

Planning for Goodbye Checklist

This is understandably a difficult time and this checklist is intended to help you make the right decision for you, your family and your pet.

Passing on

1 Where would you like it to happen?

This could be at your vets or in your home.

2 Who will be there?

Which family members wish to attend.

3 When will it happen?

This is difficult question and your vet can help you with sensitive and objective advice. Remember that your pet's quality of life is very important.

After life body care

4 Keepsakes?

Paw prints and hair clippings can be taken to remember your pet.

5 What will happen to your deceased pet?

There are various options available including:

- Burial at home or at a pet cemetery
- Communal cremation
- Individual cremation (you will be able to receive your pet's ashes back)

If you opt for individual cremation, consider the type of vessel that you want for your pet's ashes.

6 Memorials

There are various ways to memorialize your pet including pictures, grave markers and ornaments.

Try and write down your plan so that it is ready for sadder times when it might be more difficult. There are no right or wrong options – make the right choice for your pet, your family and yourself.

