

Comment on the Ashbourne substantive application

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- 1 I am supportive of projects to increase supply of housing, particularly housing options appropriate for older New Zealanders and those that improve the provision of aged residential care facilities. My comments are provided for the Panel and the Developer to consider.
- 2 I encourage the developer to not only consider the retirement village being suitable for older people, but also to ensure housing options in the residential area are suitable for all life stages, including older people.
- 3 The retirement village complex includes the provision of an aged residential care facility. A positive feature of the aged residential care facility is the provision of nurses' accommodation to attract nurses to work there.
- 4 I note that there is public transport from Matamata to Hamilton, but no bus stops near the proposed retirement village. I would encourage that consideration should be given to providing communal transport for those that live at the retirement village to have access to services and facilities in Matamata.
- 5 Overall, the proposed Ashbourne Project will create housing choices for older people.
- 6 The Panel and the Developer may also like to consider the *Age-friendly Urban Places* resource as planning and development of the project continues. This resource is available on the [Office for Seniors website](#).