MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE MUSWELLBROOK SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, MUSWELLBROOK ON WEDNESDAY 28 FEBRUARY, 2018 COMMENCING AT 6.00PM.

- **PRESENT:** Cr M.L. Rush, Cr M. Bowditch, Cr J.F. Eades, Cr J.P. Foy, Cr M.I. Green, Cr J.L. Ledlin, Cr R.W. Scholes, Cr S.J. Ward and Cr B.N. Woodruff.
- **IN ATTENDANCE**: Ms G. Bobsien (Acting General Manager), Mr D. Finnigan (Interim Director, Community Infrastructure), Mr P. Redan (Executive Manager, Water and Waste), Ms N. Cowley (Manager, Corporate Services) and Mrs M. Sandell-Hay (PA to General Manager).

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Acknowledgement of Country was read by the General Manager.

2 CIVIC PRAYER

The Civic Prayer was read by the Mayor.

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

214 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Foy and Eades that:

The apologies for inability to attend the meeting submitted by Cr S.L. Bailey, Cr G.T. McNeill and Cr. S. Reynolds be ACCEPTED and the necessary Leave of Absence be GRANTED.

4 DISCLOSURE OF ANY PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

Nil

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nil

6 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

6.1 ESTABLISHMENT OF AN UPPER HUNTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

- 215 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Green and Woodruff that:
 - 1. Council make application to the Minister for Local Government under section 358 of the Local Government Act 1993 to form a company limited by guarantee, to be known as Upper Hunter Economic Development Corporation for the purpose of developing and supporting initiatives to attract investment and support economic growth for the Upper Hunter region.
 - 2. The constitution of the proposed company be in the form of the draft constitution attached to this report.

7 CLOSURE

The meeting was declared closed at 6.03 pm.

Ms G. Bobsien Cr M. Rush
Acting General Manager Chairperson