



A Truly Independent Family Run Practice

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Our Practice

We are a truly independent, family run small animal (pet) vet practice in the heart of Longridge.

The practice has been established for many years. Paul and Jill took over the practice in 2014. Paul is our principle veterinary surgeon, and is supported by his assistant vets Nigel White and Grace Slater.

Because we are independent we make our own choices and run the practice as we wish to suit the needs of our clients. We pride ourselves on fair and open pricing. We keep all our prices, be it for a consultation, a vaccination or a large operation fair, open and competitive with other practices.

We are proud to have a veterinary practice that offers a wide range of in-house modern facilities, surgical techniques and medical skills, yet we are small enough to form relationships with our clients and their pets, and offer them a personal service. Providing excellent customer care is very important to us. You are always welcome to request an appointment with the vet of your choice.

Providing exceptional standards of care is something that we're passionate about. Our vets pride themselves on keeping up to date and ensuring that they do the most for your pet. Each year we make significant investment in new equipment and staff training and education to help us to keep your pets healthy.

Opening Times

Monday to Friday 08:00 – 19:00

Saturday 08:30 – 12:00

Sundays Closed

When we are closed our out of hours partner Vets Now will be there to assist you. See over for details.

Appointments

You can make an appointment over the phone, or online via our website. If it's an emergency please do not use the website, we would rather talk to you and make sure we see your pet as quickly as possible.

Keeping in Touch

Please ensure that we have up to date contact numbers and an email address. We use these to send you reminders such as for your pet's vaccines and flea or wormer treatment.



Like us on Facebook – you'll keep up to date with our news and help us find lost pets!

Our Team

We have a small dedicated and committed team who pride themselves on forming strong relationships with our clients and their pets. They are diligent in all aspects of looking after your pet, and always strive to go the extra mile to ensure that they have done the most that they can.

Paul is our clinical director. He has been a small animal vet since graduating from The University of Liverpool. Following graduation he completed an internship at Edinburgh University's Small Animal Hospital, and later went on to work at a PDSA Petaid Hospital, followed by Vets Now. He joined the practice at Longridge in 2011 and has not looked back. Paul consistently strives to provide the best and most up to date care for your pet. He has a GP Certificate in Small Animal Surgery. He relishes the challenge of solving a problem be it surgical or medical.

Nigel joined the practice on a permanent basis in 2016. He is well known to the practice and has visited regularly for work experience and student placements since age 14! Following graduation from vet school he worked as a mixed practice vet (small animal, farm and equine). He soon realised that his passion lay in small animal practice and joined our team.

Grace the Longridge team in 2020, though has been part of the practice for many years. Prior to commencing her vet training she completed work experience with us, and then had placements at Longridge Vets during her training. Outside of work she is an accomplished horsewoman and competes in dressage.

Our vets are supported by our experienced nursing team. They are skilled and knowledgeable in many aspects of pet care. We can provide nurse consults for problems such as weight control, or nail clipping. Additionally we are fortunate to have Bruce our locum Vet who helps cover during holidays and on Saturdays. Paul's wife Jill is our Non-Clinical Director and practice manager.

Out of Hours Emergencies

As pet owners we know only too well how distressing it is when your pet suddenly becomes unwell. Getting the best care quickly is paramount. When we are closed we have subscribed to Vets Now Preston to provide you with emergency care.

As a three vet practice covering emergencies 24 hours per day, 7 days a week is not feasible. It would result in exhausted vets who were either off or too tired during the day! In subscribing to Vets Now we know that your pet is being looked after by dedicated out of hours vets and nurses. They can be contacted when we're closed on 01772378764. Equally, if your pet needs continued veterinary care when we are closed, Vets Now are able to monitor your pet overnight, or over the weekend at their clinic.

Our Services

Preventative Medicine Annual vaccinations, flea and wormers are essential for your pet's health. As time passes the fleas and worms adjust to preventative medicine and develop to overcome the product. This means that the pharmaceutical industry must stay one step ahead! Our vets and nurses have regular training to make sure that they are aware of such issues and which products will be the most effective. A regular good quality flea and wormer has many benefits to you pet and your family! Our team is always happy to advise. If you struggle to collect a flea and wormer we have a scheme where we can deliver the products to your door.

We recommend regular weigh ins. We'll keep a record of your pet's weight – pop in whenever you're walking past.

Pet Food Just like people a good diet is very important for your pet's health. We are always happy to provide advice about diets. We stock a range of Hill's Vet Essential and prescription diets. A prescription diet can be recommended to help with a particular problem such as joint pain, a sensitive stomach, or dental problems.

Diagnostics We have a variety of in-house digital blood and digital urine analysis equipment. This means that we can get results within hours rather than waiting for them to be returned from an external lab. There are things that need to be sent away, we have excellent relationships with specialist veterinary laboratories.

Quiet kennels In addition to our regular kennels we have additional quiet glass fronted kennels. These are particularly good for timid cats or small furry pets that wish to have peace and quiet away from the hustle and bustle of the other in patients.

Imaging We can perform comprehensive imaging in-house. We have a digital x-ray and a modern ultrasound scanner with which our vets can carry out ultrasound scans of internal organs including the heart and liver. Our vets have attended training in the interpretation of complex scans.

Surgery We have highly competent and experienced surgeons. We are able to offer complex surgical techniques such as fracture and cruciate repairs.

Keyhole Surgery We have invested in equipment and training to perform laparoscopic (keyhole) bitch spays. We were the first in the region to offer this. Performing this keyhole involves only two 6mm incisions and is much less painful with a faster recovery. See our leaflet or website for further details.

Breeding If you are a breeder or are considering breeding do have a look on our website. We have a leaflet with lots of breeding advice and details about fertility testing that we offer.

And, we haven't forgot to mention....

Ample parking

Puppy socialisation classes

Online booking

Dental checks & theatre

ECG

Microchipping

Fair open pricing

Do look at our website for lots more information:

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