

# The Market Report

## Thrapston Forthcoming Events

**Thursday 17th April**

Prime & Cull Sheep

**Saturday 19th April**

Store & Breeding Cattle, Calves, Sheep & Pigs

**Thursday 24th April**

Prime & Cull Sheep

**Friday 25th April**

Thrapston Collective Machinery Sale

**Saturday 26th April**

Store & Breeding Cattle, Calves, Sheep & Pigs

Sale of Horse Tack & Equine Sundries - 1pm

Sale of Pet Food & Sundries - 11.30am

*For further information on any of the sales  
Please contact a member of the Market Team*

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## **REPORT FOR THURSDAY 10TH APRIL**

### **Prime Lambs**

The first entry of the year gets off to a strong start with BW Howkins & Sons selling their Texels crosses at 40kgs to £149 or 373p/kg with further 37.5kgs to £132.

To		From		Average	
Standards (32.1-39kg)					
352p	£132.00	352p	£132.00	352p	£132.00
Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)					
373p	£149.00	373p	£149.00	373p	£149.00

### **351 Prime Hogs**

A better showing of quality forward this week with 40-46kgs a flying trade. Heavier hogs continue to struggle on the trade in comparison to the lighter ones, shape carries all weights through. SQQ 320.51p/kg. SC Wells topped at 367p/kg and R & S Anderson topped overall at £200.

**Highlights** - F&SM Stamper drew top in the lighter hogs with best end Beltex at 39kgs selling to £135; SC Wells topped the day with their Charollais hogs at 43kgs with best shape meat to £158; Corney & Sons saw a real show of power with best finished Charollais at 44kgs selling to £155, with their 52.5kgs of the same stamp at £159; C Stancombe & Son penned a smart meat run of Texel Mules with their lighter hogs selling to £123.50 for 38.5kgs and 45kgs to £147; JR Smith & Son penned a real show of quality with Texels at 43.5kgs selling to £147, their heavier hogs sold themselves with 47.5kgs at £160, 48.5kgs to £163 and 46.5kgs to £154; R & S Anderson penned the best quality run seen this week with a real power house Continental, best shape and meat, at 65kgs selling to £200, with followers of similar stamp at 59.5kgs to £188 and 55kgs to £168.

To		From		Average	
Standards (32.1-39kg)					
346p	£135.00	284p	£105.00	327.7p	£125.98
Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)					
367p	£158.00	284p	£120.00	319.5p	£139.54
Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)					
360p	£180.00	291p	£138.00	319.3p	£153.45
Over 52kg					
316p	£200.00	217p	£135.00	280.3p	£154.19

## 92 Cull Ewes & Rams

A trade that needs to be seen to be understood! Unprecedented highs for the goods on sale with a true market average of £143.61. A Cook topped with best grade thick Charollais ewes seeing highs of £260, followed with smaller frames at £239 and £178 for leaner sorts; P Cawley penned big framed shape but lean meat Texel ewes topping at £212; WG Childs & Sons topped their run at £204 for big framed Continental ewes with followers to £164, £144 and £140; P Clarke saw the trade of the day with Charollais wethers to £204; C Stancombe & Son topped the Mules with best meat big framed ewes to £179; A Taylor topped the native breeds with Norfolk Horned ewes to £175; B Howkins & Sons saw highs of £169 for smart meat mid frame Lleyens. All meat ewes were £140 plus with lean meat sorts £119 to £130. True feeding types saw a varying trade with Continentals £100 plus and smaller frame longest term sorts mid £70's.

To	From	Average
£260.00	£60.00	£143.61

### FREE HEALTH ADVICE FOR FARMERS TO CONTINUE AT THRAPSTON MARKET

Parish Nursing Ministries UK will be offering health screening, information, and advice to farming families at Saturday markets. Their nurses will be based in the Bletsoes mobile unit, next to the market office.

**The nurses will next be in attendance on Saturday 19th April 8.30am – 12.30pm. There is no need to book, just turn up and wait to be seen.**

This free support can include • Blood pressure readings • Health discussions and advice on issues including joint/back pain and pain management, medication explanations, weight management, baby health issues, prostate concerns, restless leg syndrome, arthritis • Wellbeing discussions and advice on subjects including stress management, bereavement and dementia

### GRAZING LAND AVAILABLE

Approximately 3.78 acres of grazing land available to rent in Old Weston.

Fencing required to make stock proof.

Please contact Alex Abrahams at [alex.abrahams@bletsoes.co.uk](mailto:alex.abrahams@bletsoes.co.uk)  
for further details.

## COLLECTIVE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALE

Thrapston Auction Centre  
Haldens Parkway  
NN14 4QT

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 10.30am**

For Entry Forms please visit our website  
Or Contact the Main Office on 01832 732241

Important, entries must be returned by  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April to be included in the catalogue

Auctioneer in Charge: Alastair Brown 07885 804450

## **REPORT FOR SATURDAY 12TH APRIL**

***Steers to £3600, Heifers £1850***

### **Store & Breeding Cattle**

**Cows & Calves** sold to £1700 for a Hereford heifer with a month old Hereford heifer calf at foot for DRA Fabb Contractors. An empty Dexter cow from MW Dale sold to £585. In-calf cows sold to £2020 to average £1915 from RD Holland.

JP Parkinson sold 33 month Blonde steers to £1250 from £1200 and other bulls to £500 from £300; JA & P Dickinson sold Limousin steers to £1870 from £1520 and Angus steers to £1700 from £1350; S Barnett sold Red Poll steers to £980; EM Sherwin & Sons sold Hereford steers to £2440, heifers to £1850, Devon heifers to £1820 and steers to £1700; James Griffin Farming sold Simmental steers to £1580 from £1540; KS Lee sold Charolais steers to £2030 and heifers to £1520; DRA Fabb Contractors sold a 13 month Hereford heifer to £880; MW Dale sold Angus steers to £2600 from £1980 and two Dexter heifers to £570; S & E Dow sold Angus steers to £1850 from £1750; JRA Steeples sold a 12 month Hereford heifer to £850; R Truss sold Lincoln Red steers to £2320 from £2280 to average £2193; Newlands Farm sold Angus steers to £1720 from £1480 and heifers to £1180; JL & L Burton sold Limousin steers to £1600 and Saler heifers to £1620; J Bottesch sold Limousin steers to £3600 from £2900 and a Limousin rig to £1600; H Smith sold a Simmental heifer to £580; GT Frossell & Son sold Devon steers to £1260; Fineseasons sold Angus heifers to £1720, Simmental heifers to £1050, Hereford steers to £1250 and British Blue heifers to £1000; J & D Bavington sold a Hereford steer to £1520 and a Limousin heifer to £1320.

### **Pigs**

A sow and litter of 9 sold to £850 for P Keeling

### **DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

#### **Upcoming Online Sale of Metal Fabrication Equipment, Tools & Effects**

**Start:** Wednesday 7th May at 12 noon

**Finishes:** Monday 12th May from 12 noon

*Further details available soon*

### **NOTICE**

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

## 265 Store & Breeding Sheep

**203 Ewes with Lambs** - a strong day of quality with a full average of £122.95. AJ Geary topped the day at £160 a life for Blue Texel broken mouthed ewes with single wether lambs at foot; K Buckby penned a super run of Blue Texels with full mouth ewes and single lambs topping at £155 a life with twins reaching £435 an outfit; RC Howes topped their run at £155 for full mouth Suffolk ewes and single lambs at foot; Jones & Sons - Manor Farm saw a flyer with Texel Mule theaves and single lambs selling to £145 a life and doubles to £420 an outfit; MA Truslow penned a smart run of full mouth Mule ewes and twin Texel lambs selling to £122 a life.

**Cade Lambs** - CA Stubbs topped with Texel and Roussin cross lambs selling to £30; JE Aldridge sold their Continentals to £20.

**Store Lambs** - power in the lambs carried the trade averaging £124.87. S Trubshaw topped the day at £149 for Shropshire crosses; C Spackman saw a big framed pen of Charollais crosses to £144.50; H Elsdon saw the trade of the day with big framed Hampshire lambs to £133 with their smaller framed pen to £127.50; R Martin saw a sweet pen of Blue Texels to £110.

**Feeding Ewes** - quality drove the trade with a majority meat showing forward, averaging £125.53. C Spackman topped with best end Texel crosses at £171 with followers to £140; H Elsdon saw smart Charollais cross ewes to £170; RC Howes topped the Suffolks at £154 for big frame meat, with Cheviots to £130. Lighter frame lean ewes sold £97 to £115.

### Thrapston Market Report 2025 Advertising Tariff

#### Advertising Charges

1/8 Page	£10 Per Week
1/4 Page	£20 Per Week
1/2 Page	£30 Per Week
Full Page	£50 Per Week
+ VAT	

#### Discounted Rates Available

For further information, or to place and advert,  
please contact Beth Kitchener on 01832 732241 or [beth.kitchener@bletsoes.co.uk](mailto:beth.kitchener@bletsoes.co.uk)

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**SATURDAY 19TH APRIL**

**STORE & BREEDING CATTLE**

**K S Lee - Farm Assured**

13 Limousin Steers & Heifers

2 Charolais Steers

*Homebred, Single Suckled*

9-14 Months

9 Months

**A & I Fraser - TB4**

6 Charolais & Limousin Steers & Heifers

10-12 Months

**T & J H Scrimshaw - TB4**

1 Simmental Steer

5 Simmental Steers

12 Months

17 Months

**S A C Holgate**

38 Store Cattle

15-25 Months

**C E Hancock & Son**

14 Store Cattle

17-27 Months

**R Truss - TB4**

3 Lincoln Red Steers

19-24 Months

**T G Williams**

3 Charolais Steers

1 Welsh Black Steer

2 Galloway Steers

29 Months

**SATURDAY 26TH APRIL**

**CALVES**

**Newlands Farm**

2 Charolais Bulls

1 Charolais Heifer

All 4-5 Weeks

**STORE & BREEDING CATTLE**

**E G Dodson & Son - TB4**

10 British Blue & Aberdeen Angus Cows with Aberdeen Angus Calves at Foot

**K Watkins**

1 Aberdeen Angus x Cow - *Empty*

6 Years

**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.



**One Day Course / Driver cpc Training Day / Certificate of Competence Assessment**  
**Welfare of Animals during Transport**

**To be held at**  
**Thrapston Livestock Auction**  
**Market Road, Thrapston, Kettering,**  
**Northamptonshire. NN14 4JU**  
**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025 9.00am – 5.00pm**  
**£95 + VAT including lunch and refreshments**

**For those wishing to take their Certificate of Competence assessment there will be an additional charge of £50 + VAT**

This one day workshop has been arranged by Food and Farming Compliance Ltd. to provide an update and refresher training on the requirement of the laws to protect animals during transport and to provide 7hrs International & National Driver cpc Periodic Training  
On completion of the course, there will be the opportunity for course members to take the assessment paper for their Level 2 - Certificate of Competence - Award in Animal Transport by Road (Short Journey). Cattle, Sheep, Pigs, Goats, and Horses.

**JAUPT - Joint Approvals Unit for Periodic Training**  
**Approved Course: Welfare of Animals during Transport (CRS11778/2040)**

**For further information or assistance and to book your place**  
Contact Nigel Durnford at Food and Farming Compliance Ltd.,  
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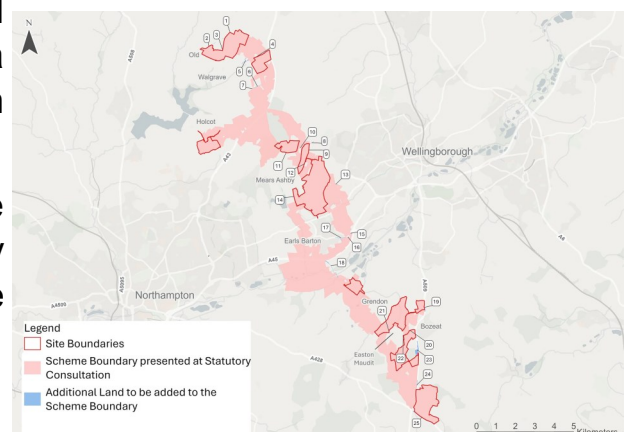
We understand that Green Hill Solar Farm Limited is currently consulting on specific proposed changes to the proposed Green Hill Solar Farm project, which affects land near Old, Walgrave, Holcot, Mears Ashby, Earls Barton, Grendon, Easton Maudit, Bozeat and Lavendon, to name but a few. The targeted consultation closes on 10 April 2025.

The proposed changes are transport related and are for ensuring specific land is available to facilitate vehicle access to the sites and the cable route corridor. For further information please visit, [www.greenhillsolar.co.uk](http://www.greenhillsolar.co.uk).

If you wish to make a representation and require assistance, then please contact a member of the Agricultural Team as soon as possible.

The plan shows Site Boundaries, Scheme Boundary representing a Statutory Consultation and Additional Land to be added to the Scheme Boundary.

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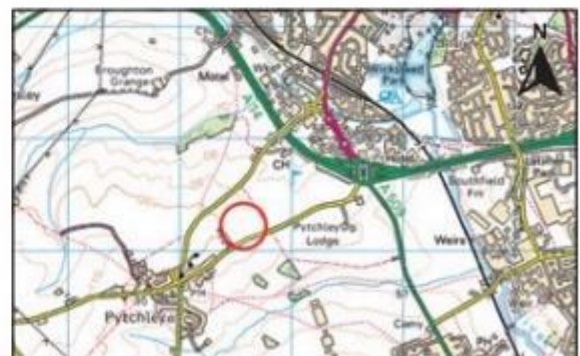






## Land off Isham Road, Pytchley, Northamptonshire

Approximately 19.21 acres (7.78 hectares)  
**FOR SALE AS A WHOLE  
OR IN TWO LOTS**



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## **Castration & Healthcare Clinic**

**Thrapston Livestock Market, 27 Market Road, Thrapston  
Kettering NN14 4LJ  
[W3W///milk.adjuster.adopting](http://W3W///milk.adjuster.adopting)**

**29<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
9am – 3pm**

**\*This is not an open event, you must be booked on to attend. Please call the number below for further information.\***

**Rosi – 07732 905773**

**Molly – 07510 921557**

- Castration
- Passport & Microchip
- Dentistry & Farriery
- Horse weighing scales
- Advice and support



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## An Auction



**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 1.00pm**

*At Thrapston Livestock Market  
Market Road, Thrapston. NN14 4JU*

**Entries by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April**

**NO** entries will be accepted after this date

For further information contact Beth Kitchener 07736 143630

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### **NOTICE**

Please be respectful of the neighbours to Thrapston Market and park responsibly.

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## AUCTION SALE



**Saturday 10th May 2025 at 10:30am**

Bridgehill Road, Newborough, Peterborough

**Peterborough Auction – Featuring:**

Dealer closures, farm clearance stock, spares, parts, literature, models, racking, shelving, display units, tractor and plough parts, wheels and tyres, bygones and collectables, livestock equipment, workshop and engineering tools, tractor implements, ploughs, trailers, forklifts, diggers, tractors, 4x4s, cars, vans, motorcycles and lorries (vintage & modern).

Approx. 800+ lots

**On behalf of MV Weston, local farms & private individuals.**

Please contact

Alastair Brown on 07885 804450 for further information  
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