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Ref. : MPP23/ AA 30844/1

Date : 4th February 1993

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MONUMENT NAME : Moated site and fishpond east of Misson village  
 DISTRICT : BASSETLAW  
 COUNTY : NOTTINGHAMSHIRE  
 MONUMENT NUMBER : 23217

Dear Sir/Madam

### ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979, AS AMENDED

The above-named monument is already included in the Schedule compiled and maintained by the Secretary of State under Section 1 of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979, as amended. I am requested to inform you that the scheduled area of the monument has now been revised to that shown outlined in black and highlighted in red on the enclosed map extract. The monument, as revised, has been included in the Schedule. Please ensure that papers that refer to the former scheduled area of this monument are destroyed.

Please amend your records accordingly.

Yours faithfully

*Patricia V. Thompson*

Scheduling Section  
 English Heritage

Encs: map extract, Schedule entry (where required)

### MAP EXTRACT

The site of the monument is shown on the attached map extract outlined in black and highlighted in red. It includes a 2 metre boundary around the archaeological features, considered to be essential for the monument's support.

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SIGNED BY: C Edwards  
 on behalf of The Secretary of State for National Heritage

SCHEDULE ENTRY COPY

ENTRY IN THE SCHEDULE OF MONUMENTS COMPILED AND MAINTAINED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER SECTION 1 OF THE ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979 AS AMENDED.

MONUMENT: Moated site and fishpond east of Misson village

PARISH: MISSON

COUNTY: NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

DISTRICT: BASSETLAW

NATIONAL MONUMENT NO: 23217

NATIONAL GRID REFERENCE(S): SK69299497

DESCRIPTION OF THE MONUMENT

This monument, situated east of Misson, includes a trapezoidal moated site and a single filled-in fishpond. It includes a central platform surrounded by a 10m wide moat which varies between 1m and 2m deep. The platform is up to 1m higher than the surrounding land. Overall, the site measures 43m along the south-east side, 52m along the south-west side, 38m along the north-east side and 25m along the north-west side. However, it has been disturbed on the north-west side by a modern dyke and field boundary and would originally have extended further. Set 3m south of the south-east arm of the moat, and offset from its east corner by 35m, is a filled-in rectangular fishpond measuring 30m from south-west to north-east by 7m from south-east to north-west.

ASSESSMENT OF IMPORTANCE

Around 6,000 moated sites are known in England. They consist of wide ditches, often or seasonally water-filled, partly or completely enclosing one or more islands of dry ground on which stood domestic or religious buildings. In some cases the islands were used for horticulture. The majority of moated sites served as prestigious aristocratic and seigniorial residences with the provision of a moat intended as a status symbol rather than a practical military defence. The peak period during which moated sites were built was between about 1250 and 1350 and by far the greatest concentration lies in central and eastern parts of England. However, moated sites were built throughout the medieval period, are widely scattered throughout England and exhibit a high level of diversity in their forms and sizes. They form a significant class of medieval monument and are important for the understanding of the distribution of wealth and status in the countryside. Many examples provide conditions favourable to the survival of organic remains.

The moated site at Misson survives reasonably well. Remains of the buildings which formerly existed will survive on the island. The moat and fish pond retain conditions suitable for the preservation of organic remains.

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MAP EXTRACT (Continued)

and preservation.

SCHEDULING HISTORY

Monument included in the Schedule on 28th April 1953 as:

COUNTY/NUMBER: Nottinghamshire 67

NAME: Moated site east of village, Misson

The reference of this monument is now:

NATIONAL MONUMENT NUMBER: 23217

NAME: Moated site and fishpond east of Misson village

SCHEDULING REVISED ON 25th January 1993

SIGNED BY: C Edwards

On behalf of The Secretary of State for National Heritage.

County: Nottinghamshire		District: Mansfield		Parish: Misson	
Name:					
Key	Monument No.	Local Authority No.	Grade	Derived from	Date
	23217		Grade II	23217	1953
Date: 10.11.93			Monument No: 23217		