



Newsletter

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A note from Bev and Joan

As we always talk about ourselves and show-off with our progress, we think it is time to acknowledge those of you who have not yet made the final decision to pack up and join the community of a retirement village. As we see prospective clients from all over the country we have come to realise the following:

Retirement is mainly one of two things to different people:

1. Time to do all those things you never had the opportunity to do
2. Time to make new friends and ensure that you are part of a caring community

Let's take the first option. For your retirement you need a 'lock up and go' home of your choice, within a complex that takes care of your gardening and security problems. It must also offer you the assurance of future facilities which may be required when the time comes to settle down and grow old gracefully. If travel is your thing then a retirement village is the answer as the above concerns, which you have had to cope with for so many years, simply become non-existent.

The 2nd option. If your home has become a burden to you due to its size and maintenance then it is time to re-locate. The up-keep of a family home takes time and effort and as it is now 'your turn' the answer is to join the community of a retirement village. Why live behind your big walls, hardly knowing your neighbours, when you could be a part of a group of like minded people. This does not mean that you need to live in anyone's pocket but when a fellow resident walks past you, and has a friendly greeting for you your whole life can change.

A retirement village is not an old age home and everyone should realise the benefits of being a part of this type of community. Yes, there are other reasons for buying in a retirement village but as the majority of us do not want to be lonely, even though the decision to leave your home is often very difficult to make, please give a lot of thought to your own happiness. If at all possible this type of move should be done with your partner so that making friends and settling in simply forms a part of the new lifestyle you have chosen for yourselves.

Helderberg Manor in Somerset West is a steadily growing retirement village with 48 pioneers from both the 1st and 2nd options mentioned above, and each one will tell you that they have never regretted their decision to purchase a home at Helderberg Manor.

Regards, Bev

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