

Planning for Retirement Living Checklist

When you decide that a retirement village is the right move for you, it's now about which one is the right one for you. Our printable checklist can help.

1. Location - What is most important to you?
 - Close to your current home.
 - Close to family or friends.
 - A sea, tree or me change.
2. Pricing - Does the cost of the home, plus the ongoing monthly fees fit into your budget?
3. Type of village - Which will suit you most?
 - Established older style village.
 - Brand new development (possibly still under construction?).
 - Apartment living
 - Serviced apartment (offers meals and other services)
4. What age group are the residents?
5. What clubs, social groups are available to join that you are interested in?
6. What activities of interest are on offer?
7. What are the community facilities? And are they important to you?
8. Are the facilities attractive and a place you would be happy to spend time in?
9. Would you be happy to invite friends and family to visit you if you lived in this community?
10. Are the homes (floorplans, gardens and entertaining areas) right for you?
11. Will your furniture fit well?
12. Is the storage space acceptable?
13. Is the security for the village and your home satisfactory?
14. Is there a sense of community activity when you visit?
15. Are the residents happy to talk to you about their experiences?
16. Future proofing - what are the public and private transport, home help, dining facilities, etc. that can be accessed if needed?