

“Between the butterfly effect and the
lack of legitimacy”

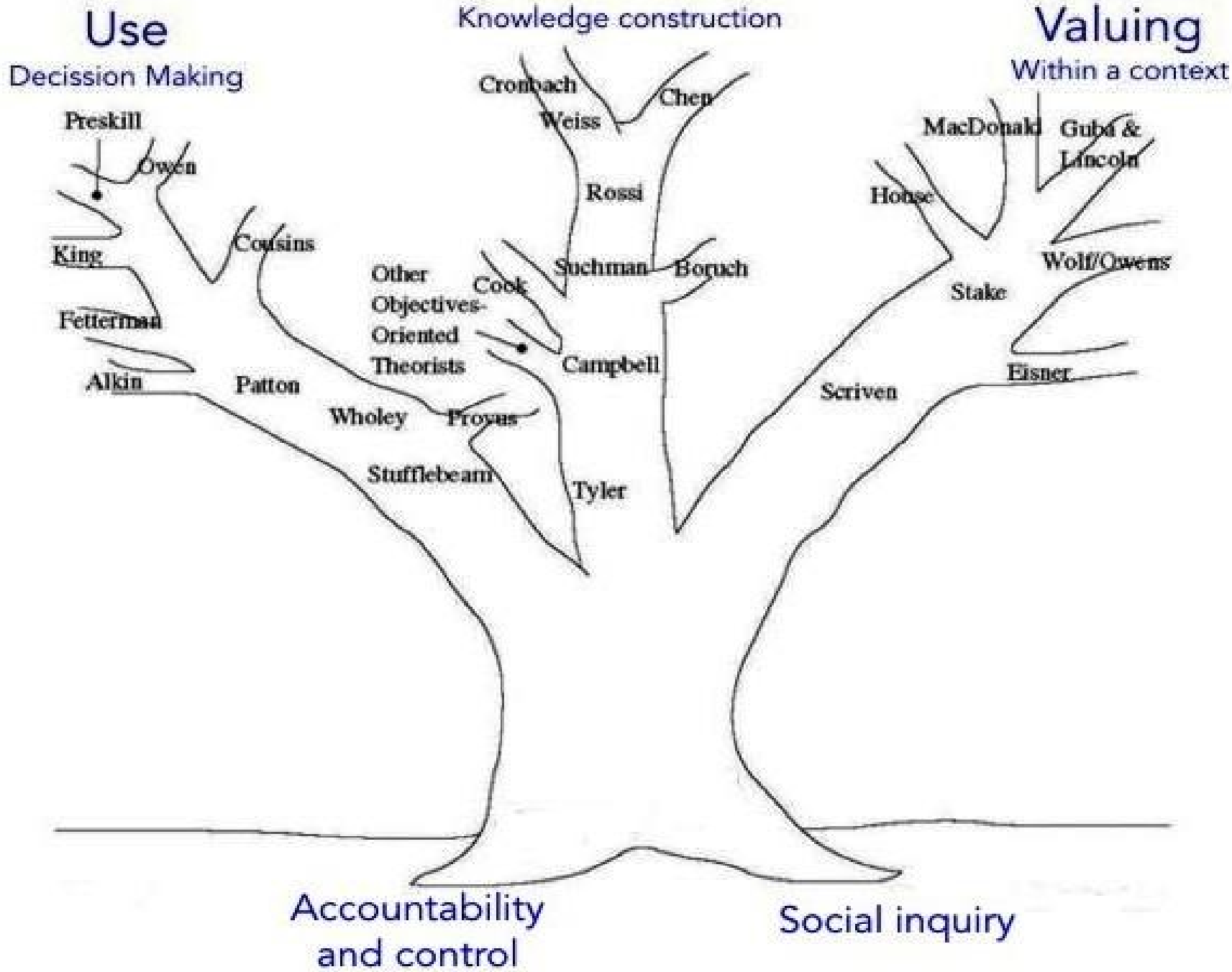
--Change-Impact-Transformation: key element of quality

Harley and Green 4 dimensions of quality:

Fidelity to the objectives- Coherence-Innovation-Transformation

Impact: key element of evidence based policy
development
(beyond data)

Methods



Challenges - Answers

Knowledge construction

Challenge: Representativity, rigour and accuracy

Answer:

- Serious integration of impact evaluation in all the projects,
- Improve methods
- Offer -without complex- “our representativity”

Challenges - Answers

Valuing

Challenges: Lack of exclusivity, causality and relevance in other contexts

Answers: Strategies: Specialisation, Creativity, synergies,
Methods: Case studies and systematisation of long term processes, comparative studies

Challenges - Answers

Decision making

Challenge: A BIG ONE: “Hierarchysation” of policies

Answer: “Cross-sectorial” policies

Challenges - Answers

Challenge on the roots:

A BIG ONE! Accountability-control and social inquiry are sometimes not the main real motivation of impact evaluations

Answer: Ethics reinforcement, more democracy, transparency and social oriented research