## **GATEWAYS LIMITED**

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# NOTES FOR SELLERS OF GATEWAYS APARTMENTS. (V3.2)

- If you are intending to sell your apartment you should inform the Directors of your intention to sell and of the name of your real estate agent, if any.
- The Directors will then forward to you or your agent a Selling Information Form containing share numbers for each of the spaces your shareholding includes – apartment, and garage, carport and storeroom as apply. This form must be returned to the Board when an Agreement for Sale and Purchase is signed. When returned it must include your details and the buyer's details.
- Your Agreement for Sale and Purchase must include a condition that the buyer be approved by the Company, and if there is a mortgage involved, a finance clause to allow the Directors to consent to the mortgage.
- Trusts are only accepted by the company as purchasers when one or more of the named trustees is going to live in the property. The Directors must otherwise reject any sale to a Trust. Gateways Shareholders are owner/occupiers.
- You may provide the proposed purchaser with our Advisory for Buyers information which is attached.
- You must forward your original share certificate to your solicitor.
- After the Board receives the completed Selling Information Form, it will arrange an
  interview with the buyer(s). The Board can not be bound by any timeline the sale and
  purchase agreement may seek to impose on either you or the potential buyer. However,
  the Board will act to hold the buyer interview as promptly as can be reasonably arranged.
- After the interview the Board will advise your purchaser of its decision. If the Board approves the buyer it will instruct its solicitor to draw up the necessary documents for the sale of your shareholding. The Board will also inform your purchaser of the decision.
- You must arrange for your power and telecommunication connections to be terminated.
- You must ensure that you provide keys, including spares and duplicates, to the apartment, the letter box, and if applicable the storeroom and garage (including electronic door openers and emergency keys), to the buyer (via the agent).
- You must ensure that you leave the fire emergency tag hanging near the apartment entrance door.
- Your solicitor will arrange with the buyer's solicitor for any refund of levies, if necessary, via the settlement statement. Note that the levies, though payable quarterly by the 15<sup>th</sup> of May, August, November and February, are for the for the financial year 1 May to the following 30 April.

#### The Sale Process

- You are the vendor, and the onus is on you to provide all required information for the sale. The Board will not act in this capacity but will provide relevant replacement Company information to you if you have lost it.
- You are selling shares in Gateways Ltd and are not subject to legal requirements that apply to selling unit title or strata title properties.
- Upon entering a conditional Agreement for Sale and Purchase with the potential buyer, the potential buyer will need to be interviewed by the Board of Directors, who will then advise whether or not they consent to the sale.
- Once approval has been granted the Board will Advise its Lawyers and they will oversee the following processes:
  - You and Gateways Limited will enter into a Surrender of Lease and sign a share transfer form.
  - The buyer will sign a Deed of Covenant agreeing to be bound by the lease for the relevant apartment, and a new Deed of Lease for the garage or storeroom, if any.
  - o Extending the lease terms, if not already done by you.
- Fees for processing and registering the shareholding changes (by the Board's Secretary, Long and Cowan) and legal fees for preparing and registering the leases (by the Board's lawyers, Rainey Collins Lawyers) will be incurred.
- You will need to ensure you agree with the buyer in your Agreement for Sale and Purchase as to who will pay the legal fees for the transaction, including preparation of the Surrender of Lease. In most cases this is paid by the buyer. The Board will not pay any administrative or legal fees for the sale. The Board's agents are authorised to recover transaction costs from the parties requiring the transactions.

For any further information or answering questions about Gateways Ltd please contact us.

You are advised to engage legal assistance before deciding to sell your apartment.

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### ADVISORY INFORMATION TO ASSIST PURCHASERS OF GATEWAYS APARTMENTS.

- Gateways is a Company Share Apartment Complex. This form of apartment ownership is an alternative to Unit Title or Strata title or Cross Lease arrangements. In a Company Share structure the title to all the realestate is held and owned by the Company. Individual apartments have specific parcels of shares in the Company. Each parcel of shares has a lease that provides an exclusive license to occupy the apartment. The leases are all identical in form and are as specified in the Constitution of the Company. The same identical form of lease is used for shares in exclusive car parks and storage lockers, if any, that are linked to the Apartment shareholding.
- Gateways Ltd is governed by a shareholder elected Board of Directors. All Directors must be shareholders of the Company. The Company Constitution defines all the share parcels and specifies the lease wording used for all share parcels. The Constitution also specifies how the Company is governed and what the Board of Directors powers and responsibilities are. The Board is empowered to set Rules that shareholders must comply with. The Rules are directed at helping ensure all shareholders can have quiet possession and occupation of their apartments and use of common areas. The Rules also set out more detailed responsibilities of the Board to the shareholders and of the Shareholders to the Board.
- If your proposed purchase involves financing by loan or mortgage you should arrange it before proceeding to the next step of purchase. If your financing is to use the shares in Gateways as an element of security, then it is likely your lender will want to have a deed to that effect which will require Gateways approval and signing. Gateways will only sign deeds that comply with clause 5.5(b) of the Constitution which requires a clause be included in the deed. The clause, if required, is:

There is a history of mortgage arrangements not being finalised early enough before settlement date giving rise to considerable avoidable stress for all parties.

You should ensure you know all your mortgagor requirements before interview and that they can be complied with. The Board will not negotiate on mortgagor conditions.

 Ownership changes of shares in Gateways Ltd involves three parties all of whom must agree to the proposed sale and purchase before it can be finally concluded. Your Vendor and you must agree and record all matters for the transaction, then the Gateways Board must approve you as a suitable purchaser. Board approval is subject to an interview of the proposed purchaser and other intended adult occupants. At this interview the Gateways Rules will be discussed, and you will be asked to sign agreeing to comply with the Rules. This interview will also be used to confirm that the proposed ownership complies with the Gateways constitution, particularly if a Trust or non-resident owner is involved. After the Interview you will be advised of the Board decision.

Your sale and purchase agreement can not be fully unconditional until the Board gives approval. Be sure your purchase agreement allows sufficient time for the interview and Board approval to be completed.

- On the day of settlement of your purchase contract you should be given keys including spares, for your apartment, letterbox, and any garage or storeroom included with the purchase. The Board will not provide these items or duplicates of them.
- You should be aware that the purchase will incur costs from the Board Secretary (Long and Cowan) for the shareholding certificate processing and registration; as well as from the Board Lawyers (Rainey Collins Lawyers) for handling the leases, any mortgage deed, and registrations as needed. You will be invoiced by those Companies for their costs and disbursements.
- Some associated points of interest about your proposed purchase.
  - ✓ Gateways contains 57 apartments, three of which are "double units". The apartments were constructed in the early 1960s and first occupied in 1966.
  - ✓ The Gateways constitution and Gateways shareholders place high value on "owner occupier" credentials. This gives a very stable community in which all residents have a common vested interest in the quality of the buildings and the quality of their living environment.
  - ✓ Gateways apartments are not allowed to be used as rental properties.
  - ✓ Gateways rules prohibit pets, but assistance dogs are permitted as per law.
  - ✓ Visitor carparks are not to be used as added shareholder parking spaces.
  - ✓ The Gateways residential building is built in two wings that are solidly linked up
    to level 4 and flexibly coupled at higher levels. Apartments A to D and the lifts
    with their foyers are in the east wing and apartments E to H are in the west
    wing.
  - ✓ The building is constructed of reinforced poured concrete and concrete blocks. The roofing of the two wings was renewed in 2001 by placing a continuous fibre reinforced membrane (EQUUS) on top of a plywood substrate attached over the original iron roofing. The mebrane was recoated by an approved EQUUS applicator in 2017.
  - ✓ The Kaikoura earthquake of 2016 did not cause structural damage to the Gateways buildings, but minor superficial and cosmetic damage did occur. No occupants were displaced and no services faltered.
  - ✓ Gateways was independently analysed for Seismic performance by Spencer Holmes Ltd in 2018. The assessment determined a rating of 70% of the NBS criteria.
  - ✓ Gateways is insured for full replacement value.
  - ✓ The building was fitted with fibre internet capability to every apartment in 2018.

- ✓ A commercial duty Sky TV dish operates, but not all apartments have that cable connected or may be able to be connected.
- ✓ At present no electric charging facilities are available for vehicles. Electrical plug outlets in garages are only available to operate the electric garage doors. No other use is permitted.
- ✓ A limited number of bike hooks for secure storage of cycles are available for lease from the Board.
- ✓ The Board currently has a policy of continous maintenance and refurbishment. Key items for the next 10 years are: exterior painting and reglazing to the east and west building ends. south walkway windshield renewal at doorways, renewal of roof top water supply systems, water sealing of the glazing in the central stairway, and roof balustrade safety and membrane management.
- ✓ At the July 2022 AGM Gateways Shareholders resolved to increase the term of all leases by 30 years with effect from 22 November 2022 giving an expiry date of 22 November 2096. This extension of term will be automatically made when a change of ownership occurs on or after after 22 November 2022, if not already done by the incumbent shareholder.

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