

## RIG Three-year plan

### Group name

Research and Impact

### Period of three-year plan (e.g., April 2019 – April 2022)

October 2023 - October 2026

### Date plan adopted (at AGM)

2 October 2023, updated on CIfA's advice January 2024

### Current membership numbers

CIfA members – 967

Non CIfA members – 0

	Year one	Year two	Year three	Year four
<b>Committee meetings (at least 3 per year) and AGM</b>				
Spring		1	1	
Summer		1	1	
Autumn	1	1	1	
Winter	1	1	1	
<b>Membership</b>				
Recruitment (CIfA & non-CIfA members)	Knowledge Hub Discussions			
Specialist competence matrix development/review	Review of Academic and Environmental Matrices			
Standard & Guidance development/review		Review how we could feed into existing S&G to promote good practice.		
<b>Communications</b>				

Newsletter or update bulletins (at least 4 per year) (expected)	Secretary to collate after committee meetings to circulate to the group	Update & collate available research funding and projects and information sites.		
Social media (LinkedIn/ twitter/ Facebook/Email)	Facebook RIG page is controlled by Secretary.			
Collaboration with other groups	Heritage Crime and International Practice.	International Practice; diggers forum; finds + others re. getting an idea of how we can improve access to resources to encourage research opportunities in all aspects of archaeology	1. Funding for archaeological research with Archives, Finds and information management re. sharing/ access to data	
Group member/subject survey	Survey members on interest in regular RIG 'Network' meetings	1. Survey members on current research on British archaeology going on in UK university Archaeology departments.  2 how can we improve mutual collaborations between academic and commercial archaeologists?		
<b>Events (Events Manager support)</b>				
AGM event/ Day conference		Coffee Morning? Discussion on RIG use of Knowledge Hub platform		
CIfA conference session		Review how we could feed into existing S&G to promote E.g. high quality archaeological research, standards and good practice whatever the scale and nature of the		

		research. Improving dissemination – showcase innovative approaches to communicating research with maximum impact through creative use of social media, artwork, collaborations outside of archaeology		
CPD workshop(s)	1. With Heritage Crime SIG & International Practice	1. Engagement with university Archaeology departments (with International Practice SIG) 2. Put on a workshop to help develop research, writing and publication skills	1. Funding for archaeological research (with Archives SIG)	
<b>Publicity</b>				
Group banner				
Group postcard				
Website page updates	Minutes posted asap after approval; AGM minutes marked as draft until approved.			
Professional practice paper		Synthesis		
<b>Other activities</b>				
Contact with outside agencies (2 reps on committee)	EAA - session at EAA2024 on synthesis	AEA - a mix of the Environmental matrix and promoting the grants available to new researchers which are now 7 at £750 and one of £2000, and their dissertation prizes.	Prospect - exploring training opportunities for members.	

<p>Links with universities</p>		<p>Facilitate the ability to forge links between commercial archaeologists and universities with reference to access to library resources (+other) in exchange for data/ knowledge sharing, and opportunities for students to get better experience in comm. Arch.</p>		
<p>Formulation of research agendas</p>		<p>Encourage the updating of existing regional research frameworks and feed into existing projects.</p>		