## **Retirement Villages**

## **Village Comparison Document**

Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Section 74)

Adventist

**Retirement Plus** 

## This form is effective from 1 February 2019

Name of Village: Capricorn Adventist Retirement Village

## 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 www.arplus.org.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.



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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 *11th November 2024* 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: Capricorn Adventist Retirement Village Street Address: 150 Rockhampton Rd
	Suburb: Yeppoon State: QLD Post Code:4703
1.2 Owner of the land on which the retirement village scheme is located	Name of landowner: Australian Conference Association Limited Australian Company Number (ACN): 000 003 930 Address: 400 Boundary Street
	Suburb: SPRING HILL State: QLD Post Code: 4004
1.3 Village operator	Name of entity that operates the retirement village (scheme operator): Seventh-day Adventist Aged Care (South Queensland) Ltd Australian Company Number (ACN) : 104 195 922 Address: 400 Boundary Street
	Suburb: SPRING HILL State: QLD Post Code: 4004 Date entity became operator: 1 July 1992
1.4 Village management and onsite availability	Name of village management entity and contact details Seventh-day Adventist Aged Care (South Queensland) Ltd Australian Company Number (ACN): 104 195 922

	Phone:07 4939 2801 Email: opsmanager.cap@arplus.org.au
	An onsite manager (or representative) is available to residents: ⊠ Full time
	Onsite availability includes:
	Weekdays: 8:30am to 4:00pm Monday to Thursday
	8:30am to 12 noon Friday
	Weekends: Contactable by phone in case of an emergency
1.5 Approved closure plan or transition plan	Is there an approved transition plan for the village? $\Box$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No
for the retirement village	Is there an approved closure plan for the village? $\Box$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No
1.6 Statutory Charge over retirement village land.	Tenure in a leasehold or freehold scheme is secured by the registration of your interest on the certificate of title for the property. There is no statutory charge registered over leasehold schemes and freehold schemes.
	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?	Applicants must be 65 years of age or over. However, the village operator reserves the right to decline an application, to change the age criteria and may exercise its sole discretion to accept the application of a person who is less than 65 years of age, whom it considers will not derogate from the conduct of the village as premises where older members of the community or retired persons reside and is an appropriate person to reside in the village.

ACCOMMODATION, FA				
Part 3 – Accommodatio	n units: Nature of	ownership o	r tenure	
3.1 Resident	Freehold (ow	ner resident)		
ownership or tenure of the units in the village	🗌 Lease (non-o	wner resident)		
is:	🛛 Licence (non-	owner residen	it)	
	☐ Share in com	pany title entity	y (non-owner resident)	)
	🗌 🗆 Unit in unit tru	ıst (non-owner	resident)	
	🛛 Rental (non-o	wner resident	)	
	☐ Other			
Accommodation two	_			
Accommodation types 3.2 Number of units by				
accommodation type			units in the village, co	mprising 210
and tenure	single story units. Freehold	Leasehold	Licence	Other [Rental]
Accommodation unit	Freenoid	Leasenoiu	Licence	
Independent living units				
- Studio				
- One bedroom			24	17
- Two bedroom			124	8
- Three bedroom			36	1
Total number of units			184	26
Access and design			into and botwoon all a	
3.3 What disability access and design			into and between all a	
features do the units	(i.e. no external c	n internal step	s or stairs) in □ all □ s	
and the village contain?	⊠ Alternatively, a units	a ramp, elevato	or or lift allows entry in	to □ all ⊠ some
	⊠ Step-free (hob	less) shower i	n 🛛 all 🗆 some units	
	⊠ Width of doorv units	vays allow for	wheelchair access in [	⊐ all ⊠ some
	⊠ Toilet is acces	sible in a whe	elchair in 🛛 all 🛛 som	ne units
	☑ Other key feat disability or assis		ts or village that cater age in place	for people with
Part 4 – Parking for resi				

<ul> <li>4.1 What car parking in the village is available for residents?</li> <li>4.2 Is parking in the</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All 3 bedroom units with own garage or carport attached or adjacent to the unit</li> <li>1 &amp; 2 bedroom units with own garage or carport separate from the unit</li> <li>Some 1 bedroom units with own car park space adjacent to the unit</li> <li>General car parking for residents in the village</li> <li>Other parking e.g. caravan or boat</li> <li>Separate area for parking of such items at residents own risk.</li> <li>10 units with no car parking for residents</li> <li>Restrictions on resident's car parking include:</li> <li>No parking on roads or on common grass areas or blocking walkways/pathways.</li> </ul>
village available for visitors?	☑ Yes □ No Limited parking options available for visitors.
Part 5 – Planning and de	evelopment
5.1 Is construction or development of the village complete?	Year village construction started 1 July 1992
development of the	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,

Part 6 – Facilities onsite	<ul> <li>phase 2 (new 2 and 2 bedroom + s</li> <li>Declaration date for the redevelor</li> <li>The Retirement Villages Act may for certain types of redevelopment approval. A rede the residents of the village (by a meeting) or by the Department of Economy.</li> <li>Note: see notice at end of document approval document approval document</li> </ul>	opment plan: 2020 y require a written redevelopment plan ont of the village and this is different to velopment plan must be approved by special resolution at a residents of Communities, Housing and Digital ment regarding inspection of the
6.1 The following facilities are currently	Activities or games room	Medical consultation room
available to residents:	$oxedsymbol{\boxtimes}$ Arts and crafts room	🛛 Pool Room
	🛛 Auditorium	□ Restaurant
	BBQ area outdoors	□ Shop
	⊠ Billiards room	Swimming pool [indoor / outdoor]
	Bowling green [indoor]	[heated / not heated]
	Business centre (e.g. computers, printers, internet	Separate lounge in community centre
	access)	🗌 Spa [indoor / outdoor]
	Chapel / prayer room/	[heated / not heated
	Communal laundries	$\boxtimes$ Storage area for boats / caravans
	$\boxtimes$ Community room or centre	☐ Tennis court [full/half]
	Computer Room	⊠ Village bus or transport
		Workshop
		🖾 Men's Shed
	Gardens	⊠ Croquet Court
	└ 」 Gym	
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	hat is not funded from the Generals s on access or sharing of facilities	al Services Charge paid by residents or s (e.g. with an aged care facility).
NIL		

6.2 Does the village have an onsite,	Yes No
attached, adjacent or co-located residential aged care facility?	Name of residential aged care facility and name of the approved provider: Name: Adventist Retirement Plus – Capricorn Provider: Seventh-day Adventist Aged Care (South Queensland) Ltd

**Note:** Aged care facilities are not covered by the *Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Qld)*. 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 *Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth)*. 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 Management and Administration provided to all village Grounds mowing • residents (funded from Day-to-day maintenance the General Services Rates Charge fund paid by Other services as detailed each year in the operating budget for the residents)? scheme X Yes No 7.2 Are optional personal services provided or made Supported Living – Home Care Services if eligible available to residents on a user-pays basis? 7.3 Does the $\boxtimes$ Yes, the operator is an Approved Provider of home care under the retirement village Aged Care Act 1997 (Registered Accredited Care Supplier – RACS ID operator provide number 17958) government funded home care services Yes, home care is provided in association with an Approved under the Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth)? Provider: Adventist Retirement Plus - Capricorn

**Note:** Some residents may be eligible to receive a Home Care Package, or a Commonwealth Home Support Program subsidised by the Commonwealth Government if assessed as eligible by an aged care assessment team (ACAT) under the *Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth)*. These home care services are not covered by the *Retirement Villages Act 1999* (Qld).

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

#### Part 8 – Security and emergency systems

8.1 Does the village have a security system?

🗌 Yes 🛛 No

8.2 Does the village have an emergency help system?	☐ Yes - all residents	⊠ Optional	🗆 No
<ul><li>If yes or optional:</li><li>the emergency help system details are:</li></ul>		elp Call System available istration. 24 hour service	
8.3 Does the village have equipment that provides for the safety or medical emergency of residents?	□ Yes ⊠ No		
COSTS AND FINANCIAL	MANAGEMENT		
Part 9 – Ingoing contrib	ution - entry costs to live ir	the village	
to secure a right to reside	the amount a prospective re- in the retirement village. The price. It does not include on	e ingoing contribution is	s also referred to as
	Accommodation Unit	Range of ingoing co	ontribution
9.1 What is the	Accommodation Unit Independent living units	Range of ingoing co	ontribution
9.1 What is the estimated ingoing contribution (sale			ontribution
9.1 What is the estimated ingoing contribution (sale price) range for all	Independent living units	 N	
9.1 What is the estimated ingoing contribution (sale	Independent living units - Studio	N \$250,000	I/A
9.1 What is the estimated ingoing contribution (sale price) range for all types of units in the	Independent living units <ul> <li>Studio</li> <li>One bedroom</li> </ul>	N \$250,000 \$350,000	I/A to \$300,000
9.1 What is the estimated ingoing contribution (sale price) range for all types of units in the	Independent living units-Studio-One bedroom-Two bedrooms	N \$250,000 \$350,000 \$460,000	I/A to \$300,000 to \$460,000
9.1 What is the estimated ingoing contribution (sale price) range for all types of units in the	Independent living units         - Studio         - One bedroom         - Two bedrooms         - Three bedrooms         Full range of ingoing contributions for all	N \$250,000 \$350,000 \$460,000	I/A to \$300,000 to \$460,000 to \$550,000

Advance payment of General Services Charge

 $\boxtimes$  Other costs: Scheme operators legal fees currently set at \$1,595.00

## 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 (Monthly)	Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution (Monthly)
Independent Living Units		
- One bedroom	\$460.00	\$89.00
- Two bedrooms	\$497.00	\$89.00
- Three bedrooms	\$502.00	\$89.00
- Two Bedrooms + Study	\$502.00	\$89.00

#### 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 -)
2024-2025	\$115.00 to \$125.50	20.15%	\$22.25	0%
2023/2024	\$95.75 to \$104.50	7.4%	\$22.25	26%
2022/2023	\$82.63 to \$90.33	4.1%	\$17.63	16.0%

10.2 What costs relating to the units	imes Contents insurance	⊠ Telephone
are not covered by the	⊠ Electricity	⊠ Internet
General Services Charge? (residents	🖾 Gas	🖾 Pay TV
will need to pay these costs separately)		
10.3 What other ongoing or occasional	⊠ None	

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?	<ul> <li>Additional information:</li> <li>Variations to the unit is a cost to the resident (Preapproval of a variation is for management discretion)</li> </ul>
10.4 Does the operator offer a maintenance service or help residents arrange repairs and maintenance for their unit?	<ul> <li>Yes Do</li> <li>The site has fulltime maintenance staff who take care of all day-to-day maintenance requirements that are within their means.</li> <li>Where necessary, external contractors are engaged for more specialised work such as electrical and plumbing.</li> <li>None of the above are an extra cost to the resident.</li> </ul>
	ay an exit fee to the operator when they leave their unit or when the right
to reside in their unit is so 11.1 Do residents pay an exit fee when they permanently leave their unit?	<ul> <li>Id. This is also referred to as a 'deferred management fee' (DMF).</li> <li>Xes – 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>.</li> </ul>
Time period from date of occupation of unit to the date the resident ceases reside in the unit.	
1 year or less	12% of your ingoing contribution (calculated on a daily basis)
2 years or less but more than 1 year	Year 1: 12% Year 2: 8% (calculated on a daily basis) Based on your ingoing contribution
3 years or less but more than 2 years	Years 1 – 2: 20% Year 3: 4% (calculated on a daily basis) Based on your ingoing contribution
4 years or less but more than 3 years	Years 1 – 3: 24% Year 4: 3% (calculated on a daily basis) Based on your ingoing contribution

5 years or less but more than 4 years	Years 1 – 4: 27%
	Year 5: 2% (calculated on a daily basis)
	Based on your ingoing contribution
6 years or less but more than 5 years	Years 1 - 5: 29%
More than 6 years	Year 6: 1% (calculated on a daily basis)
	Maximum of 30%
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 after 6 years of
The minimum exit fee is	12% of your ingoing contribution calculated on a daily basis.
11.2 What other exit costs do residents need to pay or contribute to?	⊠ Legal costs
Part 12 – Reinstatement	and renovation of the unit
Part 12 – Reinstatement 12.1 Is the resident responsible for reinstatement of the unit when they leave the unit?	<ul> <li>and renovation of the unit</li> <li>Yes</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: <ul> <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> </ul> </li> <li>Fair wear and tear include 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>

Part 13– Capital gain or 13.1 When the	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.
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?	
Part 14 – Exit entitleme	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 entitlement which the operator will pay the resident worked out?	<ul> <li>Plus ingoing contribution</li> <li>Less exit fee</li> <li>Less any outstanding charges</li> <li>Less charges for above wear and tear</li> <li>Less scheme operators' legal fees</li> </ul>
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>14 days after the settlement of the sale of the right to reside in the unit to the next resident or the operator</li> <li>18 months after the termination date of the resident's right to reside under the residence contract, even if the unit has not been resold, unless the operator has been granted an extension for payment by the Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal (QCAT).</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
14.3 What is the turnover of units for sale in the village?	<ul><li>23 accommodation units were vacant as at the end of the last financial year.</li><li>20 accommodation units were resold during the last financial year</li></ul>

			ength of time to sell a unit aries considering refurbis		
Part 15 – Financial mana	agement of the	e village			
15.1 What is the financial status for the funds that the	General Services Charges Fund for the last 3 years				
	Financial Year	Deficit/ Surplus	Balance	Change from previous year	
operator is required to maintain under the <i>Retirement Villages</i>	2023-2024	\$-178,441	\$-241,283	173,581	
Act 1999?	2022-2023	\$-4860	\$-62,842	56,589	
	2021/2022	\$-61,449	\$-57,982	24,275	
	2020/2021	\$(85,724)	\$ 3,467	103,645	
	Balance of <b>General Services Charges Fund</b> for last financial year <i>OR</i> last quarter if no full financial year available			\$(178,441)	
	Balance of <b>N</b> financial year available	\$398,636			
	Balance of <b>Capital Replacement Fund</b> for the last financial year <i>OR</i> last quarter if no full financial year available			\$914,212	
	Percentage of a resident ingoing contribution applied to the Capital Replacement Fund			to 1%	
	contribution, report, to the	as determined Capital Repla	ntage of a resident's ingoir by a quantity surveyor's cement Fund. This fund is ge's capital items.		

## 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
arranging any insurance cover?	If yes, the resident is responsible for these insurance policies:
If yes, the resident is responsible for these insurance policies:	<ul> <li>Your property in The Unit</li> <li>For public liability claims brought as a result of any incident occurring in The Unit; and</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>For workers compensation claims brought by any employee or contractor that you engage to carry out work or approved service in The Unit</li> </ul>
Part 17 – Living in the vi	
Trial or settling in period	
17.1 Does the village offer prospective residents a trial period or a settling in period in the village?	No No
Pets	
17.2 Are residents allowed to keep pets?	🖾 No
Visitors	
17.3 Are there restrictions on visitors staying with residents or visiting?	Yes
If yes: specify any restrictions or conditions on visitors (e.g. length of stay, arrange with manager)	You must register all guests who stay overnight or longer at The Unit; at the administration office of the Village. With our prior approval you may: a) Have guests stay in The Unit for three (b) or more consecutive nights up to a maximum of 14 consecutive nights; b) Allow a visitor to use The Unit if you are not staying there at the same time; c. Have more that for (4) guests stay overnight in The Unit on any one night. However, you may not have a Visitor live in The Unit or use The Unit for longer than 30 days in any 12 month period without consent which we may give or deny in our absolute discretion. If we consent to a Visitor staying in The Unit for any period of time then we can revoke that consent at any time in our absolute discretion.
Village by-laws and villa	ige rules
17.4 Does the village have village by-laws?	Yes 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 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</i> <i>Villages Act</i> 1999?	<ul> <li>Yes</li> <li>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.</li> <li>You may like to ask the village manager about an opportunity to talk with members of the resident committee about living in this village.</li> </ul>			
Part 18 – Accreditation				
18.1 Is the village voluntarily accredited through an industry- based accreditation scheme?	No, village is not accredited.			
<b>Note:</b> Retirement village accreditation schemes are industry-based schemes. The <i>Retirement Villages Act 1999</i> does not establish an accreditation scheme or standards for retirement villages.				
Part 19 – Waiting list				
<ul> <li>19.1 Does the village maintain a waiting list for entry?</li> <li>If yes,</li> <li>what is the fee to join the waiting list?</li> </ul>	⊠ Yes ⊠ No fee			
Access to documents				
The following operational documents are held by the retirement village scheme operator and a prospective resident or resident may make a written request to the operator to inspect or take a copy of these documents free of charge. The operator must comply with the request by the date stated by the prospective resident or resident (which must be at least seven days after the request is given).				
<ul> <li>Certificate of registration for the retirement village scheme</li> <li>Certificate of title or current title search for the retirement village land</li> <li>Village site plan</li> <li>Plans showing the location, floor plan or dimensions of accommodation units in the village</li> <li>Plans of any units or facilities under construction</li> <li>Development or planning approvals for any further development of the village</li> <li>An approved redevelopment plan for the village under the <i>Retirement Villages Act</i></li> <li>An approved transition plan for the village</li> <li>An approved closure plan for the village</li> <li>The annual financial statements and report presented to the previous annual meeting of the retirement village</li> <li>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 vears of the retirement village</li> </ul>				

- 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

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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: <u>info@qls.com.au</u> Website: <u>www.qls.com.au</u>

## Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal (QCAT)

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

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

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

#### Livable Housing Australia (LHA)

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