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# The Market Report

## **Stratford Forthcoming Events**

### **Tuesday 28th November**

Prime, Cull & Store Sheep - 10.30am Fur, Produce & Misc - 10.00am

### **Tuesday 5th December**

Christmas Prime Stock Show & Sale - Judging 10.00am Prime, Cull & Store Sheep - 10.30am Fur, Produce & Misc - 10.00am

### **Tuesday 12th December**

Prime, Cull & Store Sheep - 10.30am Fur, Produce & Misc - 10.00am

## Tuesday 19th December

Christmas Dressed Poultry Sale - 12 noon

## Tuesday 26th December No Market

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### **REPORT FOR TUESDAY 21ST NOVEMBER**

### 209 Prime Lambs

Meat saw serious premiums with leaner lambs reducing the averages. Best meat and shape export types are needed for all buyers. SQQ 255.20p/kg. J & M Ironmonger topped the day pence per kilo with Beltex cross lambs to 276p/kg. WR Spencer topped the day overall with Charollais lambs at 52.5kgs selling to  $\pm 135.45$ .

**Highlights** - DJ Tomlin saw best shape and meat lightweight Texel lambs to 270p/ kg for 35kgs with their 39kgs to 265p/kg; H Taylor penned a smart run of Texel Lleyns at 43kgs selling to 260p/kg; C Welsby saw the same high for best shape Texel lambs; R & EM Prentice penned a meat run of Texel crosses at 43kgs to 257p/kg; JE Lea & Son topped with quality seeing their Charollais to 254p/kg for 47.5kgs; W Painter saw a well finished uniform run with Continentals at 46.5kgs to 254p/kg and Suffolks at 46kgs to 253p/kg.

То		From		Average				
Standards (32.1-39kg)								
276p	£103.35	248p	£90.52	261.8p	£96.94			
Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)								
260p	£115.65	245p	£99.23	252.9p	£107.99			
Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)								
254p	£124.50	235p	£115.46	250.8p	£119.24			
Over 52kg								
258p	£135.45	235p	£131.60	250p	£134.17			

### 140 Store Lambs

A sharper day for hopper lambs, with little mid range, longer term lambs look easier on the week. All in average £75.78. Lambs End Ltd topped with a well grown run of Continental hopper types selling to £103.50 and Suffolks to £96; P & M Careless drew a run of Texels of mid frame selling to £87; Townsend Farms saw a high of £81 for a well bred healthy run of Charollais. Longer term mid frames were in the £70's and longest term lambs sub £60.

То	From	Average
£103.50	£31.00	£75.78



### 158 Cull Ewes & Rams

Ewes easier on the week with the hardest trade for the feeding types. All in average £73.62. Big meat ewes continue to drive the trade with B Burrows & Sons seeing the best trade on the day at £120 for Suffolks, with followers at £116.50, £114 and £107; ET Mawby topped with big frame Texels of lean meat to £111. Meat and frame sold regularly to £95 plus. Gipsy Hall Farms Ltd saw the trade of the day with Easycare crosses to £90 for the thickest ewes; GF Heath & Son topped the Mules to £84.50 for meat. Leaner meat mid frame types were £70 plus. True small frame feeders were sold between £32 and £52.

То	From	Average
£120.00	£20.00	£73.62

### Plants, Produce, Hatching Eggs, Sundries

A smaller entry this week across all sections, though good prices were achieved throughout. **Plants** not exactly the sale of the day, but cyclamens reached £1.50, a strong seasonal trade on the Logs selling to £6.50 with Kindling at £4.50. Seasonal **produce** was well received with 7kg sacks of potatoes to £7.50, bags of Seeds to £5 and fresh Cabbages, Sprouts, Carrots, Cauliflowers and Leeks selling to £2.40 from 90p. A small entry of **Hatching Eggs** sold to £8 from £6.50. Our assorted entry of **Sundries** saw prices top at £100 for a Water Trough, Chainsaws topped at £50, Horse Rugs sold to £15 with a Kids Bike fetching £14. 2-Stroke Oil sold to £12.

Don't forget to notify us of your entries presale, we can advertise and promote your items, resulting in better sales. It is for your benefit!

Our chaplain Rev. Richard Wilde, Methodist Minister, member of the Agricultural Chaplains Association and the Farming Community Network will be in attendance at the market on Tuesdays for a chat, if you would like to talk.

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### FOR PRIVATE SALE

11 Dexter Weaned Claves, 5 Steers and 6 Heifers. Heifers are registered. A mixture of long and short leg. Contact Brian Pile - 07778 970628

### SHEEP VENDORS

# New Veterinary Attestation rule for farmers to be introduced on 13th December 2023.

#### Action Needed Now.....

#### What's changing?

Changes in legislation, as from 13th December 2023, will require all producers selling livestock for slaughter to have had an annual farm veterinary visit to allow their animals, and/or part of any animal, to be exported out of the UK. The purpose of the new rule is to comply with EU export requirements to verify the absence of notifiable disease and provide general advice on farm biosecurity.

#### Why is this changing?

The Statutory Health Attestation is required from the 13 December 2023 to certify exports of POAO (Products of Animal Origin) to the EU. The EHCs (Export Health Certificates) require that the animals' farm of origin has undergone regular visits by a veterinary surgeon.

#### What do producers need to do?

Producers will be required to obtain a signed declaration from their vet that the visit has taken place. The veterinary attestation template can be found here: <u>veterinary</u> <u>attestation template</u>. This should be signed and completed by the farm vet.

Obtaining a signed veterinary attestation must be done at least once over a 12month period and can be combined with any other routine veterinary visit, including government supported initiatives such as the Animal Health and Welfare Pathway in England.

Farmers and vets must keep a copy of their completed declarations and the "unique reference number" created, for their records and to provide to their livestock auction market or meat processor.

Farms that are part of qualifying assurance schemes do not need to complete the veterinary declaration. Membership of these farm assurance schemes is accepted as evidence that a premises of origin meets the requirement for regular health visits from a vet.

The qualifying schemes are:

- Annual health and welfare review (England only)
- Quality Meat Scotland (QMS)
- Farm Assured Welsh Livestock Beef and Lamb Scheme (FAWL) (Welsh Lamb and Beef Producers Ltd (WLBP))
- Red Tractor

Please contact Jake Wagstaff 07487 526803 for further information.





# at Thrapston Livestock Market

# Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 4pm

# Sale of 85 Suckler Bred Blonde D'Aquitaine Steers & Heifers 20-24 Months

On behalf of Northen & Son, Oakham

Further entries are invited Contact Alastair Brown – 07885 804450

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# Bletsoes

# Christmas Prime Stock Show & Sale

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am, Judging at 10am

**Classes:** 

- 1 Best Pen of 3 Continental Lambs
- 2 Best Pen of 3 Native Bred Lambs
- 3 Best Single Cull Ewe
- 4 Champion & Reserve Champion

Prize Cards & Prize Money will be awarded to the top 3 places

Please forward your entries to Jake as soon as possible.

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# Christmas Dressed Poultry Sale

# Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 12 noon

To be held at Stratford Livestock Market

Entries are invited to include all types of oven ready birds and meats.

Sections include: Turkeys, Chickens, Guinea Fowl, Ducks Partridge & Pheasants.

Long Legged & Other Poultry sections will also be available.

Entry Forms available online or from the Market Office

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