Group Contribution – A Reflection

**What went well?**

Overall, members of the group felt that our experience was a positive one. We met new people and forged new friendships. The group felt there was no conflict and we all communicated effectively, with everyone contributing well in our meetings. The setup of our platform on GitHub also went flawlessly. We also thought that each group member bought a fresh and interesting perspective to the team.

**What could be improved?**

The group did feel that a member leaving during the assignment was a difficult challenge for us to overcome, and that the group project experience could have been improved if this had not occurred. We do understand however that sometimes people have to withdraw due to personal matters. The group also thought that not electing a leader at the start of the project was a mistake, one which has since been remedied with Riley working hard to coordinate everyone and get everything running smoothly.

**At least one thing that was surprising?**

We were all surprised at the skills each member brought to the group, especially Alans fantastic HTML and CSS skills. Also a surprise was that even with group members dropping out we did not throw in the towel, we worked hard to get the assignment in on time. To achieve this, we worked together to divide up that persons work and all pitched in to get it completed within a limited amount of time.

**At least one thing you learned about groups?**

We feel that the most important thing that we all learned about groups is communication, communication, communication. Without effective communication the work is not completed on time, or to the required standard. For this assignment we utilised Discord and communicated on the chat, as well as the voice component of the program.

**How well does the GitHub log of activity reflect your groups work on the assignment?**

Overall, the group thought that the activity log on GitHub was useful, however it did not reflect all of the extra work that was done on the Discord chat and voice programs. It was most useful in uploading write ups of our group discussions that we could refer back to if required.