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A chance to learn vegetable growing skills

A 'Grow your Own' event is being held at Robinswood Primary School, Matson on Saturday 27th March between 10am and 12pm.

Transition Gloucester, Matson and Robinswood Community Partnership and The Cool Kidz Crew (Gloucester City Homes' Junior Wardens for the Robinswood area) are all proud to be supporting this event.

The morning will be a fun packed affair with lots to see and do including a special bonus of a free tomato plant for the first 100 people to arrive.

Other activities planned include 'meet the chickens', composting, a seed swap and lots of hints and tips for growing your own fresh healthy food even in the smallest of spaces.

Entry to the event will be via the Link Centre, Matson Avenue, GL4 6BE.

For more details on the 'Grow your Own' event please contact Bob Allen from Transition Gloucester on (01452) 381070.

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NOTES TO EDITORS:

Gloucester City Homes is a 2 star Arms Length Management Company, which provides housing management services to 4900 homes in Gloucester on behalf of the City Council. The company is carrying out a £40 million improvement programme to bring customers' homes to the Decent Homes Standard. Since Gloucester City Homes was created in 2005 it has:

- Achieved a 2* rating (Good service) from the Audit Commission in June 2007

- Secured £39.6 million in Decent Homes funding to meet the Government's Decent Homes standard and completed improvements to over 1200 homes in the City.
- Become the first housing provider in the County to achieve a Gold standard for its supporting people services
- Achieved Investors in People Accreditation for performance management of our staff
- Achieved ISO 9001 for Quality Management systems, re-accredited again in September 2009 following re-inspection
- Achieved "managing for others" status with the Housing Corporation
- Achieved Investment Partner status with the Housing Corporation
- Implemented a programme of training for staff to achieve the Institute of Customer Service Awards
- Achieved the Customer Services Excellence Award in April 2009 and Special Recognition Award in October 2009
- Achieved the Equalities Framework Award April 2009