PERFORMANCE MONITORING

The Council is committed to ensuring that its planning scheme and related strategies and policies remain responsive to community needs, are consistent with state and regional planning directions, and are capable of effective implementation.

This planning scheme is an important milestone in the introduction of an integrated and interactive planning strategy and planning control system for the Pyrenees Shire. There are, nevertheless, a number of important initiatives to be taken over the initial three years period (leading up to the first compulsory review of the MSS) which will result in significant changes and refinements. These touch on key issues, including:

- Flood-plain mapping along the Avoca River and its tributaries.
- Drainage investigations in the Southern Basalt plains.
- A review of current heritage studies.
- A review of controls in designated Restructure Areas.
- Urban improvement initiatives, particularly in the commercial areas of Avoca and Beaufort.

Actions which will be taken to achieve effective performance monitoring of the Scheme include:

- On-going evaluation of external policy decisions (and legislature changes) that affect planning in the Shire.
- Reviewing and refining of local strategies and policies, having regard to on-going study outcomes.
- Critical analysis of the Planning Scheme having regard to:
  - Any modifications to the Victoria Planning Provisions.
  - Consequences arising from planning permit applications and decisions.
  - Decisions and precedents handed down by Courts and Tribunals.
- Community consultation on emerging planning issues, perceptions regarding the effectiveness of the Planning Scheme, and service delivery standards being achieved by the Council.