

STATION ROAD

SITE CONTEXT

The site of the new building is located on the Chandos Road carpark and sits just outside of the Buckingham Conservation Area. It is located adjacent to the former Station Mill, which later became a dairy and is now The Chandos Road buildings and home to the University's Medical and Humanities Schools.

The site sits outside the loop of the River Great Ouse and is bounded by Station Road on the northern side and includes the former railway track line and the woodland beyond.

The area of the site proposed for development is currently occupied by a surface carpark providing 51 spaces for University use. This current surface is of low quality and is poorly laid out. The carpark also breaks the circular walk along the former railway line, with users of the path having to cross the carpark to continue on their journey.

Under the proposals the car park will be retained under the footprint of the new building.

The Station Road building has been designed in such a way that the circular walk, which runs along side the site, can make the most of the historic railway line setting, framing the walk within the platform edges of the former station. This re-landscaping will also clarify the circular walk route through the site, which is currently ambiguous and interrupted by the existing carpark.

Currently there is no public right of way across the site. The University allows this route to be used as a 'permissive path' and the intention would be to instigate a 'public path agreement' on the new route across the site to ensure continued public access for the future. It would also formalise the link between the Railway and Circular Walk either side of the University's land.

Some existing self set trees will need to be removed to accommodate the new building, the remaining adjacent trees will be retained and protected during construction works. More new trees will be planted than removed as part of the landscape proposals.

The remainder of the woodland beyond the former railway line will not be affected by the proposals.



View from Chandos Road looking South West



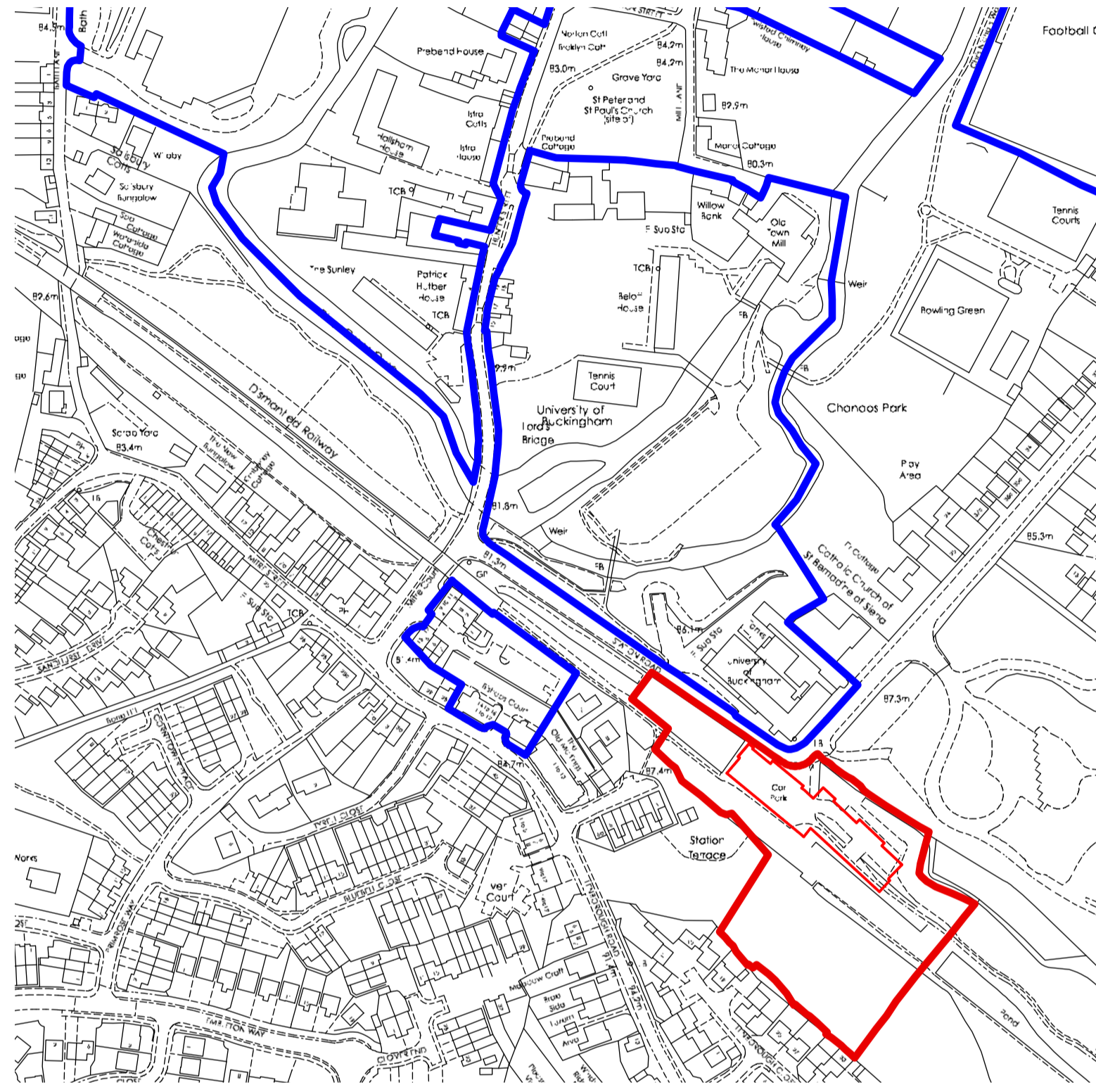
Remains of former railway platform



View from Station Road Entrance to Medical School



View of site from circular walk.



OS Map Site Shown outlined in Red - University Ownership in Blue



Chandos Road Building home of the University Medical School.



Existing Site Plan - Footprint of Proposed Building Outlined in Red

- - - PROPOSED BUILDING FOOTPRINT
- SITE BOUNDARY OUTLINE
- UNIVERSITY OWNED BUILDINGS