

Buy the field

The young person sets out hopefully with aspiration and joy. Works hard, studies hard, save responsibly,

And buys the field.

Takes the risk

And gets the treasure

The young person suffers for the sake of a mortgage

Endures friends who seem free of responsibility

Listens to endless advice without practical commitment

But still remains faithful to the objective

And buys the field.

Takes the risk

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OK

That's the young people

But why should they be the only ones called upon to take on the challenge

Why should they have a monopoly of the difficult decisions?

Those later years are portrayed as a period of wisdom and calm

But are not without dilemma

Don't leave a will leave a bill

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The house the children grew up in

The one stuffed with memories

And an infinite number of items that will come in useful

You do not need that big house

Its maintenance can become a burden

Move when you are fit enough

Buy the stair lift before you limp

Seek out the safety and comfort of a home more suitable

And buy the field.

Take the risk

Get the treasure

Even the option for retirement
The one that is not based upon a massive pension
The one that means you must change lifestyle
You survived when you had nothing
And managed to feed the kids
Retire while you are fit enough
Seek out activity that creates independence
And buy the field.
Take the risk
Get the treasure
Or those children that you are still paying for
The ones who should now be independent
Rarely do you question spending money on them
Why not spend some money on yourself
Not foolishly but well
A new bed, a new set of pans, a trip to see your sister
Seek out others would give you
Spend the money
Buy the field.
Take the risk
Get the treasure
Yes you could get it wrong
Yes there are difficulties
Why should the youth have a monopoly of the difficult decisions?
Those later years are portrayed as a period of wisdom and calm
But they are not without dilemma
You perhaps need more courage as you grow older
However
Keep the faith
Buy the field
Take the risk
Get the treasure.