Retirement Villages

Form 3



Village Comparison Document

Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Section 74)

This form is effective from 1 February 2019



ABN: 86 504 771 740

Name of village: Noosa Waters Retirement Estate

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
 - o 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.sccqld.com.au/locations/noosa-waters/
- 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 17 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 management details					
1.1 Retirement village location	Retirement Village Name: Noosa Waters Retirement Estate				
	Street Address: 39 Lake Weyba Drive				
	Suburb: Noosaville State: Qld Post Code: 4566				
1.2 Owner of the land on which the	Name of land owner: Southern Cross Care (Qld) Ltd				
retirement village scheme is located	Australian Company Number: (ACN) 627 193 962				
	Address: 2078 Logan Road				
	Suburb: Upper Mount Gravatt State: Qld Post Code: 4122				
1.3 Village operator	Name of entity that operates the retirement village (scheme operator):				
	Southern Cross Care (Qld) Ltd				
	Australian Company Number: (ACN) 627 193 962				
	Address: 2078 Logan Road				
	Suburb: Upper Mount Gravatt State: Qld Post Code: 4122				
	Date entity became operator: 1 July 2000 (Scheme Operator entity formerly known as Southern Cross Care (Qld) Inc.)				

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1.4 Village management and	Name of village management entity and contact details: Southern Cross Care (Qld) Ltd			
onsite availability				
	Australian Company Number: (ACN) 627 193 962			
	Phone: 07 5474 4480 Email: enquiries@sccqld.com.au			
	An onsite manager (or representative) is available to residents:			
	⊠ Full time			
	Onsite availability	/ includes:		
	Weekdays: Mon	day to Friday		
	Weekends: Not	Available		
1.5 Approve closure plans and transition	Is there an appro ⊠ No	ved transition p	lan for the village?	
plans for the retirement village	Is there an appro ⊠ No	ved closure pla	n for the village?	
Part 2 – Age limits				
2.1 What age limits apply to residents in this village?	65 Years of age or over			
ACCOMMODATION, FACILITIES AND SERVICES				
Part 3 – Accommodation	n units: Nature of	ownership or	tenure	
3.1 Resident ownership or tenure of	⊠ Lease (non-ov	vner resident)		
the units in the village is:				
Accommodation types				
3.2 Number of units by accommodation type and tenure	There are 76 units in the village, comprising 76 single story units			
Accommodation	Freehold	Leasehold	Licence	Other
unit Independent living		76		
units		/0		
- Studio				
- One bedroom				
- Two bedroom		74		
- Three bedroom		2		

Other	
Total number of units	76
Access and design	
3.3 What disability access and design features do the units and the village contain?	None. Please note that the retirement village has not been assessed as disability compliant.
Part 4 – Parking for res	idents and visitors
4.1 What car parking in the village is available for residents?	 All units with own garage or carport attached or adjacent to the unit Other parking e.g. caravan or boat: 7 designated for Caravan/ Boat (limited to availability) Restrictions on resident's car parking include: Not to park any motor vehicle on any part of the Village other than an area set aside by the Operator for that purpose. Not to obstruct the roads, pathways, entrances, exits and driveways in or about the Retirement Village or to use them for any purpose other than for reasonable ingress and egress to and from the Accommodation Unit or the Retirement Village. Not to prevent or hinder the access of any other resident of the Retirement Village to their Accommodation Unit.
4.2 Is parking in the village available for visitors? If yes, parking restrictions include:	
Part 5 – Planning and d	evelopment
5.1 Is construction or development of the village complete?	Year village construction started: 2000 [Note: The Scheme Operator reserves the right to carry out future development of the village in accordance with the Act and Residence Contract] ☑ Fully developed/completed Stage 2 (Units 13-24 & community centre) completed 21/11/2001 Stage 3 (Units 25-26, 51-62, 75-76) completed 07/01/2002 Stage 1 (units 1-12) completed 20/01/2003 Stage 4 (units 27-50 & 63-74 & bus garage) completed 19/11/2014
5.2 Construction, development	Provide detail of any construction, development or redevelopment

the Planning Act 2016.

relating to the retirement village land, including details of any related

development approval or development applications in accordance with

development

approvals

applications and

Provide details and timeframe of development or proposed development, including the final number and types of units and any new facilities.

Development approval granted

 \boxtimes No

Development application pending

⊠ No

Note: see notice at end of document regarding inspection of the development approval documents.

5.3 Redevelopment plan under the Retirement Villages Act 1999

Is there an approved redevelopment plan for the village under the Retirement Villages Act?

⊠ 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 Housing and Public Works.

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 available to residents:

- □ Activities or games room

- □ Community room or centre
- □ Gardens
- □ Gym
- ☐ Hairdressing or beauty room
- □ Bar & Kitchen

- ⊠ Separate lounge in community centre
- Storage area for boats / caravans

- ⋈ Other
 - Recreational/ social facilities
- Grounds
- Emergency call facilities

Details about any facility that is not funded from the General Services Charge paid by residents or if there are any restrictions on access or sharing of facilities (e.g. with an aged care facility).

Service provider fees are not funded from the General Services Charge. Residents are to pay directly to their service provider for the cost of the service when using the hairdressing/beauty room and medical consultation room
 6.2 Does the village have an onsite, attached, adjacent or

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 Management and administration; 7.1 What services are Gardening and day to day maintenance of village facilities; provided to all village Emergency call service; residents (funded from Access to the village facilities (including community centre, the General Services swimming pool and village bus); Charge fund paid by Services as detailed each year in the operating budget for the residents)? retirement village. \bowtie No 7.2 Are optional personal services provided or made available to residents on a user-pays basis? 7.3 Does the ☑ 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 1102) government funded home care services under the Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth)?

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

co-located residential aged care facility?

8.1 Does the village have a security system?	∀es The village is a gated community that requires use of a fob or access code to enter the village via the main entrance gate between the hours of 6:30pm and 5:30am.
 If yes: the security system details are: the security system is monitored between: 	
 8.2 Does the village have an emergency help system? If yes or optional: the emergency help system details are: the emergency help system is monitored between: 	 ✓ Yes - all residents Emergency help system (base unit and pendant) monitored externally by Tunstall 24 hours 7 days per week.
8.3 Does the village have equipment that provides for the safety or medical emergency of residents?	 Yes First aid kit Fire extinguishers

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	- Two bedrooms	\$ 550,000 to \$ 1,100,000	
price) range for all types of units in the	- Three bedrooms	\$ 630,000 to \$ 1,100,000	
village	Full range of ingoing contributions for all unit types	\$ 550,000 to \$ 1,100,000	
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?	∀es If yes: set out how the contract options work e.g. pay a higher ingoing contribution and less or no exit fee.		

	Capital Share Option	 Under the Capital Share Option, the Responsible to share 50% of capital general is liable to share 50% of capital loss pays a minimum of 12% divided by day) exit fee of the Ingoing Contribution applying to the resident pays a maximum 36% exit fee (calcapro-rata basis) of the Ingoing Contribution amount applying to the resident. 	ain (if any) s (if any) 365 (i.e. 1 ution amount
	Upfront Value Option	 Under the Upfront Value Option, the R pays an ingoing contribution. receives an agreed Discount Amou is not entitled to capital gain (if any) is not liable for capital loss (if any) pays a minimum 12% divided by 36 exit of the Ingoing Contribution amount to the resident pays a maximum 34% exit fee (calc pro-rata basis) of the Ingoing Contramount applying to the resident. 	nt. 55 (i.e. 1 day) ount applying culated on a
	Future Savings Option	 Under the Future Savings Option, the I pays an ingoing contribution. is not entitled to capital gain (if any) is not liable for capital loss (if any) pays a minimum 12% divided by 36 exit of the Ingoing Contribution amount to the resident pays a maximum 30% exit fee (calc pro-rata basis) of the Ingoing Contramount applying to the resident. 	55 (i.e. 1 day) bunt applying culated on a
9.3 What other entry costs do residents need to pay?	 ☑ Costs related to your residence contract ☐ Costs related to any other contract e.g. (specify) Advance payment of General Services Charge ☒ Other costs (specify) Conveyance and settlement fee \$1,914.00* Titles office registration fees 		
	·	are subject to change as notified in writi	ng)

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)
All units pay a flat rate	\$133.15 per week (\$576.99 per month)	\$27.60 per week (\$119.62 per month)

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

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Financial year	General Services Charge (weekly)	Overall % change from previous year	Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution (weekly)	Overall % change from previous year (+ or -)
2023/24	\$128.91	+10.53%	\$21.70	+3.20%
2022/23	\$116.62	-2.87%	\$21.03	+6.40%
2021/22	\$120.07	+3.25%	\$19.77	+4.99%

10.2 What costs	□ Contents insurance	⊠ Telephone
relating to the units are not covered by the	⊠ Electricity	
General Services Charge? (residents	⊠ Gas	☑ Pay TV☑ Other (specify) individual
will need to pay these costs separately)		services arranged by resident

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

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.

Staff are available on request to provide support to residents to arrange their repairs and maintenance. All costs for repairs and maintenance to residents units must be paid by the resident in accordance with their Lease terms. The fees are dependent on the particular service and will be disclosed prior to undertaking the works.

Part 11 – Exit fees – when you leave the village

A resident may have to pay an exit fee to the operator when they leave their unit or when the right to reside in their unit is sold. This is also referred to as a 'deferred management fee' (DMF).

11.1 Do residents pay an exit fee when they permanently leave their unit?

⊠Yes – all residents pay an exit fee but the way this is worked out may vary depending on each resident's residence contract

Time period from date
of occupation of unit to
the date the resident
ceases to reside in the
unit

Exit fee calculation based on your ingoing contribution amount

the date the resident			
ceases to reside in the unit	Capital Share	Upfront Value	Future Savings
Not more than 1 year	12%	12%	12%
More than 1 year but less than 2 years	22%	22%	20%
More than 2 years but less than 3 years	30%	30%	25%
More than 3 years but less than 4 years	36%	34%	30%
More than 4 years	36%	34%	30%

Note: if the period of occupation is not a whole number of years, the exit fee will be worked out on a daily basis.

The maximum (or capped) exit fee is 30% of your ingoing contribution after 4 years of residence on the Future Savings Option.

The maximum (or capped) exit fee is 34% of your ingoing contribution after 4 years of residence on Upfront Value Option.

The maximum (or capped) exit fee is 36% of your ingoing contribution after 4 years of residence on the Capital Share Option.

The minimum exit fee is 12% of your ingoing contribution by 365 (i.e. 1 day).

Note From time to time, the Exit Fee percentages offered in the above Capital Share, Upfront Value and Future Savings options may be altered at the Operator's discretion.

11.2 What other exit costs do residents need to pay or contribute to?

- □ Legal costs
- Other (specify)
 - Termination Administration Costs (if applicable)
 - Costs of Reinstatement Works
 - Resident's share of costs of Renovation Works
 - Resident's share of costs of finding a person to accept a new lease of the Accommodation Unit
 - The cost of having Accommodation Unit professionally cleaned and, if applicable, treated for pests

- Any outstanding General Services Charges, Maintenance Reserve Fund Contributions or Personal Services Charges (if any)
- Any other amounts the Resident owes the Scheme Operator or other related entities under any other agreement, or which constitute debts owing by the Resident to the Scheme Operator or any related entities under the Residence Contract, any other agreement, or the Act
- If the Capital Share Option applies, 50% of capital loss (if applicable)

Part 12 – Reinstatement and renovation of the unit

12.1 Is the resident responsible for 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?

☑ Optional, only applies to residents who share in the capital gain on the sale of their unit, and the resident pays 50% of any renovation costs

Renovation means replacements or repairs other than reinstatement work.

By law, the operator is responsible for the cost of any renovation work on a former resident's unit, unless the residence contract provides for the resident to share in the capital gain on the sale of the resident's interest in the unit. Renovation costs are shared between the former resident and operator in the same proportion as any capital gain is to be shared under the residence contract.

Part 13 – Capital gain of 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?

If the Resident is on the Capital Share Option:

If the Resident is on the Upfront Value or Future Savings Option: ⊠No

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?

In summary (and dependent upon the financial option applying to the Resident), the exit entitlement will repay the ingoing contribution (excluding any Discount Amount) paid by the Resident **and will include** the Resident's share of capital gain or capital loss (if any) applying to the Resident **less** applicable fees payable by the Resident (as detailed in the lease). The below formulas are used to calculate the Resident's exit entitlement based on the financial options currently available to the Resident as set out in item 9.2 above.

If the Capital Share Option Applies

The exit entitlement is calculated in accordance with the following formula:

EE = IC+G - (EF+D)

OR

If the Upfront Value or Future Savings Option Applies

The exit entitlement is calculated in accordance with the following formula:

EE = IC - (EF + D)

Where:

- 'EE' means the Exit Entitlement payable to you.
- 'IC' means the Ingoing Contribution (less the Discount Amount) paid by you on commencement of your Lease.
- 'G' means the amount of your share of any Capital Gain or Capital Loss (as applicable) and calculated in accordance with the terms of your Lease (whereby a Capital Loss will be a negative (-) amount and Capital Gain is positive (+) amount).
- 'EF' means the Exit Fee amount applying to you.
- 'D' means those Deductions payable by you in accordance with the terms of your Lease.

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 12 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?

9 accommodation units were vacant as at the end of the last financial year.

7 accommodation units were resold during the last financial year.

6 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			
Financial	Deficit/	Balance	Change from
Year	Surplus		previous year
2022-23	\$26,217	\$26,217	-62.43%
2021-22	\$31,061	\$69,776	80%
2020-21	\$38,715	\$38,715	91%
	*Surplus ba	lance refunded to reside	nts
		es Charges Fund for last er if no full financial year	\$26,217
Balance of Ma financial year available	\$122,943		
Balance of Capital Replacement Fund for the last financial year <i>OR</i> last quarter if no full financial year available			\$564,774
Percentage of a resident ingoing contribution applied to the Capital Replacement Fund			0%
By the end of each financial year, the village operator ensures that the Capital Replacement Fund contains the amount required for that financial year, as determined with the assistance of the quantity surveyor's report.			

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 arranging any insurance cover?

Insurance cover?
If yes, the resident is responsible for these insurance policies:

If yes, the resident is responsible for these insurance policies:

- Contents insurance (for the resident's property in the unit)
- Public liability insurance (for incidents occurring in the resident's unit)
- Workers' compensation insurance (for the resident's employees or contractors
- Third-party insurance (for the resident's motor vehicles or mobility devices)

Part 17 - Living in the village

Trial or settling in period in the village

17.1 Does the village offer prospective residents a trial period or a settling in period in the village? If yes:

provide details including, length of period, relevant time frames and any costs or conditions The resident is entitled to a three (3) month trial period commencing from the date the resident first occupies the Accommodation Unit. If the Resident permanently vacates the Accommodation Unit within the trial period they will be entitled to receive a refund of their ingoing contribution (less the discount amount) paid.

The resident will be required to pay a \$2,500 exit administration fee, should the resident vacate the premise during the trial period.

The resident will not be required to pay an exit fee but may be required to pay fair market rent for the duration of their occupancy and any costs to repair damage to the accommodation unit. The resident will be paid their refund the earlier of 14 days after locating a new resident or 12 months after they permanently vacated the Accommodation Unit.

Pets

17.2 Are residents allowed to keep pets?

If yes: specify any restrictions or conditions on pet ownership

 you will only keep a pet in the Accommodation Unit if we have first consented in writing to the particular pet, which we may revoke, vary or impose conditions

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 may not have any Visitor stay for more than 1 month in any 12-month period without our written consent, which we may withhold, withdraw or apply conditions to.

Village by-laws and village rules

17.4 Does the village have village by-laws?

 \boxtimes 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.

 \boxtimes No

If yes: Rules may be made available on request

Resident input

17.6 Does the village have a residents committee established 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?

⊠No, village is not accredited

Note from Operator: Each of our retirement villages follow the standards set out in the Retirement Living Code of Conduct.

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

19.1 Does the village maintain a waiting list for entry?

If yes,

what is the fee to join the waiting list?

⋈ 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).

- □ Certificate of registration for the retirement village scheme
- □ Certificate of title or current title search for the retirement village land
- Plans showing the location, floor plan or dimensions of accommodation units in the village

	Plans of any units or facilities under construction
\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
\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 Housing and Public Works website.

Further Information

If you would like more information, contact the Department of Housing and Public Works on 13 QGOV (13 74 68) or visit our website at **www.hpw.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: 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: 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

Email: caxton@caxton.org.au Website: https://caxton.org.au

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

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Dispute Resolution Centres provide a free, confidential and impartial mediation service to the community.

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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/