



Estate manager Jenni Fahey and Choice Retirement Communities regional manager Colin Ward.

A new way of living

A new housing estate for the over 55s will see more than 300 houses built in south Shepparton in the next seven years.

Land is being cleared along Channel Rd for the multi-million dollar Kensington Gardens Estate, which is being developed by Queensland-based Choice Retirement Communities.

The first stage of the development will include 50 sites, already up for sale, and an on-site recreation building which will be the social

and activities hub of the estate. Choice Retirement Communities regional manager Colin Ward said the company had already

developed four similar estates in Queensland which had grown to house almost 2300 residents.

"The estate is designed specifically for over-55s which really appeals to a lot of people," Mr Ward said.

"And demographically and statistically we've found Shepparton will be able to support

this type of project."

Mr Ward said lawns and gardens being maintained by management and living with like-minded people was also a big seller.

"There is an operating fee which will cover a range of maintenance, but basically residents are responsible for paying their power, gas and telephone bills," he said.

"The location of the estate is also important because it's in an area of residential growth . . . generally

these estates are a real community where people tend to look out for each other."

Kensington Gardens offers 12 house plans, ranging from 170 sq m to 256 sq m and costing between \$254 000 and \$384 000.

For more details about the estate phone Kensington Gardens Shepparton manager Jenni Fahey on 5822 1011, email jenni@choicerc.com.au or visit www.choicerc.com.au