

The Market Report

Thrapston Forthcoming Events

Thursday 26th January

Prime & Cull Sheep

Friday 27th January

Thrapston Collective Machinery Sale - **CANCELLED**

Saturday 28th January

Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs

Thursday 2nd February

Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 4th February

Store & Breeding Cattle, Sheep & Pigs
Smallholders Sale

Thursday 9th February

Prime & Cull Sheep

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REPORT FOR THURSDAY 19TH JANUARY

248 Prime Hogs

What a difference a week makes! National shortage in prime hogs has driven the price skyward. All weights in demand with lambs at 42-47kgs seeing clear premiums. Condition is a major factor with a small showing of lean lambs penalised. SR Sandercock topped the day with 43kg Continentals flying to 260p. R & M Arrowsmith topped overall with best end Texel hogs reaching £134 for 53kgs. SQQ 246.17p/kg.

Highlights - Corney & Sons saw a smart start with their Charollais at 45.5kgs top to £116; IS & NK Johnson saw similar highs with Texel Mules to £114.50 for 45kgs and their heavier 51.5kgs to £125; C Stancombe & Son penned a best meat run of Texel Mules with 45.5kgs to £114 and 44kgs to £112.50; SR Sandercock saw strong trade throughout with 47kgs selling to £120 and 60kgs to £130.

To		From		Average	
<i>Standards (32.1-39kg)</i>					
251p	£93.00	200p	£70.00	233.8p	£85.94
<i>Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)</i>					
260p	£116.00	231p	£97.00	248p	£108.17
<i>Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)</i>					
255p	£125.00	236p	£115.00	245.9p	£118.47
<i>Over 52kg</i>					
253p	£134.00	211p	£120.50	222.8p	£127.70

70 Cull Ewes & Rams

Trade lifted slightly on the week with a smart showing forward, averaging £85.11. Corney & Sons topped to £125 for smart Charollais cross ewes; with P & J Green levelling also at £125 with Suffolks and their Mules topping to £88; R & M Arrowsmith saw their run of lean meat Suffolks top to £116. Bigger framed ewes with meat regularly saw £80 plus, with slighter framed ewes held at mid £70's.

To	From	Average
£125.00	£57.00	£85.11

Our chaplain Rev. Eddie Smith, Church of England Minister, member of the Agricultural Chaplains Association and the Farming Community Network will be in attendance at the market on the 1st & 3rd Saturday each month for a chat, if you would like to talk.

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SUSTAINABLE FARMING INCENTIVE & MID-TIER

A new year has brought a new announcement from the government regarding the Sustainable Farming Incentive and CS Mid-Tier. Farming Minister Mark Spencer speaking at the Oxford Farming Conference on Thursday 5th January 2023, made a few announcements in relation to the SFI and CS Mid-Tier. Due to the increased costs that farmers and land managers are facing as a result of global challenges, actions have been put in place to provide farmers with more funding.

Sustainable Farming Incentive (SFI)

Farmers could receive up to a further £1,000 per year for taking nature-friendly action through SFI. This new Management Payment will be made for the first 50 hectares of the farm (£20/ha) in an SFI agreement, to cover the administrative costs of participation and to attract smaller businesses.

An expanded range of SFI standards, which cover the actions farmers can undertake to enhance nature, will apparently be published during the forthcoming weeks, along with their payment rates.

Countryside Stewardship Mid-Tier

Payment rates for both Revenue and Capital options have been increased under the Mid-Tier scheme. CS revenue agreement holders will benefit from payment increases of 10% on average for revenue options, backdated to 1 January 2023.

The rate by which capital options have increased is on average 48%. Unfortunately, initial guidance is that this will not apply to those that already have an agreement in place. Capital only grant applications are now open, so those that are looking to apply please do get in touch to discuss what could be available to you.

If you would like any more information regarding these schemes, or have any questions please do get in contact with Rob Russell on 01832 732241 or rob.russell@bletsoes.co.uk .

NOTICE

Please ensure Entry Forms and all relevant paperwork accompany your entries when bringing livestock into the Market.

Entry Forms can be found on our Website, in the Market Office or alternatively please contact the Main Office.

SATURDAY 28TH JANUARY

FAT CATTLE

More Entries Required

E F Wootton & Son - TB4

6 Limousin Steers

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

D Player

10 Continental Heifers
Single Suckler Bred

8-12 Months

S A C Holgate

32 Store Cattle

15-25 Months

C E Hancock & Son

25 Store Cattle

17-27 Months

NOTICE

If you would like your stock to be included in the weekly report presale, please contact the office before 12 noon on Monday.

NOTICE

To ensure your entries are listed in the Saturday Store Sale Catalogue, please book in your stock by 4pm on Friday.

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REPORT FOR SATURDAY 21ST JANUARY

Store & Breeding Cattle

Cows & Calves sold to £1500 for a Limousin heifer with heifer calf at foot. **Cull Cows** sold to £1085 for a 4 year old Blue cow and £1025 for a 54 month Hereford from NP & MJ Russell.

Store Cattle sold to £1530 for a 22 month Aberdeen Angus from PJ Browning; RA Cade sold 24 month Beef Shorthorn steers to £1490; AM & JE Kirby sold 22 month Herefords to £1420; J & D Bavington sold 22 month Limousin steers to £1300; and NP & MJ Russell sold 21 month Simmental steers to £1275. Younger steers sold to £920 for a 10 month Limousin with others to £880 from D Player; and M & M Hutton sold 8 month Limousin steers to £490. Heifers sold to £1390 for a 28 month Charolais from PG Duffin & Son; younger heifers sold to £490 for M & M Hutton.

Calves

Weaned calves forward this week from J & S Arrowsmith sold to £500 for an Aberdeen Angus steer with others to £410, Hereford steers sold to £320 and heifers sold to £395 and Angus heifers sold to £370.

Pigs

Young weaned pigs forward this week from Mrs T Bately sold to £30 for white pigs and from £18 for coloured pigs.

243 Store & Breeding Sheep

Store lambs - prime sales drove confidence into the store market with hoggs seeing a jump all round this week. All in average £67.16. Webb Hatherley Livestock topped the day with Texel cross ewe hoggs reaching £104; LA Burton saw their first draw of the season come up trumps with a sterling run of Texel Lleyms selling to £95 with following pens to £89 and £85; WG Childs & Sons saw their usual stamp of Charollais hoggs get to the same level at £91.50, £83 and £79.50; L Brawn penned some smart framed Hampshire hoggs with a top of £80 and £65.

Feeding ewes - similar story to the hoggs with prices up on the week, averaging £82.71. Meat heavy ewes are in demand with leaner light types in excess. L Brawn topped the day with Hampshire rams to £108; Webb Hatherley Livestock topped their day with meat Texel ewes at £107, £105.50 and £96.50; LA Burton drew similar types with Continental Lleyms reaching £96.

Breeding sheep - SP & GK Smith penned a smart run of North Country Mule theaves with the scanned doubles selling to £172 and the singles at £150; G McDowell saw a smart show of six tooth milk ewes with twin Blue Texel lambs at foot sell to £83 a life or £249 an outfit.

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COLLECTIVE SALES OF HAY, STRAW & FODDER

2023

Saturday 11th February

Saturday 11th March

Saturday 8th April

In the main cattle sale ring

All types of Hay, Straw, Silage & Haylage required.

Please forward your entries as soon as possible,
for advertising & cataloguing purposes

For Entry Forms & Catalogues, visit www.bletsoes.co.uk

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An Auction



Saturday 25th February at 1.00pm

At Thrapston Livestock Market

Entries by Monday 13th February
for cataloguing & advertising purposes

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