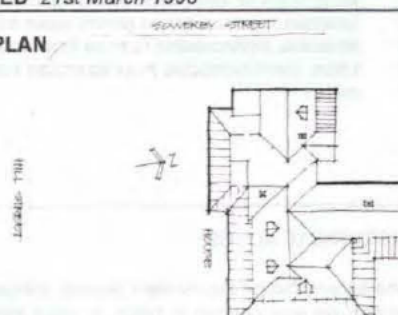



MUSWELLBROOK HERITAGE STUDY

Inventory 1996

FORMER HOSPITAL - 37 SOWERBY STREET - MUSWELLBROOK

PRESENT NAME <i>Residence</i>		REFERENCE No <i>MUSW/R032</i>
PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES <i>Muswellbrook Benevolent Society Hospital</i>		PREVIOUS REFERENCE No
		DATE INSPECTED <i>21st March 1996</i>
LOCATION STREET No <i>33-37</i> STREET NAME <i>Sowerby Street</i> TOWN/SUBURB <i>Muswellbrook</i> POSTCODE <i>2333</i> LOCALITY <i>Muswellbrook</i> LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA <i>Muswellbrook</i>		SITE SKETCH PLAN 
PRESENT OWNER	TYPE <i>Private</i>	PROPERTY DETAILS:
		a REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION <i>Lot 4 DP719055</i>
		b SITE AREA <i>1920m²</i>
		c EXISTING ZONING <i>2(a) - Residential 'A'</i>
CATEGORY <i>Building</i>	MAP REFERENCE <i>'56' 301320E, 6428440N AMG</i> <i>Muswellbrook 9033-II-N</i>	
SUB CATEGORY <i>Residence</i>		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION <i>From 1862</i>		
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER <i>Alterations attributed to John Horbury Hunt (1880)</i>		
BUILDER <i>Unknown</i>		

PHOTOGRAPH



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