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Dear Stuart,

**SAC – Drummondhill Site**

As you are aware SAC is a partner at the Inverness Campus and we are currently planning to relocate our Inverness operations there to a modern fit for purpose building. Our current facility at Drummondhill contains our veterinary laboratory, consultants and some research staff. Our requirements have outgrown the space at the veterinary laboratory and we are currently using temporary portable accommodation units. The offices are located within the Grade B Listed main house. They are antiquated and not fit for purpose. The current uses at Drummondhill are historical and are not ideally located, contained within a housing area of Inverness.

Our strategy is to fund as much of the new facility as possible from the sale of the Drummondhill site. We are therefore proposing housing development at the Drummondhill site in order to extract value to re-invest in the Inverness Campus. We are anticipating the following: retention of the existing lodge; a change of use of the main house and associated outbuildings to residential; and new build housing elsewhere on the site. In this regard we would be grateful if the site at Drummondhill, which is shown on the attached plan, could be allocated for housing development within the forthcoming review of the Inverness Local Plan.

Please feel free to contact me should you require any additional information

Yours sincerely



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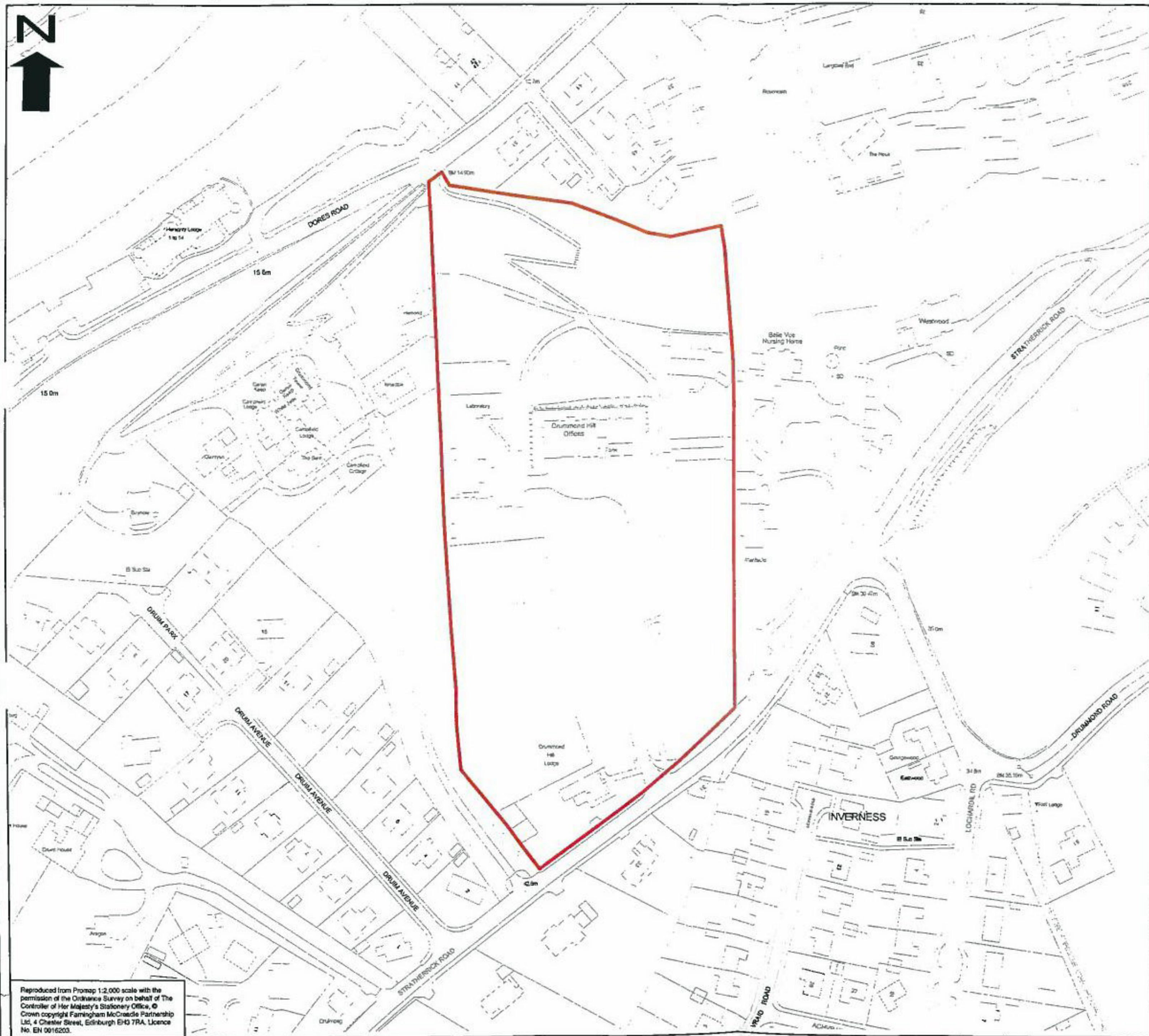


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**SITE PLAN**

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