



CASTLE VETS PETS

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Retractable Leads & the Risks They Pose While Visiting the Vet



Retractable leads appeal to many dog owners for their ability to allow your four legged friend more freedom to move about and explore, but these leads can cause problems in enclosed spaces, situations where you are unable to give your dog your full attention or in places that are shared by other families with pets.

While visiting the vet, dogs may be feeling unwell, be in pain or may just behave differently to how they would at home. We therefore recommend that you do not bring your dog into the vets on a retractable lead as there is a chance that a “roaming dog” could have harmful interactions with other dogs in the reception area. Cats may also feel unnecessary fear and stress if a curious dog on an unlocked lead makes their way into the cat waiting area.

If you arrive at the practice and discover you only have a retractable lead with you, please speak with a member of the reception team who will provide you with a short lead which can then be returned before you make the journey home again.

Retractable leads can also get tangled up easily which could become a trip hazard or result in injury to the dog or the people attempting to untangle them. A tangled dog could become frightened and unpredictable, creating a greater risk of bites or cord injuries.



Castle Care Club

Joining our Castle Care Club provides the most cost-effective way to give your pet everything they need to stay healthy. Membership provides preventative healthcare for year-round protection, including vaccinations, flea and worm treatments and health checks, plus discounts on all other products and services such as consultations, surgeries and medicines. If you would like to join or would like more information, then give us a call on 01566 772211.



Castle Care Club Juniors

Did you know that we also have a Castle Care Club Juniors membership? It includes:

- Initial vaccinations and full vet health check
- Microchipping
- Full year of flea and worm treatments
- Up to 50% off neutering
- Puppy preschool (4 weeks)

This is covered by a one-off payment at enrolment of £155 for puppies and £140 for kittens with the aim of ensuring their best health and well-being up until their first birthday, after which they can join our Castle Care Club for adult pets.



Bee Friendly Planters



We have recently replaced the old wooden planters, which were no longer fit for purpose, with some galvanised troughs. As part of our pledge to become a greener practice we wanted to create an area that could become a haven for pollinators and brighten up the outside of the building at the same time. These planters should last for years to come and we hope they will be enjoyed by all who visit Castle Vets including the bees.

