Shaping the Pyrenees – postcard questionnaire summary

In early 2021 postcards were sent out to all addresses in the Shire with the Council Community Newsletter. Further postcards were distributed through resource centres, local businesses and the Beaufort Secondary College.

As well as asking for age-range and postcode, the questionnaires asked the following three questions to help feed into the Community Vision and the Council Plan:

- What are your hopes for the Pyrenees Shire Community for 2030?
- What do you love most about your community?
- What would you change about your community?

129 responses were received in total, with the age-range response rate listed below.

Age range	Number of responses received
Under 10	1
10-14	2
15-19	27
20-29	6
30-39	0
40-49	14
50-59	18
60-69	24
70-79	18
80-89	6
90 +	2
Not stated	7
Total	129
responses	

A summary of responses to each question is provided in the following three pages.

What are your hopes for the Pyrenees Shire Community for 2030?

Major themes in the responses include:

Embrace Change - Welcome new ideas - Population Growth	Resist Change - Retain rural character - Limit growth
Amenity - Beautification of townships - Access to natural spaces, parks and reserves - Preservation of heritage - Accessibility	Environmental Sustainability - Clean environment - Recycling - Renewable energy
Community - Friendly community - Improved access to education - Family-friendly events and activities - Health and wellbeing - Increased food security - Social support services - Fun - Safety	 Economy More tourism Diversify industry Supported regional businesses Work opportunities for young people

What do you love most about your community?

The word cloud below was generated from all of the responses to the question "what do you love most about your community?



The top words in this response are listed in the table below.

Word	No. Times mentioned	Word	No. Times mentioned
People	37	Community / communities	23
Friendly	18	Rural	11
Environment	10	Small	8
Quiet	8	Country	8

What would you change about your community?

Better Governance - Communication with community - Partnership with State & Federal Governments - Engagement & recognition of community - Better enaction of controls	Community - More facilities - Family friendly activities - Youth engagement / facilities and programs - Safety - Accessible facilities - Increase diversity - Community development / involvement
Environment - Pride in natural environment - Care for environment - Access to natural resources - Improved waste collection	Planning & Development - Increase subdivisions - Restrict subdivisions
Economy - Jobs for young people - Affordable housing - More events - More small businesses - Increased support for local businesses	Transport - Increase public transport - Improve walkability - Enhance road safety - Reduce Traffic noise
Recreation and leisure	No change