

COURSE DESCRIPTION 2017-2018

Course: Growing your own food	Awarding body: N/A
Tutor: Loretta Rivett	Course length: 5 weeks

Course summary/aims:	The purpose of the course is to enable participants to grow some vegetables in their own gardens.
Course objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Produce a simple vegetable rotation plan 2. Identify materials that can be composted 3. State three things to improve soil for crop growing 4. Identify three food crops which are commonly grown from direct seed sowing. 5. Identify three food crops that can be grown well in a raised bed or container.
Course content:	The course will look at checking and improving your soil in a proposed vegetable plot and how to maintain it in good condition or how to create a raised bed for growing vegetables from seed. Making compost and crop rotation will also be covered
Teaching and learning methods:	Tutor input, discussion , Powerpoint, production of planting plans, quizzes and possible practical work.
Course level/entry requirements:	Previous knowledge or skill is not required as this is a course for beginners wanting to grow some of their own vegetables .
How progress is checked during course:	Discussion and feedback on practical activities. Question and answer. Observation of individual and group activities.
Extra study or practice required at home?	Some further research, practice or coursework may be carried out each week.
Formal course accreditation? If yes, how is the course assessed?	N/A
Materials you will need to bring to the course:	Paper pens, and drawing materials. Depending on weather conditions there may be outdoor session when warm clothing and strong footwear will be necessary.

What can I do next?

Make your own vegetable garden. Volunteer work in private garden. Further courses on food production or other aspects of gardening.

Information, Advice and Guidance sessions are available on request (it is best to make an appointment).

If you feel you may need some support eg. with English, Maths or ICT, please ask.

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