

How to find us

We are located on the corner of Douglas Road on the main A1081. We are a 10 minute walk from Harpenden Town Centre and a 15 minute walk from Harpenden Train Station. Harpenden is on the main London St Pancras to Bedford train-line. The 321 bus operated by Arriva (Luton to Watford) has various stops in Harpenden and

the closest stops to the practice are Clarence Road and Douglas Road. There is unrestricted on-street parking in Douglas Road and Moreton End Lane, and there is a pay and display car park in Sun Lane which is a short walk away. There is a bike rack by the entrance to the practice.

Opening Hours

Mon. 9am-6pm
Tue. 9am-6pm
Wed. 9am-6pm
Thur. 9am-6pm
Fri. 9am-6pm
Sat. One morning a month

Accessibility

Our imaging room is located upstairs, so unsuitable for people with restricted mobility.

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Dental Imaging



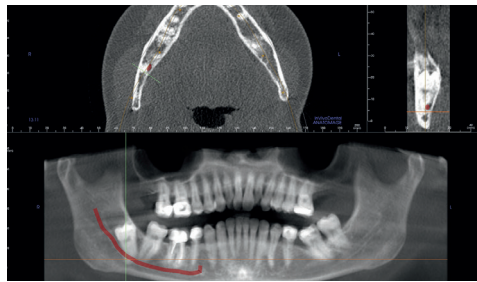
Wayside Dental Practice

Cone Beam Computed Tomography Scans

A Cone Beam Computed Tomography (CBCT) scanner uses x-rays and a computer to produce 3D cross-sectional images of the jaws and teeth. It is a compact, faster and safer version of the regular CT scanner. The conical x-ray beam allows for a smaller scanner and reduces both radiation dosage and scan duration.

Why do I need a CBCT Scan?

CBCT scans produce 3D images of your jaw to provide detailed information about your teeth, bone density and vital structures that cannot be obtained from more conventional x-ray equipment. This allows us to make an informed judgement about the best way to proceed with your treatment.



What happens during the scan?

Before your CBCT scan, you will be asked to remove glasses, hearing aids, jewellery and other metal accessories that might interfere with the scan. If you are having a scan for dental implants, you might have to wear a localisation stent (like a gum shield) during the scan.

Your head will be carefully positioned in the scanner and you will be asked to keep completely still. The scanner will then rotate around your head, obtaining nearly 600 images, which are reconstructed by computer software.

You will probably be with us for 20 minutes, but the scan itself takes less than one minute. You will be able to go home straight after the scan and the images will be sent directly to your dentist, doctor or orthodontist.

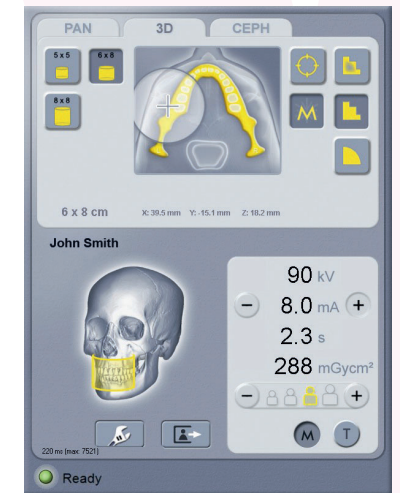
What are the risks?

CBCT scans give an x-ray dose to the patient that is considerably less than a conventional CT scan. A CBCT scan will give a dose of radiation that is slightly lower than the dose you would get on a flight to New York. The dose of radiation from a conventional CT scan would be roughly equivalent to seven flights to New York. As with any x-ray, please inform us if you might be pregnant.



Digital Panoramic X-Ray

A digital panoramic x-ray creates a single 2D image of the entire mouth. It shows the number, position and growth of all of the teeth including those that have not yet surfaced. It is commonly used by dental professionals to plan treatments. The procedure is the same as that of a CBCT scan.



Making an appointment

To make an appointment, either phone our reception team on **01582 712470** or email us at **practicemanager@waysidedental.co.uk**