

## Village Comparison Document

*Retirement Villages Act 1999 (Section 74)*

This form is effective from 1 February 2019

ABN: 86 804 771 740

Name of village: Springfield Vista



### Important information for the prospective resident

- The Village Comparison Document gives general information about the retirement village accommodation, facilities and services, including the general costs of moving into, living in and leaving the retirement village. This makes it easier for you to compare retirement villages.
- The *Retirement Villages Act 1999* requires a retirement village scheme operator to:
  - provide a copy of the Village Comparison Document to a prospective resident of the retirement village within seven days of receiving a request
  - include a copy of the Village Comparison Document with any promotional material given to a person, other than through a general distribution (e.g. mail-out)
  - publish the Village Comparison Document on the village's website so that the document, or a link to it appears prominently on each page of the website that contains, or has a link to, marketing material for the village
- You can access a copy of this Village Comparison Document on the village website at <https://www.aveo.com.au/communities/springfield/costs/>
- 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 Parks Advice Service (QRVPAS) which provides free information and legal assistance for residents and prospective residents of retirement villages. See [www.caxton.org.au](http://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](http://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 8 August 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: Springfield Vista

Street address: 2 Symphony Way

Suburb: Springfield Central State: QLD Post Code: 4300

### 1.2 Owner of the land on which the retirement village scheme is located

Name of land owner: Aveo Springfield Pty Ltd

Australian Company Number (ACN): 127 602 886

Address: Level 6, 50 Longland Street

Suburb: Newstead State: QLD Post Code: 4006

### 1.3 Village operator

Name of entity that operates the retirement village (scheme operator):

Aveo Retirement Homes (No 2) Pty Ltd

Australian Company Number (ACN): 069 131 111

Address: Level 6, 50 Longland Street

Suburb: Newstead State: QLD Post Code: 4006

Date entity became operator: 9 May 2017

#### **Note from the scheme operator:**

*Aveo Springfield Pty Ltd has leased the village land to Aveo Retirement Homes (No 2) Pty Ltd (as scheme operator) by way of a 99 year lease ('the **Head Lease**').*

*Under the Head Lease, the scheme operator may:*

- enter into all agreements with residents of the village;
- incur all expenditure in refurbishing and operating the village; and
- manage the village.

<b>1.4 Village management and onsite availability</b>	Name of village management entity and contact details: Aveo Retirement Homes (No 2) Pty Ltd (as agent of the owner) Australian Company Number (ACN): 069 131 111 Phone: 13 28 36                      Email: sales@aveo.com.au An onsite manager (or representative) is available to residents: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full time Onsite availability includes: Weekdays: 8:00am – 4:00pm Weekends: No availability
<b>1.5 Approved closure plan or transition plan for the retirement village</b>	Is there an approved transition plan for the village? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <i>A written transition plan approved by the Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy is required when an existing operator is transitioning control of the retirement village scheme's operation to a new operator.</i> Is there an approved closure plan for the village? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <i>A written closure plan approved by the residents of the village (by a special resolution at a residents meeting) or by the Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy is required if an operator is closing a retirement village scheme. This includes winding down or stopping to operate the village, even temporarily.</i>
<b>Part 2 - Age limits</b>	
<b>2.1 What age limits apply to residents in this village?</b>	Residents must be at least 55 years old.
<b>ACCOMMODATION, FACILITIES AND SERVICES</b>	
<b>Part 3 - Accommodation units: Nature of ownership or tenure</b>	
<b>3.1 Resident ownership or tenure of the units in the village is:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Freehold (owner resident) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lease (non-owner resident) <input type="checkbox"/> Licence (non-owner resident) <input type="checkbox"/> Share in company title entity (non-owner resident) <input type="checkbox"/> Unit in unit trust (non-owner resident) <input type="checkbox"/> Rental (non-owner resident) <input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>Note from the scheme operator: Residents enter into a sublease with the scheme operator.</i>

## Accommodation types

**3.2 Number of units by accommodation type and tenure**

There are 152 units in the village, comprising 152 units in multi-storey buildings of 4-6 levels.

**Note from the Scheme Operator:** Until around July 2024, units in some parts of the village were leased as serviced apartments. These units are now being leased as independent living apartments. Some residents in the community who became residents prior to this change continue to have a 'serviced apartment' contract and receive a number of compulsory services.

Accommodation Unit	Freehold	Leasehold	Licence	Other
Independent living units				
- Studio		24		
- One bedroom		28		
- Two bedroom		92		
- Three bedroom		4		
Other: one bedroom plus study		4		
Total number of units		152		

## Access and design

**3.3 What disability access and design features do the units and the village contain?**

Level access from the street into and between all areas of the unit (i.e. no external or internal steps or stairs) in  all  some units  
 Alternatively, a ramp, elevator or lift allows entry into  all  some units  
 Step-free (hobless) shower in  all  some units  
 Width of doorways allow for wheelchair access in  all  some units  
 Toilet is accessible in a wheelchair in  all  some units  
 Other key features in the units or village that cater for people with disability or assist residents to age in place  
 None

## Part 4 - Parking for residents and visitors

**4.1 What car parking in the village is available for residents?**

All units with own car park space separate from the unit – basement carpark of apartment building  
 General car parking for residents in the village  
 Other parking e.g. caravan or boat:

**4.2 Is parking in the village available for visitors?**

Yes     No

If yes, parking restrictions include:	Visitors are required to park in spaces that are designated for visitors.
<b>Part 5 - Planning and development</b>	
<b>5.1 Is construction or development of the village complete?</b>	Year village construction started: 2016 <input type="checkbox"/> Fully developed / completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partially developed / completed <input type="checkbox"/> Construction yet to commence
<b>5.2 Construction, development applications and development approvals</b> 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>  <b>1. Staging of village units</b> (a) <i>At the date of this Village Comparison Document, the following development has been completed: Building A – 66 independent living apartments were completed in April 2017, Building B(i) – 38 independent living apartments were completed in June 2018 and Building B(ii) – 48 serviced apartments were completed in September 2018.</i>  (b) <i>The scheme operator currently plans to undertake staged construction of the proposed buildings within the village as shown on the master plan as follows:</i>  (i) <i>Building E – 60 independent living apartments to be completed subject to sales;</i> (ii) <i>Building I – 84 independent living apartments to be completed subject to sales;</i> (iii) <i>Building J – 84 independent living apartments to be completed subject to sales;</i> (iv) <i>Building D – 75 independent living apartments to be completed subject to sales;</i> (v) <i>Building G – 83 independent living apartments to be completed subject to sales;</i> (vi) <i>Building K – 80 independent living apartments to be completed subject to sales; and</i> (vii) <i>Building H – 110 independent living apartments to be completed subject to sales.</i>  <b>2. Residential aged care facilities</b>  <i>In addition to those buildings outlined above, it is proposed that a residential aged care facility will be constructed once a partnership with an Aged Care Operator has been finalised. In order to facilitate this, it is intended that the scheme operator will partially surrender the Head Lease in respect of those areas of the village land that are used for residential aged care facilities upon completion of construction of the facilities. If and when this occurs, the land on which the residential aged care facilities are constructed will cease to be part of the village land and the retirement village scheme. The owner of the village land may then</i>

grant a separate head lease (or head leases) to the scheme operator of the residential aged care facilities. At this time it may be necessary for access rights to be granted over the Village land in order to allow access to and from the residential aged care facilities.

### **3. Ancillary facilities**

In addition to the retirement village units and the residential aged care facilities, it is currently intended that some areas in the Village be used for purposes that, in the opinion of the scheme operator, are consistent with and ancillary to, the village use, and health and wellness generally (**Ancillary Facilities**). Uses that are currently under consideration include cafés, a medical clinic, day spa, heated therapy pool and gymnasium. These areas may be progressively sub-leased to third parties by the scheme operator. The scheme operator will be entitled to any income generated from, and will bear any costs (including maintenance and repair costs) related to, the Ancillary Facilities. The scheme operator will make payments into the Maintenance Reserve Fund to fund the maintenance and repair costs. The amount of the payments will be equal to 3.3% of the total budgeted cost, with the remaining 96.7% being the responsibility of residents. The amounts in the budget reflect the resident's proportion of 96.7%.

The proposed locations, areas and estimated completion dates for the Ancillary Facilities are:

- (a) Building E – area of 800m<sup>2</sup> to be completed at the same timing as the ILA's described above;
- (b) Building I – area of 250m<sup>2</sup> to be completed at the same timing as the ILA's described above;
- (c) Building J – area of 250m<sup>2</sup> to be completed at the same timing as the ILA's described above;
- (d) Building F – area of 250m<sup>2</sup> to be completed at the same timing as the ILA's described above;
- (e) Building D – 75 independent living apartments to be completed at the same timing as the ILA's described above;
- (f) Building G – area of 250m<sup>2</sup> to be completed at the same timing as the ILA's described above;
- (g) Building K – area of 250m<sup>2</sup> to be completed at the same timing as the ILA's described above; and
- (h) Building H – area of 250m<sup>2</sup> to be completed at the same timing as the ILA's described above.

The scheme operator does not guarantee that all or any of the above Ancillary Facilities will be provided. Whether all or any of the above Ancillary Facilities are provided, and the timing of their provision, will depend on whether the scheme operator proceeds with the future development of the village in accordance with the master plan. This will be determined by the scheme operator in its discretion and will be informed by the demand for the accommodation units and the proposed Ancillary Facilities, as well as economic and other factors.

### **4. Future development**

- (a) *The master plan shows the general location of the proposed buildings.*
- (b) *The development of any future buildings in the village may result in temporary inconvenience, including:*
  - (i) *increased noise, dust or debris, traffic or tradespeople at the Village in connection with building works;*
  - (ii) *the temporary restriction of access between various parts of the village, including where access to community facilities is diverted; and*
  - (iii) *the temporary closure of part or all of a community facility that is reasonably required to allow the expeditious progress of the building work.*
- (c) *The scheme operator reserves the right to:*
  - (i) *construct more or less than 680 independent living apartments and 48 serviced apartments or any other different combination of these accommodation units;*
  - (ii) *alter the number and configuration of the proposed buildings shown on the master plan;*
  - (iii) *alter the order of development of the buildings;*
  - (iv) *alter the size, configuration or design of a building or the units in a building;*
  - (v) *relocate, reconfigure, redevelop, extend and/or improve the community centre/s and other facilities;*
  - (vi) *subdivide, reconfigure or amalgamate the lots comprised within the retirement village scheme; and*
  - (vii) *alter the size of the village, by incorporating additional or adjoining land into the retirement village scheme (by way of leasehold or freehold interest) or surrendering a leasehold interest (or part of it), disposing of, or otherwise removing, land and/or buildings forming part of the retirement village scheme (for example, Ancillary Facilities).*

**5. Possible inclusion of additional land into the retirement village scheme**

- (a) *Aveo Springfield Pty Ltd has been granted an option to purchase land that is located beside the village land and is described as Lot 26 on SP 283469 (title reference 51026845) (Lot 26). If Aveo Springfield Pty Ltd purchases Lot 26, it may offer to lease the land to the scheme operator.*
- (b) *If the scheme operator accepts an offer to take a lease of Lot 26, the scheme operator may at its discretion, include all or part of Lot 26 into the village land. In the event that all or part of Lot 26 is included in the Village land, the scheme operator may, directly or indirectly, develop on the land:*
  - (i) *any number of independent living apartments, serviced apartments or assisted living units the scheme operator sees fit;*
  - (ii) *any Ancillary Facilities; and/or*

	<p>(iii) residential aged care facilities.</p> <p>(c) The scheme operator does not guarantee that Lot 26 (or any part of Lot 26) will be included in the retirement village scheme in the future. This will be determined by a number of factors, including the scheme operator's assessment of market demand, as well as economic and other factors such as the availability of finance and general market conditions.</p>
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<p><b>5.3 Redevelopment plan under the Retirement Villages Act 1999</b></p>	<p>Is there an approved redevelopment plan for the village under the Retirement Villages Act?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><i>The Retirement Villages Act may require a written redevelopment plan for certain types of redevelopment of the village and this is different to a development approval. A redevelopment plan must be approved by the residents of the village (by a special resolution at a residents meeting) or by the Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy.</i></p> <p><b>Note:</b> see notice at end of document regarding inspection of the development approval documents.</p>
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**Part 6 - Facilities onsite at the village**

<p><b>6.1 The following facilities are currently available to residents:</b></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Activities or games room</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arts and crafts room</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Auditorium</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BBQ area outdoors</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Billiards room</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bowling green [indoor]</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Business centre (e.g. computers, printers, internet access)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Chapel / prayer room</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Communal laundries</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community room or centre</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dining room</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gardens</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gym</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hairdressing or beauty room</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Library</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Medical consultation room</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Restaurant</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Shop</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Swimming pool [indoor, heated]</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate lounge in community centre</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spa [indoor, heated]</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Storage area for boats / caravans</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Tennis court</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Village bus or transport</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Workshop</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Café bar, comprising coffee machine (operated by residents), lounge with fireplace, kitchen, entertaining area</p>
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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 (eg with an aged care facility).

- Gym requires membership before access granted;
- Buddy system for pool use encouraged; and
- Workshop restricted to approved applicants for safety purposes.

**6.2 Does the village have an onsite, attached, adjacent or co-located residential aged care facility?**

Yes  No

**Note from the scheme operator:** *The scheme operator intends to construct a residential aged care facility on the retirement village land. See item 5.2 above for further details.*

**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 provided to all village residents (funded from the General Services Charge fund paid by residents)?**

'General Services' provided to all residents are:

- Operating the retirement village for the benefit and enjoyment of residents.
- Managing the community areas and facilities.
- Managing security at the retirement village.
- Maintaining the security system, emergency help system and/or safety equipment (if any).
- Maintaining fire-fighting and protection equipment.
- Maintaining and updating safety and emergency procedures for the retirement village.
- Cleaning, maintaining and repairing the community areas and facilities.
- Maintaining, repairing and replacing units and items in, on or attached to the units (except where this is a resident's responsibility).
- Monitoring and eradicating pests.
- Engaging staff and contractors necessary for the operation of the retirement village, which may include a village manager, cleaning and maintenance personnel, security personnel, and/or relief personnel.
- Arranging for administrative, secretarial, book-keeping, accounting and legal services necessary for the operation of the retirement village.
- Maintaining any licences required in relation to the retirement village.
- Paying operating costs in connection with the ownership and operation of the retirement village.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintaining insurances relating to the retirement village that are required by the <i>Retirement Villages Act 1999</i> or contemplated by a residence contract or that the scheme operator otherwise deems appropriate.</li> <li>• Complying with the <i>Retirement Villages Act 1999</i>.</li> <li>• Any other general service funded via a general services charges budget for a financial year.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note from the scheme operator:</b> Existing residents who occupy a serviced apartment may receive daily meals, supply of laundered linen and internal cleaning services as part of their support services which is a component of their regular service fees. These fees are higher than the service fees for new residents given additional services are received.</p> <p>These support services are not compulsory for new residents who select an independent living apartment and casual meals, minor maintenance and personal care services are available as optional services on a fee for service basis (see section 7.2 below). The scheme operator may at any time change the availability of optional services at the community without notice. Please refer to the community manager for further details.</p>
<p><b>7.2 Are optional personal services provided or made available to residents on a user-pays basis?</b></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Casual meals</li> <li>• Minor maintenance</li> <li>• Personal care services</li> </ul> <p>Please see Community Manager for a full list of available personal services and costs.</p> <p><b>Note from scheme operator:</b> Existing residents in the community who occupy a serviced apartment may receive daily meals, supply of laundered linen and internal cleaning services as part of paying higher service fees. These services are no longer compulsory for new residents who select an independent living apartment and are provided as optional services on a fee for service basis. The scheme operator may at any time change the availability of optional services at the community without notice.</p>
<p><b>7.3 Does the retirement village operator provide government funded home care services under the <i>Aged Care Act 1997 (Cwth)</i>?</b></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> 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 .....)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, home care is provided in association with an Approved Provider: Aveo Home Care Services Pty Ltd ACN 604 625 185</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No, the operator does not provide home care services, residents can arrange their own home care services</p>

**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

If yes:

- the security system details are:
- the security system is monitored between:

CCTV/Swipe Security Access to Carparks and buildings. Security patrol drop in.

24 hours, 7 days per week.

### 8.2 Does the village have an emergency help system?

Yes - all residents  Optional  No

If yes or optional:

- the emergency help system details are:
- the emergency help system is monitored between:

Emergency response system equipment is installed in each accommodation unit and in all common areas which allows residents to activate an emergency call. An external provider assesses and deals with calls in accordance with agreed protocols.

24 hours, 7 days per week.

### 8.3 Does the village have equipment that provides for the safety or medical emergency of residents?

Yes  No

If yes, list or provide details e.g. first aid kit, defibrillator:

First aid kit, adequate lighting of common areas; locks on doors, fire protection equipment as required by law.

## 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 estimated ingoing contribution (sale price) range for all

##### Accommodation Unit

##### Range of ingoing contribution

Independent living units

- Studio

\$252,000 to \$260,000

- One bedroom

\$271,950 to \$365,000

**types of units in the village**

- Two bedrooms	\$385,000 to \$614,000
- Three bedrooms	\$628,950 to \$628,950
Other: 1 bed + study	\$362,250 to \$362,250
<b>Full range of ingoing contributions for all unit types</b>	\$252,000 to \$628,950

**Note from the scheme operator:** The ingoing contribution is the 'Entry Payment' in the residence contract. The ingoing contribution above is the **standard ingoing contribution**.

The standard ingoing contribution is the ingoing contribution for the **Now** and **Later** contract options.

The ingoing contribution payable for the **Bond** contract is 140% of the standard ingoing contribution (excluding the Establishment Fee (see part 9.3)).

For the **Now** contract, the resident must pay an Upfront Management Fee of 20% of the standard ingoing contribution.

**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?**

If yes: specify or set out in a table how the contract options work e.g. pay a higher ingoing contribution and less or no exit fee.

Yes  No

There are 3 contract options available:

- **Bond**
- **Now**
- **Later**

The key differences between the 3 contract options are (other differences apply as well, please contact Aveo for details):

Contract option	Exit Fee (refer Part 11)	Exit entitlement payment date after vacating the village (refer Part 14.2)
<b>Bond</b>	Not applicable	3 months
<b>Now</b>	Not applicable – paid upfront	6 months
<b>Later</b>	Deferred Management Fee (maximum 35% over 3 years)	6 months

**Note:**

Not all contract options are available for serviced apartments.

Please contact the scheme operator if more information is required.

**9.3 What other entry costs do residents need to pay?**

- Transfer or stamp duty (plus additional foreign acquirer duty if any) if the contract is a **Now** contract  
**Note from the scheme operator:** *The scheme operator may elect to pay any stamp duty applicable under the **Now** contract. If the scheme operator elects to pay the stamp duty, you will still be responsible for any additional foreign acquirer duty that may be payable.*
- Costs related to your residence contract
- Costs related to any other contract
- Advance payment of General Services Charge
- Other costs:
  - **Establishment Fee** (if the contract is a **Bond** contract). This amount is not refundable.
  - **Upfront Management Fee** (if the contract is a **Now** contract). This amount is not refundable except in the circumstances described in part 14.1.

Please contact the scheme operator if more information is required.

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

**General Services Charge:** Residents pay this charge for the general services supplied or made available to residents in the village, which may include management and administration, gardening and general maintenance and other services or facilities for recreation and entertainment described at 7.1.

**Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution:** Residents pay this charge for maintaining and repairing (but not replacing) the village’s capital items e.g. communal facilities, swimming pool. This fund may or may not cover maintaining or repairing items in your unit, depending on the terms of your residence contract.

The budgets for the General Services Charges Fund and the Maintenance Reserve Fund are set each financial year and these amounts can increase each year. The amount to be held in the Maintenance Reserve Fund is determined by the operator using a quantity surveyor’s report.

**Note:** The following ongoing costs are all stated as weekly amounts to help you compare the costs of different villages. However, the billing period for these amounts may not be weekly.

**10.1 Current weekly rates of General Services Charge and Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution**

Type of Unit	General Services Charge (weekly)	Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution (weekly)
Independent Living Units		
- Studio	\$120.20	\$32.14
- One bedroom	\$143.30	\$32.14
- Two bedrooms	\$143.30	\$32.14
- Three bedrooms	\$143.30	\$32.14
All units pay a flat rate	-	\$32.14

**Last three years of General Services Charge and Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution (Independent Living Units)**

Financial year	General Services Charge (range) (weekly)	Overall % change from previous year	Maintenance Reserve Fund contribution (range) (weekly)	Overall % change from previous year (+ or -)
2023/24	\$138.60	+7.42	\$25.23	+7.45
2022/23	\$129.03	+1.02%	\$23.48	+6.00%
2021/22	\$127.73	-0.01%	\$22.15	0.00%

<b>10.2 What costs relating to the units are not covered by the General Services Charge? (residents will need to pay these costs separately)</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contents insurance <input type="checkbox"/> Home insurance (freehold units only) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electricity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gas	<input type="checkbox"/> Water <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Internet <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pay TV <input type="checkbox"/> Other
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<b>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?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unit fixtures <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unit fittings <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unit appliances <input type="checkbox"/> None Additional information: Residents are responsible for maintenance and repairs. The scheme operator is responsible for replacements.
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<b>10.4 Does the operator offer a maintenance service or help residents arrange repairs and maintenance for their unit?</b> If yes: provide details, including any charges for this service.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  Full time onsite maintenance person available. Details available from village manager.
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**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).*

<b>11.1 Do residents pay an exit fee when they permanently leave their unit?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – all residents pay an exit fee calculated using the same formula <input type="checkbox"/> Yes – all new residents pay an exit fee but the way this is worked out may vary depending on each resident's residence contract <input type="checkbox"/> No exit fee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other
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<p>If yes: list all exit fee options that may apply to new contracts</p>	<p><b>Bond</b></p> <p>No exit fee applies.</p> <p><b>Now</b></p> <p>No exit fee applies.</p> <p><b>Later</b></p> <p>15% of the ingoing contribution for the first year of residence, plus 10% for the second year, plus 10% for the third year, up to a maximum of 3 years (35%).</p> <p><b>Daily basis</b></p> <p>All exit fee components are calculated on a pro-rata daily basis for partial years of residence.</p> <p><b>Note from the scheme operator:</b> <i>The exit fee is called the 'Deferred Management Fee' in the residence contract.</i></p>
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<b>Bond</b>	
Not applicable (there is no exit fee).	
<b>Now</b>	
Not applicable (there is no exit fee).	
<b>Later</b>	
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
1 year	15% of your ingoing contribution
2 years	25% of your ingoing contribution
3 years	35% of your ingoing contribution
4 years	35% of your ingoing contribution
5 years	35% of your ingoing contribution
10 years	35% of your ingoing contribution
<p><b>Note:</b> if the period of occupation is not a whole number of years, the exit fee will be worked out on a daily basis.</p> <p>The maximum (or capped) exit fee is 35% of the ingoing contribution after 3 years of residence.</p> <p>The minimum exit fee is 15% of your ingoing contribution x 1/365.</p> <p><b>Note from the scheme operator:</b> The minimum exit fee is for 1 day of residence.</p>	

<b>11.2 What other exit costs do residents need to pay or contribute to?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sale costs for the unit <input type="checkbox"/> Legal costs <input type="checkbox"/> Other costs
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**Part 12 - Reinstatement and renovation of the unit**

<b>12.1 Is the resident responsible for reinstatement of the unit when they leave the unit?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  <i>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:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> <p><i>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</i></p>
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	<p><i>item of the retirement village if the resident deliberately damages the item or causes accelerated wear.</i></p> <p><b>Note from the scheme operator:</b> Residents are only responsible for damage they cause to the accommodation unit. The scheme operator will pay all other costs associated with reinstatement work.</p> <p>Entry and exit inspections and reports are undertaken by the operator and resident to assess the condition of the unit.</p>
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<p><b>12.2 Is the resident responsible for renovation of the unit when they leave the unit?</b></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><i>Renovation means replacements or repairs other than reinstatement work.</i></p> <p>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.</p>
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**Part 13 - Capital gain or losses**

<p><b>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?</b></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
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**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.*

<p><b>14.1 How is the exit entitlement which the operator will pay the resident worked out?</b></p>	<p>The ingoing contribution (paid to the scheme operator on entry) is repaid to the resident less the following amounts which are paid by you to us by way of set-off:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• if the contract is a <b>Later</b> contract, the exit fee;</li> <li>• any costs of any Reinstatement Work required due to damage the resident has caused to the unit; and</li> <li>• any other amounts the resident owes under the residence contract or any other agreements the resident has with the operator or its related parties about the provision of goods and services in the retirement village.</li> </ul> <p>If the contract is a <b>Bond</b> contract, the Establishment Fee paid on entry is non-refundable, except if you leave during the Money Back Guarantee period.</p> <p>If the contract is a <b>Now</b> contract, the Upfront Management Fee paid to the scheme operator on entry is non-refundable, except if your contract ends in the first 2 years, then you will receive a partial refund as follows:</p>
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<p><b>14.2 When is the exit entitlement payable?</b></p>	<p>By law, the operator must pay the exit entitlement to a former resident on or before the <b>earliest</b> of the following days:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the day stated in the residence contract <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ which may range from 3 months to 6 months after the termination of the residence contract, depending on your contract option</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Note from the scheme operator:</b> <i>Except if the Money Back Guarantee applies (see part 17.1 for details), the residence contract requires payment of the exit entitlement at the following times after vacant possession of the unit is provided:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Bond:</b> 3 months</li> <li>▪ <b>Now:</b> 6 months</li> <li>▪ <b>Later:</b> 6 months</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> </ul> <p>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.</p>										
<p><b>14.3 What is the turnover of units for sale in the village?</b></p>	<p>61 accommodation units (including 24 independent living units and 37 serviced apartments) were vacant as at the end of the last financial year.</p> <p>0 accommodation units were resold during the last financial year (0 independent living units and 0 serviced apartments).</p> <p>The average length of time to sell an accommodation unit over the last three financial years was 12 months.</p>										

## 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 Year	Deficit/Surplus	Balance	Change from previous year
2022/23	(\$371,466)	\$0	7.30%
2021/2022	(\$344,341)	\$0	8.34%
2020/2021	(\$317,832)	\$0	-2.32%

**Note from the scheme operator:** Given the village is new, a deficit or surplus amount is not relevant for any years other than the last financial year.

Balance of <b>General Services Charges Fund</b> for last financial year OR last quarter if no full financial year available	\$0.00
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Balance of <b>Maintenance Reserve Fund</b> for last financial year OR last quarter if no full financial year available	\$363,937
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Balance of <b>Capital Replacement Fund</b> for the last financial year OR last quarter if no full financial year available	\$1,999
Percentage of a resident ingoing contribution applied to the Capital Replacement Fund	N/A (amounts are paid each year as recommended by the quantity surveyor's report)
The operator pays a percentage of a resident's ingoing contribution, as determined by a quantity surveyor's report, to the Capital Replacement Fund. This fund is used for replacing the village's capital items.	

OR  the village is not yet operating.

## Part 16 – Insurance

The village operator must take out general insurance, to full replacement value, for the retirement village, including for:

- 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?**

Yes  No

<p>If yes, the resident is responsible for these insurance policies:</p>	<p>If yes, the resident is responsible for these insurance policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contents insurance (for the resident's property in the unit)</li> <li>• Public liability insurance (for incidents occurring in the resident's unit)</li> <li>• Workers' compensation insurance (for the resident's employees or contractors)</li> <li>• Third-party insurance (for the resident's motor vehicles or mobility devices)</li> </ul>
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## Part 17 - Living in the village

### *Trial or settling in period in the village*

<p><b>17.1 Does the village offer prospective residents a trial period or a settling in period in the village?</b> If yes: provide details including length of period, relevant time frames and any costs or conditions</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes   <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>A settling-in period of <b>6 months</b> applies to new residents (referred to as a Money Back Guarantee). If the resident gives notice of termination of their residence contract and delivers vacant possession of the unit within 6 months of the occupation date, the exit entitlement will be paid within 45 days of the resident giving vacant possession. The resident will not be required to pay an exit fee, or to pay service fees from the date vacant possession is given.</p> <p>If the residence contract is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a <b>Bond</b> contract, the Establishment Fee will be repaid; or</li> <li>• a <b>Now</b> contract, 100% of the Upfront Management Fee will be repaid.</li> </ul> <p>All other departure conditions and costs apply.</p>
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### *Pets*

<p><b>17.2 Are residents allowed to keep pets?</b> If yes, specify any restrictions or conditions on pet ownership</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes   <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Pets are welcome with the scheme operator's prior consent.</p>
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### *Visitors*

<p><b>17.3 Are there restrictions on visitors staying with residents or visiting?</b> If yes: specify any restrictions or conditions on visitors (e.g. length of stay, arrange with manager)</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes   <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Visitors may stay with a resident for up to 4 weeks in a 12 month period. Longer stays should be discussed with the village manager.</p>
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## 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: As set out in the residence contract. Additional rules may also be made by the scheme operator from time to time about units, the village facilities and behaviour in the village.

## Resident input

**17.6 Does the village have a residents committee established under the Retirement Villages Act 1999?**

Yes  No

*By law, residents are entitled to elect and form a residents committee to deal with the operator on behalf of residents about the day-to-day running of the village and any complaints or proposals raised by residents.*

*You may like to ask the village manager about an opportunity to talk with members of the resident committee about living in this village.*

## Part 18 - Accreditation

**18.1 Is the village voluntarily accredited through an industry-based accreditation scheme?**

No, village is not accredited

Yes, village is voluntarily accredited through: N/A

**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?**

Yes  No

## 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
- Village site plan

- Plans showing the location, floor plan or dimensions of accommodation units in the village
- Plans of any units or facilities under construction
- Development or planning approvals for any further development of the village
- An approved redevelopment plan for the village under the *Retirement Villages Act*
- An approved transition plan for the village
- An approved closure plan for the village
- The annual financial statements and report presented to the previous annual meeting of the retirement village
- Statements of the balance of the capital replacement fund, or maintenance reserve fund or general services charges fund (or income and expenditure for general services) at the end of the previous three financial years of the retirement village
- Statements of the balance of any Body Corporate administrative fund or sinking fund at the end of the previous three years of the retirement village
- Examples of contracts that residents may have to enter into
- Village dispute resolution process
- Village by-laws
- Village insurance policies and certificates of currency
- A current public information document (PID) continued in effect under section 237I of the Act (this applies to existing residence contracts)

*An example request form containing all the necessary information you must include in your request is available on the Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy website.*

## Further information

If you would like more information, contact the Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy on 13 QGOV (13 74 68) or visit our website at [www.hpw.qld.gov.au](http://www.hpw.qld.gov.au)

### General Information

General information and fact sheets on retirement villages: [www.qld.gov.au/retirementvillages](http://www.qld.gov.au/retirementvillages)

For more information on retirement villages and other seniors living options:  
[www.qld.gov.au/seniorsliving](http://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 3008 3450

Email: [regulatoryservices@hpw.qld.gov.au](mailto:regulatoryservices@hpw.qld.gov.au)

Website: [www.hpw.qld.gov.au/housing](http://www.hpw.qld.gov.au/housing)

### Queensland Retirement Village and Parks 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](mailto:caxton@caxton.org.au)

Website: [www.caxton.org.au](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:info@qls.com.au)

Website: [www.qls.com.au](http://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](mailto:enquiries@qcat.qld.gov.au)

Website: [www.qcat.qld.gov.au](http://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](http://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 more cost effective to adapt when life's circumstances change.

Website: [www.livablehousingaustralia.org.au](http://www.livablehousingaustralia.org.au)