



**St Matthew Housing**  
Housing and support for people in need

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **ST MATTHEW HOUSING ORGANISES CHRISTMAS CRAFTS SALE AT THE MALTHOUSE PROJECT**

On Saturday 29 November 2008 a Christmas Craft Fair, organised by St Matthew Housing (SMH), part of Genesis Housing Group, is being held at The Malthouse Project, 8 Elsey's Yard, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 3AA, from 10am – 4pm.

There will be a selection of stalls in the stunning Malthouse Beamed Room. Outside in the courtyard an array of crafts, such as handmade cards and various Christmas gifts will be on sale. Entry to this event is free.

Visitors to The Malthouse Project can also go on a self-led tour around the former 17<sup>th</sup> Century maltings and visit the Kiln Café to enjoy a hot drink or bite to eat.

SMH is a charity providing accommodation and support to people who are homeless or unsuitably housed. The Malthouse Project provides SMH residents and service users with the opportunity to gain work experience and training qualifications in the café. All income SMH generates from this event goes back into funding the social objectives of the project.

If you would like to book a pitch for £7.00 for the day, please contact Simon Johnson, Catering & Events Manager at The Malthouse Project on tel: 01284 732562 or email [info@themalthouseproject.co.uk](mailto:info@themalthouseproject.co.uk).

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#### **Notes to editors**

**St Matthew Housing** (SMH) provides accommodation for people who are homeless or unsuitably housed around East Anglia and the East Midlands.

**The Malthouse Project** is owned by St Matthew Housing (SMH), part of Genesis Housing Group. The Malthouse Project officially opened in September 2007 and provides a café, heritage centre, community rooms to hire and accommodation for local people with a general housing need. The Project also provides opportunities for residents and services users from SMH and other support agencies to gain work experience and training qualifications in the café. All income generated from The Malthouse Project funds the social objectives of the project.

**Genesis Housing Group** is a social investment business. It provides homes and services, supporting customers and communities to build futures. Genesis provides homes and services to tens of thousands of people across London and the south east of England. The Group consists of PCHA, Pathmeads, Springboard and St Matthew housing associations. Genesis also has in its group a charitable foundation, Genesis Community. It is one of the largest and most successful housing groups in the UK, owning and/or managing more than 38,000 homes. Its overriding aim is to put customers first and provide excellent service to all.



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