



# **MINUTES FOR EXTRA ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

## **8 FEBRUARY 2018**

Don Ramsland  
**GENERAL MANAGER**

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING OF THE WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE WALGETT COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THURSDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2018  
AT 6:05PM**

**PRESENT**

Clr Ian Woodcock (Mayor)  
 Clr Bill Murray  
 Clr Kelly Smith  
 Clr Michael Taylor  
 Clr Robert Turnbull  
 Clr Lawrence Walford  
 Don Ramsland (General Manager)  
 Jessica McDonald (Director Environmental Services)  
 Michael Urquhart (Chief Financial Officer)  
 Sylvester Otieno (Director Engineering/Technical Services)  
 Peta Schiller (Minute Secretary)

**1/2018/1 Leave of Absence****Resolved:**

That the leave of absence received from Clr Martinez, Clr Keir and Clr Cameron be accepted and leave of absence granted.

**Moved: Clr Walford**

**Seconded: Clr Turnbull**

**CARRIED**

**1/2018/2 Special Rate Variation Application to IPART****Resolved:**

That Council:

1. Defer any Special Rate Variation Application to IPART to fund the upgrade of the strategic rural road network until such time as there is majority support for such a proposal.
2. Continue to work with the community to achieve a greater level of understanding of the cost and level of services and facilities it provides.
3. Lobby relevant state agencies to address an adequate level of maintenance of the road infrastructure network on the opal fields
4. Concentrate on providing a consistently high quality water supply to all towns within the Shire.
5. Arrange for an independent community satisfaction survey to be undertaken within the next six months.
6. Investigate the re-establishment of precinct committees.
7. Lobby the State Government to open Opal Prospecting Area (OPA) 4.

**Moved: Clr Smith**

**Seconded: Clr Walford**

**CARRIED**

**Close of Meeting**

The meeting closed at 6.45pm

To be confirmed at the next meeting of Council.

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Mayor

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General Manager