

Residents confident in their retirement choice at Sherwin Rise

For Sherwin Rise resident Jenny, the retirement village located in Melbourne's north is a reminder of her wonderful childhood.

She says the sense of community is strong as it's a place where "everyone looks out for you".

"It's easy to meet people which is one of the main reasons I decided to move into Sherwin Rise. Where I was living before, there was no sense of community," Jenny says.

"The first night here, I slept better than I had in ages because I knew the gate was locked, I knew if I needed somebody there's people around me, and I was really happy with the security."

Jenny's story is true for many residents who have confidently chosen Keyton's Sherwin Rise as their home.

Keyton retirement villages offer safety, physical and financial security as well as a focus on wellbeing and companionship for all residents, and their design takes into consideration their desire to age in place.

Chief Executive Officer of Keyton, Nathan Cockerill, says Sherwin Rise is a great community and it's expanding with the construction of stage three now underway.

He says part of the reason residents are attracted to retirement villages is they are protected under state law.

"Each state has specific Retirement Village legislation to protect the rights and interest of residents," Cockerill says.

Furthermore, he points out that Keyton offer multiple payment options to prospective residents and are transparent about contracts.

"We encourage prospective residents to seek independent financial advice before buying into a Keyton retirement living community," says Cockerill.



Residents pay no other incremental costs for Keyton's wellbeing programs and lifestyle facilities such as our pools, gyms, theatres and club or gym memberships.

Cockerill also points out retirement living residents are right-sizing into purpose-built homes which afford reduced operating costs for energy, rates and water compared to continuing to live in a large family home.

In reality, retirement villages are different to land lease communities. "Land lease differs from retirement villages in that residents buy their home and rent the land, paying site rental fees that often increase every year without resident input,"

Cockerill says.

"At Keyton, we offer contract options that provide choice to the customer on entry to determine how they wish to pay," Cockerill says.

As for Sherwin Rise resident Jenny, it's not just the sense of community but the modern, open plan living and the focus on sustainability that appeals.

"Solar panels here means cheaper electricity and the recycled water ensures you're not using as much water as well," Jenny says.

According to Jenny's neighbour and bestie, Lyn, there's a true sense of belonging and friendship in the village and that also extends to the staff who go above and beyond to ensure residents feel supported and cared for.

"All the staff in the office, they can't be any more helpful. I haven't got a printer set up at home, I went over and used theirs the other day. You know you don't feel bad going in and asking," Lyn says.

For Jenny and Lyn, it's a place where neighbours quickly become friends, and every day brings new opportunities for socialising and connecting. From happy hours to leisurely walks with their furry companions, every moment is cherished in this vibrant community.

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