



## **Kitten Vaccination**

### **Dunmuir Veterinary Group recommends:**

Vaccinations are normally started at 9 weeks of age

1st Vaccination – Nobivac Tricat and Felv

2nd Vaccination three weeks after – Nobivac Tricat and Felv

### **What does the vaccine protect against?**

#### **Nobivac Tricat**

**Feline Herpes Virus & Feline Calicivirus-** these are the two major "cat flu" viruses and can affect any age of cat. They are transmitted through contact with infected cats and cause sneezing, runny nose and eyes, high temperatures and can lead to pneumonia. Cat flu can be fatal in kittens and old cats.

**Feline Panleucopenia-** can affect any age of cat but kittens are at a higher risk. This virus is highly contagious and spreads rapidly, carried on shoes, clothing, food bowls and litter trays. Panleucopenia causes tiredness, fever, lack of appetite, vomiting and severe bloody diarrhoea. The virus is fatal in 10% of unvaccinated cats.

#### **Nobivac Felv**

**Feline Leukaemia Virus-** can affect any age of cat although kittens are at a higher risk. The virus is transmitted by close contact with infected cats and also from queen to kitten before birth. FeLV causes leukaemia but more commonly, the growth of tumours and the suppression of the immune system making the cat more susceptible to other infections. Some cats can be carriers and although they appear healthy, they pass the virus on to others. Vaccination for FeLV is optional but we strongly recommend it as there is no treatment for this virus.

## **Booster Vaccination**

The first booster vaccination is given 1 year after the primary course and every year thereafter.