

Farm Newsletter

Castle Veterinary Group

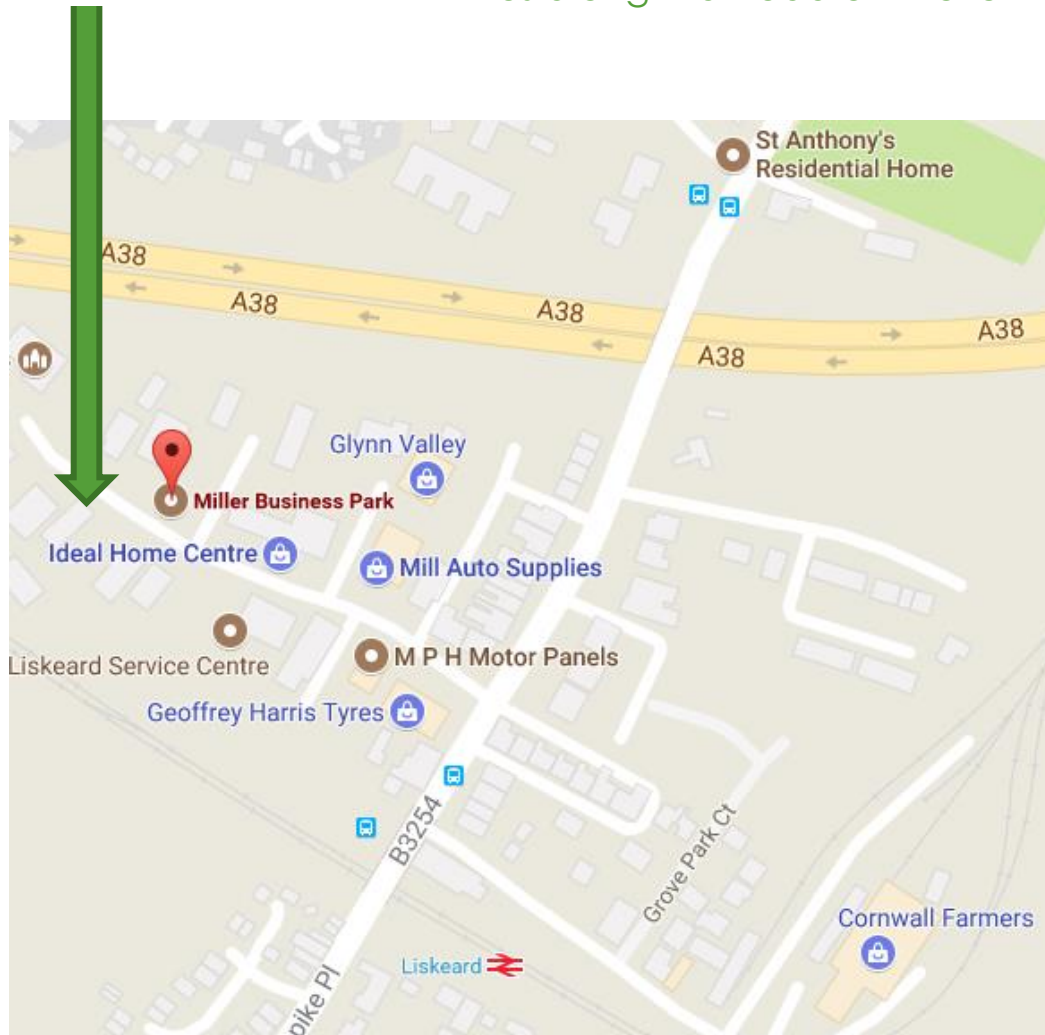
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New Premises at Liskeard Open For Business



We are pleased to announce that our new farm animal premises at Liskeard opened on 1st September. We have a reception area, medicine dispensary and lambing bay. You can find us at:

Unit 1, Miller Court, Miller Business Park, Liskeard PL14 4DA (turn in by Geoffrey Harris Tyres and find us along that road on the left hand side)



Opening Hours:
Monday – Friday
9am – 1pm

A Word From The Vet...Worming & Fluke Treatment at Housing



Gutworm larvae can inhibit (hibernate) in the stomach lining of cattle over winter and then emerge *en masse* in the Spring, causing scour and weight loss. This is known as Type II disease. Housing provides the perfect opportunity to use a Group 1 (white) or Group 3 (clear) wormer which targets the inhibited larvae. Housing also provides flexible fluke treatment options. Different products target the various stages of the liver fluke life cycle:

| Drug name | Example | How long after housing |
|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Nitroxynil | Trodax injection | 7 weeks |
| Closantel | Closamectin pour on | 7 weeks |
| Clorsulon | Ivomec Super injection | 8 weeks |
| Oxyclosanide | Zanil oral drench | 10 weeks |

For example from the above table Trodax targets fluke from 7 weeks, therefore, you should wait 7 weeks after housing before treating with that product to clear out any fluke present. If unsure, please feel free to phone us for advice.

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Quarantine Treatment for Sheep

Here is just one possible treatment option:

Worms: Use a Group 4 (Zolvix) or Group 5 (Startect) wormer to target the gutworms, including any that may be resistant to other wormers

Liver Fluke: Use a Closantel product (e.g. Flukiver), move the sheep to dry ground and repeat the treatment 6 weeks later

Scab: The appropriate scab product to choose will vary from farm to farm. Please phone the surgery for advice

Quarantine Step-By-Step



1. **Isolate** (quarantine) in-coming stock. Yard for the first 24-48 hours and then keep them isolated from the resident flock for as long as possible, 3 weeks being the absolute minimum.
2. **Treat** the sheep against worms, fluke and scab while they are yarded.
3. **Maintain** isolation when they are turned out to field(s) that have carried sheep this season