

farmgate
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**Independent
Farm Animal
Vets**
North West England

Directors



Farm Gate Vets is independently owned and built by our founder directors **Mark Stott** and **Jim McKinstry**.

In April 2025 we appointed 4 new directors **Sarah Harker**, **Finbarr O'Sullivan-Greene**, **Kathrine Muller Jones** and **Linda Dawson**. Succession is important to us to continue driving the business forward and to maintain our proudly independent status.

At Farm Gate Vets, we believe independence gives us the freedom to do what's right — for our clients, their animals and our team.

OUR VISION

Our vision is to remain a locally rooted, proudly independent practice recognised across Cumbria and Lancashire for our exceptional clinical standards, honest advice, and personal approach.



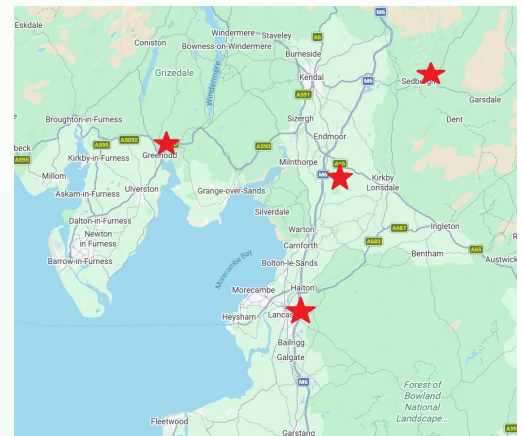
ABOUT US

Farm Gate Vets was formed in 2011 from the merging of farm side of two well established practices, Highgate Vets in Kendal and Baldrand Farm Practice in Lancaster. In 2015 we took the opportunity to buy Preston and Bramley a mixed practice in Sedbergh which allowed us to take on more vets and expand our service offerings further.

The team consists of 14 vets, the majority of which are doing solely farm animal with 4 vets covering the small animal surgery at Sedbergh.

We operate from 3 branches and a collection point-

- **Lancaster Auction Mart**
- **The Rural Auction Centre (J36) at Crooklands**
- **Sedbergh**
- A collection point at **Tynedale Farm Services at Greenodd**.



CORE SERVICES

- Available **24 hours** a day, **365 days** a year
- Reliable friendly vets providing a very **high standard** of large animal practice, younger vets always backed up by senior vets.
- **Competitive** fees and medicine **prices**
- **14 dedicated** farm vets.
- A **Vet Tech Service** with 5 team members.
- An approachable friendly support team.
- **Out of hours work and phones covered by 3 of our own farm vets, all year round.**
- Delivery Service

Health Planning

In all sectors we offer a comprehensive health planning service, compliant with super market contracts and assurance schemes such as Red Tractor. We strongly believe health planning is not about the piece of paper but about how we can improve productivity and make a difference to the bottom line of your business.

Sheep Club

A cost effective approach to flock health—for a monthly fee, members benefit from regular member meetings, unlimited worm egg counts, post mortems, a flock health plan, an additional visit, discounts on ram MOT's and tup vasectomies.

Healthy Heifer Scheme

For a monthly fee dependent on herd size, the vet tech and vet will work together to weigh calves, blood sample for colostrum transfer and vaccinate calves (vaccine not included in the fee) to make sure calves are obtaining the growth rates they need to calve down at the correct time.



Dairy Services

Routine Fertility Visits	Mobility scoring
Mastitis control planning	Infectious disease control planning
Lameness control planning	Johnes health plans and monitoring
Diagnostics at individual and herd level.	Surgery including C sections, displaced stomachs, calf hernias etc..

Beef Services

Bull soundness, fertility and semen testing	Fertility Visits - synchronisation protocols
Herd Health Accreditation Schemes	Surgery including C sections, castrating, dehorning.
BVD Control Plans	Pelvic measuring
Bull foot trimming under sedation	

Sheep

Faecal Worm Egg Count Service	Drench Resistance Testing
Abortion investigations	Sheep scab/ lice diagnostics.
Ram MOT's and Vasectomies	Vaccination and wormer planning
Lameness Investigation	

Vet Tech Service

Farms are getting busier all the time with lack of staff a common problem, our vet techs ensure those herd health jobs get done on time and correctly. Services include-

- Calf Monitoring
- Calf Disbudding
- Calf Vaccinating
- Mobility Scoring
- Herd Vaccinations, fly treatments.
- TB test assistance

Small Holders

Our experienced team of farm vets provide a broad range of services to small holders from emergency treatment to health plans. We also run specific events both in person and online for sheep and cattle keepers including our popular lambing course.

Client Courses and Meetings

We offer events throughout the year to ensure clients are kept up to date with the latest animal health information along with industry changes and requirements. These can be evening meetings, discussion groups, workshops either on farm, in our purpose built meeting room, online or at a local function room. Courses include -

- **MilkSure**
- **Red Tractor Understanding Veterinary Medicines**
- **AI course**
- **Dairy, Sheep, Beef and Small Holder meetings various topics.**
- **Practical Lambing Course**
- **LANTRA accredited Foot Trimming courses.**

Farm Dogs and Cats



Our farm vets are able provide a basic level of care to farm dogs and cats such as vaccinating, micro chipping, worming and putting to sleep. For any additional requirements such as illness or injuries requiring special treatment we are happy to see them at our Small Animal Surgery at Sedbergh.



Please do not hesitate to
get in touch.....

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Open 8:30am-5pm

Monday-Friday

9am—12noon Saturdays

CLOSED Sundays

J36 Kendal Office

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Monday-Friday

9am—12noon Saturdays

CLOSED Sundays

Sedbergh Office

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