

At Temple Street Dental Practice we are very pleased to be able to offer dental implants to our patients. This is carried out on a private basis, by experienced and qualified dental implant professionals.

The placement of implants is a procedure that requires advanced training and experience in order to achieve predictable results. We are delighted to have Matthew Emmott working with us to place and restore implants.

If you feel that you may be interested in having implants, discuss this with your Dentist at Temple Street or talk to our Treatment Coordinator. You can arrange a brief meeting with Matthew Emmott to discuss your suitability for implants or you can book a comprehensive consultation with him for a thorough and complete assessment with a costed treatment plan.

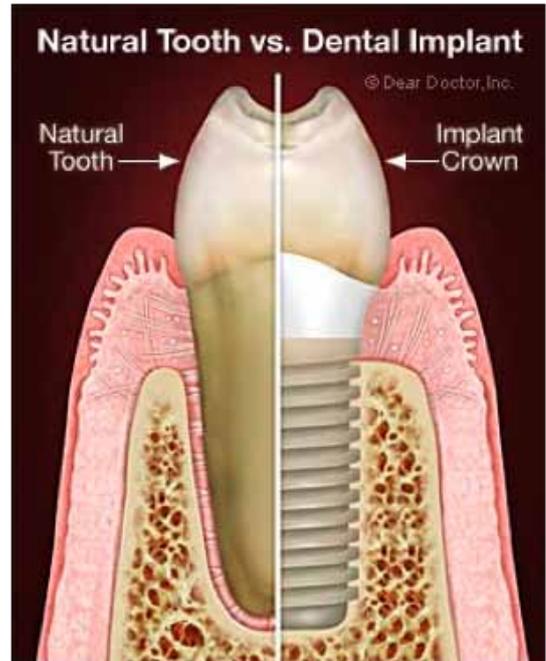
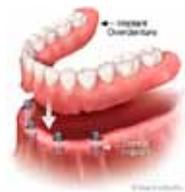
### What are Dental Implants?

A dental implant is actually a replacement for the root or roots of a tooth. Like tooth roots, dental implants are secured in the jawbone and are not visible once surgically placed. They are used to secure crowns, bridgework or dentures by a variety of means.

### What can implants do for me?

Implants can be considered for anyone who has lost teeth - whether the tooth was lost through accident, disease or decay. Dental implants can be used when:

- A single tooth is missing - instead of a bridge
- Several teeth are missing - instead of a bridge, or to support a bridge or partial denture
- All teeth are missing - instead of dentures, or to give firm support to dentures



### What are the advantages of dental implants?

Implants are solidly fixed into the bone - not removable like dentures. Dental implants do not rely on the adjacent teeth for support, and so unnecessary damage or drilling to the neighbouring teeth is avoided. If well maintained dental implants should last a very long time. If you have loose dentures, these can be replaced with implant overdentures that will give far greater support, stability and retention. Dental implants can help you eat, smile and talk with complete confidence.

### How are dental implants placed?

The dental implant surgery procedures are usually performed with local anaesthetic in the practice. Sedation can be considered for patients who are very nervous. Each surgical procedure is different, depending on the clinical situation as well as the preferences of the patient. Usually the process is separated into stages: implant placement, healing stage and assessment to check if the bone has integrated with implant, and finally placing the abutment 'tooth' on the implant. There may be several months between implant placement and final restoration of the implant with a natural looking crown.

### How much do implants cost?

A single implant, fully restored with a crown and including consultation and radiographs usually costs about £2400. Fees vary depending upon the complexity of the case and the number of implants involved and we recommend that you have a full consultation with Matthew in order to get a fully costed estimate.

### What are Implants made of?

Implants are made of titanium, which is lightweight, strong and biocompatible. Titanium alloys are safe and are the most widely used metals in both dental and other bone implants such as orthopedic joint replacements.