# When it's time to say goodbye

Making the decision to say goodbye to your pet can be very emotional. Although it is incredibly difficult, euthanasia is often the most humane option for pets who are extremely ill, injured or lack a quality of life. We understand this can be one of the toughest moments as an owner, and our caring vet team are here to support you every step of the way.

### **BEFORE YOUR APPOINTMENT**

There are a few different options available for pet euthanasia. We understand your appointment may be overwhelming, therefore we welcome you to look at the available options prior to visiting us. You will get the opportunity to confirm your choice when you are at the practice. If you have any questions about any of the products, please call us and a member of our team will be happy to help you.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

The process of pet euthanasia is quick and painless. You can choose whether you would like to be present or not, some owners find it too difficult whereas others take comfort in knowing that their last moments were peaceful. At the start of your appointment, you will be asked to sign a consent form and choose an option for the aftercare. The vet will take your pet into a different room to have an IV catheter placed, this allows the drugs to be administered smoothly and easily. Then, they will bring them back into the room, ready for the procedure to begin. The process usually involves an injection that causes your pet to fall unconscious, as if they were sleeping, calm and free of pain. Their breathing will then slow down and eventually stop. You are welcome to stay with your pet afterwards for as long as you like. Our team is here for you.

# AFTER YOUR APPOINTMENT

Depending on your choice of aftercare, we will notify you for collection. We know losing a pet can affect people in many ways. If you would like additional support beyond the help of our team, the Blue Cross pet bereavement helpline may be useful to you. You can call them on 0800 096 6606 or visit their website bluecross.org.uk for more information.

### Here are the available options:

The option you choose will affect the overall price. The prices shown are for cats and dogs and include the cost of euthanasia. For smaller animals, please contact us.

- Home burial £72.60
- Cremation with NO ashes returned £132.00
- Individual cremation and return of ashes in either:



Scatter Tube £161.70



Paw Print Urn £181.50



Wooden Casket (Light) with personalised brass plate inscription £201.30



Wooden Casket (Dark) with personalised brass plate inscription £201.30

## Optional extras:

• Pawprint Keepsake Small £16.27 Large £27.58

This memorial resembles a paw print made in sand. It includes a frame and a special setting for a photograph of your pet.