CIfA New Generation Special Interest Group Business and Action Plan Committee Term 2016-2019

The New Generation Special Interest Group aims to support archaeologists in the early stages of their career working in all parts of the sector. We aim to achieve this by:

- I. exploring, researching and offering practical support and advice on pathways into the profession and career development;
- II. raising the profiles of early career archaeologists in the sector by building a strong network; and
- III. increasing the role and representation of early career archaeologists within CIfA

Building on the work of the 2013-2016 Committee, our business plan goals are directly linked to the aims of the NGSIG and form the basis of the action plan for the next three years.

Short Term Goals

- Work with CIfA's Pathways project, offering time and support to deliver the project's products
- Develop training for NewGen Ambassadors to include modules on professionalism, ethics, the CIfA Organisation and presentation skills
- Develop a schedule for 2017 Conference, to include high visibility for NewGen members and a social/networking event
- Plan our social media strategy, keeping this manageable and in line with the CIfA central communications plan
- Develop a newsletter template and contents proposals for 2 newsletters per year

Medium Term Goals

- Develop to the next stage the Mentoring Scheme initiated by the 2013-2016 Committee, working principally with past CIfA and HE trainees (career advice, work shadowing, mentoring)
- Develop a Professional Archaeology pack for prospective or student members (using Phoebe's material if allowed)
- Send Ambassadors into Registered Organisations to encourage membership and answer questions about the profession

Long Term Goals

- Work with University Archaeology UK to develop the Professional Archaeology pack for new archaeology students and a programme of ambassadorship to selected universities
- Organise a major networking event for Conference 2018 or 2019, possibly to fit with launch of Apprenticeships or Pathways project.

SHORT TERM

Action	Linked to aim	Associated tasks	Resourcing (£/££/£££)	Time frame	How to measure success	Lead committee members
Work with CIfA's Pathways project, offering time and support to deliver the project's products	I	 Consult with ClfA central Pathways team. Identify areas to support Work with Pathways team 		December 2016 ongoing	 Delivery of Pathways products NewGen profile in Pathways promotion 	Chris? Talk to Lianne
Develop training for NewGen Ambassadors - to include modules on professionalism, ethics, the CIfA Organisation and presentation skills	11, 111	 Work with CIfA central Training and Standards team to develop course outline Plan events Deliver training at events/online 	£	April 2017 – September 2017	 Training material produced Number of training events Number of ambassadors trained 	Phoebe? AB to assist
Develop a schedule for 2017 Conference, to include high visibility for NewGen members and a social/networking event	II	 Consult Conference organiser Identify where NewGen can assist or have a presence Develop task list for conference Coordinate team at Conference 		By April 2017	 Number of delegates engaged Number of New Group members 	All – conference call. Leadership survey?
Plan our social media strategy, keeping this manageable and in line with the CIfA central communications plan	II	 Reassess current platforms and refine Incorporate main ClfA central platforms into strategy Develop a short scope of work for a social media manager Identify manager from among members 		By April 2017	 Number social media platforms NGSIG actively engaging with. Number of follower/ group members on each platform. Regular updates and posts achieved on any CIfA platforms. 	Alistair and Li?
Develop a newsletter template and contents proposals for 2 newsletters per year	II	 Use other Group newsletters as model Agree with committee subject matter for next 2 issues (March and September) Produce text for newsletter Issue with CIfA central 		January 2017	Newsletters issued	Colin and Rebecca?

MEDIUM TERM

Action	Linked to aim	Associated tasks	Resourcing	Time frame	How to measure	Lead committee member
Develop to the next stage the Mentoring Scheme initiated by the 2013-2016 Committee, working principally with past CIfA and HE trainees (career advice, work shadowing, mentoring)		 Re-visit the mentoring scheme ideas from 2014 Consult with CIfA central Training and standards team re their work on past CIfA and HE trainees Help Training and Standards team develop pool of mentors and access to the pool for CIfA members Keep an eye on the process with CIfA central 		September 2017	 Number of mentors in the pool Number of mentees matched to mentors Feedback from the scheme 	Chris? AB to assist
Develop a Professional Archaeology pack for prospective or student members (using Phoebe's material if allowed)	I & II	 Consult CIfA central Training and Standards team on training modules and packs already available Develop pack outline Develop supplementary material Work with CIfA central to produce and issue 	ff	September 2017	Number of packs issued	Phoebe? AB to assist
Send Ambassadors into Registered Organisations to encourage membership and answer questions about the profession	I & III	 Using trained ambassadors and packs, set up programme of visits with ROs, through CIfA Central Ensure visits are delivered Collect feedback 	f	September 2017	Feedback from visits	Phoebe and Chris

LONG TERM

Action	Linked to aim	Associated tasks	Resourcing	Time frame	How to measure	Lead committee member
Work with University Archaeology UK to develop the Professional Archaeology pack for new archaeology students and a programme of ambassadorship to selected universities	I	 Contact UAUK through ClfA central Develop pack with UAUK and ClfA central Help with issue and promotion of the pack 	££	September 2019	 Number of packs issued Number of Universities taking up packs 	Li?
Organise a major networking event for Conference 2018 or 2019, possibly to fit with launch of Apprenticeships or Pathways project.	1, 11, 111	• TBC	££	April 2019	• TBC	All