## THE **STARTS**<sup>#</sup>60 **RETIREMENT VILLAGE**CHECKLIST

Does the retirement village fit my view of retired life?

Is it close enough to facilities and services such as doctors and public transport?

Is it close to family or friends?

Does the village cater for active lifestyle?

Are there facilities for me to use such as gym or swimming pool? If I'm not active, will I be paying maintenance fees for facilities I don't use? What services and facilities can I access within the village on a regular basis? What assistance is on site if I have a fall or become ill?

If my needs change, will I be able to continue living in the village independently?

Are the maintenance fees suitable for my budget?

Can I afford to pay them in the increments the village requires?

What is included in the regular service or maintenance fee you pay to live in the village?

What is and isn't included in the cost?

What is the upfront cost and what is the exit fee upon departure?

Will I be able to have a say in the day to day management decisions that affect village residents?

What is the community like?

Are there classes or activities for you to join in?

Are the neighbours friendly and welcoming?

Can I keep a pet? Or have my own private garden?

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