## WHITE MILL VETERINARY CENTRE

for healthy pets in Sandwich & East Kent



## Flea prevention

- The majority of flea infestations in all domestic pets are caused by the cat flea.
- Firstly find out from the breeder when you new pet last had a flea prevention treatment.
- And then carry on with the preventative treatment monthly from the date it was last applied. It is also important to find out which product was used by the breeder.

Non prescription flea/worming products can not be recommended as their efficiency is not as good as Prescription Only Medicines. Therefore it is best to purchase your flea/worming treatments from your vet.

## What to do if your pet contracts fleas!

Getting rid of fleas on your cat alone does not tackle the overall flea problem. During the flea cycle only about 5% of fleas are actually living on your cat. The other 95% of fleas (in one stage or another) are living in your house. This is the reason why it is so important to kill the fleas in your house and on your cat at the same time.

If you notice fleas on your pet then you should visit your vet to collect a flea treatment product and also a household spray. If your cat has not been seen within the previous 6 months then it is advisable to book an appointment to see the vet as the product you need to treat your pet is a Prescription Only Medicine. The household spray however can be sold over the counter at your vets.