



Laparoscopic Surgery

Introducing Laparoscopic Surgery: A Safer, Less Invasive Option for Your Pet

At Newton Clarke Veterinary Surgeons, we are constantly looking for ways to provide the best possible care for your pets. We're excited to announce that we have recently acquired state-of-the-art laparoscopy equipment, allowing us to offer minimally invasive surgical procedures.

This technology is now available for a range of procedures, and can include:

- **Laparoscopic spaying** – a less painful, less invasive alternative to traditional spaying
- **Removal of retained testicles** (cryptorchid neutering)
- **Biopsies of internal organs** (liver, pancreas, etc.)
- **Rhinoscopy** – investigating nasal conditions such as chronic sneezing or nasal discharge
- **Bronchoscopy** – assessing and treating airway problems, such as removing foreign bodies
- **Cystoscopy** – examining and treating bladder conditions

What is Laparoscopic Surgery?

Laparoscopy, also known as keyhole surgery, is a minimally invasive technique that uses a small camera and fine surgical instruments inserted through very small incisions. This approach reduces pain, speeds up recovery, and lowers the risk of complications compared to traditional open surgery.

Benefits of Laparoscopic Surgery for Your Pet:

- ✓ Smaller incisions – meaning less pain and a quicker return to normal activity
- ✓ Reduced risk of infection and complications
- ✓ Minimal internal trauma – reducing post-operative discomfort
- ✓ Faster recovery times – allowing your pet to get back to their usual behaviours sooner



Why Choose Laparoscopic Spaying?

One of the most common laparoscopic procedures we now offer is keyhole spaying.

Compared to traditional spaying, laparoscopic spaying:

- Uses only two small incisions rather than one large abdominal incision
- Results in less pain and faster healing
- Reduces the need for post-operative pain relief
- Allows for a quicker return to exercise

Please note that due to the nature of the technique and the sterile preparation required, a larger area of your pet's abdomen will be clipped than with a traditional spay.

Many pet owners who have chosen laparoscopic spaying say their dogs are back to normal within 2-3 days instead of the usual 10-14 days with traditional spaying.

Is Laparoscopic Surgery Right for My Pet?

Laparoscopic surgery is ideal for many pets, particularly young, healthy animals needing routine procedures or those requiring minimally invasive surgeries. However, some cases may still require traditional surgery, and our team will always discuss the best options for your pet's individual needs. While laparoscopic surgery offers many advantages, it's important to remember that all procedures under general anaesthesia carry some level of risk. Please speak to a member of our team if you'd like to discuss this further.

If you'd like to learn more about laparoscopic surgery or discuss whether it's the right option for your pet, please contact one of our team today.

We're thrilled to bring this technology to our practice and offer a safer, more comfortable experience for your pets.

