Retirement Villages

Form 3



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Village Comparison Document

Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Section 74)

This form is effective from 1 February 2019

Name of village: Baldwin Living Northside



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 https://brisbane.baldwinliving.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.
- 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

- 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 July 2024 and applies to prospective residents.

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

Part 1 – Operator and m	anagement details
1.1 Retirement village location	Retirement Village Name: Baldwin Living Northside Street Address: 259 Handford Road Suburb: Taigum State: QLD Post Code: 4018
1.2 Owner of the land on which the retirement village scheme is located	Name of land owner: Baldwin Care Retirement Pty Ltd Australian Company Number (ACN) 168 205 712 Address: 1 Seabeach Avenue Suburb: Mona Vale State: NSW Post Code: 2103
1.3 Village operator	Name of entity that operates the retirement village (scheme operator) Baldwin Care Retirement Pty Ltd Australian Company Number (ACN) 168 205 712 Address: 1 Seabeach Avenue Suburb: Mona Vale State: NSW Post Code: 2103 Date entity became operator: 17 March 2014
1.4 Village management and onsite availability	Name of village management entity and contact details Baldwin Care Retirement Pty Ltd Australian Company Number (ACN) 168 205 712 Phone 07 3414 9200 Email: nmcinnes@baldwinliving.com.au An onsite manager (or representative) is available to residents: □ Full time Onsite availability includes: Weekdays: 8.30 am to 5.00 pm

	Weekends: Not applicable
1.5 Approved closure	Is there an approved transition plan for the village? ☐ Yes ☒ No
plan or transition plan for the retirement village	A written transition plan approved by the Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy 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 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 retirement village land. Tenure in a leasehold or freehold scheme is secured by the of your interest on the certificate of title for the property. The statutory charge registered over leasehold schemes and free 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
Part 2 – Age limits	
2.1 What age limits apply to residents in this village?	In the case of a single applicant, you must be at least 55 years old. In the case of joint applicants, both applicants must be at least 55 years old.
	The scheme operator reserves the right in the future to vary (by increasing or decreasing) the age limit for residents of the village. As well as meeting the age limit criteria, you must be able to live independently in the Unit.
ACCOMMODATION, FA	CILITIES AND SERVICES
Part 3 – Accommodation	n units: Nature of ownership or tenure
3.1 Resident	Freehold (owner resident)
ownership or tenure of 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			
A	ccommodation types				
а	.2 Number of units by ccommodation type nd tenure	There are 88 units in the village, comprising 44 single story units; 44 units in multi-story building with 2 levels			
	Accommodation unit	Freehold	Leasehold	Licence	Other [name]
	Independent living units				
	- Studio				
	- One bedroom		54		
	- Two bedroom		34		
	- Three bedroom				
	Serviced units				
	- Studio				
	- One bedroom				
	- Two bedroom				
	- Three bedroom				
	Other				
	Total number of units		88		
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3 a fe	ccess and design 3 What disability ccess and design eatures do the units nd the village ontain?	 ☑ Level access from the street into and between all areas of the unit (i.e. no external or internal steps or stairs) in ☑ some units ☑ Alternatively, a ramp, elevator or lift allows entry into ☑ all units ☑ Step-free (hobless) shower in ☑ all units ☑ Width of doorways allow for wheelchair access in ☑ all units ☑ Toilet is accessible in a wheelchair in ☑ all units ☐ Other key features in the units or village that cater for people with disability or assist residents to age in place ☐ None 			
P	art 4 – Parking for resi	I			
	.1 What car parking n the village is	⊠ All units with one basement parkin	• •	carport separate from	the unit (secured

available for residents?			
4.2 Is parking in the village available for visitors?	⊠ Yes □ No		
If yes, parking restrictions include	Parking is available near the cor street parking available as well	nmunity centre and the village has	
Part 5 – Planning and de	evelopment		
5.1 Is construction or development of the	Year village construction started	2006	
village complete?	☐ Fully developed / completed		
	☐ Partially developed / complet	ed	
	☐ Construction yet to commend	e	
5.2 Construction, development applications and development approvals Provide details and timeframe of development or	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> Not applicable.		
proposed development, including the final number and types of units and any new facilities.			
5.3 Redevelopment plan under the Retirement Villages	Is there an approved redevelopment plan for the village under the Retirement Villages Act?		
Act 1999	☐ 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 onsite	at the village		
6.1 The following facilities are currently		☐ Medical consultation room	
available to residents:	☐ Arts and crafts room	☐ Restaurant☐ Shop	
	☐ Auditorium	☐ Shop ☑ Swimming pool [indoor / solar-heated]	
	⊠ BBQ area outdoors	☐ Separate lounge in community centre	

	□ Billiards room □ Bowling green [indoor/outdoor] □ Business centre (e.g. computers, printers, internet access) □ Chapel / prayer room □ Communal laundries ☒ Community room or centre □ Dining room ☒ Gardens ☒ Gym □ Hairdressing or beauty room ☒ Library	 Spa [indoor / heated] □ Storage area for boats / caravans □ Tennis court [full/half] ☑ Village bus or transport □ Workshop ☑ Other • Recreation/social facilities • Level 1 Building F6 Communal Facilities comprising of: • Retirement village management and administration office • Televisions • DVD and music system • Game console and games • Library • Leather lounges and chairs and coffee table • Desks with computers, refrigeration, microwaves, gas oven, electric pizza oven, dishwasher, sinks. • Dining/activity tables and chairs • Male and female disabled toilets and showering facilities.
	hat is not funded from the Genera s on access or sharing of facilities	al Services Charge paid by residents or (e.g. with an aged care facility).
6.2 Does the village have an onsite, attached, adjacent or co-located residential aged care facility?	☐ Yes ⊠ No	
Note: 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 provided to all village residents (funded from the General Services Charge fund paid by residents)?	 management and administra gardening and lawn mowing recreation or entertainment insurance; and 	of the common areas in the Village;

	other services as detailed each year in the operating budget for the Village.
7.2 Are optional personal services provided or made available to residents on a user-pays basis?	 ✓ Yes ☐ No The goods or services that may be supplied to you by the scheme operator may include the supply of: food, beverages or liquor housekeeping or domestic goods or services transportation services electricity goods or services telephone goods or services internet goods or services The charges vary with the particular personal service/s you may require.
7.3 Does the retirement village operator provide government funded home care services under the Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth)?	 Yes, the operator is an Approved Provider of home care under the Aged Care Act 1997 (Registered Accredited Care Supplier − RACS ID number) Yes, home care is provided in association with an Approved Provider, Baldwin Living HomeServe − Service ID 26854 No, the operator does not provide home care services, residents can arrange their own home care services
Home Support Program s an aged care assessment services are not covered I	by be eligible to receive a Home Care Package, or a Commonwealth ubsidised by the Commonwealth Government if assessed as eligible by team (ACAT) under the Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth). These home care by the Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Qld). Their own approved Home Care Provider and are not obliged to use ovider, if one is offered.
Part 8 – Security and em	nergency systems
8.1 Does the village have a security system? If yes:	⊠ Yes □ No
 the security system details are: 	Alarmed and monitored by external service provider 3 patrols per night, seven days per week
the security system is monitored between:	4:30pm and 8:30am the next day, 7 days per week.

8.2 Does the village have an emergency help system?If yes or optional:the emergency help	Yes - all residents Provided the resident makes to	☐ Optional	☐ No
system details are:	times		one available at all
the emergency help system is monitored between:	24 hours all year round		
8.3 Does the village have equipment that provides for the safety or medical emergency of residents?		es a 24 hour coverage	
If yes, list or provide details e.g. first aid kit, defibrillator			
COSTS AND FINANCIAL	MANAGEMENT		
Part 9 – Ingoing contrib	ution - entry costs to live in	n the village	
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	the amount a prospective re in the retirement village. The		
the sale price or purchase recurring fees.	e price. It does not include or	ngoing charges such as	rent or other
	Accommodation Unit	Range of ingoing co	ontribution
9.1 What is the estimated ingoing	Independent living units	rtunge of mgomg oc	
contribution (sale	- Studio	\$ to	\$
price) range for all types of units in the	- One bedroom	\$270,000 t	to \$340,000
village	- Two bedrooms	\$320,000 t	o \$390,000
	- Three bedrooms	\$ to	\$
	Serviced units		
	- Studio	\$ to	\$
	- One bedroom	\$ to	<u>\$</u>
	- Two bedrooms	\$ to	<u>\$</u>
	- Three bedrooms	\$ to	\$
	Other	\$ to	<u>\$</u>
	Full range of ingoing contributions for all unit types	\$270,000 to \$	390,000
	unit types		

charges under a residence contract?	
9.3 What other entry costs do residents need to pay?	 □ Transfer or stamp duty □ Costs related to your residence contract □ Costs related to any other contract e.g. ☒ Advance payment of General Services Charge ☒ Other costs - Scheme operator's legal costs and government registration fees for registration of lease total costs currently set at \$2,000.

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

Type of Unit	General Services Charge (weekly)	Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution (weekly)
Independent Living Units		
- One bedroom	\$ 83.82 to \$ 105.45	\$ 32.35 to \$ 40.62
- Two bedrooms	\$ 83.82 to \$ 116.85	\$ 32.35 to \$ 45.02

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 -)
2021/2022	\$78.02 to \$108.76	4.0%	\$20.88 to \$29.05	5.0%
2022/2023	\$81.92 to \$ 114.21	5.0%	\$21.92 to \$30.51	5.0%
2023/2024	\$88.22 to \$ 123.00	7.7%	\$23.61 to \$32.86	7.7%

10.2 What costs relating to the units are not covered by the General Services Charge? (residents will need to pay these costs separately)	 ☐ Contents insurance ☐ Home insurance (freehold units only) ☑ Electricity ☑ Gas 	 □ Water ☑ Telephone ☑ Internet ☑ Pay TV ☑ Other • Public liability Insurance for any claims occurring in your unit. • Workers compensation Insurance for any claims brought by any employee or contract that you engage to carry out work or provide services in your unit.
10.3 What other ongoing or occasional costs for repair, maintenance and replacement of items in, on or attached to the units are residents responsible for and pay for while residing in the unit?	 ☐ Unit fixtures ☐ Unit fittings ☐ Unit appliances ☒ None Additional information Residents pay for the cost of the light globe. 	
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 □ No Onsite maintenance staff available. A maintenance logbook is available at the reception for residents to log any maintenance works required.	
Part 11 – Exit fees – who		
	ay an exit fee to the operator when the ld. This is also referred to as a 'defe	rred 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 apply to new contracts	∑ Yes – all residents pay an exit fee calculated using the same formula	

Time period from date of occupation of unit to the date the resident ceases reside in the unit		
Less than 1 year of occupation	6.0% for the first year calculated daily	
1 Year or more but less than 2 Years	6.0% for the first year plus 6.0% per annum calculated daily during the 2nd year	
2 Years or more but less than 3 Years	12.0% for the first 2 years plus 6.0% per annum calculated daily during the 3rd year	
3 Years or more but less than 4 Years	18.0% for the first 3 years plus 6.0% per annum calculated daily during the 4th year	
4 Years or more but less than 5 Years	24.0% for the first 4 years plus 6.0% per annum calculated daily during the 5th year	
5 Years or more but less than 6 Years	30.0% for the first 5 years plus 6.0% per annum calculated daily during the 6th year	
6 Years or more	Maximum of 36.0%	
Note: if the period of occount on a daily basis.	upation is not a whole number of years, the exit fee will be worked	
The maximum (or cappe residence.	d) exit fee is 36% of the ingoing contribution 6 years or more of	
The minimum exit fee is 6% of your ingoing contribution for the first year calculated on a daily pro rata basis.		
11.2 What other exit costs do residents	☐ Sale costs for the unit	
need to pay or contribute to?	⊠ Legal costs	
	☐ Other costs	
Part 12 – Reinstatement	and renovation of the unit	
12.1 Is the resident responsible for	Yes (up to the sum of \$10,000.00) □ No	
reinstatement of the unit when they leave the unit?	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: • fair wear and tear; and • renovations and other changes to the condition of the unit carried out with agreement of the resident and operator.	

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.

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

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 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 (The Resident is not entitled to receive any capital gains or pay for any capital loss).

Part 14 - Exit entitlement or buyback of freehold units

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.

14.1 How is the exit entitlement which the operator will pay the resident worked out?

You will receive:

(a) your Ingoing Contribution; and

Less any/all of the following:

- (a) the Exit Fee;
- (b) your share of the cost of appointing a Valuer to determine the resale price of the Unit in accordance with Section 60 of the Retirement Villages Act 1999 (QLD) in the event that a Valuer is appointed;
- (c) the General Services Charge (or part of it) as provided for in your Residence Contract;

- (d) the costs of, or associated with, Reinstatement Work to the Unit, as provided for in your Residence Contract, up to \$10,000.00;
- (e) any amounts you owe to us under any other agreements we have with you about the provision of services or goods to you in the Village;
- (f) the costs and expenses we incur with respect to the termination of your Residence Contract;
- (g) any outstanding Personal Services, General Services
 Charges as provided for in your Residence Contract; and

any other amounts payable by you to the Scheme Operator as stated in your Residence Contract.

14.2 When is the exit entitlement payable?

By law, the operator must pay the exit entitlement to a former resident on or before the **earliest** of the following days:

- the day stated in the residence contract
 - which is 18 months after the termination of the residence contract
- 14 days after the settlement of the sale of the right to reside in the unit to the next resident or the operator
- 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).

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?

- 1 accommodation units were vacant as at the end of the financial year
- 9 accommodation units were resold during the last financial year
- 11 months was the average length of time to sell a unit over the last three financial years

Part 15 – Financial management of the village

15.1 What is the financial status for the funds that the operator is required to maintain under the Retirement Villages Act 1999?

General Services Charges Fund for the last 3 years			
Deficit/	Balance	Change from	
Surplus		previous year	
(5,280)	69,144		
,		-7.09%	
37,721	106,865		
		+54.55%	
31,937	138,802		
		+29.88%	
	Deficit/ Surplus (5,280) 37,721	Deficit/ Surplus 69,144 37,721 106,865	

	Balance of General Services Charges Fund for last financial year <i>OR</i> last quarter if no full financial year available	\$ 138,802 as at 30/06/2023	
	Balance of Maintenance Reserve Fund for last financial year <i>OR</i> last quarter if no full financial year available	\$219,461 as at 30/06/2023	
	Balance of Capital Replacement Fund for the last financial year <i>OR</i> last quarter if no full financial year available	\$ 108,321 as at 30/06/2022	
	Percentage of a resident ingoing contribution applied to the Capital Replacement Fund	0.0%	
	The operator pays a percentage of a resident's ingoing contribution, as determined by a quantity surveyor's report, to the Capital Replacement Fund. This fund is used for replacing the village's capital items.		
	OR the village is not yet operating.		
Part 16 – Insurance			
The village operator must take out general insurance, to full replacement value, for the retirement village, including for:			
16.1 Is the resident responsible for	⊠ Yes □ No	<u> </u>	
arranging any insurance cover?	If yes, the resident is responsible for these insurance police	cies:	
If yes, the resident is responsible for these insurance policies:	(a) your property in your Unit and Licensed Areas (if any);		
	(b) for public liability claims brought as a result of any incident occurring in your Unit; and		
	(c) for workers compensation claims brought by any employee or contractor that you engage to carry out work or provide services in your Unit.		
Part 17 – Living in the v			
Trial or settling in perio			
17.1 Does the village offer prospective residents a trial period or a settling in period in the village?	☐ Yes ⊠ No		

Pets	
reis	
17.2 Are residents allowed to keep pets?	⊠ Yes □ No
If yes: specify any	Except for fish in a tank, pets on application
restrictions or conditions on pet ownership	Refer to pet policy
Visitors	
17.3 Are there restrictions on visitors	⊠ Yes □ No
staying with residents or visiting? If yes: specify any restrictions or conditions on visitors (e.g. length of stay, arrange with manager)	You must not have a Visitor live in your Unit with you for longer than one month in any 12-month period without our consent which we may give or deny in our absolute discretion. If we consent to a Visitor staying for longer than one month then we can revoke that consent at any time at our absolute discretion. You must not allow a Visitor to use your Unit if you are not staying there at the same time.
Village by-laws and villa	age rules
17.4 Does the village have village by-laws?	☐ Yes ⊠ No
	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 the village.	☐ Yes ☒ No If yes: Rules may be made available on request
Resident input	
17.6 Does the village have a residents committee established under the <i>Retirement Villages Act</i> 1999?	⊠ Yes □ No
	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 through an industrybased accreditation	☐ No, village is not accredited
	∀es, village is voluntarily accredited through:
scheme?	Australian Retirement Village Accreditation Scheme (ARVAS)
	accreditation schemes are industry-based schemes. The <i>Retirement</i> of establish an accreditation scheme or standards for retirement villages.

Part 19 – Waiting list 19.1 Does the village maintain a waiting list for entry? If yes, • what is the fee to join the waiting list? Fee of \$100 which is ☐ refundable on entry to the village Access to documents The following operational documents are held by the retirement village scheme operator.

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).

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\boxtimes	Certificate of registration for the retirement village scheme
	Certificate of title or current title search for the retirement village land
\boxtimes	Village site plan
\boxtimes	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
\boxtimes	The annual financial statements and report presented to the previous annual meeting
	of the retirement village
\boxtimes	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
\boxtimes	Examples of contracts that residents may have to enter into
\boxtimes	Village dispute resolution process
	Village by-laws
\boxtimes	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 www.chde.qld.gov.au

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: www.qld.gov.au/seniorsliving

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: regulatoryservices@chde.qld.gov.au
Website: www.chde.qld.gov.au/regulatoryservices

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: 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: www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/subjects/age-pension-and-planning-your-

retirement

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

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Website: caxton.org.au

Queensland Law Society

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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/