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Independent, Kind and Honest Veterinary Care in the Heart of Ryedale

Euthanasia: Putting Pets to Sleep

Unfortunately our beloved pets do not live forever. Inevitably there will come a time when due to disease, injury or just old age, the decision will have to be made to put a pet to sleep for the benefit of its welfare.

This can be a very difficult decision to make, especially with pets that have been members of the family for a long time, or those with conditions that have been waxing and waning for long periods.

At Ryedale Vets we take a sympathetic and supportive role to help you through this difficult time. We will discuss the clinical details of your pet's condition, and will always offer possible treatment alternatives where possible, though in some cases there may not be any alternatives.

You pet and yourself will always be treated with the utmost respect during the euthanasia process. We always encourage owners to stay with your pet during this painless procedure, although we are understanding if owners prefer just to leave their pet with us.

Many owners often prefer to have their pets put to sleep at home, and we are happy to accommodate this. In these situations both a vet and a nurse will attend the visit. Following euthanasia, owners can take their pet for home burial, or leave them with us for cremation with a pet crematorium. Private cremation is also available for owners who would like their pet's ashes back, with a range of scatter boxes and caskets available

We are always here to support you in this difficult period, and will always make time to discuss all alternatives and details with you. Our clients and patients are important and personal to us, and you can rest assured that you and your pet will never be treated as 'just another case'.