

Mr D Saunders M.P.

Member of the NSW Legislative Assembly

Parliament House

Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Saunders,

I have been a resident of Kintyre Country Living Retirement Village for 10 years and 10 months, being one of the first Residents to move into this village. I am asking for your help in regards the Retirement Village Exit Entitlements and Recurrent Charges Cap. I and many long-term Retirees and their families will be put in an extreme situation in these Villages when the time comes for them to be moved into an Aged Care Facility or the Resident passes on. It is so unfair for these Residents and families who have lived in these Villages to have to keep paying the Recurrent fee for so long and new Residents will not have to pay.

It could mean families have to find recurrent charges to pay it each month. I know my daughter could not afford to pay it, it would have to come out of the sale price of my house, which the way and timing these pre-loved homes may take years to sell if the 6- 12-months Exit is not passed. The Operators in this Village seem to push the sales here for the new houses being built and the new Nursing home built on site. We have people that have been sold a room at the Nursing Home whose houses are still sitting empty after nearly 12 months and other houses for 2 years at least.

I still do not understand why we will have to wait 12 months when City folk will get 6 months for exit fees to be paid out. I understand the operator can get their Valuer in and the payout could be a lot less than what we paid to move in.

Really hoping you Mr Saunders as our Representative you will when the reforms come up you will fight on our behalf as if not thousands of elderly Residents will be left to the exploitation that your Government wants to eradicate.

Thankyou for reading my letter as a very concerned Retirement Village Resident.

Yours faithfully

Sharyn Heydon