**MINUTES OF THE RADIOGRAPHIC INFORMATICS GROUP (RIG)
TELECONFERENCE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2nd April 2019**

PRESENT: Douglas Aitken {DA}
                              Sarah Booth {SB}
                              William Cox {WC}
                              Moira Crotty {MC}
                              Sarah Booth {SB}
                              Julie Moss {JM}
                              Anant Patel {A1}
                              Alexander Peck {A2} {Chair}
                              Ian Rowe {IR}

IN ATTENDANCE: Kevin Tucker {KT} {Minutes}

1.   WELCOME

1.1   A2 welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for joining.

2.   APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2.1   Apologies were received from Barry O'Hara and Valerie Asemah.

3.   MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1   The minutes of the meeting held on 10th October 2018, were approved as a true and accurate record.

4.   MEETING UPDATES:

4(a)   British Institute of Radiology CIIG SIG

The group has organised its second very successful AI event in March 2019 with 116 delegates. They intend to build on this success with a further AI programme in 2020. To be done jointly with RCR in 2020, but thereafter, the BIR should run the event independently. The aim is to grow this event into the flagship event on AI for the UK.

The BIR are planning to launch a 'Resource Sharing Platform' as a new membership benefit which will be a platform to share various materials such as Best practice pathways; Business cases; Case studies; Guidance etc.

4(b)   BCS & IET SIGs

DA informed the group that £15m has been made available to radiology and pathology in Scotland to stimulate activity in AI. The idea is to forge closer links between healthcare and industry.

MC also informed of work being undertaken by EMRAD to develop AI second readers for mammography and to improve workflow.

4(c)   RCR PACS SIG

A workshop with suppliers was recently held at Re-Wired to consider the RCR business intelligence for service planning document. The feedback from suppliers was that the RCRs requirements were possible but there was no commitment to deliver anything new.

4(d)   IEP User Group

The group discussed the implications of 'IEP for anyone' which allows the sharing of images with patients.

5.   **EVENTS OF NOTE**

Discussions took place regarding recent informatics events of note. AI seems to be the topic of the moment.

6.   **GUARDIAN PIECE ON RADIOLOGY TECHNOLOGY**

A2 contributed to the special publication but was disappointed to find that his article was heavily cut and all images removed to accommodate another contributor.

7.   **WEBSITE**

Until the new SoR website is established, informatics information will be held externally with a link from the SoR website.

The aim is to eventually bring all questions received (and replies) onto the SoR website (a library of FAQs). A1 will also aim to publish a question a month in Synergy News. All questions will received will be discussed on Synapse and only published when the text is agreed by the group.

8.   TEXTBOOK UPDATE

The PACS reference book is queued at the moment but it is expected to be published in March 2020. There are still empty chapters.

9.   INFORMATICS TRAINING SESSIONS

Currently 1575 on waiting list. All have been contacted and the majority wish to remain on the list. A way forward has been considered and the approach will be via interactive on-line events (i.e. virtual classrooms) with only one live event a year.

10.   QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

Eleven questions were discussed (see agenda for details). Answers / responses will be published on the SoR website once the wording has been agreed by RIG.

11.   UPDATE ON NATIONAL TRAINING COURSE PROGRAMME / RADIOGRAPHER INFORMATICS CAREER PROGRESSION / RANSOMWARE TALKS / PILOT PAN AHP TRAINING

11.1   KT and A2 gave an update to the group.
- National Training Course Programme – these are very popular and there are now around 1,400 on the waiting list and need to think of where we can host as the cost of hiring out the London venues has become too expensive. KT to find out whether any workshops could be held at the SCoR.
- Radiographer Informatics Career progression – to note that A2 received several queries and interest about this.
- Ransomware Talks – very good feedback received.
- AHP Informatics Project – to note that Michal Folan has replaced Chris Austin

12.   ANY OTHER BUSINESS/DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

12.1   There was no other business.

12.2   Dates of future meetings agreed as:

- Thursday 3rd October 2019
- Wednesday 1st April 2020
- Tuesday 6th October 2020