

MUSWELLBROOK HERITAGE STUDY

Inventory 1996

FORMER COURT HOUSE GROUP - POLICE LOCK-UP & POLICE STATION & RESIDENCE COMPLEX - DENMAN

PRESENT NAME <i>Private Residence / Arts & Crafts Centre</i>		REFERENCE No <i>DENM/R006</i>
PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES <i>Court House / Police Station & Lock-up & Residence</i>		PREVIOUS REFERENCE No
		DATE INSPECTED <i>15th February 1996</i>
LOCATION STREET No <i>STREET NAME Palace Street</i> TOWN/SUBURB <i>Denman</i> POSTCODE <i>2328</i> LOCALITY <i>Denman</i> LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA <i>MUSWELLBROOK</i>		SITE SKETCH PLAN
PRESENT OWNER [REDACTED]	TYPE <i>Private</i>	PROPERTY DETAILS:
		a REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION <i>Lot 227 & 228 DP 727761</i>
		b SITE AREA <i>897 m²</i>
		c EXISTING ZONING <i>6(a) - Open Space 3(b) - Special Business</i>
CATEGORY <i>Area (Buildings)</i>		MAP REFERENCE <i>'56' 282380E, 6413360N AMG Denman 9033- III-S</i>
SUB CATEGORY <i>Court House / Police Residence / Police Lock-up</i>		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION <i>1881 (Courthouse) - 1860s (Police Residence) - c.1912 (Portable Lock-up)</i>		
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER <i>James Barnet (Court House)</i>		
BUILDER <i>Unknown</i>		

PHOTOGRAPH



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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE <p>Historically the complex is of local significance because it represents the stage of growth of Denman and the organisation of the administration of law and order in the town. Aesthetically the buildings have regional significance as excellent examples of the work of the state's highly regarded government Architect of the period. Socially the buildings have local significance for their association with the activities of local police administration over a period of a century. Scientifically these major Palace Street buildings, St Matthias' Church and others, have the potential to contribute to an understanding of the role of that area of Palace Street in the development of the town and its law enforcement needs both in the late 19th century and over the next century. In this context they have local significance. As a composition, the buildings have regional rarity.</p>																																			