# **Village Comparison Document**

Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Section 74)

# This form is effective from 1 July 2023



# SUNDALE

CREATING COMMUNITIES SINCE 1963

# Name of village: Coolum Beach Retirement Community

# 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.

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- 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 http://www.sundale.org.au/services/retirement-communities
- 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.
- 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:



ABN: 86 504 771 740

- 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

- 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 1/7/2023 and applies to prospective residents.

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

Part 1 – Operator and management details					
1.1 Retirement	Retirement Village Name Coolum Beach Retirement Community				
village location	Street Address: 4 Wembley Road				
	Suburb : COOLUM BEACH State QLD Post Code 4573				
1.2 Owner of the land on which the	Sundale Ltd				
retirement village	Street Address: 96 Windsor Rd				
scheme is located	Suburb BURNSIDE State QLD Post Code 4560				
	Australian Company Number (ACN) 164 270 946				
1.3 Village	Sundale Ltd				
operator	Australian Company Number (ACN) 164 270 946				
	Street Address: 96 Windsor Rd				
	Suburb BURNSIDE State QLD Post Code 4560				
	Date entity became operator2002				
1.4 Village	Sundale Ltd				
management and onsite availability	Australian Company Number (ACN) 164 270 946				
	Phone 07 5455 1111 M: 0448 560 331				

	Email: Info@sundale.org.au
	Manager (or representative) is available to residents:
	Weekdays 8.00 am – 4.00 pm
	Other: 1800 786 325
1.5 Approved closure plan or	Is there an approved transition plan for the village?
transition plan for	□ Yes ⊠ No
the retirement village	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 Communities,
	Housing and Digital Economy 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	Tenure in a leasehold or freehold scheme is secured by the registration of
retirement village	your interest on the certificate of title for the property. There is no statutory
land.	charge registered over leasehold schemes and freehold schemes.
	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.
	Is a statutory charge registered on the certificate of title for the retirement village land?
	⊠ Yes □ No
	If yes, provide details of the registered statutory charge
	Real property description
	Lot 1 on SP 152367 Title Reference 50816831
	Lot 801 on SP 262521 Title Reference 40068676
	Statutory charge under the Retirement Villages Act 1999 70639837

Part 2 – Age limits				
2.1 What age limits apply to residents in this village?	Applicants for residence at the community must generally be sixty-five (65) years of age or over. In the case of joint applicants at least one applicant must generally be sixty-five (65) years of age or over. The Scheme Operator may in its absolute discretion accept Applicants for residence in the community who are less than sixty-five (65) years of age.			
	FACILITIES AND SEI ation units: Nature of		tenure	
3.1 Resident	Freehold (owner i		-Ghuig	
ownership or tenure of the units in the village is:	<ul> <li>Lease (non-owner resident)</li> <li>Licence (non-owner resident)</li> </ul>			
	Share in company title entity (non-owner resident)			
	Unit in unit trust (non-owner resident)			
	Rental (non-owner resident)			
	□ Other			
Accommodation typ	es			
3.2 Number of units by accommodation type and tenure	There are 123 units i	in the village, a	Il being single storey u	units
Accommodation unit	Freehold	Leasehold	Licence	Other [name]
Independent living units				
- Studio				
- One bedroom				
- Two bedroom			35	

	- Three bedroom			88		
	Total number of units			123		
A	ccess and design					
3.3 What disability access and design features do the units and the		$\boxtimes$ Level access from the street into and between all areas of the unit (i.e. no external or internal steps or stairs) in $\square$ all $\square$ some units				
	llage contain?	□ Alternatively, a ram	np, elevator or li	ift allows entry into $\Box$	all $\Box$ some units	
		$\boxtimes$ Step-free (hobless) shower in $\square$ all $\square$ some units				
		⊠ Width of doorways	allow for whee	Ichair access in $\Box$ all	$\Box$ some units	
		⊠ Toilet is accessible	e in a wheelcha	ir in $\square$ all $\square$ some un	its	
		☑ Other key features	in the units or	village that cater for p	eople with	
		disability or assist res	idents to age in	place		
		Handrails and mobility implements can be approved at the discretion of the Retirement Villages Manager				
		□ None				
P	art 4 – Parking for	None residents and visitors	5			
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	Construction yet to commence		
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</i> <i>2016</i>		
5.3 Redevelopment plan under the <i>Retirement</i> <i>Villages Act 1999</i>	Is there an approved redevelopment plan for the village under the Retirement Villages Act?         □ Yes ⊠ No         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 Communities, Housing and Digital Economy.         Note: see notice at end of document regarding inspection of the development approval documents.		
Part 6 – Facilities on	site at the village		
6.1 The following facilities are currently available to residents:	<ul> <li>Activities or games room</li> <li>Arts and crafts room</li> <li>Auditorium</li> <li>BBQ area outdoors</li> <li>Billiards room</li> <li>Bowling green [indoor/outdoor]</li> <li>Business centre (e.g. computers, printers, internet access)</li> <li>Chapel / prayer room</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Medical consultation room</li> <li>Restaurant</li> <li>Shop</li> <li>Swimming pool [indoor / outdoor] [heated / not heated]</li> <li>Separate lounge in community centre</li> <li>Spa [indoor / outdoor] [heated / not heated</li> <li>Storage area for boats / caravans</li> </ul>	

	Communal laundries	Tennis court [full/half]			
	☑ Community room or centre	⊠ Village bus or transport			
		☐ Workshop			
	⊠ Gardens	⊠ Other			
	Gym	<ul> <li>Emergency call facilities</li> <li>Recreational/social facilities</li> </ul>			
	⊠ Hairdressing or beauty room	<ul> <li>Laundry facilities</li> </ul>			
	⊠ Library				
-	lity that is not funded from the Genera	al Services Charge paid by residents or (e.g. with an aged care facility).			
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6.2 Does the village have an onsite, attached, adjacent or co- located residential aged care facility? Ves □ No Name of residential aged care facility and name of the approved provider Coolum Beach Care Centre, Sundale Ltd					
<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 w	hen you move from your retirement v	illage unit to other accommodation and			
may involve entering a new contract.					
Part 7 – Services					
7.1 What services are provided to all village residents (funded from the General Services Charge fund paid by residents)?	<ul> <li>municipal, government or semi g</li> <li>department levied, assessed or o</li> <li>the land used for the purposes o</li> <li>all insurance premiums or exces</li> </ul>	charged in respect to the Community or f the Community; ses payable by us in respect to the the Community together with their			

Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth)?			
· · ·	s 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 assessr	nent team (ACAT) under the Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth). These home care		
services are not cover	red by the Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Qld).		
Residents can choos	se their own approved Home Care Provider and are not obliged to use		
the retirement village	e provider if one is offered.		
Part 8 – Security and	d emergency systems		
8.1 Does the village have a	🛛 Yes 🗌 No		
security system? If yes:	Complex Security patrol around Care Centre		
<ul> <li>the security system details</li> </ul>	Security camera at gate entrance		
are:	Front Gates closed between 6:30pm to 5:30am		
<ul> <li>the security system is monitored between:</li> </ul>			
8.2 Does the village have an	Yes - all residents Optional No		
emergency help system?	All residents receive a waterproof nurse call pendant. Residents are		
If yes or optional:	encouraged to have the pendant within reach at all times. The pendant is		
<ul> <li>the emergency help system</li> </ul>	connected to the Nurse Call system at the co-located aged care centre.		
details are:	24 hours per day, seven days per week.		
<ul> <li>the emergency help system is</li> </ul>			
monitored between:			
8.3 Does the village have	🖾 Yes 🗆 No		
equipment that provides for the	Fire Equipment		
safety or medical emergency of	First Aid Kit		
residents?			
If yes, list or provide details e.g. first aid			
kit, defibrillator			

### 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.

		Denne of involve on tribution		
9.1 What is the estimated ingoing	Accommodation Unit	Range of ingoing contribution		
	Independent living units			
contribution (sale price) range for all	- Two bedrooms	\$ 500,000 to \$950,000		
types of units in the village	- Three bedrooms	\$ 600,000 to \$1,000,000		
	Full range of ingoing			
	contributions for all	\$ 500,000 to \$1,000,000		
	unit types	\$ 300,000 to \$1,000,000		
9.2 Are there different financial options available for paying the ingoing contribution and exit fee or other fees and charges under a residence contract?	☐ Yes ⊠ No			
9.3 What other entry costs do	□ Transfer or stamp duty			
residents need to pay?	□ Costs related to your residence contract			
	□ Costs related to any other contract e.g			
	□ Advance payment of Ger	neral Services Charge		
	$\Box$ Other costs			

#### Part 10 – Ongoing Costs - costs while living in the retirement village

**General Services Charge:** 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.

**Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution:** 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.

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. **Note:** 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 - All units constructed before 2015

Type of Unit	General Services Charge (weekly)	Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution (weekly)
All units pay a flat rate	\$91.95	\$20.08
	(NB: GSC includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	(NB: MRF includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)

Financial year	ears of General Services C General Services Charge (range) (weekly)	Overall % change from previous year	Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution (range) (weekly)	Overall % change from previous year (+ or -)
2020/21	\$78.12 (NB: GSC includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	4.2%	\$16.10 (NB: MRF includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	94.3%
2021/22	\$84.41 (NB: GSC includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	7.45%	\$21.49 (NB: MRF includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	25.08%
2022/23	\$90.79 (NB: GSC includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	7.02%	\$20.08 (NB: MRF includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	(7.02%)

10.1 Current weekly rates of General Services Charge and Maintenance Reserve Fund			
contribution – All units constructed 2015 or later			
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Type of Unit	General Services Charge (weekly)	Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution (weekly)
All units pay a flat rate	\$91.96	\$23.25
	(NB: GSC includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	(NB: MRF includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)

#### Last three years of General Services Charge and Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution

Financial year	General Services Charge (range) (weekly)	Overall % change from previous year	Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution (range) (weekly)	Overall % change from previous year (+ or -)
2020/21	\$78.12 (NB: GSC includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	4.2%	\$17.92 (NB: MRF includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	84.7%
2021/22	\$84.41 (NB: GSC includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	7.45%	\$20.72 (NB: MRF includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	13.5%
2022/23	\$90.79 (NB: GSC includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	7.02%	\$24.85 (NB: MRF includes the EOY Surplus/Deficit balance)	16.6%

10.2 What costs relating to the units are not covered by the General Services Charge? (residents will need to pay these costs separately)	<ul> <li>Contents insurance</li> <li>Home insurance (freehold units only)</li> <li>Electricity</li> <li>Gas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Water</li> <li>⊠ Telephone</li> <li>⊠ Internet</li> <li>⊠ Pay TV</li> <li>□ Other</li> </ul>
10.3 What other ongoing or occasional costs for repair, maintenance and replacement of items in, on or attached to the units are residents	<ul> <li>☑ Unit fixtures</li> <li>☑ Unit fittings</li> <li>☑ Unit appliances</li> </ul>	

responsible for and pay for while residing in the unit?	None     Additional information
	Only appliances, fixtures and fittings owned by the resident(s)
10.4 Does the operator offer a maintenance service or help residents arrange repairs and maintenance for their unit? If yes: provide details, including any charges for this service.	Yes INO Maintenance is available Monday to Friday 0700 – 1500hrs There is an on-call maintenance service available after hours and weekends for emergencies.
Part 11 – Exit fees –	when you leave the village
5	to pay an exit fee to the operator when they leave their unit or when the right is sold. This is also referred to as a 'deferred management fee' (DMF).
11.1 Do residents pay an exit fee when they permanently leave their unit? If yes: list all exit fee options that may	<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 out may vary depending on each resident's residence contract</li> <li>No exit fee</li> </ul>
apply to new contracts	□ Other
Time period from date of occupation of unit to the date the resident ceases to reside in the unit	

1 year	9% of your ingoing contribution	
2 years	16% of your ingoing contribution	
3 years	21% of your ingoing contribution	
4 years	24% of your ingoing contribution	
5 years	27% of your ingoing contribution	
6 years or more	30% of your ingoing contribution	
out on a daily basis.	occupation is not a whole number of years, the exit fee will be worked pped) exit fee is 30% of the ingoing contribution after 6 years of	
The minimum exit fe	e is 9% of your ingoing contribution	
11.2 What other exit costs do residents need to pay or contribute to?	<ul> <li>Sale costs for the unit</li> <li>Legal costs</li> <li>Other costs</li> <li>Costs associated with removal and storage of contents, if applicable</li> <li>Reinstatement Costs as defined in Residence Agreement, if applicable</li> <li>Any interest owed on overdue monies, if applicable</li> <li>All other monies owing to the operator under the Residence Agreement or Act.</li> <li>If your unit is not sold within 6 months, you can engage a real estate agent at your cost.</li> </ul>	
Part 12 – Reinstatem	ent and renovation of the unit	
responsible for reinstatement of the unit when they leave the unit?	Yes 🗆 No	

	<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.</li> <li>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 pauroe accelerated wear.</li> </ul>
	causes accelerated wear. Entry and exit inspections and reports are undertaken by the operator and resident to assess the condition of the unit.
12.2 Is the resident responsible for renovation of the unit when they leave the unit?	No <i>Renovation means replacements or repairs other than reinstatement work.</i> 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 gair	or losses
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?	No
Part 14 – Exit entitle	ment or buyback of freehold units
An exit entitlement is	the amount the operator may be required to pay the former resident under a

An exit entitlement is the amount the operator may be required to pay the former resident under a residence contract after the right to reside is terminated and the former resident has left the unit.

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14.1 How is the exit entitlement which the operator will pay the resident worked out?	Ingoing Contribution paid by you:		
	LESS The Exit Fee calculated as set out at Clause 11.1		
	LESS Any outstanding Personal or General Service Charges		
	LESS Any outstanding Maintenance Reserve Fund contributions		
	LESS Any costs of reinstatement of the unit payable by you under the Act or		
	the Residence Agreement		
	LESS Any costs associated with the removal and storage of your contents		
	LESS Any Reinstatement Costs as defined in the Residence Agreement		
	<b>LESS</b> Your share of any costs we incur in the resale of the Unit as determined by the Residence Agreement and the Act		
	LESS Any interest owed on overdue monies		
	LESS Any other monies owing to us under the Residence Agreement or the		
	Act.		
14.2 When is the	By law, the operator must pay the exit entitlement to a former resident on		
exit entitlement payable?	or before the <b>earliest</b> of the following days:		
	• 14 days after the settlement of the sale of the right to reside in the unit		
	to the next resident or the operator		
	<ul> <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,</li> </ul>		
	unless the operator has been granted an extension for payment by the		
	Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal (QCAT).		
	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	1 accommodation units were vacant as at the end of the last financial year		
turnover of units for sale in the	4 accommodation units were resold during the last financial year		
village?	7 months was the average length of time to sell a unit over the last three		
	financial years		
Part 15 – Financial n	nanagement of the village		
15.1 What is the	General Services Charges Fund for the last 3 years		
financial status for the funds that the operator is	Financial YearDeficit/ SurplusBalanceChange from previous year		
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required to					
maintain under the Retirement	2019/20	\$14,569	\$21,778	62.1%	
Villages Act 1999?	2020/21	2020/21 \$17,303 \$18,990		(12.8%)	
	2021/22	\$20,057	\$17,048	(10.2%)	
	Balance of <b>G</b> financial year <del>available</del>	\$17,048			
			serve Fund for last r if no full financial year	\$194,122	
	Balance of <b>Capital Replacement Fund</b> for the last financial year <del>OR last quarter if no full financial year available</del>			\$220,408 0% (Total	
	Percentage of a resident ingoing contribution applied to the Capital Replacement Fund			o contributions to the CR	
	The operator contribution, a				
			ement Fund. This fund is e's capital items.	Operator for 2021/22:	
				\$46,000)	
	OR I the vil	lage is not yet o	operating.		

#### 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 responsible for these insurance policies:	Contents of the unit belonging to the resident	
Part 17 – Living in the village		

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Trial or settling in pe	eriod in the village
17.1 Does the village offer prospective residents a trial period or a settling in period in the village? If yes: provide details including, length of period, relevant time frames and any costs or conditions	☐ Yes ⊠ No
<b>17.2 Are residents</b> <b>allowed to keep</b> <b>pets?</b> If yes: specify any restrictions or conditions on pet ownership	<ul> <li>Yes Do</li> <li>We have Village by-laws for pets that all residents and visitors must abide by.</li> <li>All Pets are subject to an application and approval process by the Retirement Village Manager prior to entry.</li> </ul>
Visitors	
17.3 Are there restrictions on visitors staying with residents or visiting? If yes: specify any restrictions or conditions on visitors (e.g. length of stay, arrange with manager)	Yes No Residents of the village are asked to notify Management for any extended length of stay over a 4-week period and this will be at the Manager's discretion.
Village by-laws and	village rules
17.4 Does the village have village by-laws?	<ul> <li>Yes No</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Note: See notice at end of document regarding inspection of village by-laws</li> </ul>

17.5 Does the operator have	⊠ Yes □ No
other rules for the village.	If yes: Rules may be made available on request
Resident input	
17.6 Does the village have a	⊠ Yes □ No
residents committee established under the <i>Retirement</i> <i>Villages Act</i> 1999?	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.
5	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 – Accreditati	on
18.1 Is the village voluntarily accredited through an industry-based accreditation	<ul> <li>No, village is not accredited</li> <li>Yes, village is voluntarily accredited through:</li> </ul>
scheme?	
	age accreditation schemes are industry-based schemes. The <i>Retirement</i> is not establish an accreditation scheme or standards for retirement villages.
Part 19 – Waiting lis	
19.1 Does the village maintain a waiting list for entry?	⊠ Yes □ No
If yes, what is the fee to join the waiting list?	
Access to document	ts
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).	
Certificate of re	egistration for the retirement village scheme

Certificate of title or current title search for the retirement village land

 $\boxtimes$  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 *Retirement Villages Act*
- □ 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 by-laws
- ☑ Village insurance policies and certificates of currency
- A current public information document (PID) continued in effect under section 237I 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 Communities, Housing and Digital Economy website.

#### **Further Information**

If you would like more information, contact the Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy on 13 QGOV (13 74 68) or visit our website at <u>www.chde.qld.gov.au</u>

#### **General Information**

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

Regulatory Services, Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy

Regulatory Services administers the *Retirement Villages Act 1999*. This includes investigating complaints and alleged breaches of the Act. Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy GPO Box 690, Brisbane, QLD 4001 Phone: 07 3013 2666 Email: <u>regulatoryservices@chde.qld.gov.au</u> Website: <u>www.chde.qld.gov.au/regulatoryservices</u>

#### **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: <u>caxton@caxton.org.au</u> Website: <u>caxton.org.au</u>

#### **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: <u>caxton@caxton.org.au</u> Website: <u>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: www.qls.com.au

# 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.gld.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/