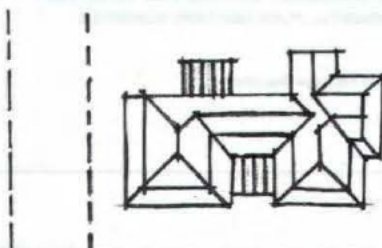




MUSWELLBROOK HERITAGE STUDY

Inventory 1996

'GELSTON' - MUSWELLBROOK

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| <p>PRESENT NAME <i>Gelston</i></p> <p>PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES</p> | <p>REFERENCE No <i>MUSW/R027</i></p> <p>PREVIOUS REFERENCE No</p> <p>DATE INSPECTED <i>19th May 1995</i></p> |
| <p>LOCATION</p> <p>STREET No <i>409</i> STREET NAME <i>Sandy Creek Road</i></p> <p>TOWN/SUBURB <i>Muswellbrook</i> POSTCODE <i>2333</i></p> <p>LOCALITY <i>McCullys Gap</i></p> <p>LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA <i>MUSWELLBROOK</i></p> | <p>SITE SKETCH PLAN</p>  |
| <p>PRESENT OWNER</p> <p>TYPE <i>Private</i></p> | <p>PROPERTY DETAILS:</p> <p>a REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION <i>PH Rowan DP 16352 Lot 152 DP 571197 Lots 1/2 DP 593335</i></p> <p>b SITE AREA <i>94.190 hectares</i></p> <p>c EXISTING ZONING <i>1(a) - Rural 'A' 7(L1) - Environment Protection - Alluvial Areas</i></p> |
| <p>CATEGORY <i>Building</i></p> <p>SUB CATEGORY <i>Farm Homestead</i></p> <p>DATE OF CONSTRUCTION <i>1866</i></p> <p>ARCHITECT/DESIGNER <i>Pender Architects</i></p> <p>BUILDER <i>Charles J. Skinner</i></p> | <p>MAP REFERENCE <i>'56' 305060E, 6433600N AMG Aberdeen 9033-1-S</i></p>  |
| <p>PHOTOGRAPH</p>  | |

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