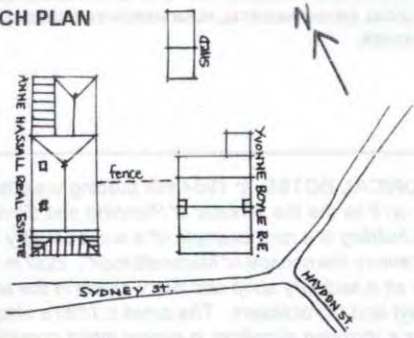



MUSWELLBROOK HERITAGE STUDY Inventory 1996

BARBER SHOP - 7 SYDNEY STREET - MUSWELLBROOK

<p>PRESENT NAME 'Anne Hassall Real Estate'</p> <p>PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES Barber Shop</p>	<p>REFERENCE No MUSW/R035</p>
<p>LOCATION</p> <p>STREET No 7 STREET NAME Sydney Street</p> <p>TOWN/SUBURB Muswellbrook POSTCODE 2333</p> <p>LOCALITY Muswellbrook</p> <p>LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA MUSWELLBROOK</p>	<p>PREVIOUS REFERENCE No</p> <p>DATE INSPECTED 13th February 1996</p> <p>SITE SKETCH PLAN</p> 
<p>PRESENT OWNER TYPE Private</p> <p>NAME Mrs A.M Hassall</p> <p>OWNERS ADDRESS PO Box 512</p> <p>STREET No STREET NAME</p> <p>TOWN/SUBURB Muswellbrook POSTCODE 2333</p>	<p>PROPERTY DETAILS:</p> <p>a REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION Lot 1 DP797354</p> <p>b SITE AREA 430m²</p> <p>c EXISTING ZONING 3(b) - Special Business</p>
<p>CATEGORY Building</p>	<p>MAP REFERENCE '56' 300900E, 6427760N AMG Muswellbrook 9033-II-N</p> 
<p>SUB CATEGORY Barber Shop</p>	
<p>DATE OF CONSTRUCTION c.1870's-1880's</p>	
<p>ARCHITECT/DESIGNER Unknown</p>	
<p>BUILDER Unknown</p>	



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