**The Wakes Museum Brewhouse (1765)**

As part of the development of the Wakes Museum, planning permission has been granted to allow us to bring brewing back to The Wakes. The museum is now in the process of applying to the LEADER Rural Development Programme – a European Union grant administered by DEFRA and the Rural Payments Agency – for a grant to enable small scale (nano) brewing to take place in Gilbert White’s original brewhouse. The aim will be to enable brews of between 150 litres and 300 litres of a variety of beers that reflect the recipes of Gilbert White, as well as others that have a more ‘modern’ taste.

The beer, once brewed, will be available for sale, mainly by bottle, through the museum shop and café, the Selborne Arms, Selborne Village Shop and via the Glamping Holidays arranged at Manor Farm, West Worldham. In addition, it will also be made available to each of the weddings that use the Gilbert White Field Study Centre for receptions - with the bride and groom being invited into the brewhouse about four weeks before the wedding to help make their ‘special brew’ for use as table gifts or for drinking at the reception - as well as being available at other events that take place on the museum site throughout the year and, of course, the annual Zig Zag Festival.

Consideration is also being given to setting up a subscription service for members of the local community through which a nominal discount will be available for multiples of bottles, cask beers and 8 pint and 17 pint polypins – the latter being an ideal medium through which to service parties and other celebrations and personal events.

The key question is …..are you interested and are you willing to lend your name to supporting this project??

If yes, can you please fill in the details below and forward your response (by 9th October please) to the museum at project@gilbertWhiteshouse.org.uk, or hand it in at the museum reception.

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*Please tick as appropriate*

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| I support the principle of the Wakes Museum opening Gilbert White’s Brewhouse for small scale brewing - so returning it to its original use |  |
| I would be interested in purchasing the beer produced |  |
| I would be interested in joining the subscription scheme once launched |  |
| I am interested in finding out more and perhaps taking part in the venture – perhaps as a volunteer brewer! |  |

*Many thanks.*