



Scott Veterinary Clinic News



Spring
2026

Opening hours

(excluding Bank Holidays)

Bedford:

Mon-Fri 08.00-19.00

Sat 09.00-17.00

Sun EMERGENCIES ONLY

405 Goldington Road

MK41 0DS

01234 261622

Sharnbrook:

Mon, Thurs, Fri 09.00-17.00

Tues + Wed 09.00-19.00

Sat/Sun Closed

44 High Street

MK44 1PF

01234 782204

Wixams:

Mon, Weds & Fri 09.00-17:00

Tues & Thurs

09:00-19:00/18:00

Sat/Sun Closed

(next to Garden Centre)

Bedford Road

MK45 3HU

01234 742423

Please specify your vet and branch preference when booking your appointment.

In the event of an emergency please call 01234 261622

For information on our out of hours service please scan

the QR code:



Veterinary Sustainability

Did you know here at Scott Veterinary Clinic we have a dedicated **GREEN TEAM** who oversee the implementation of initiatives aimed at reducing our use of natural resources and raw materials, optimising management of veterinary waste, encouraging responsible use of veterinary medicines and moving towards more sustainable products and policies.

Over the last few years our Green Team have undertaken several initiatives including:

- Streamlining our waste management.
- Switching to cardboard rather than plastic pharmaceutical waste bins.
- Planting wildflowers in our practice garden.
- Implementing antibiotic policies and audits which have led to a reduction in their use.
- Installing an isoflurane (an anaesthetic and potent greenhouse gas) capturing device in our main theatre.
- Committing to calculating an annual carbon footprint.

The results of our carbon calculators has shown our total CO₂e (carbon dioxide equivalent) of 78.17 tonnes in 2023 reduce to 67.91 tonnes in 2024. Look out for our 2025 results coming soon! For

further information or to view our environmental policy visit

<https://scottveterinaryclinic.co.uk/environmental-sustainability>



Spring has sprung.....

Spring has arrived and Easter is on its way. The days are warmer, the evenings are getting longer, and the wildlife is emerging once again. You might be tending to your gardens and preparing for spending more time outside over the Easter weekend. With this brings added hazards for our four-legged friends at home:

MARCH IS PET POISONING AWARENESS MONTH

With this we aim to raise awareness of the dangers to our pets in the spring months such as:

Daffodils tulips

crocuses Hyacinths

lilies

Weedkiller/ fertilizers

bluebells Slug pellets

Adder bites

Chocolate

Rasins/sultanas/hot cross buns



If ingested these can cause symptoms such

as vomiting, diarrhoea, hypersalivation, panting, restlessness and seizures.

Please keep all plants, Easter treats and garden products out of the reach of your pets and if you think your cat or dog has ingested or chewed anything it shouldn't or shows any of the above symptoms then please contact us immediately on our main number – **01234 261622**



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Put a spring in your step with some fitness and fun!

The hydrotherapy treadmill is often used for arthritis management and post-operative rehabilitation; however, it can also be used for fitness and fun!

Our on-site hydro-aquatic treadmill is run by our own qualified and experienced hydrotherapy team.

Here at Scotts in Bedford, they'll never feel out of their depth!

For details, please visit our website hydrotherapy page or call our friendly team on 01234 261622



Scotts For Life Health Plans- start saving today!

We all know the value and benefit of keeping our pets happy and healthy – but we want to help reduce and spread the cost of routine preventative healthcare for your pet. Join our Pet Health Plan today and your pet will benefit from preventative treatments and services all at discounted prices that are collected in an easy monthly direct debit by our plan administrator, Vetsure.

Treatments include:

- Annual core vaccinations
- Parasite control
- Microchipping or discounted diet
- Mid-vaccine health check
- Nail clipping



Our Pet Health Plan has been designed for dogs, cats and rabbits **speak to a member of our team to sign up today!**

Wixams opening hours from April 2026

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 09:00-17:00

Tuesday & Thursday: 09:00-18:00

Laparoscopic Spays are carried out routinely at Scott Veterinary Clinic.
Please ask for details

Watch out for those pesky grass seeds!

It's that time of year again where there are lots of seeds around as well as pollen and other potential risks for our pets. Grass seeds can imbed themselves in our pets paws, armpits, ears, noses and even eyes, causing a lot of discomfort and potential sores. Please remember to check between each toe and around their face after each walk for any seeds.

Pollen can also be a problem for some pets causing allergies resulting in itchy and sometimes red and inflamed skin. You may want to wipe your pet down with a damp cloth after walks to remove pollen and wash their bedding regularly. If you suspect a problem with your pet please call our reception team.



Why monitor blood pressure?

Monitoring blood pressure in pets, particularly cats over 8 years old is crucial to detect hypertension which can cause blindness, kidney failure, heart disease, and strokes. Regular screenings can help manage underlying diseases like hyperthyroidism or chronic kidney disease, preventing damage to eyes, kidneys, and the brain. There are so many at-risk patients who would benefit from earlier treatment and that is why we now offer **FREE blood pressure monitoring** for all patients over 8 years old, when they come in for their routine annual vaccination and when they attend their mid vaccine health check with a nurse. A charge will apply for this service at other times. Please enquire with our team.

