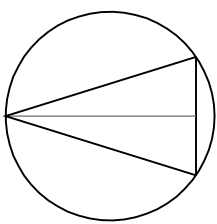


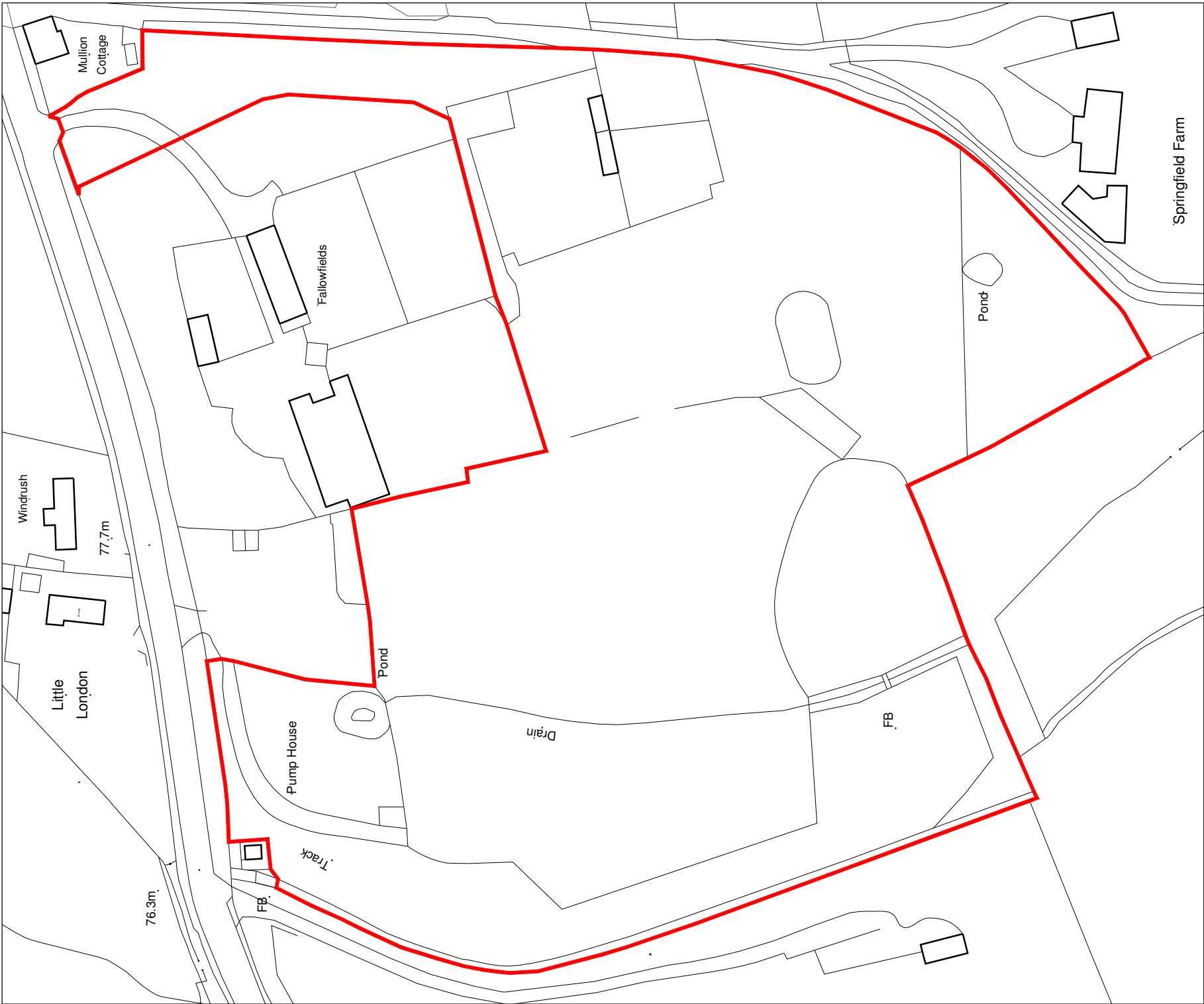
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Site location plan	P25



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Wednesday, 11 March 2015

Dear Mr Boyt

OBJECTION to P15/V0251/O – Land at Fallowfields, Southmoor

The Council strongly objects to the imposition of a further 43 dwellings on the village. The development is contrary to the published Local Plan 2031 Part 1 as emphasised by Matthew Barber, Leader VWHDC, in his December 2014 presentation to the Parish Council. The loss of the setting of Fallowfields Hotel within its own attractive and well maintained grounds will be a considerable loss to the village community and is to be deplored – this is ‘garden grabbing’ on a massive scale. The building is over 400 years old and is of considerable historic interest, having served as a coaching Inn, a farm and within living memory as a residence of the Begum Agha Khan. The development would extend the village to the west and encourage further unsustainable proposals on neighbouring sites. The proposed allocation of public open space will not provide a useful recreational area in contrast to existing developments. The existing foul water collection in the village is unable to meet current needs as exemplified by the ongoing replacement of a main sewer expected to take up to 12 months with consequent disruption to many residents. Further housing will only intensify the worries of residents, especially those who have experienced overflow of foul water into toilets and shower trays. The Parish Council and residents have yet to receive satisfactory assurances from Thames Water that additional housing can be accepted without detriment. As with most recent developments, it is disappointing that the housing mix excludes bungalows.

No highway improvements have so far resulted from recent developments, for example a roundabout on the A420 leading to Pinewoods Road.

Yours sincerely

John Melling