**Corowa Shire Council**

**Community Consultation Outcomes**

**Integrated Planning and Reporting – March 2013**

98 Postcard surveys were returned. Below is a summary of the key priorities that were expressed by the community throughout the responses.

**Economic Priorities**

* Respond to declining businesses within the towns
* Need to improve the look of the main streets
* Increased employment opportunities for young people
* Focus on tourism – increase marketing, keep up with the tourism product offered by neighbouring areas (Indigo Shire), ensure all three towns are included/considered in tourism strategies

**Infrastructure Priorities**

* Maintaining roads
* Guttering and drainage
* Town beautification – Corowa, Mulwala and Howlong
* Upgrade of Corowa Swimming Pool (heated)
* Responding to and preventing crime and vandalism (police presence)
* Maintaining infrastructure and community facilities long term – including sport and recreation facilities
* Improve/increase walking tracks and footpaths

**Community Priorities**

* Retain and celebrate heritage
* Support and celebrate volunteering
* Strategies to attract new residents, in particular young families
* Activities recreational/social opportunities for young people
* Support the viability of community groups and clubs

**Environmental Priorities**

* Development of the foreshores (master planning with community input)
* Maintain parks and garden throughout the shire
* Environmental sustainability – impact of community buildings (civic centre), climate change, etc

**Governance Priorities**

* Continue to consult and plan with the community
* Increase regular communication with the community
* Long term sustainability of the shire