



# Join the Hillpark V.I.P Club!



When those tiny four paws step through your door for the first time, your new pet will look to you for a lifetime of love and attention. As your pet grows, we would like you to know that Hillpark is with you every step of the way with preventative care, reproductive procedures, diet, general well-being and health checks.

**The Hillpark V.I.P Club** provides complete care for every life stage from young to senior pet.

**It's free to join** and to remain a lifetime member is simple. Just have your pet vaccinated annually at Hillpark Vets.

### Annual Benefits

- 10% discount on ● Neutering ● Dental work
- 6 pack flea and worm treatments

### Lifestage Benefits

- FREE nutrition, arthritis and diabetes clinics with a nurse.
- FREE dental and flea checks with a nurse.

*For the new arrival in your household.....*

### Kitten Early Care Package for £95 includes

- Free Hillpark VIP Club membership
- Full vaccination programme
- One month flea and worm treatment
- Microchipping ● Neutering

### Puppy Early Care Package for £62 includes

- Free Hillpark VIP Club membership
- Full vaccination programme
- One month flea and worm treatment
- Microchipping ● Neutering



*If you would like further information on the Hillpark VIP Club, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here to help.*

## Long in the Tooth

*Bugs Bunny may have two very long front teeth as part of his cartoon character, but in the real world of rabbits, overgrown teeth can be very painful and unpleasant for your pet!*



The molars and premolars are known as the cheek teeth. A rabbit's teeth grow continuously, but the grinding, chewing and rotary action of the upper and lower cheek teeth while eating, help 'wear down' the length. However, if for some reason this action does not happen, from possibly a wrong diet or the teeth are not aligned correctly, then problems begin to occur.

### Signs to watch out for

- Unable to chew/not eating ● Weight loss
- Nasal discharge ● Runny eyes ● Drooling
- Abscess ● Mouth cuts ● Pain

### Rabbits don't just eat carrots!

An important part of your rabbit's diet is hay and grass, which help grind down the teeth. This food also provides a high source of fibre to assist the digestive system. An all in one pellet food is better than a mix, as your rabbit may pick out the tasty bits and leave the essential nutritious bits behind!

A limited amount of fresh fruit and veg is okay, but we can discuss in detail exactly what is best to feed your rabbit to help stop dental problems occurring. Bring your rabbit along, so we can check over their teeth to ensure all is in order. Call our reception team for an appointment.



### Harold Hill

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Monday to Friday 9am - 6.30pm  
Saturday 9am - 12.30pm

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Sunday 10am - 6.30pm ★

Consultations by Appointment  
24 hour 7 day  
Emergency Service

www.hillparkvets.co.uk  
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## Don't weight until it's too late!

Dare we even think about how much comfort food we have eaten over the cold winter months! Dogs and cats never appear to experience guilt feelings about what type or how much food they devour! Owners give it and pets eat it.....it's as simple as that, but just like us, their waistlines do expand!

### Do you think you could be overfeeding your pet?

Tubby and chubby are just 'cute' names pets can be called when they are looking a little rotund. **Obesity is not cute, as for pets to be overweight is a serious problem.** Overfeeding, incorrect diet, titbits, table scraps and lack of daily exercise, all contribute to pets being fat. That slice of buttered toast you have just given your cat or dog, is equivalent to your pet eating a whole burger! Combine this with their normal daily intake of food, plus lack of exercise, and there you have it, the perfect recipe for weight gain!

**Obesity Health Problems Heart disease Diabetes Arthritis High blood pressure Breathing difficulties**

**Take Action!** If your pet's weight is heavy on your mind, then now is the time to contact us. We offer free nurse clinics, where our friendly team can help your pet lose those unhealthy kilos and maintain a perfect weight. Sometimes there can be an underlying condition that is causing your pet to be overweight. So before embarking on any new diet or exercise plan, it is always best to seek advice from us.

**Remember we are here to help you keep your pet healthy and happy!**



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## No Fleas Please!

Hey....you humans out there....Frank Flea here just to remind you how irritating us fleas are for your pets....great fun!

Come on now people....you've had itchy, creepy & irritating midge bites, but can your pets dab on a spot of soothing cream? Ah no....they must rely on you for treatment. We can visit your pets at any time, and on those that have no protection....we make their skin sore and cause lots of scratching & nibbling. If we really get stuck in....weight loss & anaemia, especially in young animals.



We drive them crazyeee, and not just in the summer, we live and breed all year round! Flora Flea lays thousands of eggs on pets, their bedding, your carpets and even in the gaps in wood floors, where they hide in your snug central heating waiting to hatch....could be in a few days or several months later....but it's not



as easy as it used to be, flea treatments for pets & homes deal with us pretty quickly. Only break we get is that some people don't use them as often as they should, and I'm the living proof! But hey I see a vet....so I'm off....to the party on that tabby cat at number 14!

**Advice on a suitable flea treatment for your pet is available at our surgery.**

## Reminder!

If your dog is not yet microchipped, then call us now to book an appointment. **From 6 April 2016 your dog must be microchipped by law.** Also ensure that any existing microchip contact details are correct. For more information, please do contact us.

**Updates!** Have you recently moved house, got a new mobile number or email address? Then you need to call us, so we can update your details and patient records on our database. Having the correct information is vital, in case of an emergency involving your pet.



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