Gerry Wood, the Independent Member for Nelson, he is disgusted that the owner of Lee Point Caravan Park has sent out the attached notice to residents of the park since the amendments to the Residential Tenancies Act.

Gerry says that new laws passed in Parliament gave protection to residents from unfair and short notice rent increases as well as unfair removal from a park.

These changes to the Act now give residents some equality with people who rent a house or a unit, an equality that has not been available to long term caravan park residents for over 10 years.

Gerry says that the changes to the Act set out the rights and obligations of both the owner and the resident. He say that the objections against the Act (the Act is similar to other states) are exaggerated to put the worst possible light on the changes.

The facts are that some owners and the CLP are not willing to accept that long term residents should have some rights is amazing.

The owner of Lee Point Caravan Park obviously doesn’t like any new rules. The proposal to stop accepting long term residents shows how little the owner of the park cares for the people who live there.

Gerry says that for owners of caravan parks to use the legislation to avoid their responsibilities just reinforces the argument that long term caravan parks residents need protection.