

# Future Vision for Utilization of the Former Suzuki Family Residence

Preservative restoration works at the former Suzuki family residence have been ongoing since FY2014, the year after the residence buildings' designation as Important Cultural Properties.

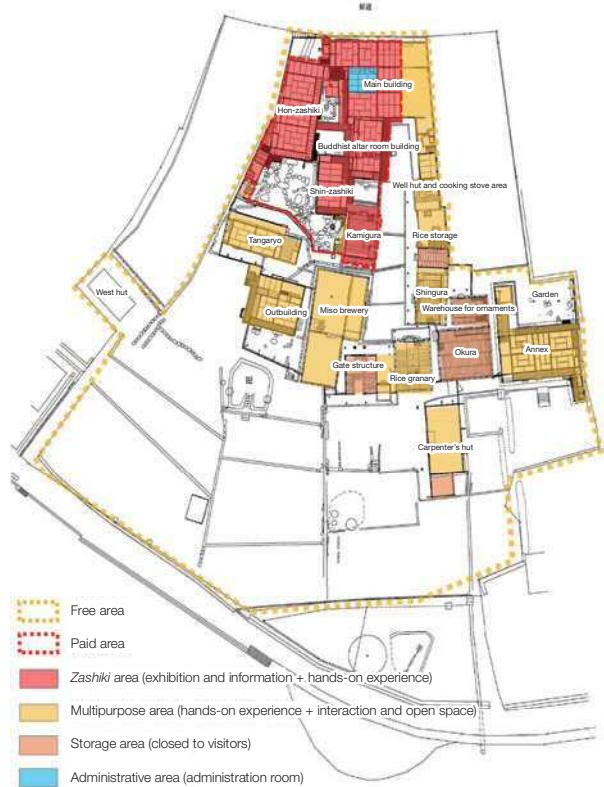
From FY2015 to FY2016, a review committee, comprising experts, representatives from the local community, and representatives from related organizations, discussed how to utilize the residence after its restoration and indicated a possible direction for its utilization.

[Concept of utilization]

“Learn, experience, and enjoy the life of a wealthy merchant in Asuke”

[Basic policy]

- (1) We will hand down and share the value of the former Suzuki family residence.
- (2) We will integrate the utilization of the residence with community building in Asuke.
- (3) We aim to make the residence a place for interaction between local people and tourists.



## [COLUMN] Improvements to be made together with preservative restoration



### [Disaster management measures necessary for protecting the wooden buildings]

To safeguard the fire-prone Cultural Property buildings, we will implement disaster management measures, including installing fire-extinguishing equipment, automatic fire alarms, security equipment, etc.

### [Improvements to equipment necessary for utilizing the buildings effectively]

To utilize the precious Cultural Property buildings more effectively, we will improve the equipment necessary for utilizing the buildings, including lighting, electrical, and wet-area equipment.

### [Improvements to the gardens, which add color to activities in the zashiki area]

The former Suzuki family residence has various salon (*zashiki*) buildings that date back to different eras. Facing these buildings, there are also multiple gardens on the residence site. We will also improve these gardens on the occasion of the preservative restoration of the buildings.

### [To create wider public awareness of the former Suzuki family residence with Cultural Property buildings]

As seen above, we should implement various works and measures simultaneously in the project for the preservative restoration of the former Suzuki family residence. To create wider public awareness of the residence, we will open part of the main building to visitors in FY2023 and open the entire residence site to visitors in FY2030 after the preservative restoration of all 16 buildings is completed.

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