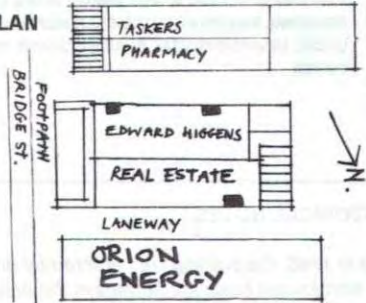



MUSWELLBROOK HERITAGE STUDY

Inventory 1996

TASKERS PHARMACY - BRIDGE STREET - MUSWELLBROOK

PRESENT NAME <i>Muswellbrook Pharmacy - George Tasker - Headline Hairdressers</i>		REFERENCE No <i>MUSW/R051</i>
PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES		PREVIOUS REFERENCE No
LOCATION		DATE INSPECTED <i>21st February 1996</i>
STREET No <i>26-28</i> STREET NAME <i>Bridge Street</i>		SITE SKETCH PLAN 
TOWN/SUBURB <i>Muswellbrook</i> POSTCODE <i>2333</i>		
LOCALITY <i>Muswellbrook</i>		
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA <i>MUSWELLBROOK</i>		
PRESENT OWNER NAME <i>Lexisu Pty Ltd</i>	TYPE <i>Private</i>	PROPERTY DETAILS:
OWNERS ADDRESS		a REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION <i>Pt. Lot 7 RP339</i>
STREET No <i>26</i> STREET NAME <i>Bridge Street</i>		b SITE AREA <i>321.153m</i>
TOWN/SUBURB <i>Muswellbrook</i> POSTCODE <i>2333</i>		c EXISTING ZONING <i>3(a) - General Business</i>
CATEGORY <i>Building</i>		MAP REFERENCE <i>'56' 301000E, 6428080N AMG Muswellbrook 9033-II-N</i>
SUB CATEGORY <i>Pharmacy</i>		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION <i>1886</i>		
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER <i>J.C. Luscombe</i>		
BUILDER <i>R.J. Luscombe</i>		

PHOTOGRAPH



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