

# Meet our 2023 Linnaeus Graduate Development Programme Host Practices



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# Blacks Vets

- Blacks Vets has been caring for the Black Country's pet community since 1965. The main hospital site in Dudley is a 24/7 RCVS Accredited Hospital, providing 24/7 emergency services and in-patient hospital care. This provides an exciting and varied clinical case load, including emergency and critical care, whilst allowing for case continuity.
- The dedicated team work to provide a high standard of primary care service alongside a Certificate led referral service, ensuring new graduates will have exposure to a wide variety of clinical cases and a wealth of experience to learn from and be guided by. Blacks have a long history of mentoring and supporting new graduates and they aim to deliver across all the core foundations of the Linnaeus GDP.
- Blacks has a highly qualified team of 18 veterinary surgeons over 5 sites, including certificate holders in surgery, cardiology, imaging, internal medicine, dermatology and Advanced Veterinary Practice. Blacks provide Primary Care Services and Certificate-led Referral services in:
  - Orthopaedic and soft tissue surgery, including TPLO, laparoscopy and arthroscopy
  - Cardiology, including 24-hour ECG monitoring, ECHO, bronchoscopy
  - Imaging including on-site CT, ultrasonography and a visiting MRI
  - Internal medicine, including endoscopy
  - Dermatology
- The state-of-the-art facilities include 12 operating theatres, CT scanner, digital x-rays, dedicated dental theatre with digital x-rays, laparoscopic equipment, endoscope, ultrasound and visiting MRI. Hospital facilities including oxygen kennel, incubators and multiparameter monitors
- Blacks are extremely proud to be an award-winning practices and their accolades include "Best Place to Work" at the Express and Star's Business Awards 2019, Pet Plan Vet of the Year Finalist 2019, Workplace Wellbeing Award 2018 and Best UK Vets 205, 2016 and 2017 to name just a few.

## Key Details:

Location:

Dudley,  
West Midlands

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role



# Boundary Vets

- Boundary Vets has been part of the local community for over 10 years. Their aim is to provide the highest standard of veterinary care for local pets, whilst offering a personal touch.
- Boundary is a single site, primary care practice with a friendly and approachable team ready to provide support and guidance to a new graduate. Their vets have a range of experience levels, from recent graduate to over 20 years. Working alongside their vet team, they have a compassionate and clinically excellent nursing team.
- Boundary Vets is an RCVS-Accredited Small Animal Practice, with well equipped facilities including ultrasound, dental radiography and endoscopy. There are small animal medicine certificate holders in the vet team and the practice also offers in-house orthopaedics and echocardiography services.
- Boundary has previously been involved in the Linnaeus Graduate Development Programme and are ready to welcome a new graduate in 2023 into their friendly and supportive team.

## Key Details:

Location:

Abingdon,  
Oxfordshire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role

# Calder Vets

Calder Vets Brighouse is one of Calder's larger clinics. We offer a full range of primary care services, such as consultations, preventative healthcare, routine and non-routine surgery, dentistry and imaging (x-ray and ultrasound). We also have a lovely staff break room upstairs with comfy sofas to enjoy your down time. We have great primary care facilities with separate cat/dog waiting areas (we are proudly Cat Friendly), two air-conditioned consultation rooms, preps area, dental equipment including X-ray, imaging room with X-ray and ultrasound and theatre.

We are a small and friendly team of three vets (Joanna, Arianna and Joel), two RVNs (Lauren and Kym), one PCA (Eleanor) and three receptionists (Zoe, Vicky and Amelia) and we have a loyal client base.

We are lucky to be supported by our Tier 3 Hospital in Dewsbury where you can refer (and follow) cases in house for soft tissue and orthopaedic surgery, ophthalmology and imaging (ultrasound, endoscopy, CT, MRI), as well as for rehabilitation services (physio, hydro, laser) through our own physiotherapist led Rehabilitation Centre. Dewsbury also offers 24-hour on-site emergency care through our dedicated ECC night team, so you always know your patients are well looked after out of hours.

Some things to know about us:

- Our ethos is clinical excellence, and we try and live by our core values Client and patient care are at the heart of what we do
- We are working towards our Investors in the Environment Bronze award
- We prioritise mental health and wellbeing with a team of trained Mental Health First Aiders in the practice

## Key Details:

Location:

Brighouse, West  
Yorkshire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role



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# Cinque Ports Vets

- Cinque Ports is an RCVS-Accredited Practice with extensive surgical, diagnostic and medical facilities across 6 sites in the Kent/ East Sussex area. The hospital at Kingsnorth is an RCVS-Accredited Hospital and has Gold ISFM Accreditation.
- The practice boasts a highly experienced and supportive team with a number of certificate holders. This graduate role presents an exciting learning opportunity to work alongside an experienced team and develop skills across all areas of clinical practice. The team are dedicated to teaching and learning from one another, holding regular meetings to facilitate this.
- The practice is well equipped and includes digital radiography, doppler ultrasonography, in-house laboratory, laparoscopic equipment and video endoscope and bronchoscope.
- Cinque Ports is very experienced with new graduates and has supported graduates as part of the Linnaeus GDP on numerous occasions.

## Key Details:

Location:

Rye and Hawkhurst,  
Kent

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role

# City Vets

- City Vets is dedicated to providing the very best in veterinary care to pets across Exeter. All four sites across the city are RCVS-Accredited Practices, with the state-of-the-art hospital based at Heavitree. The hospital is well equipped with digital radiography, including dental radiography, ultrasound, endoscopy and a laparoscopic suite.
- They have a highly experienced team of vets and nurses to support a new graduate, including certificate holders in Medicine, Small Animal Surgery, Exotics, Cardiology, Ophthalmology and Animal Behaviour, alongside their own in-house animal physiotherapist.
- This role will present a varied caseload, including exotic case exposure, while working alongside an experienced and supportive team dedicated to the highest standards of patient

## Key Details:

Location:

Exeter,  
Devon

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role



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# Cromwell Vets

- Cromwell Vets has an incredible record of over 100 years of serving the local community and their pets! Today, the seven-site practice employs over 130 people, with a team that strives to provide the highest standards of care and compassion to pets and their owners. The main hospital provides a 24-hour emergency and critical care service.
- For a new graduate, Cromwell Vets offers an exciting opportunity to work within a busy primary care practice, while also experiencing hospital work, night work and branch work with the support of a highly skilled and large team of vets and nurses. Given the varied caseload, there is ample opportunity for learning and development.
- The practice is exceptionally well equipped with digital x-ray, dental x-ray, ultrasound, endoscopy, rhinoscopy, tonometry and in-house laboratory facilities. Cromwell's also has a site specifically dedicated to rehabilitation services and offers physiotherapy, hydrotherapy and K-laser therapy.

## Key Details:

Location:

Huntingdon,  
Cambridgeshire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role



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# Donnachie & Townley Vets

- Donnachie & Townley (D&T) Veterinary Centre is a small, but friendly practice in Staffordshire where pet, client and staff care at the heart of everything they do. The team are experienced in new graduate support, with a mix between experience but being young enough to remember the pressures faced by new graduates. The small team makes for a perfect, supportive, informal learning environment as well as access to emotional and wellbeing support.
- D&T has all the usual equipment including digital x-ray, dental x-ray, ultrasound, capnography, ECG and laboratory facilities including a microscope with camera and tablet that is ideal for teaching. The team currently offer acupuncture on site and are looking to further develop other services offered in-house including surgery and physiotherapy.
- Both sites are silver status in the ISMF Cat Friendly Practices and D&T was awarded Best Small Animal Practice In Staffordshire in 2020 by the SME awards. The team are also working towards two RCVS Awards and their Bronze Accreditation in the iiE sustainability programme.
- The enthusiastic and dedicated team at D&T are ready to support a new graduate in their transition from university to clinical practice and welcome them into the D&T family!

## Key Details:

Location:

Rugeley,  
Staffordshire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role

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# Folly Gardens Veterinary Clinic

- We are a veterinary clinic and referral multi-disciplinary practice that offers the highest care services for small animals. With our primary care and 24-hour emergency services, we care for pets from all over the south as well animals in our local community.
- We believe excellence is at the heart of both clinical standards and customer service to make sure our patients have the best quality care.

## Key Details:

Location:

Tewksbury,  
Gloucestershire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role



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# Greenside Vets

- Greenside Vets is based in the beautiful Scottish Borders, only 45 minutes from Edinburgh. The friendly, 11 vet practice prides themselves on providing good work life balance and a supportive environment for all colleagues.
- This is a unique opportunity to undertake a mixed animal role as part of the Linnaeus GDP, with a caseload split between small animal and farm animal work, with extensive mentorship and support provided in both disciplines.
- Both the small animal and farm animal practices are well-equipped, with Greenside also offering a regenerative medicine referral service, led by Andrew Armitage as well as an extensive range of rehabilitation services.

## Key Details:

Location:

St Boswells,  
Scottish Borders

Role Type:

Mixed

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role



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# Park Veterinary Group

- Park Veterinary Group (PVG) employs almost 40 vets across 5 sites in Leicestershire, providing 24-hour emergency care as well as referral services in surgery and ophthalmology.
- The team at PVG are committed to providing the very best start for new graduates in conjunction with the Linnaeus GDP, having successfully supported a number of graduates through the programme already. The team of dedicated, experienced vets provide excellent mentorship throughout the programme and beyond. With a huge variety of experiences within the vet and nurse teams, there are plentiful opportunities for learning and development, alongside dedicated time for private study.
- The practice boasts excellent primary care facilities including digital x-ray, dental x-ray, ultrasound, in-house laboratory equipment and in-house CT. The practice has also achieved Silver Cat Friendly Clinic Status.
- In this small animal role, you will work alongside your mentor at one of their fully-equipped hospitals with exposure to a varied caseload, regular surgical experience and the opportunity to learn from their referral clinicians.

## Key Details:

Location:

Saffron Lane and  
Whetstone,  
Leicestershire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Roles

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# Shires Vets

- Shires Vets is a large multi-site practice providing high quality patient care across Staffordshire and the West Midlands. The small animal team is highly experienced, with 12 of the 18 vets, greater than 5 years qualified. The team includes a number of certificate holders including Small Animal Medicine, Surgery and Ophthalmology with areas of special interest including cardiology, dermatology, acupuncture and physiotherapy. This will provide a broad range of learning opportunities for a new graduate.
- New graduates will have the opportunity to operate and perform diagnostics 3-4 days per week, as well as shadowing initially on the OOH rota to gain experience in emergency medicine. Graduates start with 30-minute appointment slots to enable time for thorough approach to cases and to seek advice and support as needed.
- Shires have a team of experienced mentors, having supported a number of graduates through the Linnaeus GDP and are able to support in all areas of your clinical development, including dedicated surgical skills coaching.
- The four small animal sites are well equipped and include all the usual consulting, diagnostic and operating facilities. Equipment includes digital x-ray, dental x-ray, laparoscopic equipment, flexible endoscope, ultrasound, in-house lab facilities and multi-parameter monitoring, all supported by an exceptional nursing team.
- Shires are a friendly team seeking a new graduate with great communication and team skills and a desire to learn within a lovely practice!

## Key Details:

Location:

Stone,  
Staffordshire

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role

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# St. Annes

- For over 70 years, we have been Eastbourne's largest veterinary practice. We are RCVS accredited, and our long-standing team are very passionate about our patients care. Continuity is something our clients appreciate, along with a quality service.
- We have separate dog, cat, rabbit and isolation wards as well as having a partnership with VetsNow, who run an out of hours emergency service from our main surgery.

## Key Details:

Location:

Eastbourne, East  
Sussex

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role



**Spinney Vets**

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# Warren House Veterinary Group

- Warren House Veterinary Group have been providing surgical, emergency and preventative healthcare services to Rochester and Chatham for over 30 years.
- The group is based across four sites, with each site led by an experienced team of vets and nurses and over fifty Associates in total. Each site is well equipped, with in-house laboratory, digital radiography, dental radiography, ultrasound facilities and surgical theatres.
- As a graduate within the Warren House group, you will have dedicated support to explore all areas of primary care practice, including medicine, surgery, imaging and preventative healthcare, under the guidance of an experienced team.

## Key Details:

Location:

Rochester &  
Chatham,  
Kent

Role Type:

Small Animal

Number of  
Graduate  
Roles:

1x Graduate Role



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