



Press release

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Photo opportunity Tuesday 9th December at 2pm.
13 and 15 Bibury Road White City

Families to celebrate Christmas in new homes

Two young Gloucester families are looking forward to celebrating the festive season in new homes, following the conversion of a disused former housing office at White City by Gloucester City Homes.

The conversion of the empty office in Bibury Road White City into modern and well equipped two bedroom family homes was carried out by GCH's improvement partner Lovell.

In line with Gloucester City Homes' Environmental Strategy, the properties have also been fitted with solar panels to provide hot water, helping to reduce the families' energy costs.

To mark the completion of the work, GCH Chief Executive Ashley Green and Lovell regional director Chris King will hand over the keys to the new tenants and present them with welcome hampers.

GCH Chief Executive Ashley Green says:

'We are delighted to be able to offer these newly converted family homes to new tenants. There is a serious shortage of family housing in the City and it is excellent news that we are able to help these two families by providing them with the accommodation they need at this special time of year.'

Lovell regional director Chris King adds:

“It’s great to be working in partnership with Gloucester City Homes to help create new affordable housing for Gloucester. We wish both families a fantastic first Christmas in their new homes.”

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Invitation to photo opportunity

You are invited to a photo opportunity at 13 and 15 Bibury Road at 2pm on Tuesday 9th December. GCH Chief Executive Ashley Green and Lovell Regional director Chris King will present the keys and welcome hampers to the new tenants.

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.

Editor’s notes: Lovell, which has offices in Birmingham, Cambridge, Cardiff, Glasgow, Leatherhead, Leeds, London, Manchester, Merseyside, Newcastle, Norwich, Nottingham, Stockton-on-Tees and Tamworth, is Britain’s leading provider of affordable housing. Lovell is part of Morgan Sindall plc, a top UK construction and regeneration group which operates through five specialist

divisions of affordable housing, construction, development, fit out and infrastructure services.