# **Retirement Villages**





# **Village Comparison Document**

Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Section 74)

# This form is effective from 1 February 2019



# Important information for the prospective resident

- The Village Comparison Document gives general information about the retirement village accommodation, facilities and services, including the general costs of moving into, living in and leaving the retirement village. This makes it easier for you to compare retirement villages.
- The *Retirement Villages Act 1999* requires a retirement village scheme operator to:
  - provide a copy of the Village Comparison Document to a prospective resident of the retirement village within seven days of receiving a request
  - include a copy of the Village Comparison Document with any promotional material given to a person, other than through a general distribution (e.g. mail-out)
  - publish the Village Comparison Document on the village's website so that the document, or a link to it appears prominently on each page of the website that contains, or has a link to, marketing material for the village
- You can access a copy of this Village Comparison Document on the village website at retirewithus.com.au
- All amounts in this document are GST-inclusive, unless stated otherwise where that is permitted by law.

# Notice for prospective residents

Before you decide whether to live in a retirement village, you should:

- Seek independent legal advice about the retirement village contract there are different types of contracts and they can be complex
- Find out the financial commitments involved in particular, you should understand and consider ingoing costs, ongoing fees and charges (which can increase) and how much it will cost you when you leave the village permanently
- Consider any impacts to any pensions, rate subsidies and rebates you currently receive
- Consider what questions to ask the village manager before signing a contract
- Consider whether retirement village living provides the lifestyle that is right for you. Moving into a retirement village is very different to moving into a new house. It involves buying into a village with communal facilities where usually some of the costs of this lifestyle are deferred until you leave the village. These deferred costs when you leave your unit may be significant.

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- Seek further information and advice to help with making a decision that is right for you. Some useful contacts are listed at the end of this document, including:
  - Queensland Retirement Village and Park Advice Service (QRVPAS) which provides free information and legal assistance for residents and prospective residents of retirement village. See www.caxton.org.au or phone 07 3214 6333.
  - The Queensland Law Society which can provide a list of lawyers who practice retirement village law. See www.qls.com.au or phone: 1300 367 757.

#### More information

Part 1 – Operator and management details

- If you decide to move into a retirement village, the operator will provide you with a Prospective Costs Document for your selected unit, a residence contract and other legal documents.
- By law, you must have a copy of the Village Comparison Document, the Prospective Costs Document, the village by-laws, your residence contract and all attachments to your residence contract for at least 21 days before you and the operator enter into the residence contract. This is to give you time to read these documents carefully and seek professional advice about your legal and financial interests. You have the right to waive the 21-day period if you get legal advice from a Queensland lawyer about your contract.

The information in this Village Comparison Document is correct as at 27 September 2021 and applies to prospective residents. That information is subject to change. The village operator reserves the right to vary any of the information in this Village Comparison Document at any time.

Some of the information in this document may not apply to existing residence contracts.

1.1 Retirement village location	Retirement Village Name: St James Village				
	Street Address: 260 Fulham Road				
	Suburb: Heatley State: Qld Post Code: 4814				
1.2 Owner of the land on which the	Name of land owner: Churches of Christ in Queensland				
retirement village scheme is located	Australian Company Number (ACN): 147 481 436				
	Address: 41 Brookfield Road				
	Suburb: Kenmore State: Qld Post Code: 4069				
1.3 Village operator	Name of entity that operates the retirement village (scheme operator):				
	Churches of Christ in Queensland				
	Australian Company Number (ACN): 147 481 436				
	Address: 41 Brookfield Road				
	Suburb: Kenmore State: Qld Post Code: 4069				
	Date entity became operator: 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2012				

1.4 Village	Name of village management entity and contact details:			
management and onsite availability	Churches of Christ in Queensland			
	Australian Company Number (ACN): 147 481 436			
	Phone: 07 4760 8000 Email: retirementlivingqld@cofcqld.com.au			
	An onsite manager (or representative) is available to residents:			
	⊠ Full time			
	Onsite availability includes:			
	Weekdays: Monday to Friday 8.30am to 4.00pm Weekends: Emergency Calls			
1.5 Approve closure plans and transition	Is there an approved transition plan for the village?			
plans for the retirement village	□ Yes ⊠ No			
	A written transition plan approved by the Department of Housing and Public Works is required when an existing operator is transitioning control of the retirement village scheme's operation to a new operator.			
	Is there an approved closure plan for the village?			
	□ Yes ⊠ No			
	A written closure plan approved by the residents of the village (by a special resolution at a residents meeting) or by the Department of Housing and Public Works is required if an operator is closing a retirement village scheme. This includes winding down or stopping to operate the village, even temporarily.			
1.6 Statutory Charge over retirement village land.	Tenure in a leasehold or freehold scheme is secured by the registration of your interest on the certificate of title for the property. There is no statutory charge registered over leasehold schemes and freehold schemes.			
[Note: Delete this section where village does not contain accommodation units with a license tenure]	In relation to licence schemes, a statutory charge over the land is normally registered on the certificate of title by the chief executive of the department administering the Act. It there is no statutory charge registered on a licence scheme, which may be the case for some religious, charitable or community purpose organisations, you should check if the security of tenure offered meets your requirements.			
	□ Yes ⊠ No			
	If yes, provide details of the registered statutory charge			
Part 2 – Age limits				

2.1 What age limits apply to residents in this village?	Generally, the village operator will only accept residents who are at least 65 years old (or, if there are two residents seeking to occupy a unit, at least one of them must be at least 65 years old). However, the
this vinage?	village operator may (if it wishes) approve residents who have not reached the minimum age. Applications by persons not meeting the minimum age are assessed on a case-by-case basis. The village operator reserves the right to vary the age limits for the village from time to time.

ACCOMMODATION, FACILITIES AND SERVICES		
Part 3 – Accommodation	n units: Nature of ownership or tenure	
3.1 Resident ownership or tenure of	Freehold (owner resident)	
the units in the village	⊠ Lease (non-owner resident)	
is:	⊠ Licence (non-owner resident)	
	□ Share in company title entity (non-owner resident)	
	□ Unit in unit trust (non-owner resident)	
	Rental (non-owner resident)	
	□ Other	
	The village operator reserves the right to use or grant occupation rights in respect of any part of the village (including units) for temporary respite purposes, office/administration purposes, residential tenancies or other purposes, whether under agreements or arrangements that are governed by the <i>Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Qld)</i> or not. As residents vacate the leasehold accommodation units, new residents will be offered licences over those accommodation units. Leasehold tenure will not be offered to new residents in the future.	

Accommodation types				
3.2 Number of units by				
accommodation type	There are 133 units in the village, comprising			
and tenure	125 single story units; 8 units in multi-story building with 1 level			
Accommodation Unit	Freehold	Leasehold	Licence	Other
Independent living				
units				
- Studio				
- One bedroom		2	4	
- Two bedrooms		32	60	4 Rental
- Three bedrooms		4	6	
+ 2 bath				
Serviced units				
- Studio				
- One bedroom			14	6 Rental
- Two bedrooms				
- Three bedrooms				
Other				1 Community
<b>T</b>				Care Office
Total number of units		38	84	11
Access and design				
3.3 What disability	⊠ Level acce	ess from the street	into and between	all areas of the unit
access and design	(i.e. no exter	nal or internal step	s or stairs) in 🖂 so	ome units
features do the units				
and the village	Alternative	ely, a ramp, elevato	or or lift allows entr	ry into □ all □ some
contain?	units			
	⊠ Step-free	(hobless) shower i	n 🖂 some units	
	•	<b>``</b>		·
	Width of d	loorways allow for	wheelchair access	In 🖾 some units
	$\boxtimes$ Toilet is a	ccessible in a whee	elchair in $oxtimes$ some	units
	$\boxtimes$ Other key features in the units or village that cater for people with disability or assist residents to age in place			
	Automatic op	ening doors to rec	eption, restaurant,	café and activities
	areas.			
	Note from the village operator: In some villages, units may have been built at different times/stages. Therefore, the applicable standards and building codes may differ between different units.			
Part 4 – Parking for resi				
4.1 What car parking in the village is available for	<ul> <li>Some (84) independent living units with own garage or carport attached or adjacent to the unit</li> <li>Some (12) independent living units with own garage or carport separate from the unit</li> </ul>			

	Some (17) independent living units and all (20) serviced units with no car parking for residents			
	Restrictions on resident's car parking include:			
	Residents must only park in the village if they have entered into an agreement with the village operator to use one of the village carparks. Visitor parking is for visitors only. The village has a general "maximum one car space per unit" policy. However, an exception may be made at the discretion of the village operator.			
4.2 Is parking in the village available for visitors? If yes, parking restrictions include:	<ul> <li>☑ Yes □ No</li> <li>While there are no specific restrictions on visitor parking, visitors must comply with the residence contract of the resident they are visiting and are subject to the same behavioural obligations as residents. Also, the village operator reserves the right to impose restrictions in the course of administering the village.</li> </ul>			
Part 5 – Planning and de	evelopment			
5.1 Is construction or development of the village complete?	<ul> <li>Year village construction started: 1985 approx.</li> <li>Fully developed / completed</li> <li>Partially developed / completed</li> <li>Construction yet to commence</li> <li>Note: The village operator reserves the right to further develop or redevelop all or part of the village in the future.</li> </ul>			
5.2 Construction, development applications and development approvals Provide details and timeframe of development or proposed development, including the final number and types of units and any new facilities.	Provide detail of any construction, development or redevelopment relating to the retirement village land, including details of any related development approval or development applications in accordance with the <i>Planning Act 2016</i> N/A			
5.3 Redevelopment plan under the <i>Retirement Villages</i> <i>Act 1999</i>	Is there an approved redevelopment plan for the village under the <i>Retirement Villages Act</i> ? ☐ Yes ⊠ No <i>The Retirement Villages Act may require a written redevelopment plan for certain types of redevelopment of the village and this is different to a development approval. A redevelopment plan must be approved by the residents of the village (by a special resolution at a residents meeting) or by the Department of Housing and Public Works.</i>			

	<b>Note:</b> see notice at end of document regarding inspection of the development approval documents.

Part 6 – Facilities onsite at the village					
6.1 The following facilities are currently	imes Activities or games room	Medical consultation room			
available to residents:	$\Box$ Arts and crafts room	⊠ Restaurant			
		Shop			
	$\boxtimes$ BBQ area outdoors	Swimming pool [outdoor]			
	Billiards room	[heated]			
	Bowling green [indoor]	Separate lounge in community centre			
	Business centre (e.g. computers, printers, internet	🛛 Spa [outdoor] [heated]			
	access)	$\Box$ Storage area for boats / caravans			
	Chapel / prayer room	Tennis court			
	Communal laundries	oxtimes Village bus or transport			
	Community room or centre	Workshop			
	imes Dining room	🛛 Other – Garden Club with			
⊠ Gardens		Greenhouse			
	⊠ Gym				
	Hairdressing or beauty				
	room				
	Library				
	hat is not funded from the General s on access or sharing of facilities	al Services Charge paid by residents or (e.g. with an aged care facility).			
For some of the village facilities, the village operator will from time to time specify particular village rules, such as hours of use and booking procedures. Residents must comply with those rules. Some village facilities may be subject to user charges.					
6.2 Does the village have an onsite, attached, adjacent or co-located residential aged care facility?	☐ Yes ⊠ No				
<b>Note:</b> Aged care facilities are not covered by the <i>Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Qld)</i> . The retirement village operator cannot keep places free or guarantee places in aged care for residents of the retirement village. To enter a residential aged care facility, you must be assessed as eligible by an Aged Care Assessment Team (ACAT) in accordance with the <i>Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth)</i> . Exit fees may apply when you move from your retirement village unit to other accommodation and may involve entering a new contract.					

#### Part 7 – Services 7.1 What services are The General Services are all services supplied, or made available, to provided to all village all residents of the village, associated with the Operating Costs. residents (funded from the General Services What are the Operating Costs? Charge Fund paid by The Operating Costs are the total of all expenses the village operator residents)? incurs in connection with the ownership, operation, management and administration of the village, other than: amounts payable directly by you or another resident; (a) the direct costs of providing personal services; (b) costs for maintaining and repairing the village's capital (c) items that are payable out of the Maintenance Reserve Fund; or (d) costs for capital items that are payable out of the Capital Replacement Fund. Specific inclusions in the Operating Costs The Operating Costs may include, but are not limited to, the costs of: (e) rates, charges, taxes and levies (including fire levy) the village operator has to pay to a government, council or public authority in respect of the village, but not income tax, capital gains tax or GST; (f) water, gas, oil, electricity, communications, sewerage, waste disposal and other services supplied to the village, common areas and administration areas (but excluding individual units); insurance for the village, including for public risk, fire, (g) lightning, storm, tempest, flood, earthquake, malicious act, explosion, impact and riot or civil commotion and such other risks the village operator thinks necessary to cover against from time to time: (h) cleaning (including laundry and consumables) that residents are not obliged to do: (i) lawn mowing and gardening, including replacing dead plants, mulching, spraying and fertilising; (j) services (including recreation and entertainment facilities, activities, programs and consumables) the village operator provides to residents of the village (except services for which the village operator directly charges): (k) minor repairs and day-to-day maintenance (including preventative maintenance) necessary to keep the village in good order and condition, including provision at the village operator's discretion for future contingencies; (I) pest control;

(m)	fire fighting and protection equipment and services, including sprinkler systems, hydrants, fire extinguishers and smoke detectors;
(n)	maintaining, monitoring and responding to any emergency call system, other security services or emergency care services in the village;
(o)	the operation and day-to-day maintenance of any vehicles used for the operation of the village or transportation of residents of the village, including insurance, registration, tolls, servicing, oil and petrol;
(p)	plant, equipment and software;
(q)	contractors the village operator engages from time to time;
(r)	a reasonable share of any off-site administration and management costs, including rent or occupancy charges for the use of areas outside the village for village purposes (eg office space, reception);
(s)	wages, salaries, employee benefits, payroll tax, workers' compensation insurance premiums and other employment costs for the village operator's employees relating to the village, including travel, accommodation, training (internal and external), recruitment and workplace health and safety expenses;
(t)	administration (including photocopying, postage, courier, printing, archiving and stationery expenses), management, accounting, audit, legal and banking costs for the operation of the village;
(u)	complying with laws and the requirements of authorities relating to the operation, management and administration of the village;
(v)	all costs of, or incidental to, resolving any dispute between the village operator and residents (including the costs of auditors, experts and other consultants), including disputes about the reasonableness or fairness of the calculation of the General Services Charge or Maintenance Reserve Fund contributions, excluding:
	<ul> <li>costs awarded against the village operator by a tribunal or court; and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>legal costs incurred by the village operator in relation to a retirement village issue (as defined in the Act).</li> </ul>
(w)	expenditures carried forward from any previous accounting period;
(x)	any excess payable under an insurance policy for the village; and
(y)	costs of obtaining the opinions or reports of experts or consultants.

7.2 Are optional personal services	□ Yes □ No		
provided or made available to residents on a user-pays basis?	Residents of Dove Apartments may enter into a Personal Services Agreement for the village operator to provide washing of bed linen and towels and weekly cleaning of the unit at a cost of \$56.95 per fortnight.		
	Residents that do not have cooking facilities wi enter into a Personal Services Agreement for t the village operator at the following rates:	•	
	<ul> <li>Midday meal:</li> <li>Evening meal:</li> <li>Combined (midday and evening meal):</li> </ul>	\$182.00 per fortnight \$161.00 per fortnight \$297.69 per fortnight	
	Residents with cooking facilities may also elect Services Agreement for the provision of meals		
	Residents may opt in to the emergency respon provided by the village operator at a rate of \$5.	<b>u i</b>	
	Medical Appointment Vehicle – provided by the until the end of March 2019. Availability:	e operator on a trial basis	
	<ul> <li>Every Tuesday from 9am - 12noon</li> <li>Every Wednesday from 10am - 2pm</li> <li>Every Thursday from 9am - 12noon</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Every Thursday from 9am – 12noon</li> <li>Pricing (calculated on distance of round trip):</li> <li>0 – 10 Km: \$ 7.00</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>11 - 20 km: \$10.00</li> <li>21 - 30 km: \$20.00</li> </ul>		
	Subject to the agreement of the village operator, residents of any unit in the village may request that the village operator provide one or more of the optional personal services referred to above.		
	All personal services charges are set by the op and are subject to change from time to time.	perator at its discretion	
7.3 Does the retirement village operator provide government funded	Yes, the operator is an Approved Provider Aged Care Act 1997 NAPS (National Approved number 21711 ID.		
home care services under the <i>Aged Care</i> <i>Act 1997 (Cwth)</i> ?	Yes, home care is provided in association v Provider	with an Approved	
	No, the operator does not provide home ca can arrange their own home care services	re services, residents	
<b>Note:</b> Some residents may be eligible to receive a Home Care Package, or a Commonwealth Home Support Program subsidised by the Commonwealth Government if assessed as eligible by an aged care assessment team (ACAT) under the <i>Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth)</i> . These home care services are not covered by the <i>Retirement Villages Act 1999</i> (Qld).			

Residents can choose their own approved Home Care Provider and are not obliged to use the retirement village provider, if one is offered.

Part 8 – Security and en	nergency systems			
8.1 Does the village have a security system?	☐ Yes ⊠ No Random night patrols between 6pm and 6am, 7 days a week. St			
	James is a gated village with gate closed between 6pm and 6am – access is with a swipe or key pad issued by the operator.			
<ul> <li>8.2 Does the village have an emergency help system?</li> <li>If yes or optional:</li> <li>the emergency help avetage details are:</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>☐ Yes - all residents</li> <li>☑ Optional</li> <li>☐ No</li> <li>Tunstall Health –This system involves a personal alarm and 24-hour monitoring service</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>the emergency help system is monitored between:</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>monitoring service.</li> <li>You do not need to be next to your phone or the base alarm unit.</li> <li>The alarm has a powerful speaker and microphone which allows a two-way voice function.</li> <li>Fees associated with the emergency help system are on a user-pays basis and are charged separately to those who request the service.</li> <li>If the emergency help system operates through the telephone system, you must at all times have an operative telephone line and handset in your unit to connect to the emergency call system and the telephone connection is your responsibility.</li> <li>24 hours per day, 7 days per week.</li> </ul>			
8.3 Does the village have equipment that provides for the safety or medical emergency of residents?	□ Yes ⊠ No			

# COSTS AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

# Part 9 – Ingoing contribution - entry costs to live in the village

An ingoing contribution is the amount a prospective resident must pay under a residence contract to secure a right to reside in the retirement village. The ingoing contribution is also referred to as the sale price or purchase price. It does not include ongoing charges such as rent or other recurring fees

recurring fees.			
9.1 What is the	Accommodation Unit	Range of ingoing cont	ribution
estimated ingoing	Independent living units		
contribution (sale price) range for all	- Studio	\$ to \$	
types of units in the	- One bedroom \$180,000.00 to \$200,000.00		\$200,000.00
village	- Two bedrooms	- Two bedrooms \$180,000.00 to \$265,000.00	
	- Three bedrooms	drooms \$300,000.00 to \$310,000.00	
	Serviced units		
	- Studio		
	- One bedroom	\$ 90,000.00 to \$ 90,000.00	
	- Two bedrooms	\$ to \$	
	- Three bedrooms	\$ to \$	
	Other	\$ to \$	
	Full range of ingoing contributions for all unit types	\$ 90,000.00 to \$	310,000.00
Standard Ingoing Contributions", ie assuming that an "Operation of the second secon			
available for paying the ingoing contribution and exit fee or other fees and charges under a residence contract? If yes: specify or set out	<ul> <li>Residents may select from three contract options. In selecting preferred contract option, residents may elect to pay a lower in contribution upon entry to the village, in return for paying a high fee upon departure from the village. These contract options m summarised as follows:</li> </ul>		
in a table how the contract options work e.g. pay a higher ingoing contribution and less or no exit fee.	Contract Percen Option Origina Standa Ingoing Contrik payable	rd refer Item 11.1 pution	Maximum Exit Fee Percentage (based on your Original Standard Ingoing Contribution)
	Option A 100%	Table A	35%
	Option B 95%	Table B	40%

	Option C	90%	Table C	45%
	In this document, "Original Standard Ingoing Contribution" means the ingoing contribution that would be payable by you if you entered into an "Option A" residence contract, at the time you are granted the licence to occupy the unit under your residence contract. The village operator reserves the right at any time to vary the contract options it offers other residents of the village (including any subsequent resident of your unit). Without limitation, the village operator's right in this regard includes the right:			
	(a)	to introduce or o options;	discontinue one or	more contract
	(b)	to change the u	nits or number of u e operator offers o s;	-
	(c)	not to offer one of one or more	or more contract c units; or	pptions in respect
	(d)	to vary the deta options.	ils of one or more	of the contract
9.3 What other entry costs do residents need to pay?	<ul> <li>Costs related</li> <li>Apartments as no</li> <li>Advance payr</li> </ul>	to your residence to any other contra	act – Personal Ser ervices Charge	vices for Dove
Part 10 – Ongoing Cost	s - costs while liv	ing in the retirem	ent village	
<b>General Services Charge:</b> Residents pay this charge for the general services supplied or made available to residents in the village, which may include management and administration, gardening and general maintenance and other services or facilities for recreation and entertainment described at 7.1.				
repairing (but not replacin This fund may or may not	<b>Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution:</b> Residents pay this charge for maintaining and repairing (but not replacing) the village's capital items e.g. communal facilities, swimming pool. This fund may or may not cover maintaining or repairing items in your unit, depending on the terms of your residence contract.			wimming pool.
The budgets for the General Services Charges Fund and the Maintenance Reserve Fund are set each financial year and these amounts can increase each year. The amount to be held in the Maintenance Reserve Fund is determined by the operator using a quantity surveyor's report.				
<b>Note:</b> The following ongoing costs are all stated as weekly amounts to help you compare the costs of different villages. However, the billing period for these amounts may not be weekly.				

10.1 Current weekly rates of General Services Charge and Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution

Type of Unit	General Services Charge	Maintenance Reserve Fund
	(weekly)	contribution

					(weekly)		
Independer	nt Living Units	6					
- One bedroom		\$72.605	\$72.605 to \$92.835		\$26.985 to \$3	\$26.985 to \$34.55	
Two hadrooma		\$85.745	to \$118.77		\$32.02 to \$44	1.34	
- Three	e bedrooms	\$134.10			\$49.945		
Serviced U	nits						
- One l	bedroom	\$132.04			\$48.32		
Last three ye	ears of Genera	al Services C	Charge and Mainte	enance	nance Reserve Fund Co e Reserve Fund con	ntribution	
Financial year	General Se Charge (rar (weekly)		Overall % change from previous year	Rese	ntenance erve Fund tribution (range) ekly)	Overall % change from previous year (+ or -)	
2020/21	\$71.54 to \$1	32.13	2.5%	\$27.	20 to \$50.35	-5.73%	
2019/20	\$69.795 to \$	3128.905	5.03%	\$28.	855 to \$53.41	-3.85%	
2018/19	\$66.43 to \$1	35.00	1.7%	\$30.	.01 to \$38.43	+1.94%	
10.2 What c relating to t are not cove	he units		ts insurance		□ Water	Water	
General Ser		U Home ii units only)	nsurance (freehol	d	🛛 Telephone	lelephone	
Charge? (re					⊠ Internet		
will need to costs separ			Electricity (Dove units include electricity)		⊠ Pay TV		
		□ Gas	Gas Other: Qld Fire Brigade le Dove Apartments only (if app				
10.3 What or ongoing or costs for re maintenance replacement in, on or att the units are responsible pay for whill in the unit?	occasional pair, e and t of items ached to e residents of or and	<ul> <li>Unit fitti</li> <li>Unit app</li> <li>Unit app</li> <li>None</li> <li>Additional i</li> <li>If your unit condition.</li> <li>You must t</li> <li>You must t</li> <li>than termit</li> <li>termite treat</li> <li>and whene</li> <li>so.</li> <li>If you make</li> <li>operator's</li> </ul>	Additional information If your unit includes a garden then you must ke condition. You must keep your unit clean. You must take reasonable steps to keep your u than termites), including by having pest control termite treatments) carried out in your unit at yo and whenever else the village operator reasona		o keep your unit fro g pest control treating your unit at your ex erator reasonably re litions to the unit w	ee of pests (other ments (other than opense annually equires you to do ith the village made by a	

40.4 Dece the energies	<ul> <li>you take occupation, you are responsible for keeping them clean, well maintained and in good repair, and replacing them if they are worn out or cannot reasonably be repaired.</li> <li>You are also responsible for repairing or replacing things in, on or attached to the unit and in the village that you damage or destroy, or are subject to accelerated wear because of your actions.</li> </ul>		
10.4 Does the operator offer a maintenance service or help	🗆 Yes 🖾 No		
residents arrange repairs and maintenance for their unit?	Note: Subject to the exceptions referred to in Item 10.3, the village operator is generally responsible for the maintenance, repair and replacement of the unit and items in, on or attached to the unit.		
Part 11– Exit fees - whe	n you leave the village		
A resident may have to pa	ay an exit fee to the operator when they leave their unit or when the right old. This is also referred to as a 'deferred management fee' (DMF).		
11.1 Do residents pay an exit fee when they permanently leave	<ul> <li>Yes – all residents pay an exit fee calculated using the same formula</li> <li>Yes – all new residents pay an exit fee but the way this is worked</li> <li>out may vary depending on each resident's residence contract</li> </ul>		
their unit? If yes: list all exit fee	$\Box$ No exit fee		
options that may apply	□ Other		
to new contracts	Exit fees are calculated as a percentage (set out in the applicable exit fee table below) of your Original Standard Ingoing Contribution, according to the period from (and including) the commencement date of your residence contract (to and including) your Exit Date.		
	The applicable exit fee table depends on the contract option selected by you before you entered into your residence contract (see Item 9.2).		
	In this document, "Exit Date" means the later of:		
	(a) the date your residence contract expires or is terminated; and		
	(b) the date that you vacate the unit,		
	or any other date that the <i>Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Qld)</i> specifies as the date as at which the exit fee for a residence contract is to be, or may be, calculated.		
	For simplicity, the Exit Fee information below and any Prospective Costs Document given to you assume that the date of occupation of your unit and the commencement date of your residence contract are the same date, and that you cease to reside in the unit on the Exit Date. However, this is subject to the terms of your residence contract and the <i>Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Qld)</i> .		
	All residents must also pay a termination fee of \$1,000, which will be deducted from their exit entitlement (see Item 14.1).		

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	4 years	35% of your Original Standard Ingoing Contribution
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	11.2 What other exit costs do residents need to pay or contribute to?	Sale costs for the unit (if any), including costs of engaging a registered valuer to determine the resale value of the right to reside in the unit, if the resident does not agree with the village operator's proposed resale value. The resident's portion of any sale or valuation costs is calculated as follows: $\frac{(A - B - C)}{D}$ Where: A = the resident's ingoing contribution B = the exit fee C = the termination fee D = the ingoing contribution payable by the next resident of the unit Legal costs \$1,000.00 termination fee
	Part 12 – Reinstatement	and renovation of the unit
	12.1 Is the resident responsible for reinstatement of the unit when they leave the unit?	Yes No The resident is only responsible for reinstatement work to the extent it is required because the resident has caused damage or accelerated wear to the unit.

12.2 Is the resident responsible for	<ul> <li>Reinstatement work means replacements or repairs that are reasonably necessary to return the unit to the same condition it was in when the resident started occupation, apart from:</li> <li>fair wear and tear; and</li> <li>renovations and other changes to the condition of the unit carried out with agreement of the resident and operator.</li> <li>Fair wear and tear includes a reasonable amount of wear and tear associated with the use of items commonly used in a retirement village. However, a resident is responsible for the cost of replacing a capital item of the retirement village if the resident deliberately damages the item or causes accelerated wear.</li> <li>Entry and exit inspections and reports are undertaken by the operator and resident to assess the condition of the unit.</li> </ul>
renovation of the unit when they leave the unit?	Renovation means replacements or repairs other than reinstatement work. By law, the operator is responsible for the cost of any renovation work on a former resident's unit, unless the residence contract provides for the resident to share in the capital gain on the sale of the resident's interest in the unit. Renovation costs are shared between the former resident and operator in the same proportion as any capital gain is to be shared under the residence contract.
Part 13 – Capital gain of 13.1 When the resident's interest or right to reside in the unit is sold, does the resident share in the capital gain or capital loss on the resale of their unit?	Iosses ⊠ No
An exit entitlement is the	amount the operator may be required to pay the former resident under a he right to reside is terminated and the former resident has left the unit. Your ingoing contribution Less exit fee Less termination fee Less any general services charge or maintenance reserve fund contributions owing
	Less any costs of, or associated with, reinstatement work for which you are liable

	Less any amounts you owe to the village operator under any other agreements the village operator has with you about the provision of services or goods to you in the village Less the costs and expenses the village operator incurs with respect to the termination of your residence contract including, without limitation, your share of the village operator's costs of finding a new resident for your unit and your share of any valuation costs Less any other amounts you must pay to the village operator under your residence contract, including any personal services charges owing
14.2 When is the exit entitlement payable?	<ul> <li>By law, the operator must pay the exit entitlement to a former resident on or before the earliest of the following days:</li> <li>the day stated in the residence contract <ul> <li>which may range from 28 days (where the resident transfers to a Churches of Christ in Queensland Aged Care Facility and other criteria are satisfied) to 12 months after the termination of the residence contract.</li> </ul> </li> <li>14 days after the settlement of the sale of the right to reside in the unit to the next resident or the operator</li> <li>18 months after the termination date of the resident's right to reside under the residence contract, even if the unit has not been resold, unless the operator has been granted an extension for payment by the Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal (QCAT).</li> </ul> In addition, an operator is entitled to see probate or letters of administration before paying the exit entitlement of a former resident who has died.
14.3 What is the turnover of units for sale in the village?	<ul> <li>7 accommodation units were vacant as at the end of the last financial year</li> <li>16 accommodation units were resold during the last financial year</li> <li>5.12 months was the average length of time to sell a unit over the last three financial years</li> </ul>

# Part 15– Financial management of the village

15.1 What is the financial status for the	General Services Charges Fund for the last 3 years			
funds that the operator is required to maintain under the	Financial Year	Deficit/ Surplus	Balance	Change from previous year
Retirement Villages	2019/20	\$8,312	\$8,312	451.5%
Act 1999?	2018/19	(\$2,365)	(\$2,365)	(142.5%)
	2017/18	\$5,561	\$5,561	(90.7%)
		cial year OR las	s Charges Fund t quarter if no full	\$8,312
	Balance of <b>Maintenance Reserve Fund</b> for last financial year <i>OR</i> last quarter if no full financial year available			\$523,583
	Balance of <b>Capital Replacement Fund</b> for the last financial year <i>OR</i> last quarter if no full financial year available			\$161,996
	Percentage of a resident ingoing contribution applied to the Capital Replacement Fund			The village operator contributes to the Capital Replacement
	ingoing contribution, as determined by a with th quantity surveyor's report, to the Capital quanti Replacement Fund. This fund is used for report			Fund in accordance with the relevant quantity surveyor report as updated from time to time.
	OR	is not yet opera	ting.	

# Part 16 – Insurance

The village operator must take out general insurance, to full replacement value, for the retirement village, including for:

- communal facilities; and
- the accommodation units, other than accommodation units owned by residents.

Residents contribute towards the cost of this insurance as part of the General Services Charge.

16.1 Is the resident responsible for	Yes 🗆 No	
arranging any insurance cover?	If yes, the resident is responsible for these insurance policies:	
If yes, the resident is	Your property in your unit;	
responsible for these insurance policies:	<ul> <li>Public liability claims brought as a result of any incident occurring in your unit; and</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Workers compensation claims brought by any employee or contractor that you engage to carry out work or provide services in your unit.</li> </ul>	

Part 17 – Living in the v	
	mage
Trial or settling in perio	d in the village
17.1 Does the village offer prospective residents a trial period	⊠ Yes □ No
or a settling in period in the village? If yes: provide details including, length of period, relevant time frames and any costs or conditions	<ul> <li>(a) At any time during the period of 6 months after the commencement date of your residence contract, you may give the village operator a notice terminating your residence contract if, at the time you give the village operator your notice, your residence contract has not already been terminated.</li> <li>(b) If you give the village operator notice in accordance with paragraph (a), then: <ul> <li>(i) the termination date is one (1) month after the date the village operator receives your notice;</li> <li>(ii) all the provisions of your residence contract that apply as a consequence of the termination of your residence contract will apply, except that: <ul> <li>(A) you will not be required to pay the village operator the exit fee; and</li> <li>(B) your exit entitlement will be payable no later than your Exit Date; and</li> <li>(C) you will no longer be liable to pay the General Services Charge or Maintenance Reserve Fund contributions (or any share of those amounts) after your Exit Date.</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ul>
Pets	
17.2 Are residents	🛛 Yes 🗌 No
allowed to keep pets? If yes: specify any restrictions or conditions on pet ownership	<ul> <li>Except for a fish in a tank, you may not have pets in your unit or in the village without the village operator's consent. The village operator may give or refuse this consent in its absolute discretion or may impose any conditions it thinks fit on its consent. If the village operator consents to a pet then:</li> <li>(a) that consent is particular to the approved pet only, and does not extend to a replacement of that pet;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(b) you must comply with any conditions of that consent; and</li> <li>(c) the village operator may revoke the consent if the pet is a nuisance, in which case you must remove the pet from the village.</li> </ul>
Visitors	The village operator may introduce, and change from time to time, a pet policy which sets out general guidelines for the ownership and control of pets in the village. You must comply with the provisions of any pet policy the village operator has in place from time to time. A copy of the current pet policy for the village is available upon request.
17.3 Are there restrictions on visitors	🛛 Yes 🔲 No

staying with residents or visiting? If yes: specify any restrictions or conditions	<ul> <li>(a) You may allow your visitor or guest to stay in your unit with you (but not without you also being at the unit):</li> <li>(i) for no more than 14 days in any three-month period, but only with the village operator's prior written consent (which</li> </ul>
on visitors (e.g. length of stay, arrange with manager)	<ul> <li>(ii) for more than 14 days in any three-month period, but only with the village operator's prior written consent (which the village operator's prior written consent (which the village operator may grant or refuse in its absolute discretion).</li> </ul>
	However, the village operator reserves the right to require any such person to leave the village immediately if he or she does not comply with this residence contract or the village by-laws or rules.
	(b) Subject to paragraph (a), you may not allow any other person, including a relative, carer, friend, boarder or lodger, to reside in the unit without the village operator's written consent, which the village operator may:
	<ul> <li>give or deny in its absolute discretion or give on such terms and conditions as the village operator thinks fit; and</li> </ul>
	(ii) withdraw at any time.
Village by-laws and villa	age rules
17.4 Does the village	□ Yes ⊠ No
have village by-laws?	
	By law, residents may, by special resolution at a residents meeting and with the agreement of the operator, make, change or revoke by-laws for the village. Note: See notice at end of document regarding inspection of village by-laws
17.5 Does the operator have other rules for	□ Yes ⊠ No
the village.	If yes: Rules may be made available on request
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Resident input 17.6 Does the village have a residents	🖾 Yes 🔲 No
committee established under the <i>Retirement</i> <i>Villages Act 1999</i> ?	By law, residents are entitled to elect and form a residents committee to deal with the operator on behalf of residents about the day-to-day running of the village and any complaints or proposals raised by residents. You may like to ask the village manager about an opportunity to talk with members of the resident committee about living in this village.
Part 18 – Accreditation	
18.1 Is the village	
voluntarily accredited	□ No, village is not accredited
through an industry-	
based accreditation scheme?	<ul> <li>Yes, village is voluntarily accredited through:</li> <li>IRCAS (International Retirement Community Accreditation Scheme)</li> </ul>

<b>Note:</b> Retirement village accreditation schemes are industry-based schemes. The <i>Retirement Villages Act 1999</i> does not establish an accreditation scheme or standards for retirement villages.	
Part 19 – Waiting list	
<ul> <li>19.1 Does the village maintain a waiting list for entry?</li> <li>If yes,</li> <li>what is the fee to join the waiting list?</li> </ul>	<ul><li>☑ Yes □ No</li><li>☑ No fee</li></ul>
Access to documents	
The following operational documents are held by the retirement village scheme operator and a prospective resident or resident may make a written request to the operator to inspect or take a copy of these documents free of charge. The operator must comply with the request by the date stated by the prospective resident or resident (which must be at least seven days after the request is given).	
least seven days after the request is given).         Certificate of registration for the retirement village scheme         Certificate of title or current title search for the retirement village land         Village site plan         Plans showing the location, floor plan or dimensions of accommodation units in the village         Plans of any units or facilities under construction         Development or planning approvals for any further development of the village         An approved redevelopment plan for the village under the <i>Retirement Villages Act</i> An approved transition plan for the village         An approved closure plan for the village         The annual financial statements and report presented to the previous annual meeting of the retirement village         Statements of the balance of the capital replacement fund, or maintenance reserve fund or general services charges fund (or Income and expenditure for general services) at the end of the previous three financial years of the retirement village         Statements of the balance of any Body Corporate administrative fund or sinking fund at the end of the previous three years of the retirement village         Examples of contracts that residents may have to enter into         Village dispute resolution process         Village insurance policies and certificates of currency         A current public information document (PID) continued in effect under section 237l of the Act (this applies to existing residence contracts)	
An example request form containing all the necessary information you must include in your request is available on the Department of Housing and Public Works website.	

#### **Further Information**

If you would like more information, contact the Department of Housing and Public Works on 13 QGOV (13 74 68) or visit our website at <a href="http://www.hpw.qld.gov.au">www.hpw.qld.gov.au</a>

# **General Information**

General information and fact sheets on retirement villages: www.qld.gov.au/retirementvillages

For more information on retirement villages and other seniors living options: <u>www.qld.gov.au/seniorsliving</u>

### **Regulatory Services, Department of Housing and Public Works**

Regulatory Services administers the *Retirement Villages Act 1999*. This includes investigating complaints and alleged breaches of the Act. Department of Housing and Public Works GPO Box 690, Brisbane, QLD 4001 Phone: 07 3008 3450 Email: regulatoryservices@hpw.qld.gov.au Website: www.hpw.gld.gov.au/housing

# **Queensland Retirement Village and Park Advice Service (QRVPAS)**

Specialist service providing free information and legal assistance for residents and prospective residents of retirement villages and manufactured home parks in Queensland. Caxton Legal Centre Inc. 1 Manning Street, South Brisbane, QLD 4101 Phone: 07 3214 6333 Email: caxton@caxton.org.au Website: www.caxton.org.au

# **Department of Human Services (Australian Government)**

Information on planning for retirement and how moving into a retirement village can affect your pension Phone: 132 300 Website: <u>www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/subjects/age-pension-and-planning-your-retirement</u>

# Seniors Legal and Support Service

These centres provide free legal and support services for seniors concerned about elder abuse, mistreatment or financial exploitation. Caxton Legal Centre Inc. 1 Manning Street, South Brisbane, QLD 4101 Phone: 07 3214 6333 Email: caxton@caxton.org.au Website: <u>https://caxton.org.au</u>

# **Queensland Law Society**

Find a solicitor Law Society House 179 Ann Street, Brisbane, QLD 4000 Phone: 1300 367 757 Email: info@qls.com.au Website: <u>www.qls.com.au</u>

# **Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal (QCAT)**

This independent decision-making body helps resolve disputes and reviews administrative decisions. GPO Box 1639, Brisbane, QLD 4001 Phone: 1300 753 228 Email: enquiries@qcat.qld.gov.au Website: www.qcat.qld.gov.au

# **Department of Justice and Attorney-General**

Dispute Resolution Centres provide a free, confidential and impartial mediation service to the community. Phone: 07 3006 2518 Toll free: 1800 017 288 Website: www.justice.qld.gov.au

# Livable Housing Australia (LHA)

The Livable Housing Guidelines and standards have been developed by industry and the community to provide assurance that a home is easier to access, navigate and live in, as well as more cost effective to adapt when life's circumstances change. Website: www.livablehousingaustralia.org.au/