

The Market Report

Professional Ponderings - October 2026

Opportunities to grow: farms, land and rural homes with Bletsoes

Those looking to expand their acreage and buyers seeking a rural home have plenty to choose from with our current rural property portfolio, with opportunities ranging from 4.20 to 212.16 acres.

The range includes substantial blocks of productive arable land, pasture and holdings with agricultural buildings, offering options for different budgets and farming requirements.

For those considering a larger acquisition, Mount Pleasant Farm at Winwick, Cambridgeshire offers 212.16 acres of productive arable land with agricultural buildings with development potential, subject to planning. At Church Farm, Luddington-in-the-Brook, Northamptonshire, two available lots extend to 210.07 and 82.65 acres respectively, with extensive road frontage.

Land and buildings at Upwood Airfield, Upwood, Cambridgeshire provide a further opportunity, combining 135.76 acres of commercial arable land with farm buildings and a concrete yard. Smaller parcels at Clopton, Winwick and Woodford broaden the choice for buyers looking to add to an existing holding.

For pasture buyers, Hargrave, Northamptonshire offers 21.05 acres of well-fenced land with mains water. Meanwhile, Grange Farm at Benwick, Cambridgeshire combines a spacious four-bedroom farmhouse with outbuildings and 4.20 acres of pasture for those seeking a rural home with land.

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Current Properties Available

	Description	Acreage (Acres)	Guide Price
Grange Farm Benwick	Spacious four-bedroom farmhouse with outbuildings and pasture land	4.20	£1,175,000
Clopton Old Weston	Productive block of agricultural land	54.39	£500,000
Land at Hargrave Lot 2	Well-fenced pasture land with mains water trough	21.05	£325,000
Luddington-In-The-Brook, Church Farm Lot 3	Extensive block of productive arable land	210.07	£1,915,000
Luddington-In-The-Brook, Church Farm Lot 4	Productive arable land with extensive road frontage	82.65	£770,000
Land and Buildings at Upwood Airfield, Ramsey, Huntingdonshire	Commercial arable land with farm buildings and concrete yard	135.76	£1,500,000
Land at Winwick, Gidding Road	Grade 2 and 3 commercial arable land	42.70	£420,000
Land and Buildings at Mount Pleasant Farm, Winwick	Productive arable land with agricultural buildings	212.16	£2,155,000
Land at Woodford	Agricultural land in three lots with road frontage	32.08	£330,000

Whether your next step is expanding the farm, purchasing your first parcel of land or finding a rural home, our Agricultural team would welcome a conversation about your plans.

For particulars, viewing arrangements or to discuss your requirements, contact Bletsoes' Agricultural team on 01832 732241.

Chris Templar - Partner



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.

Please ensure you sign the Wash Out Declaration Form if you are washing out at home. This is a DEFRA requirement, and you will be charged if you haven't signed it. It is in the Market Office!

Thrapston Forthcoming Events

Thursday 8th October

Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 10th October

Bedford Livestock Michaelmas Show 2026

Store & Breeding Cattle, Calves, Sheep, Goats & Pigs

Thursday 15th October

Prime & Cull

Saturday 17th October

Store & Breeding Cattle, Calves, Sheep, Goats & Pigs

Mr P Ellis - Smallholders Dispersal Sale 10.30am

Thursday 22nd October

Prime & Cull

Saturday 17th October

Store & Breeding Cattle, Calves, Sheep, Goats & Pigs

Saturday 24th October

Louise Bates - Equestrian & Smallholders Dispersal Sale 12pm

*For further information on any of the sales,
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REPORT FOR THURSDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

613 Prime Lambs - Auctioneer Richard Spendlove 07538 322474

A change of jockey as Jake had a week in the sun. Twice the number of lambs expected saw a yarding of just over 600 with quite a few under flesh and smaller lambs pulling down the SQQ to 325p/kg.

DM Cutmore saw their light lambs to 352p/kg. AJ Bridewell & Son presented a quality run of tight skinned lambs to 365p/kg or £160.50 for 44kg.

In the heavy weights J Kimbell saw his 66kg Charollais to £194. CW Webb also had a large run of big lambs to £183 for 61kgs.

To		From		Average	
Standards (32.1-39kg)					
352p	£133.00	311p	£102.5	343.66p	£129.61
Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)					
365p	£160.50	308p	£127.00	324.39p	£139.55
Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)					
352p	£165.50	305p	£141.00	313.76p	£151.25
Over 52kg					
325p	£194.00	276p	£160.50	305.17p	£169.07

68 Culls - Auctioneer Richard Spendlove 07538 322474

J Pringle topped the day with £232 for a Texel Ram. Zwartble's from J Morgan £160. FJ Stanhope saw their meated mules to £185 with others £145. AJ Geary saw his run of Texel grazers top at £183.50.

Not many ewes below £100 unless very small or thin.

To	From	Average
£232.00	£25.00	£121.84

NOTICE

To ensure your entries are listed in the Saturday Store Sale Catalogue, please book in your stock by 3.30pm on Friday.

REPORT FOR SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER

661 Store Sheep-Auctioneer - Jake Wagstaff 07487 526803

Store Lambs - Renewed buying power in the alleys with a show of smart uniform runs on offer, averaging £121.47. N Jordan topped the day with Valais Blacknose ewe lambs to £200. D White saw their Continental ram lambs to £182. E Sansom & Son saw best end Texels at £153 and £152.50. DCR Daglish penned a well grown run of Lleyen Continentals at £150 and £149. Part meat Continental lambs sold above £136. Mid frame lean lambs were £118 to £127 breed dependent, natives such as Herdwicks sold to around £105. Ram lambs typically £10 less than their mates.

Feeding Ewes - A typical smallholders average with specialist breeds shown in the average at £91.40. Smart shape Texel ewes topped at £191. Golden Valley Livestock saw Suffolk ewes top at £176 with PL Smith seeing a flyer at £172 for mules. Meat sold above £136. Manx ewes topped at £115, smallest frame Shetland ewes were in the £40s.

Breeding Sheep - D White drew a best end showing of rams with shearlings to full mouth, their Texel x 2 shears topped at £355, with followers at £300, £285, £275 and £250. J Woodbridge & M Wallis saw their Charollais x Theaves top at £230 with Texel at £210.

Store & Breeding Cattle - A Pittom started the day with a Belted Galloway cow and calf at 5 years with a 6 month bull calf selling to £1460. GB Sewell & Partners saw a fantastic trade for their barren Blonde cows with big framed, part meat, non assured topping to £2600 and £2460 for 11 years, similar style but not as big framed cows at 4 years sold to £2190 and £2140. B Burkitt saw a strong trade for Stirks with 9 month Hereford heifers to £680 and Blue Heifers to £820. AM Tensfeldt saw a uniform bunch of 12 month Angus heifers sell to £1460. R Martin penned big framed Blue steers at 24 months, flying to £2220. PJ Charles saw their Angus steers at 24 months to £1960 with Charolais x heifers at £1650 for 6. Eastern Farms continued their run of Charolais steers with a great show of TB4s selling to £2170, £2140 and £2100

Smallholders Sale - Auctioneer Richard Spendlove 07538 322474

Pigs - R Forster sold Middle White Weaners to £20. B Hearman sold 3 very small Oxford Sandy and Black weaners with the cute factor to £52 each.

Goats - Another good entry of Goats with plenty of quality on offer. DLJ Hughes sold Boer nannies that had run with the billy for £265 and the billy himself selling for £285. MJ Bosher sold a run of smart Boer kids, billies to £131 from £110 and Nannies £140 from £128. Pygmy Nannies from T Laing to £170 and billies £140.

Calves - A smaller entry than previous weeks as vendors save themselves for the Bedford Michaelmas Show on Saturday 10th October, Messrs FH Pullin sold Aberdeen Angus' with bulls to £350 and heifers to £360 from £340, their Friesian bulls all sold for £200. A British Blue heifer topped the day at £660 with Aberdeen Angus' from the same home £490 from £435.

A few stirks on offer seeing an Aberdeen Angus Bull £560 at 3 months old and Simmental Heifer to £550.

Sundries - Calf Feeder £95. Scrambler Bike £80. Nest Boxes £40. Wire £35. Rabbit Hutch £10. Churn £25. Wheel £40. Feeders £10. IBC £20. Calf Pen Front £30. Bag Kindling £12. Heat Lamps £20.

Plants - Heather £5. Pansy £4. Golden Conifers £9. Daffodil Bulbs £35. Crab Apple £30.

Poultry - Back by popular demand a collective sale of poultry saw us sold out of pens, all birds sold per bird.

Bramhas £31. Bluebell Pullets £14. Runner Ducks £30. Appenzellers £22. Pekins £20. Brown Leghorn £27. Shamos £30. POL Warrens £19. Khaki Campbells £30. Tufted Ducks £30. Mandarin Ducks £40. Muscovy Ducks £25. Turkey Poults £20. Geese £35. Hen & Chicks £45. Turkeys £40.

An advertisement for CrimeStoppers featuring a group of sheep in a field. The sheep have red markings on their backs: '0800', '555', and '111'. The background is a blue sky with light clouds.

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SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER

GOATS

CW Webb

2 British Female

6 Months

CALVES

AG Burton - TB4

1 Hereford x Bulls

6 Weeks

2 Hereford x Heifers

2-4 Weeks

1 Aberdeen Angus x Heifers

2-4 Weeks

9 Holstein Friesian Bulls

2-4 Weeks

Sunbeam Farms - TB4

7 British Blue Bulls

4-6 Weeks

2 Holstein Friesian Bulls

4-6 Weeks

GB Sears - TB4

2 British Blue Bulls

3 Months

2 Aberdeen Angus Heifers

3 Months

10 British Blue & Aberdeen Angus

4-6 Weeks

Bulls & Heifers

S Millar

4 Aberdeen Angus

3-4 Months

Bulls & Heifers Named Sire

Chellington Farmers

20 British Blue, Aberdeen Angus, Hereford x

3-6 Weeks

Bulls & Heifers

STORE & BREEDING SHEEP

JF Burbidge

2 Continental Lambs

3 Ewe Lambs

K Allen

20 Store Lambs

8 Ewes Flock Age

RG Tustain

11 Suffolk x Store Lambs

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

R Martin

1 Cull Cow Hereford X 7 Years

NE Pullin

3 AA x Heifers 6-9 Months

3 AA x Steers 6-8 Months

Suckler Bred

J Patrick

1 Beef Shorthorn Heifer 5 Months

1 Beef Shorthorn Steer 6 Months

TN Thomson - TB4

1 Aberdeen Angus x Heifer 13 Months

1 Hereford x Steer 12 Months

1 Hereford x Steer 11 Months

2 Hereford x Steers 10 Months

1 Hereford x Heifer (Twin) 10 Months

RA Ford

6 South Devon Steers 16-18 Months

JP Watts

15 Limousin Steers & Heifers 17-26 Months

Northen & Son

23 Blonde Steers 18 Months

SJ Branson

30 Aberdeen Angus, British Blue and Simmental Steers 18 Months

J Bottesch - TB4

1 Limousin Steer (Rig) 22 Months

1 Limousin Heifer - *Lost calf* 30 Months

RP OHaren

6 Aberdeen Angus Steers 23-25 Months

2 Aberdeen Angus Heifers

7 Hereford Steers

6 Hereford Heifers

BT Vaccinated

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A Smallholder's Dispersal Sale

on behalf of the Executors of

Mr P Ellis

To Include a number of lots for restoration

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An Equestrian & Smallholder's Dispersal Sale

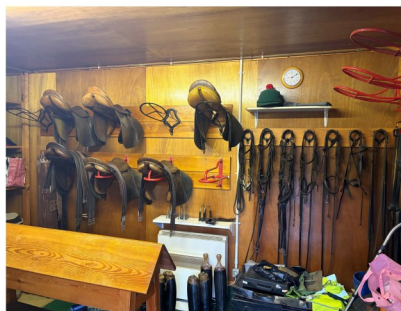
on behalf of

Louise Bates

who has sold the property

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Saturday 24th October, at 12.00pm

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