

# Just Practice a framework for social change

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# introduction

- Our backgrounds
- What the purpose of today's presentation is about?
- An offering



# Just “community work” practice in Aotearoa New Zealand

- Historical antecedents
- What’s in a name?



- Centralised by a focus on social justice and transformative social change.
- One could say that these individuals and groups are “just” practitioners.

# What is Just Practice?



- In one manifestation it is the final paper in a 3 (soon to be 4) year **social practice** degree.
  - A capstone for the Degree:
    - Counselling, Social Work, Community Development.
    - uniting and reweaving the threads of the Bachelor of Social Practice
- Our guest speakers
- Reinvigorating students for their original passion for social justice and social change.

# Origins of JP as course

- Social practice at Unitec
- Theory before practice?/Practice before theory?
- Writing up the experience of the course led to the discovery of a model (Finn and Jacobson)

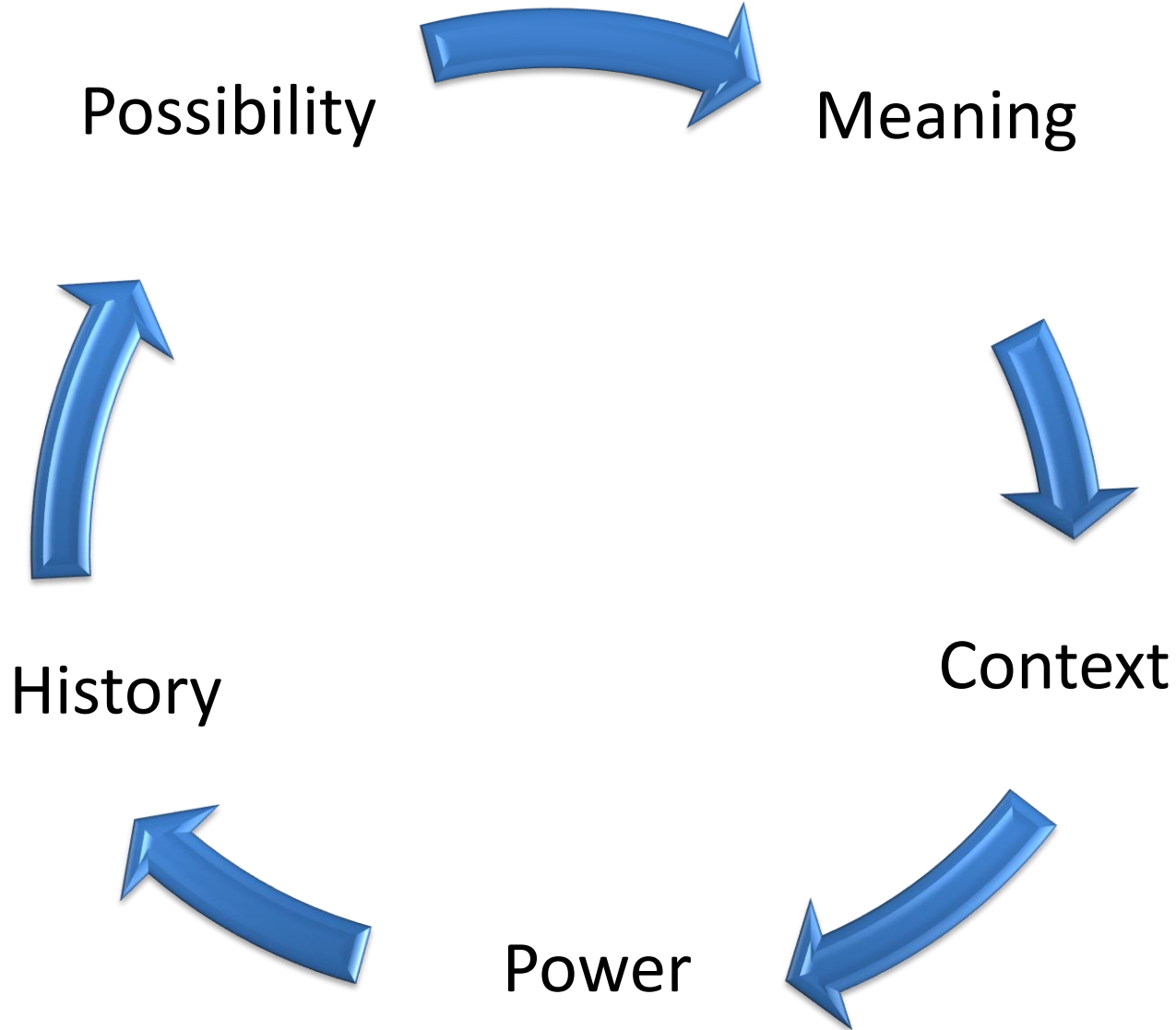


# What else is just practice

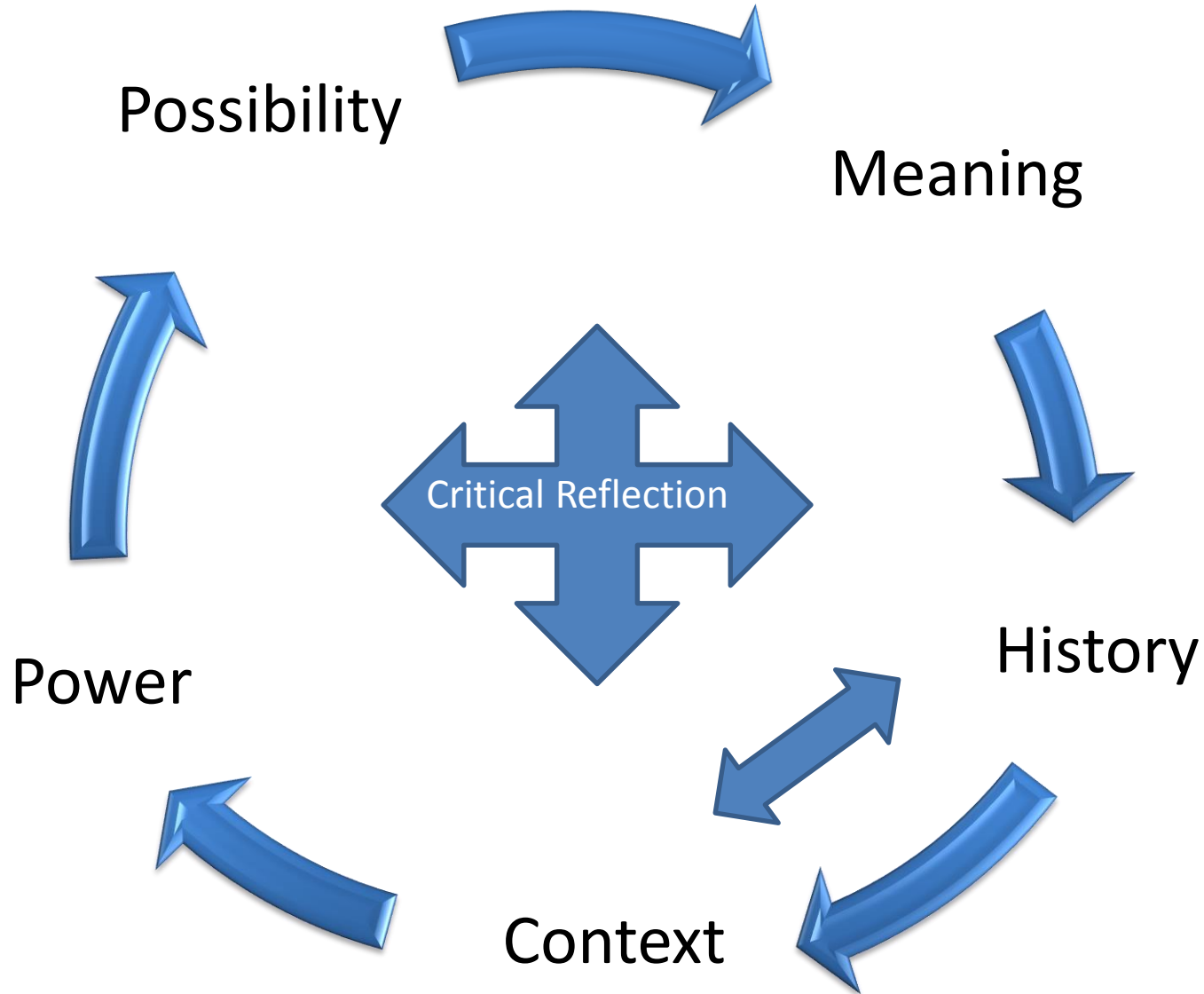
- Above all else it is the concept that social justice should inform our practice.
- It is a model of analysis.
  - Has the potential to be a model of change.
- It has the potential to inform a community development process



# The framework



# Our adaptation

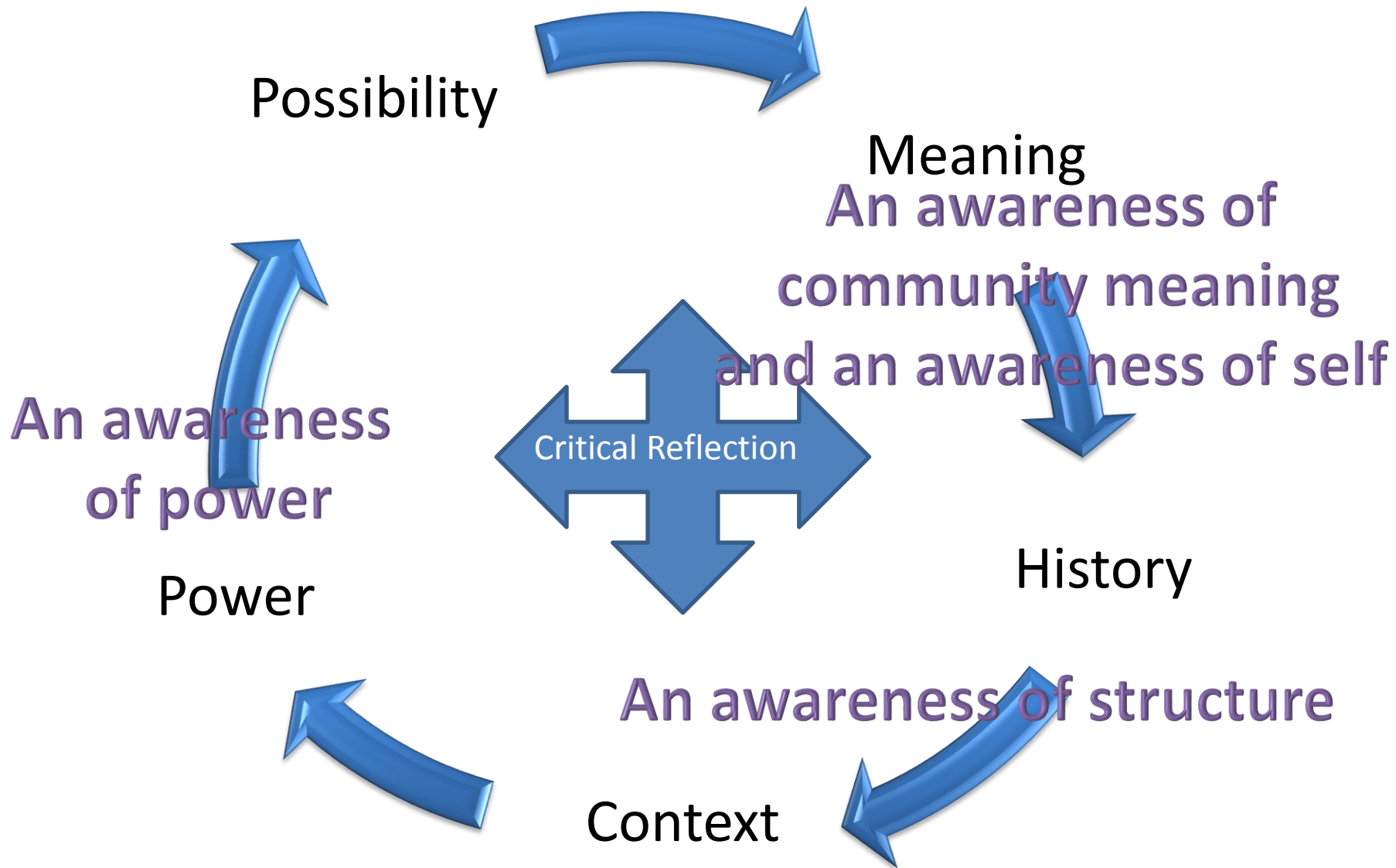


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Just Practice is an  
on going journey





# Brain storm ideas of application

