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# Stowe's New Inn

Seminar on the restoration of  
Britain's first purpose-built estate inn



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Bennett Room, New Inn,  
Stowe, Buckinghamshire

21st February 2012, 10am – 5pm

Built in 1717, Stowe's New Inn is thought to be Britain's first inn built specifically for accommodating visitors to a country house estate, in this case the innovative and influential gardens of Lord Cobham. In 2005 the National Trust acquired these buildings and started a major programme of research, investigation and renovation which has seen the buildings restored and opened to the public for the first time in more than 150 years. The aim of the seminar is to present the results of research supporting the restoration and interpretation of this grade II\* listed building, looking at the national context for what was once a commonplace building.

The day includes:

- **Understanding New Inn, historical and archaeological research**  
– Gary Marshall, National Trust Regional Archaeologist
- **'Room at the Inn', garden visiting in the 18th century**  
– Richard Wheeler, National Trust Park and Gardens Historian
- **The Buckinghamshire Arms, Blickling, a case study**  
– Mike Sutherill, National Trust Curator, East of England
- **The restoration of New Inn, principles and practice in conservation**  
– Richard Hill, New Inn Project Manager
- **Flock, block and sanitarries – wallpaper discoveries at New Inn**  
– Andrew Bush, National Trust Paper Conservator
- **The domestic services of New Inn** – Pamela Sambrook, specialist consultant on brewing, laundry and kitchens
- **'Bad beds and worse eating', recreating the 18th century visitor experience** – Lucy Armstrong, Project Curator

Tickets cost £50, including refreshments throughout the day, home cooked lunch and dessert, and a tour of New Inn.

To book please call **01280 822850**

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