

## PRESS RELEASE

### HAMMOND & DUMMER FUND MAJOR NEW EYE TESTING TECHNOLOGY

Milton Keynes opticians Hammond & Dummer have made a significant investment to install special equipment to provide a more comprehensive diagnostic service for their patients.

Hammond & Dummer's owner and optometrist Claire Ranger has already found the installation of a Canon fundus camera in her practice has provided significant benefits. "With the fundus camera we can see right into the eye and document the retina which is the neurosensory tissue in our eyes that translates all the optical images we see into impulses which our brain can understand. By photographing the retina an experienced professional, such as myself, can identify minute changes and treat them before they create problems."

The camera is made available to all patients booking an eye test at Hammond & Dummer on Midsummer Boulevard in Central Milton Keynes. Tosh Vadhia of Haag-Streit UK Ltd who supplied the equipment outlined the benefits of an eye test using the camera. "Good, full colour pictures of the eye enables early diagnosis of ocular health problems and also general health problems which show in the eye often before the patient is even aware of them including diabetes, tumours and high blood pressure. Early warning enables early treatment which is invaluable."

The engineer who installed the fundus camera at Hammond & Dummer's Midsummer Boulevard premises was fortunate when he became the guinea pig to see if the set up was correct. Claire made a discovery which may have saved his sight: "I was practicing using it on the installation engineer when I spotted the early signs of glaucoma and immediately referred him to a local eye hospital!"

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Hammond & Dummer is owned by optometrist Claire Ranger BSc MCOptom who has worked in eye hospitals and independent practices around the region since qualifying 16 years ago. She is a member of the Milton Keynes Optical Committee with particular interest in children's eye care.

Her established practice, located at 368-370 Midsummer Boulevard in Milton Keynes, provides comprehensive eyecare and exclusive designer ranges of eyewear for individual and corporate clients. Hammond & Dummer's gallery of designer collection frames and sunglasses extends to over a thousand frames at any one time. We fit and supply contact lenses, evaluate and refer patients for laser surgery and offer a particularly specialised eye testing service for children.