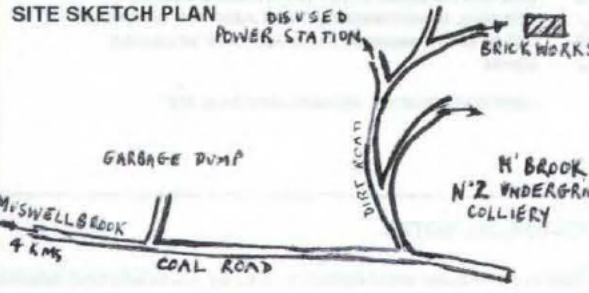
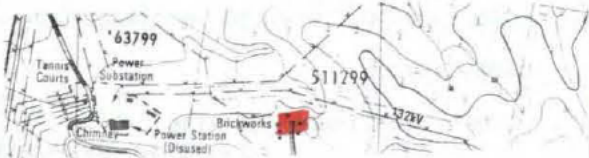


# MUSWELLBROOK HERITAGE STUDY Inventory 1996

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<b>PRESENT NAME</b> <i>Muswellbrook Brick Works</i> <b>PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES</b>	<b>REFERENCE No</b> <i>MUSW/R030</i> <b>PREVIOUS REFERENCE No</b> <b>DATE INSPECTED</b> <i>21st February 1995</i>
<b>LOCATION</b> <b>STREET No STREET NAME</b> <i>Off Common Road/Coal Road</i> <b>TOWN/SUBURB</b> <i>Muswellbrook</i> <b>POSTCODE</b> <i>2333</i> <b>LOCALITY</b> <i>Muswellbrook</i> <b>LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA</b> <i>MUSWELLBROOK</i>	<b>SITE SKETCH PLAN</b> 
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<b>CATEGORY</b> <i>Other Works</i> <b>SUB CATEGORY</b> <i>Brickworks</i> <b>DATE OF CONSTRUCTION</b> <i>c.1949</i> <b>ARCHITECT/DESIGNER</b> <i>Unknown</i> <b>BUILDER</b> <i>Unknown</i>	<b>MAP REFERENCE</b> <i>'56' 303700E, 6430150N AMG Aberdeen 9033-I-S</i> 

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