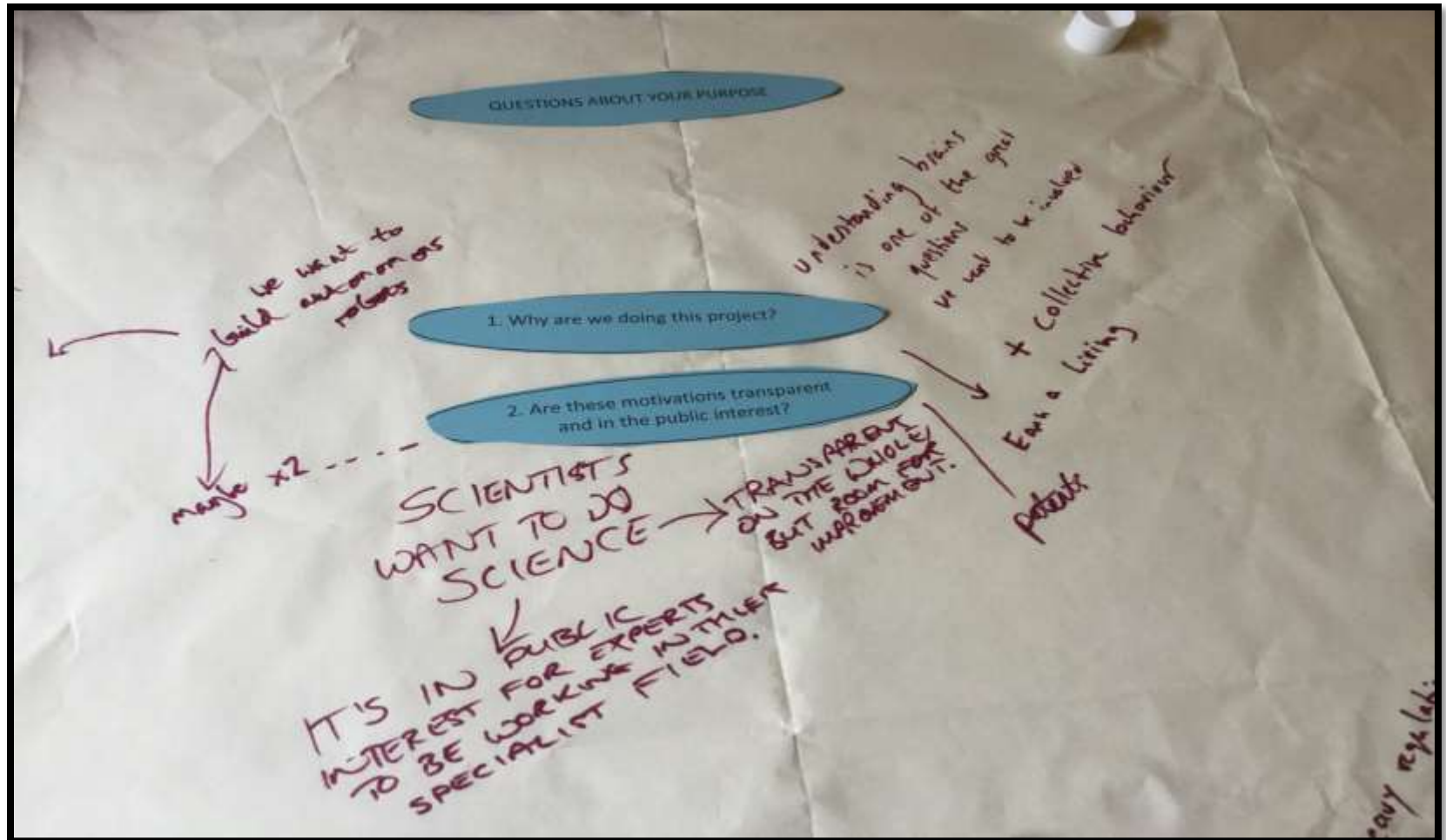
# Process



# Process Audit

1. **How should standards be drawn up and applied?**
  - Open Source/Community Developed Standards (always?)
  - Fully documented and reproducible
  - Data Security
  - Meta Data
2. **How should risks and benefits be defined and measured?**
  - Measure of risks – fatalities and cut/grazes
  - How many products have resulted from the work? – including publications
3. **Who is in control?**
  - We are in control of own methods and data
  - Hierarchy
  - Checks and balances/teamwork
4. **Who is taking part?**
  - US (BoB)
  - Industry
5. **Who will take responsibility if things go wrong? – no response**
6. **How do we know if we are right?**
  - Share work in progress between groups
  - Scientific methods and engineering existence
  - Ethics??

# Purpose Audit



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## 1. Why are we doing this project?

- Understanding brains and collective behaviour are some of the great questions and we want to be involved in this
- Earn a living

## 2. Are these motivations transparent and in the public interest?

- Scientists want to do science - Transparent on the whole but room for improvement - Its in the public interest for experts to be working in their specialist field
- Patents
- Maybe x 2..... We want to build autonomous robots to solve real world problems (eventually) – future forming, search and rescue in dangerous conditions (dull, dirty and dangerous)

## 3. Who will benefit?

- Academics, Neuroscientists, Philosophy
- General Public
- UK PLC

## 4. What are they going to gain?

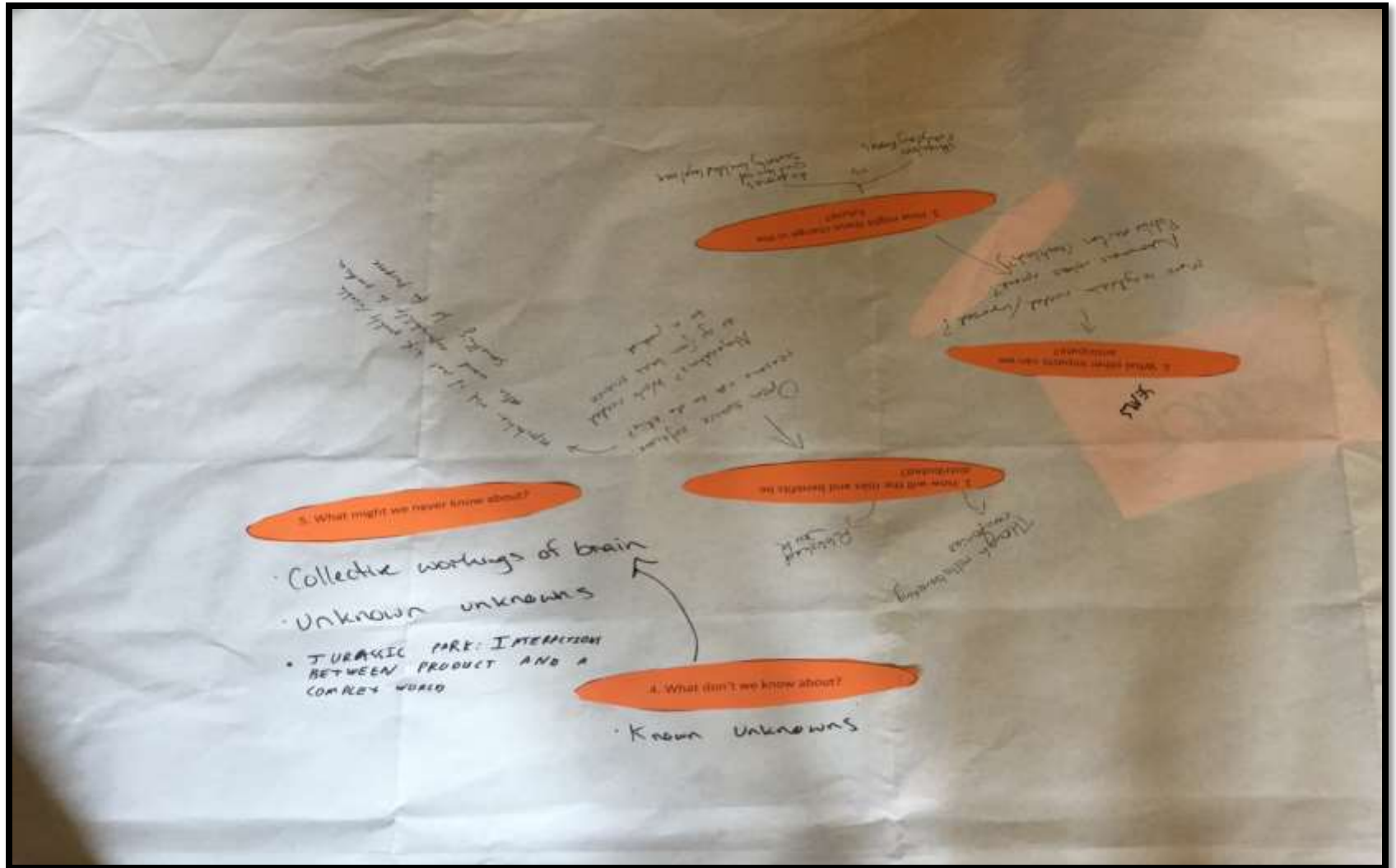
- New business area
- Scientific knowledge

## 5. What are the alternatives?

- Private ownership of tech rather than public
- Heavy regulations outlaws drones
- Less robust solutions by someone else
- Leaving drone tech to the military



# Product Audit



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## 1. How will the risks and benefits be distributed?

- Open Source Software – reasons not to do this?
- Algorithms? Work needed to go from basic science to a product
- Published Work
- Through collaborating companies

## 2. What other impacts can we anticipate?

- SEALS
- More regulation needed/imposed?
- Public reaction (backlash?)

## 3. How might these change in the future?

- Ubiquitous everyday drones
- Versus no drones, outlawed, severely limited legal use

## 4. What don't we know about?

- Known Unknowns

## 5. What might we never know about?

- Collective workings of brain
- Unknown unknowns
- Jurassic Park: interaction between the product and a complex world

# Session 6: Responsible Advocacy

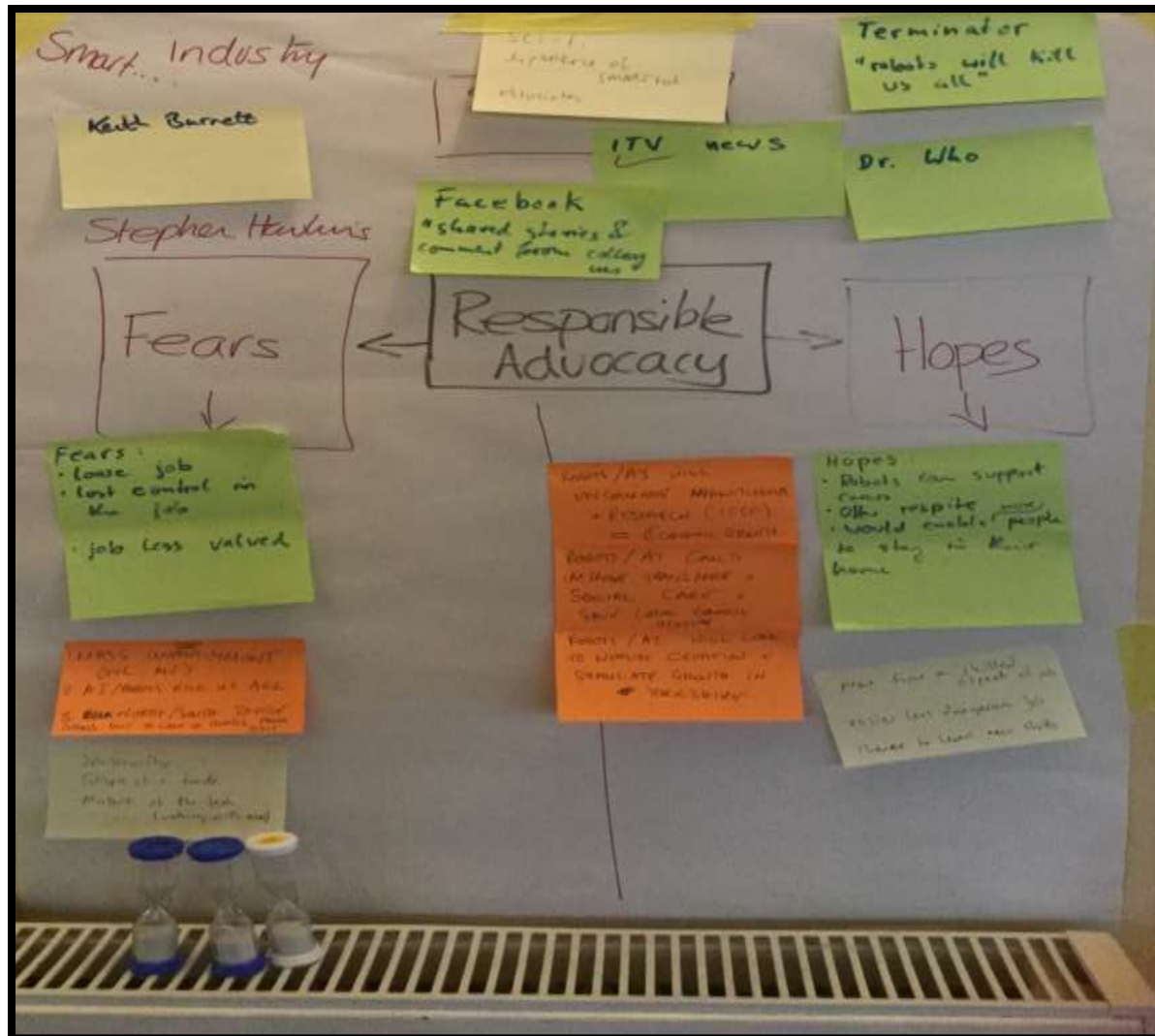
## **Purpose**

To explore the barriers and challenges you face in communicating the risks and rewards of this project and generate some possibilities for future advocacy – anticipate/engage

## **Process**

1. Explore different perspectives
2. Where in the World? Creative thinking
3. Guidelines of responsible advocacy

# Responsible Advocacy: Public Perception



# Responsible Innovation: Discussions

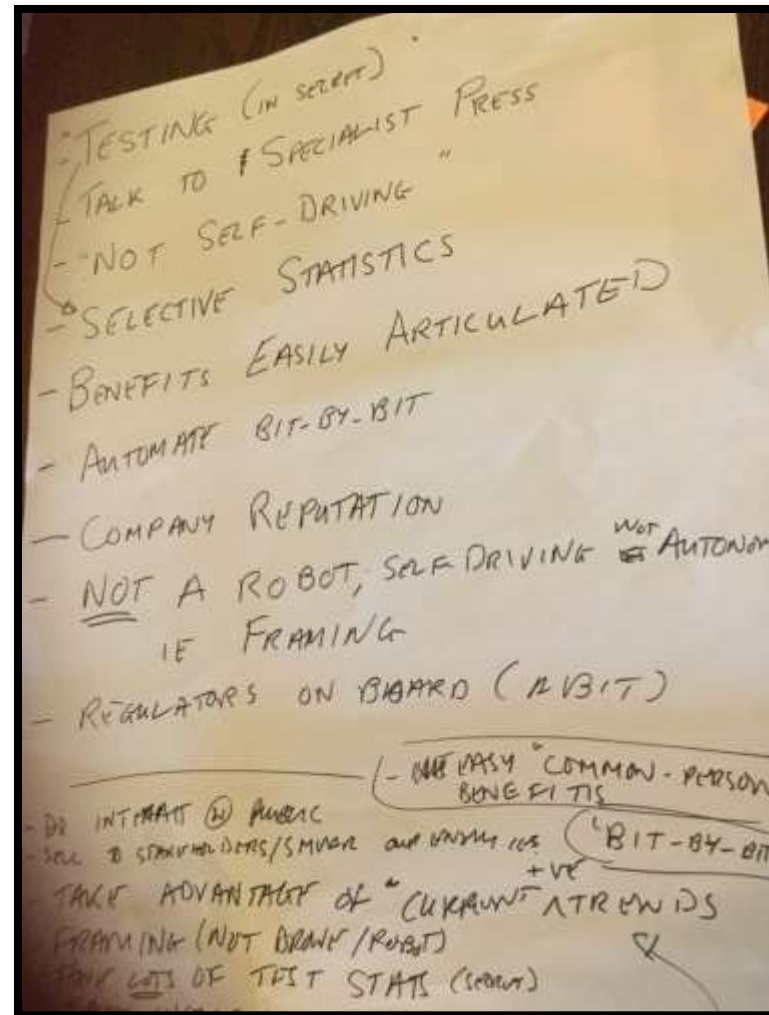




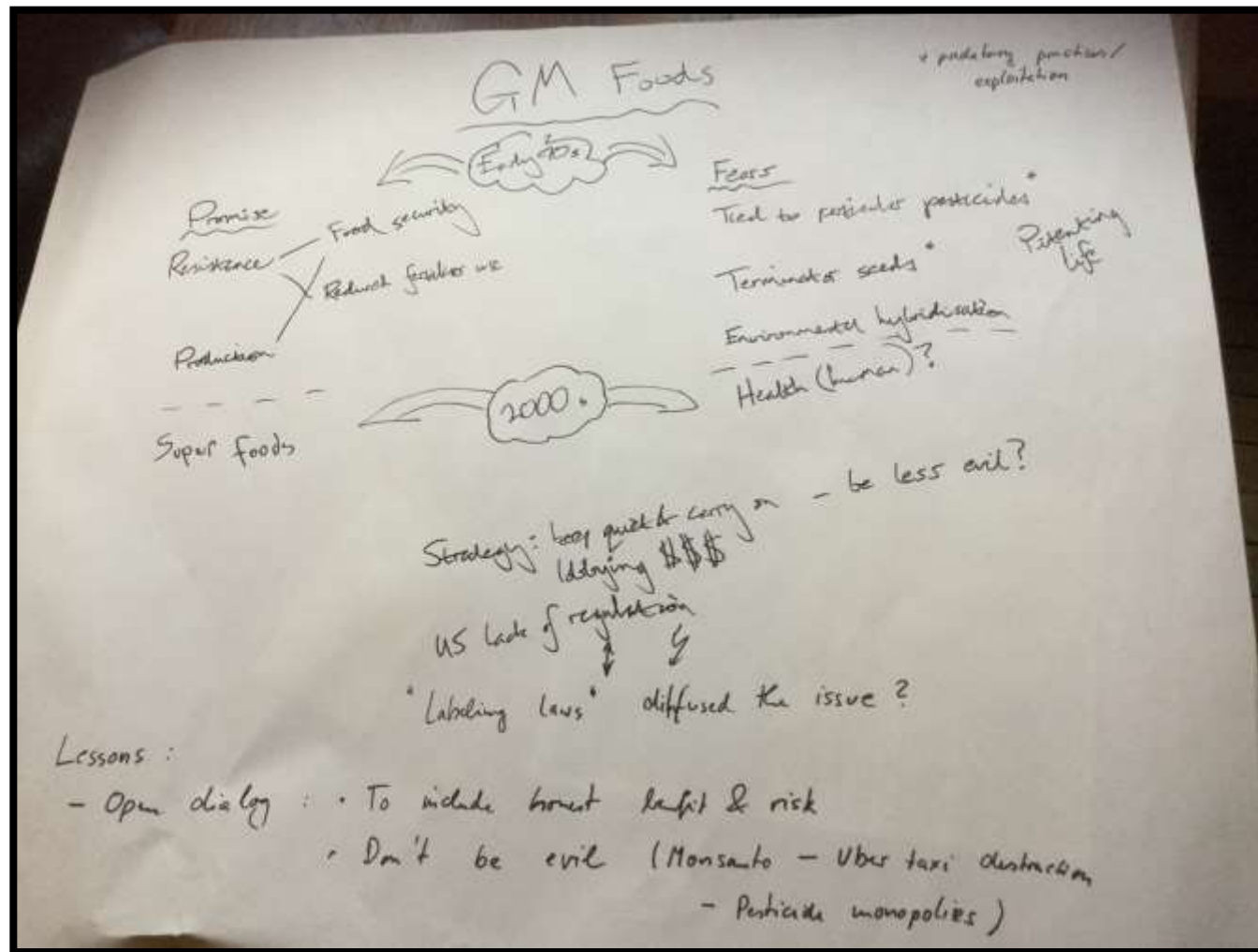
# Exploring Other Examples Where Similar Challenge Faced



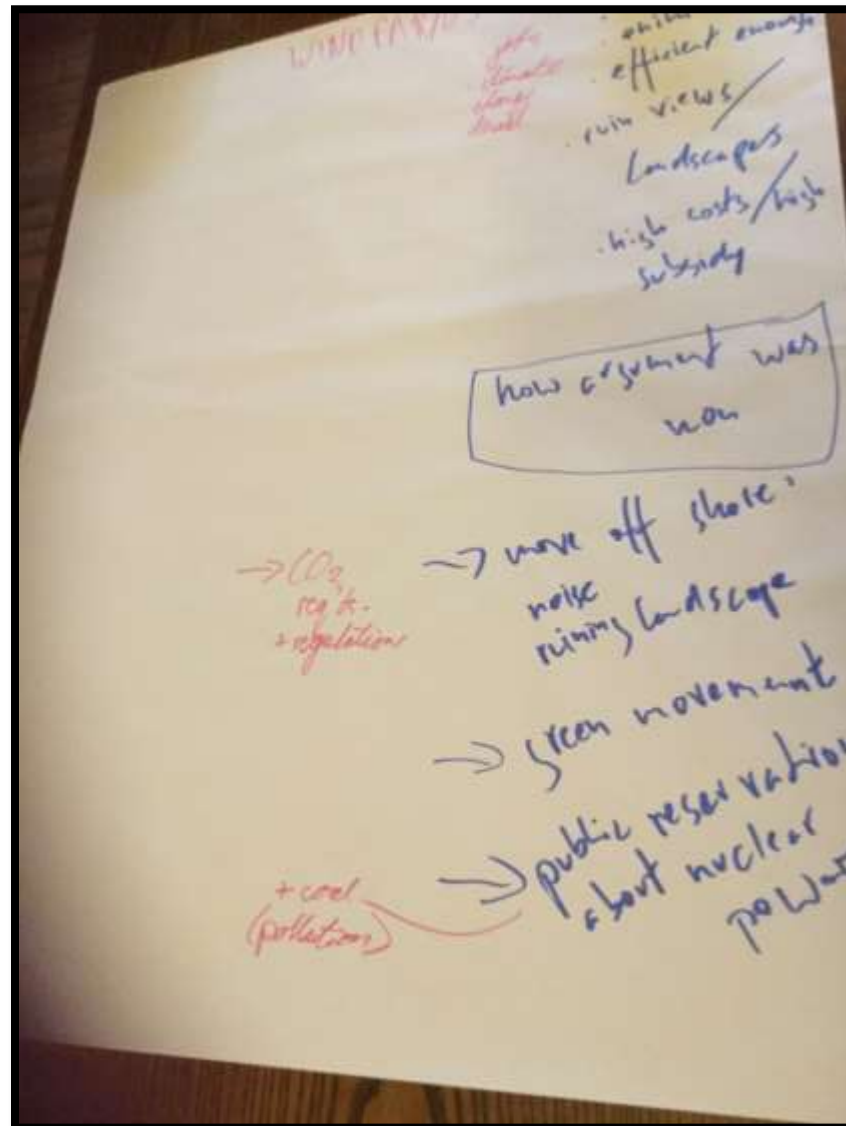
# Autonomous Cars

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- TESTING (IN SECRET)
  - TALK TO SPECIALIST PRESS
  - "NOT SELF-DRIVING"
  - SELECTIVE STATISTICS
  - BENEFITS EASILY ARTICULATED
  - AUTOMATE BIT-BY-BIT
  - COMPANY REPUTATION
  - NOT A ROBOT, SELF DRIVING ~~IS~~ <sup>NOT</sup> AUTONOMOUS  
IF FRAMING
  - REGULATORS ON BOARD (A BIT)
- 
- THE EASY "COMMON-PERSON" BENEFITS
    - DO INTERACT @ PUBLIC
    - SELL TO SHAREHOLDERS/SMALL BUSINESS
    - TAKE ADVANTAGE OF "UNKNOWN" ATTRIBUTES  
FRAMING (NOT DRIVE/ROBOT)
    - HAVE LOTS OF TEST STATS (SECRET)
  - "BIT-BY-BIT" <sup>+VE</sup>

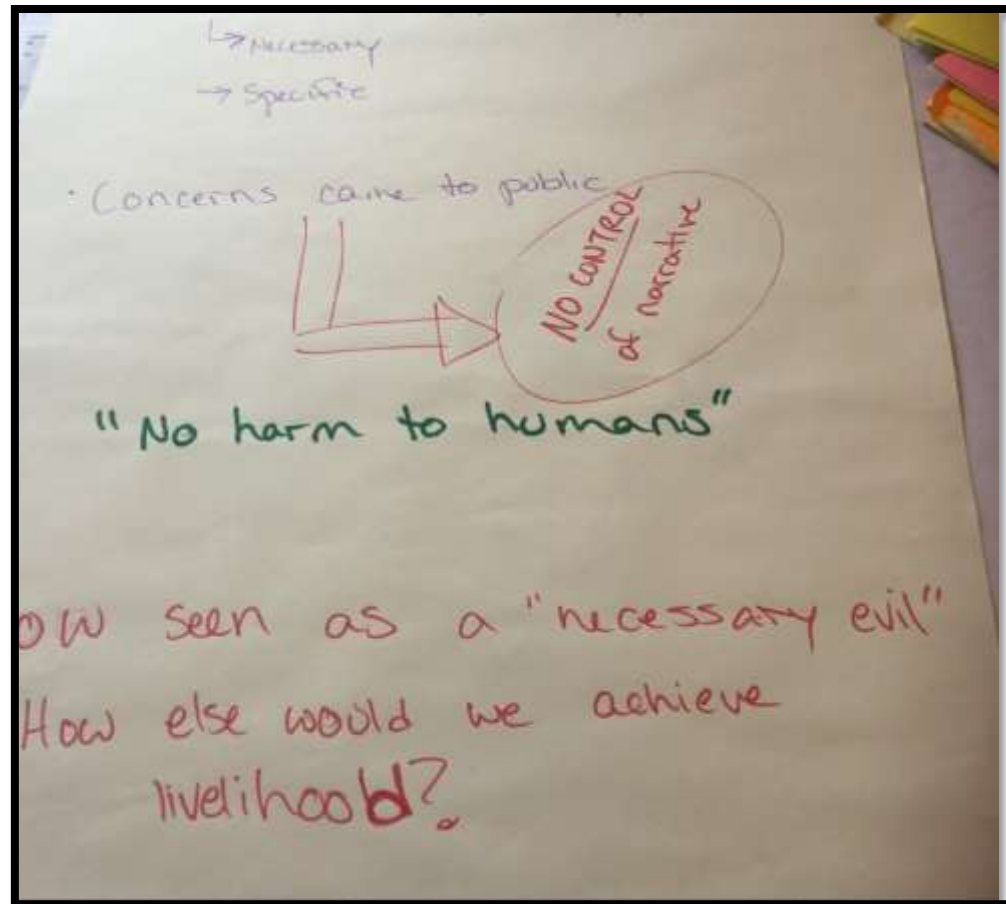
# GM Foods



# Wind Farms

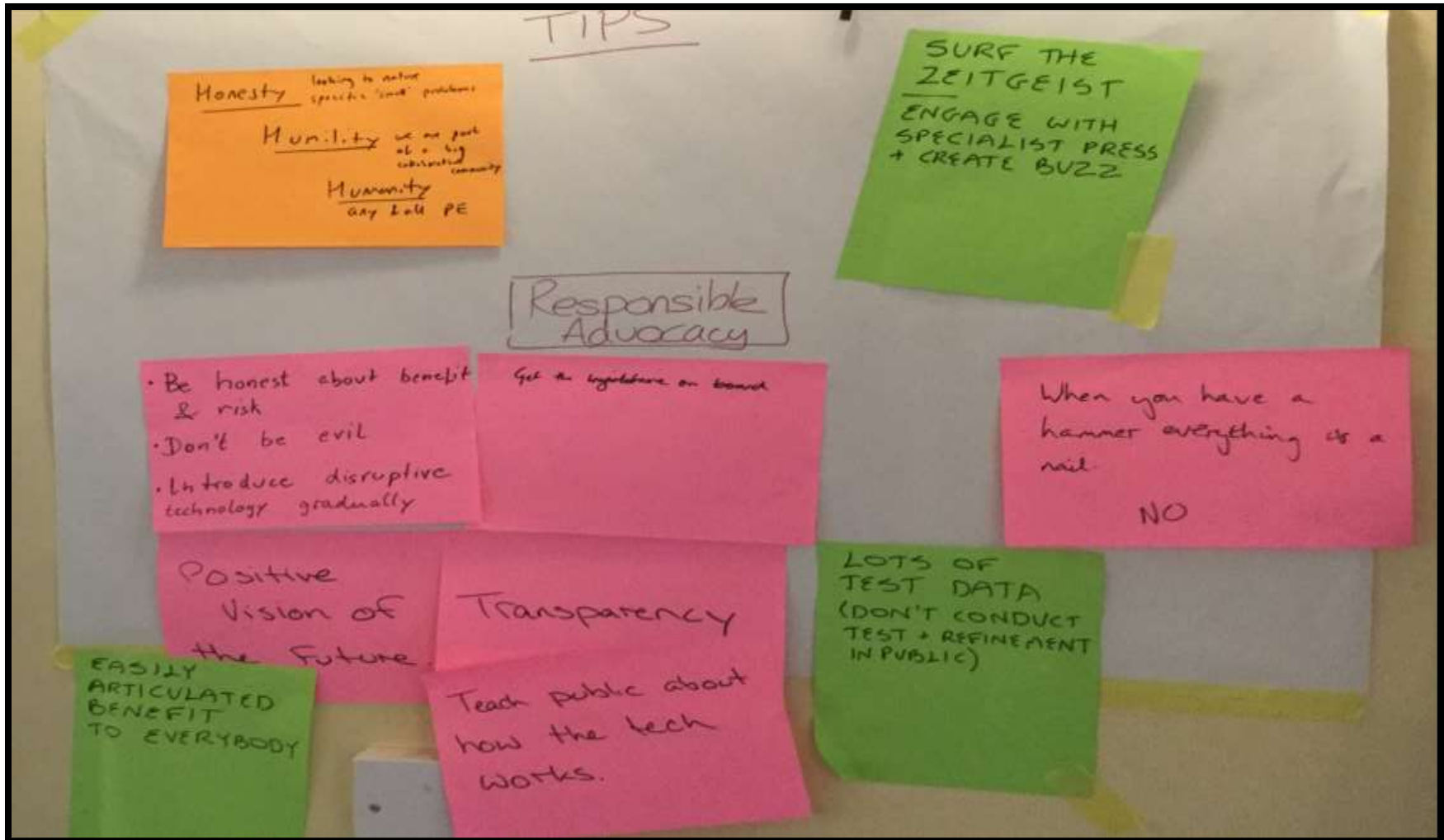


# Pesticides





# Tips for Responsible Advocacy



# Day Two



# Responsible Robotics – Alan Winfield







Communicating Principles of  
Responsible Robotics –  
Creative Presentations



# Engaging with the Public

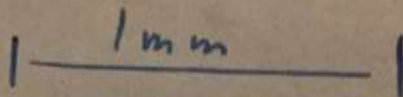




INSIDE



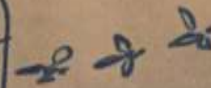
MILLION BRAIN  
CELLS WORKING  
TOGETHER  
TO REPRESENT THE WORLD  
INTERNALLY



OUTSIDE

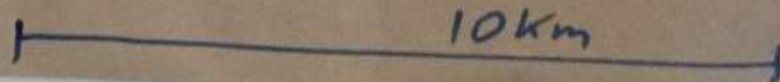


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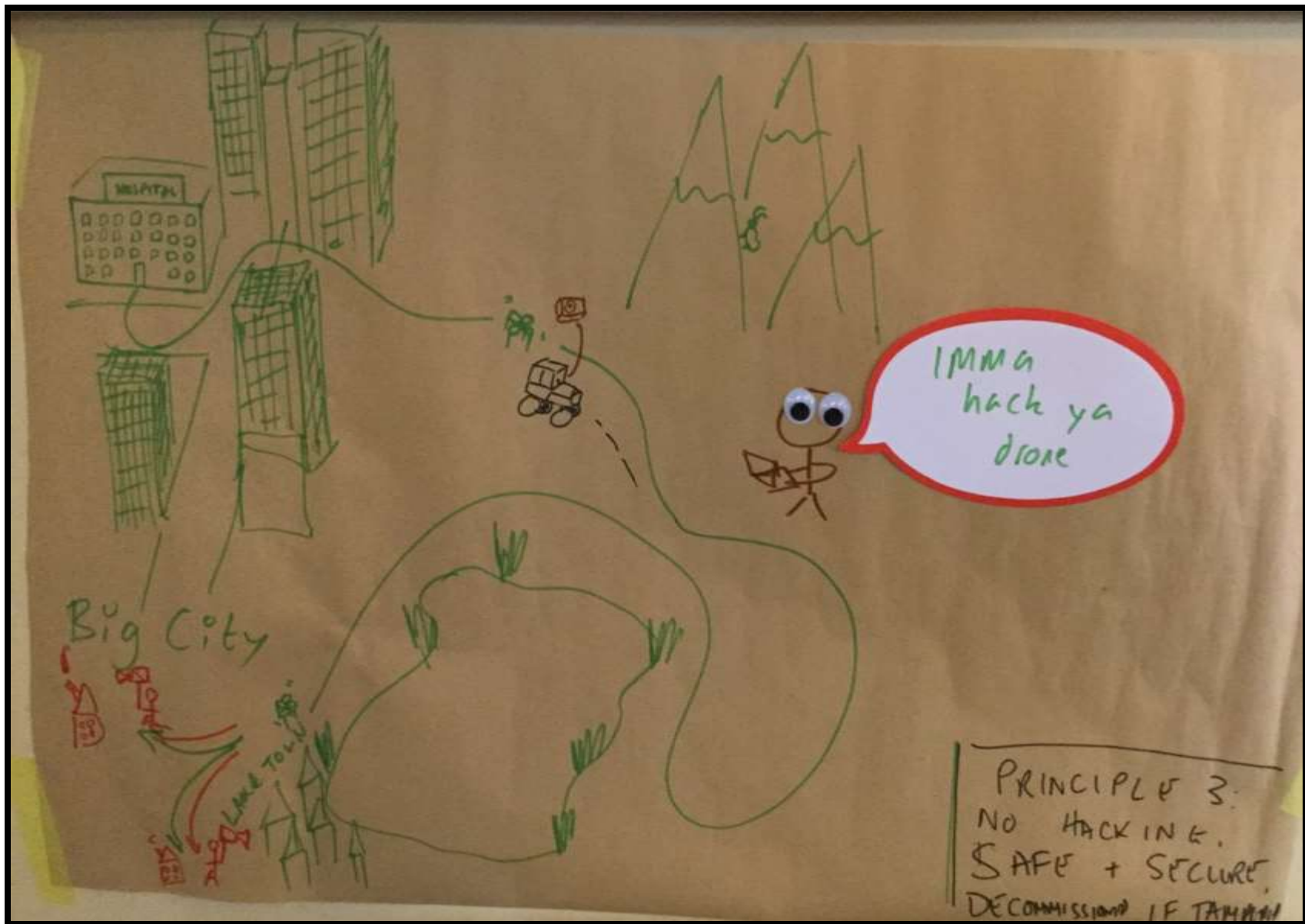


Cognition  
Communication

Computation







IMMA  
hack ya  
drone

PRINCIPLE 3:  
NO HACKING.  
SAFE + SECURE.  
DECOMMISSION IF TAMPERED

# BLACK BOX

Current Practice  
(in aviation)

- voice recorder
- data recorder

KEY Qs

- 1) What level of detail?
- 2) What strategy as robots are developed?

Bee-Inspired  
DELIVERY DRONE

- MOTOR COMMANDS
- ALL BRAIN CELLS?
- WHAT HAS DRONE LEARNT?

"Bee Drones"  
inherently ~~low~~ <sup>low risk</sup>  
- small & light  
- no "weapons" or capacity to add them

# What Helped Engagement in our Presentations

- Use of metaphors – neuron as a tiny oak tree
- Using people as props – interactive
- Interesting scientific facts – using simple terms
- Lack of hyperbole in the presentations
- Using a practical example of how drones can do useful stuff
- Discussion of tech – teach/repeat – simple example
- Highlighted potential problems and offered ideas for solving them
- Honest about limitations – don't just lie about this and gloss over it
- Provided positive examples of a better future with the drones

# Responsible Advocacy in Practice

- Reflect on the work we have done today and the emerging action points
- Identify 1-2 specific proposals that will help us to influence policy makers and/or communicate with the public about risks and rewards
  - Outreach
  - Publications
  - Social Media
  - Presentations

Media  
Engagement  
Strategy

Wedding  
table

Andy

Citizen Science  
Proposal -  
mapping ideas.

Paul

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Creating a  
debate about  
ethics / robots  
BIG ETHICAL ISSUES  
see. Rectangle table

IDEAS  
FORUM

Engage with  
regulators about  
auto. drones.  
James

3

Ethics on  
robot website

Round-1  
Thomas

Local M.P. +  
contacts - outreach  
+ promotions  
Alex

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# Developing Proposals







# Proposal: Public Consultation

## What is your proposal?

Public consultation with stakeholders about hopes and fears for drone tech

Phase 2 – public forum (Chelsea)

## What will the outcomes be?

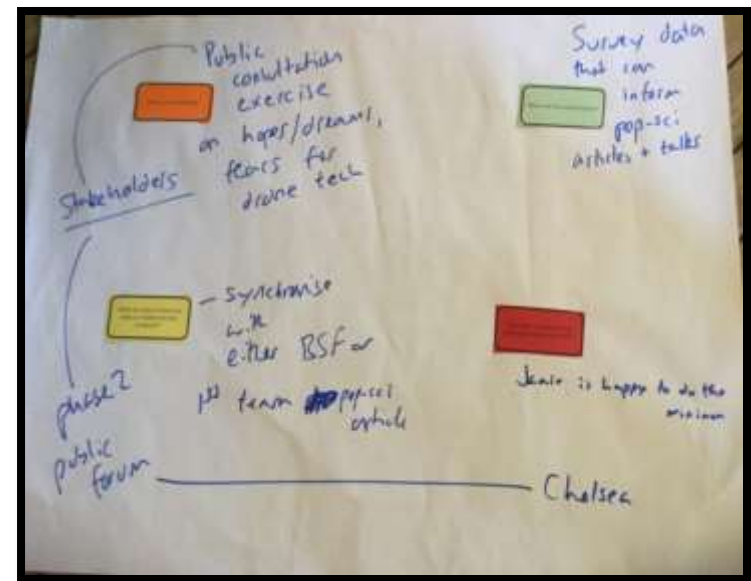
Survey data that can inform pop science articles and talks

## What are some of the first steps to implement this proposal?

Synchronise with either BSF or 1<sup>st</sup> team pop science article

## Who else is interested in getting involved with this?

Jamie is happy to do the minimum



# Proposal: Team Outreach Strategy

## What is your proposal?

Develop a team outreach strategy

## What will the outcomes be?

A website

Coherent approach

Sharing resources and opportunities

Data on engagement (impact??)

## What are some of the first steps to implement this proposal?

Communicate Twitter/FB/Social Media Strategy to team

Internal website for resources, opportunities, events

External website (fed by internal?)

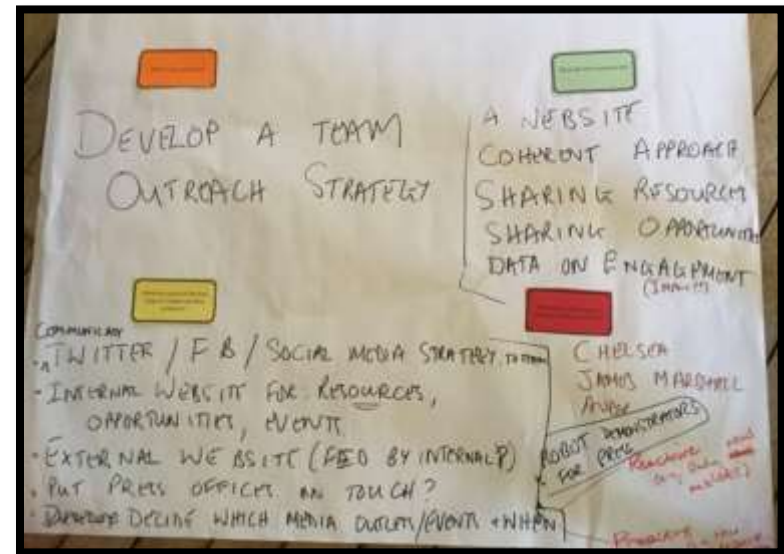
Put press officer in touch?

Decide which media outlets/events and when – proactive(eg New Scientist) and Reactive eg Daily outlooks

Robot demonstrators for press

## Who else is interested in getting involved with this?

Chelsea, James Marshall, Andy



# Proposal: Influencing Policy Makers

## What is your proposal?

Make personal contact with policy makers – MPs, parliamentary bodies, etc

## What will the outcomes be?

Ultimately to influence policy

Promotion of project

Better publicity (media engagement) for events etc.

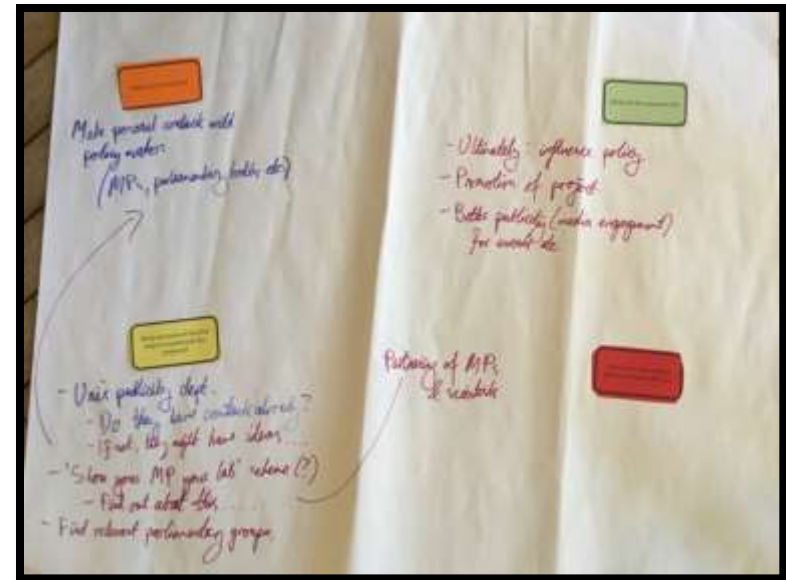
## What are some of the first steps to implement this proposal?

University's publicity department – do they have contacts already? If not they might have ideas....

“Show your MP your lab” scheme (?) – find out about this- Partnering of MPs and scientists

Find relevant parliamentary groups

## Who else is interested in getting involved with this?



# Proposal: Engage with Regulators

## What is your proposal?

Engage with regulators on autonomous UAVs

Do what driverless cars researchers are doing

CAA – BIS

Working groups

## What will the outcomes be?

Policy change:

- Create a market
- Ensure safety and public trust
- Security (hacking)
- Off switch
- Black box
- Verification
- Privacy
- Societal benefits

## What are some of the first steps to implement this proposal?

Engage with working groups (local/national/international)

Ministerial connection?

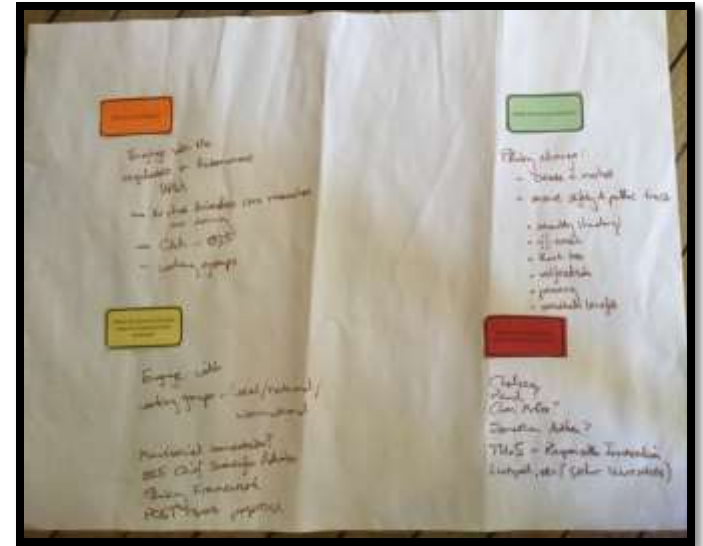
BIS Chief Scientific Adviser

Policy Framework

POST report proposal

## Who else is interested in getting involved with this?

Chelsea, Paul? Owen McRee? Jonathan Aitken? TU.S – responsible innovation, Liverpool etc. (other Universities)





# Proposal: Promoting Public Debate

## What is your proposal?

Promote public debate on robo-ethics

Work towards public consensus on ethical issues

## What will the outcomes be?

Public conversation

Public communicating with MPs

Politicians forced to declare positions of robo-ethics

Public pressure on regulators

## What are some of the first steps to implement this proposal?

Contact/Invite MPs

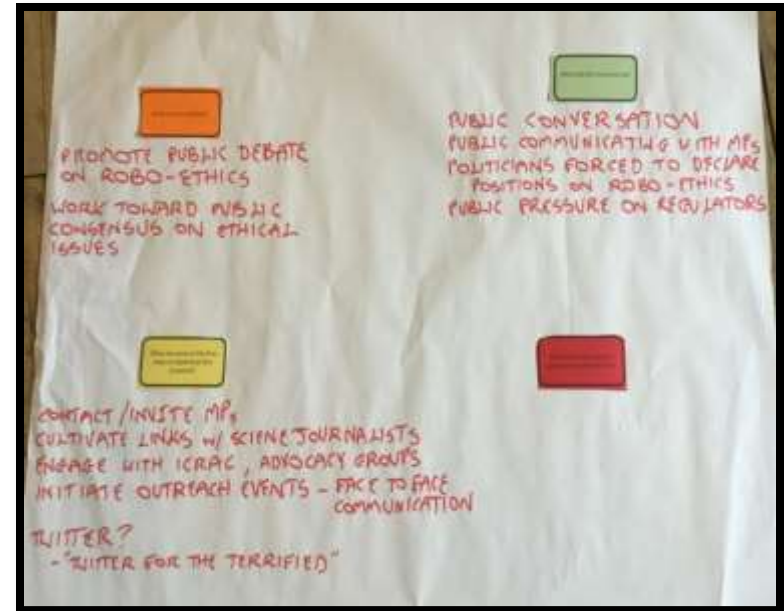
Cultivate links with scientific journalists

Engage with ICRAAC, Advocacy Groups

Initiate outreach events – face to face communication

Twitter? – “Twitter for the Terrified”

## Who else is interested in getting involved with this?





# Proposal: Website Development

## What is your proposal?

Create an ethics and advocacy section of the project website

Press coverage page?! – University press officers/tracking services?

“Ask me anything” form

## What will the outcomes be?

Visible engagement on the web

Positive publicity

Discoverability

## What are some of the first steps to implement this proposal?

Provide first set of links/content for web designer

Put processes in place for updates

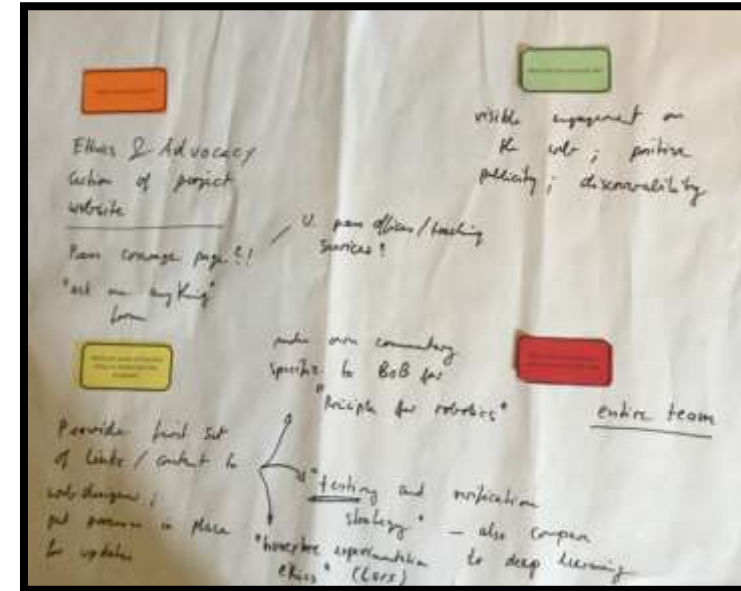
Make own commentary specific to BoB for “principles for robotics”

Testing and Verification strategy – also compare to deep learning

“Honey Bee Experimentation Ethics” - Lars

## Who else is interested in getting involved with this?

Entire team



# Project Manifesto

## **Purpose**

To articulate how you as a team are going to embody the principles of responsible innovation and advocacy into the way of life of your project.

## **Activity**

- Reflect on AREA, 5 Principles and 7 High level Messages and all our conversations
- Generate draft manifestos
- Share manifesto
- Identify phrases in common
- Use these to be part of your project DNA

# Sharing Manifestos



# Brains on Board Manifesto

## **WE BELIEVE**

In understanding bee brains and adaptive technology, we can use how the honey bee brain uses and gathers information for the designing and building of UAV

Technology serves people and should be beneficial to as many people as possible

Drones/robots can be a positive force in society

In the value of basic research

## **WE RECOGNISE**

Technology can be misused and has its limitations and that drone use has risks

The public perceptions of these risks, including accidents, conflict, weapons, surveillance

This project is taxpayer funded

## **WE COMMIT**

To responsible open science where we will always be transparent about goals and practices

Use open source and open data approach whenever practically possible (Git Hub etc)

To mitigate technology use and thus minimising the risks of drone use

The 3 Rs of research – replace, reduce, refinement

## **WE WILL TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS**

Engage with stakeholders, including government, industry, policy makers, regulators, science community and general public advocating responsible robotics

Share positive vision of “robotics in the future”

Consider the consequences of releasing *algorithm* (misuse)

“First do no harm” but data transparency (not code, data)

# Action Plan

WHO	WHAT
Mikko	Public Engagement
Eleni	Public Engagement
Chelsea	Research, Post notes, Engage, research, research, research
Paul	Research, Post notes
Thomas	Research, Post notes, Engage, research, research, research
Alex C	Research, Post notes
Lars	
James K	Look into data, logging, post notes, & consultation on John
Jooni	
Andrew	Research, Post notes, Engage, research, research, research
Alex	Research, Post notes, Engage, research, research, research
Joe	Research, Post notes, Engage, research, research, research
James B	Research, Post notes, Engage, research, research, research
James M	Research, Post notes, Engage, research, research, research
Way	Research, Post notes, Engage, research, research, research