

# WebPA SIG Meeting, March 11<sup>th</sup> 2010

## Objectives of the SIG

The group have agreed the objectives to be:

### 1. To support each other

- a. To install or embed WebPA within member's universities through email communication and offering visits/presentations where possible, for example, to help convince institutions that WebPA is a valid solution
- b. To solve both technical and user enquiries through face-to-face meetings, jiscmail list and one-to-one emails
- c. To use the face-to-face meetings to develop/solve some identified real problems, for example, update the help section on WebPA

### 2. To share good practice – WebPA and peer moderation/group work

- a. To enable discussion of evolving practice in these areas within member universities
- b. To discuss what should and what shouldn't be done with WebPA and why
- c. To agree a list of priorities for gathering evidence on good practice
- d. To share documentation (for example, institutional guidance etc)

### 3. To share new code development

- a. To agree a list of priorities for future code developments
- b. To use SourceForge and proper documentation
- c. To develop protocols/frameworks for this

### 4. To maintain and develop the WebPA SIG and community

- a. To continue the SIG and to promote/recognise each other's contributions
- b. To primarily communicate via the jiscmail list, taking individual responsibility for keeping the posting going
- c. To develop web-based voting procedures for the ratification of decisions by all members, whether or not able to attend meetings face-to-face
- d. To maintain and develop the website, to make it a possible communication channel for use by the group – voting, publications, meeting notes, news etc
- e. To maintain proper use of SourceForge
- f. To be inclusive, including international users and users from all disciplines

### 5. To ensure future sustainability for WebPA

- a. To find ways of enabling future code development, for example
  - i. Taking a co-ordinated approach to attracting external funding, perhaps from multiple small sources (community funding) or through commercialisation
  - ii. To consider becoming a moodle plug in, or similar, that will give advantages such as linking with an existing community, automatic provision of protocols and procedures, ease of central installation but disadvantages if not a moodle user or possibly for initial piloting
  - iii. To consider tapping into other markets, for example, schools or industry
- b. To undertake future pedagogical research
- c. To make the SIG available to all disciplines (for example, through the HEA) and to continue to disseminate WebPA in order to attract new group members