Policy Toolkit: Qualities of a Good Policy

- Has a clear purpose.
- Has a clear owner.
- Speeds up and aids decision-making by providing a framework for decisions.
- Meets university objectives.
- Addresses what the rule (policy) is, rather that how to implement the rule (procedures, guidelines).
- Outcomes are clearly stated and measurable.
- Stakeholders have been involved in the development.
- It has been appropriately resourced.
- There is clear accountability.
- Complies with all appropriate legislation, statutes and regulation and is coherent with the overall policy portfolio of the university.
- Stable and future proofed.
- Developed considering the impact of policy on different groups.
- Known and understood by all that are affected by the policy.
- Written in clear, concise and gender-neutral language.
- Ideas have been tested before implementation.