# **Village Comparison Document**

Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Section 74)

# This form is effective from 1 February 2019

Name of village: Baldwin Living Sequana

# 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 <a href="https://goldcoast.baldwinliving.com.au/">https://goldcoast.baldwinliving.com.au/</a>
- 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.



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#### 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 2022 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 village location	Retirement Village Name: Baldwin Living Sequana			
	Street Address: 2 Cater Street			
	Suburb: Upper Coomera State: QLD Post Code: 4209			
1.2 Owner of the land on which the retirement village	Name of land owner: Baldwin Care (Sequana) Retirement Pty Ltd Australian Company Number (ACN) 602 445 849			
scheme is located	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 (Sequana) Retirement Pty Ltd			
	Australian Company Number (ACN) 602 445 849			
	Address: 1 Seabeach Avenue			
	Suburb: Mona Vale State: NSW Post Code: 2103			
	Date entity became operator 18 December 2014			
<b>1.4 Village</b> management and Baldwin Care (Sequana) Retirement Pty Ltd				
onsite availability	Australian Company Number (ACN) 602 445 849			
Phone: 07 5573 2424 Email: TFlower@baldwinliving.com.au				
	An onsite manager (or representative) is available to residents:			
	⊠ Full time			
	Onsite availability includes:			
	Weekdays: 8.00 am to 4.30 pm			
	Weekends: Not applicable			

1	.5 Approved closure	Is there an approved transition plan for the village? □ Yes ⊠ No			
fc	lan or transition plan or the retirement illage	A written transitio Public Works is re	equired when a	ed by the Department of an existing operator is scheme's operation to	transitioning
		Is there an approved closure plan for the village? $\Box$ Yes $\boxtimes$ 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.			
Ρ	art 2 – Age limits				
a	.1 What age limits pply to residents in nis village?		• • • •	, you must be at least applicants must be a	
		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.			
A	CCOMMODATION, FA	CILITIES AND SEI	RVICES		
Ρ	art 3 – Accommodatio	n units: Nature of	ownership or	tenure	
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	Serviced units				
	- Studio				
	- One bedroom				
	- Two bedroom				
	- Three bedroom				
	Other				
Ī	Total number of units		79		
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ar	atures do the units nd the village ontain?	☐ Alternatively, a units	ramp, elevator	or lift allows entry into	o □ all □ some
		⊠ Step-free (hob	less) shower in	oxtimes all units	
		⊠ Width of doorw	vays allow for w	/heelchair access in 🗵	all units
	$oxed{\boxtimes}$ Toilet is accessible in a wheelchair in $oxed{\boxtimes}$ all units				
		□ Other key features in the units or village that cater for people with disability or assist residents to age in place		or people with	
		□ None			
Pa	art 4 – Parking for resi	dents and visitors	5		
in a\	1 What car parking the village is vailable for sidents?	oxmin All units with own garage or carport attached or adjacent to the unit			
vi	2 Is parking in the llage available for sitors?				
	yes, parking strictions include	Must be guest of resident			
P	art 5 – Planning and de	velonment			
5.	1 Is construction or evelopment of the	Year village cons		2003	
	llage complete?	Fully develop	ed / completed		
		Partially devel	oped / complete	ed	
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 2016</i>		
5.3 Redevelopment plan under the <i>Retirement Villages</i> <i>Act 1999</i>	Retirement Villages Act? Yes No The Retirement Villages Act may for certain types of redevelopme	f Housing and Public Works. ment regarding inspection of the	
Part 6 – Facilities onsite	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> <li>Communal laundries</li> <li>Community room or centre</li> <li>Dining room</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Medical consultation room</li> <li>Restaurant</li> <li>Shop</li> <li>Swimming pool [indoor/heated]</li> <li>Separate lounge in community centre</li> <li>Spa [indoor / outdoor] [heated / not heated</li> <li>Storage area for boats / caravans</li> <li>Tennis court [full/half]</li> <li>Village bus or transport</li> <li>Workshop</li> <li>Other</li> <li>Indoor bowling mat</li> </ul>	

	<ul> <li>Gardens</li> <li>Gym</li> <li>Hairdressing or beauty room</li> <li>Library</li> <li>hat is not funded from the Generation of facilities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Recreation/social facilities</li> <li>Community centre incorporating:         <ul> <li>Multi-function hall</li> <li>Lounge</li> <li>Change rooms</li> </ul> </li> <li>Function kitchen</li> <li>Al Services Charge paid by residents or s (e.g. with an aged care facility).</li> </ul>
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 resider of the retirement village. To enter a residential aged care facility, you must be assessed as eligibly 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 a 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>recreation or entertainme</li> <li>insurance;</li> <li>maintenance and repairs Village as allowed for in the</li> </ul>	stration of the Village; ing of the common areas in the Village; nt facilities within the Village; of the relevant capital items of the ne Maintenance Reserve Fund; and I each year in the operating budget for
7.2 Are optional personal services provided or made available to residents on a user-pays basis?	<ul> <li>Yes No</li> <li>food, beverages or liquor</li> <li>housekeeping or domesti</li> <li>transportation services</li> <li>electricity goods or servic</li> <li>telephone goods or service</li> <li>internet goods or services</li> </ul>	es ces

7.3 Does the retirement village operator provide government funded home care services under the Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth)?	<ul> <li>Yes, the operator is an Approved Provider of home care under the <i>Aged Care Act 1997</i> (Registered Accredited Care Supplier – RACS ID number)</li> <li>Yes, home care is provided in association with an Approved Provider Baldwin Living HomeServe – Service ID 26854</li> <li>No, the operator does not provide home care services, residents can arrange their own home care services</li> </ul>
Home Support Program s an aged care assessment services are not covered	ay be eligible to receive a Home Care Package, or a Commonwealth subsidised by the Commonwealth Government if assessed as eligible by t team (ACAT) under the <i>Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth)</i> . These home care by the <i>Retirement Villages Act 1999</i> (Qld). heir own approved Home Care Provider and are not obliged to use rovider, if one is offered.
Part 8 – Security and en	nergency systems
<ul> <li>8.1 Does the village have a security system?</li> <li>If yes:</li> <li>the security system details are:</li> </ul>	⊠ Yes □ No Gated Community & CCTV
the security system is monitored between:	12:00 am and 11:59 pm 7 days per week.
<ul> <li>8.2 Does the village have an emergency help system?</li> <li>If yes or optional:</li> <li>the emergency help system details are:</li> </ul>	Yes - all residents
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?	Yes INo INS Services which provides a 24 hour coverage

First Aid Kit

## 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.

9.1 What is the	Accommodation Unit	Range of ingoing contribution
estimated ingoing	Independent living units	
contribution (sale	- Studio	\$ to \$
price) range for all types of units in the	- One bedroom	\$ to \$
village	- Two bedrooms	\$295,000 to \$360,000
	- Three bedrooms	\$425,000 to \$490,000
	Serviced units	
	- Studio	\$ to \$
	- One bedroom	\$ to \$
	- Two bedrooms	\$ to \$
	- Three bedrooms	\$ to \$
	Other	\$ to \$
	Full range of ingoing contributions for all unit types	\$295,000 to \$490,000
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 residents need to pay?	<ul> <li>Transfer or stamp duty</li> <li>Costs related to your residence contract</li> <li>Costs related to any other contract</li> <li>Advance payment of General Services Charge</li> </ul>	
	⊠ 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	s - 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		
- Two bedrooms	\$ 102.55 to \$ 106.34	\$ 33.25 to \$ 37.80
- Three bedrooms	\$ 102.55 to \$ 119.79	\$ 33.25 to \$ 38.88

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 -)
2020/2021	\$91.82 to \$114.09	+0.5%	\$23.98 to \$35.79	+0.5%
2021/2022	\$91.82 to \$114.09	+0.0%	\$24.81 to \$37.04	+3.5%
2022/2023	\$102.55 to \$119.79	+5%	\$33.25 to \$38.88	+5%

10.2 What costs relating to the units are not covered by the General Services Charge? (residents will need to pay these costs separately)	imes Contents insurance	□ Water
	<ul> <li>☐ Home insurance (freehold units only)</li> <li>⊠ Electricity</li> <li>⊠ Gas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>☑ Telephone</li> <li>☑ Internet</li> <li>☑ Pay TV</li> <li>☑ Other</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Other</li> <li>Public liability Insurance for any claims occurring in your unit. Workers compensation Insurance for any claim brought by any employee or contract that you engage to carry out work or provide services in your unit.</li> </ul>

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> <li>☑ None</li> <li>Additional information</li> </ul>	
offer a maintenance service or help	Yes INO Onsite maintenance staff available. A maintenance logbook is available at the reception for residents to log any maintenance works required	
Part 11 – Exit fees – wher	you leave the village	
	an exit fee to the operator when they leave their unit or when the right . This is also referred to as a 'deferred management fee' (DMF).	
If yes: list all exit fee options that may apply to new contracts		
Time period from date of occupation of unit to the date the resident ceases t reside in the unit	Exit fee calculation based on your ingoing contribution	
Less than 1 year of occupation	6% of your ingoing contribution for the first year calculated daily	
1 Year or more but less than 2 Years	6% of your ingoing contribution for the first year plus 6% per annum calculated daily during the 2nd year	
2 Years or more but less than 3 Years	12% of your ingoing contribution for the first 2 years plus 6% per annum calculated daily during the 3rd year	
3 Years or more but less than 4 Years	18% of your ingoing contribution for the first 3 years plus 6% per annum calculated daily during the 4th year	

4 Years or more but less than 5 Years	24% of your ingoing contribution for the first 4 years plus 6% per annum calculated daily during the 5th year
5 years or more	Maximum of 30%
<b>Note:</b> if the period of occ out 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 30% of the ingoing contribution 5 years or more of
The minimum exit fee is daily pro rata basis.	5% of your ingoing contribution for the first year calculated on a
11.2 What other exit costs do residents	$oxed{\boxtimes}$ 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 reinstatement of the unit when they leave the unit?	<ul> <li>Yes No</li> <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>
12.2 Is the resident responsible for renovation of the unit when they leave the unit?	<ul> <li>Yes, all residents pay 50% of any renovation costs (in same proportion as the share of the capital gain on the sale of their unit)</li> <li><i>Renovation means replacements or repairs other than reinstatement work.</i></li> <li>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</li> </ul>
	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

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	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 <i>gain</i> or capital <i>loss</i> on the resale of their unit?	☑ Yes, the resident's share of the the resident's share of the the resident's share of the	
Part 14 – Exit entitlemer	nt or buyback of freehold units	
	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.	
14.1 How is the exit	You will receive:	
entitlement which the operator will pay the resident worked out?	<ul> <li>(a) your Ingoing Contribution; and</li> <li>(b) plus 50% of the Capital Gain (if any) as provided for in your Lease,</li> </ul>	
	Less any/all of the following:	
	<ul> <li>(a) 50% of the Capital Loss (if any), as provided for in your Lease;</li> <li>(b) the Exit Fee;</li> <li>(c) your share of the cost of finding the new Resident, as provided for in your Lease;</li> <li>(d) the General Services Charge (or part of it) as provided for in your Lease;</li> <li>(e) the costs of, or associated with, Reinstatement Work to the Unit, as provided for in your Lease;</li> <li>(f) the costs of, or associated with, Renovation Work to the Unit, as provided for in your Lease;</li> <li>(g) 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;</li> <li>(h) the costs and expenses we incur with respect to the termination of your Lease;</li> </ul>	
	any outstanding Personal Services, General Services Charges as provided for in your Lease; and any other amounts payable by you to the Scheme Operator as stated in your Lease.	
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</li> <li>which is 18 months after the termination of the residence contract</li> </ul>	

	<ul> <li>unit to the</li> <li>18 months under the index the unless the the Queen</li> <li>In addition, an</li> </ul>	next resident after the term esidence con operator has sland Civil an operator is e	nent of the sale of the right or the operator hination date of the resident tract, even if the unit has no been granted an extension d Administrative Tribunal (C ntitled to see probate or let g the exit entitlement of a fo	t's right to reside ot been resold, for payment by QCAT). ters of
14.3 What is the turnover of units for sale in the village?	0 accommodation units were vacant as at the end of the last financial year 5 accommodation units were resold during the last financial year 8 months was the average length of time to sell a unit over the last three financial years			
Part 15 – Financial mana				
15.1 What is the financial status for the funds that the operator is required to maintain under the <i>Retirement Villages</i> <i>Act 1999?</i>	Financial Year 2018/2019 2019/2020 2020/2021 Balance of <b>G</b> financial year available Balance of <b>M</b> financial year available Balance of <b>C</b> financial year available Percentage of	Deficit/ Surplus 40,395 19,096 35,971 eneral Servio r <i>OR</i> last quar apital Replace r <i>OR</i> last quar	Es Fund for the last 3 years Balance 149,250 168,346 204,317 Ces Charges Fund for last ter if no full financial year Reserve Fund for last ter if no full financial year Cement Fund for the last ter if no full financial year cement Fund for the last ter if no full financial year	Change from previous year $+37.1\%$ $+12.8\%$ $+12.4\%$ $+21.4\%$ \$204,317 as at 30/06/21         \$202,181 as at 30/06/21         \$353,375 as at 30/06/21

	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 I the village is not yet operating.		
Part 16 – Insurance			
<ul> <li>The village operator must take out general insurance, to full replacement value, for the retirement village, including for:</li> <li>communal facilities; and</li> <li>the accommodation units, other than accommodation units owned by residents.</li> </ul>			
Residents contribute tow	ards 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:	(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 vi 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			
<b>17.2 Are residents</b> <b>allowed to keep pets?</b> If yes: specify any restrictions or conditions on pet ownership	<ul> <li>Yes No</li> <li>Except for fish in a tank, you may not have pets in the Village without our consent. We may give or refuse this consent at our absolute discretion. If we consent 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> <li>(b) you must comply with conditions of that consent;</li> <li>(c) we may revoke the consent if the pet is a nuisance, in which case you must remove the pet from the Village; and</li> <li>(d) if the pet we consent to is a dog or a cat, then you agree that the</li> </ul>		

	carpets and other floor coverings and that you must pay the full cost of such replacement.		
	We may introduce a pet policy, which will set out general guidelines for the ownership and control of pets in the Village. You must comply with the provisions of any pet policy we have in place.		
Visitors			
17.3 Are there restrictions on visitors staying with residents or visiting?	🛛 Yes 🔲 No		
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 village 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	□ Yes ⊠ No		
under the Retirement Villages Act 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.		
	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 industry- based accreditation scheme?	<ul> <li>☑ No, village is not accredited</li> <li>□ Yes, village is voluntarily accredited through:</li> </ul>		

**Note:** Retirement village accreditation schemes are industry-based schemes. The *Retirement Villages Act 1999* 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>Fee of \$100 which is</li> <li>☑ refundable on entry to the village</li> </ul>
Access to documents	
and a prospective residual         inspect or take a copy of the request by the date         least seven days after the         □       Certificate of regist         □       Certificate of title of         □       Plans showing the         □       Plans of any units         □       Development or plate         □       An approved redex         □       An approved redex         □       An approved trans         □       An approved closu         ⊠       The annual financial         of the retirement vi       Statements of the late         □       Statements of contra         □       Village dispute reside         □       Village by-laws         □       Village insurance p         □       A current public inf         Act (this applies to       An example request form	ration for the retirement village scheme r current title search for the retirement village land location, floor plan or dimensions of accommodation units in the village or facilities under construction anning approvals for any further development of the village velopment plan for the village under the <i>Retirement Villages Act</i> ition plan for the village re plan for the village al statements and report presented to the previous annual meeting llage coalance of the capital replacement fund, or maintenance reserve fund a charges fund (or income and expenditure for general services) at the s three financial years of the retirement village coalance of any Body Corporate administrative fund or sinking fund at the s three years of the retirement village acts that residents may have to enter into

# **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 www.hpw.qld.gov.au

#### **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 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.qld.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:Error! Hyperlink reference not valid. <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: 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: <u>www.justice.qld.gov.au</u>

## 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: <u>www.livablehousingaustralia.org.au/</u>