Dear Honorary Fellow,

We are excited to inform you that with the sealing of the Royal Charter, we will be transitioning to the Chartered Institute of Brewers and Distillers (CIBD) on 1st January 2025 subject to the approval being given at the forthcoming Annual General Meetings and subject to third party consents. If the transfer date changes, we will let you know.

This will help drinks industry professionals set themselves apart in their careers, like other Chartered professions in engineering and accountancy, and will help us build public trust and confidence in the industry.

Becoming Chartered means that our membership categories are going to change. Here are some of the key details about your membership and the key difference that will come into effect on 1st January 2025:

- Your IBD membership will automatically transition to the equivalent CIBD membership category of an Honorary Fellow, and you do not need to take any action.
- You will be entitled to all the benefits of the CIBD membership.
- You will now be able to use the new FIBD post-nominals.
- From the date of the transfer, all membership services will be provided by the CIBD in place of the IBD and any remaining membership fees will transfer to the CIBD, and memberships will renew in CIBD on each member's usual date.
- You will continue to be Honorary Fellows of both the IBD and the CIBD until the IBD is dissolved.

The proposal for the IBD to be incorporated by Royal Charter was hugely endorsed by our members at the Extraordinary General meeting held in June 2022 and the goal of Chartership is to help members to thrive in their careers, however, if you no longer want to be a member then please email us at <u>ibdmembers@ibd.org.uk</u>.

We look forward to sharing more of our plans for the future of the Chartered Institute of Brewers and Distillers (CIBD) with you soon, including more information about our upcoming AGMs.