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The Market Report

Stratford Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 13th July

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

Tuesday 20th July

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



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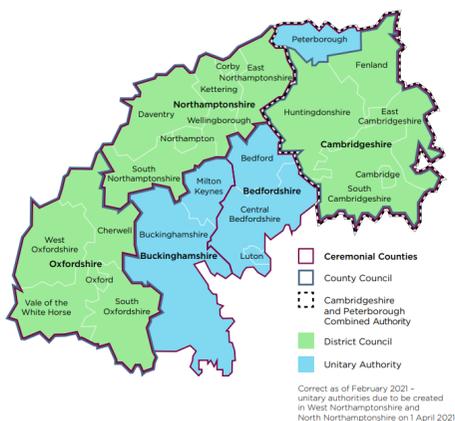
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THE OXFORD CAMBRIDGE ARC – SPATIAL FRAMEWORK

Over the last few years there has been a lot of discussion about the Oxford Cambridge Growth Arc, but to date there has been very little Government Policy setting out what the Oxford Cambridge Growth Arc actually means and how the significant ambitions for growth – 1 million new homes by 2050 which have been discussed as a target – will be achieved. However government policy is now beginning to catch up with the rhetoric and earlier in the year the Government set out that they are starting to work on a Spatial Framework for the Oxford Cambridge Arc.



The Oxford Cambridge Arc includes Oxfordshire, Northamptonshire, Buckinghamshire, Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire, and the Arc's objectives are to:

- Support long run sustained economic growth.
- Improve the area for living, working and travel both for existing residents and future communities.
- Support lasting improvements to the environment, green infrastructure and biodiversity.

The Government recognises the importance of the Oxford Cambridge Arc in terms of the existing Science and Technology businesses and the World Class Higher Education Institutions including of course Oxford and Cambridge Universities. The Arc accounts for 7.1% of England's economic output and it is home to some of the country's fastest growing and most innovative settlements.

The Government also recognises that the Arc is an area with huge potential but is also constrained by inadequate infrastructure, a lack of housing and complex Local Governance. Addressing these constraints is a key aim of the government to realise the full economic and environmental potential of the area. The Government has identified the area as a key source of economic growth for the country as a whole and the economic development in the Arc is key to the success of the UK's National prosperity and International competitiveness.

The aims of the Government's proposed Arc Spatial Strategy are to build on, and enhance the economic growth which has already been achieved and also facilitate the development needed to support further economic growth. It is recognised that rates of job creation in almost every Authority in the Arc far exceed current job targets in Local Plans but with housing delivery rates significantly below the level likely to be needed to accommodate current housing need and future job creation rates. Therefore the Government wants to see a comprehensive approach to planning across the Arc to deliver and manage the economic and housing growth.

The Government has started to consult on the Spatial Framework and it is anticipated that the Spatial Framework will cover the following key elements:

Housing

- New settlements to come forward at the scale and speed needed.
- New development to support habitat recovery, delivery of local nature recovery strategies and provision of good quality green space within schemes.
- Brownfield redevelopment densification and expansion of existing settlements in sustainable locations or locations that can be made more sustainable by enhanced access to the sustainable transport modes.
- Housing needs to be met in full, including delivery of much needed Affordable Housing.

Employment

- Provide an assessment of existing employment land, planned growth and anticipated future need.
- Set policies to support Local Planning Authorities in allocating the strategic business zones or strategic industrial locations as appropriate.
- Set policies to support different land uses for different sectors and sizes of businesses.

Over the next couple of years the government plans to develop the Spatial Framework in consultation with stakeholders and the local community. The document will have National Planning Policy status which will give it significant weight in the planning system for guiding Local Plan production and decision making on planning applications. It will sit alongside the National Planning Policy Framework. In addition the National Transport Policy status will allow the Arc Spatial Framework to guide the plans prepared by the Local Transport Authorities and Transport Policies will sit alongside Land Use Policies in the Spatial Framework in a fully integrated single Land Use and Infrastructure Plan.

The Oxford Cambridge Arc has some potentially large implications for farmers and landowners within the region. Significant opportunities for development will (and already are) undoubtedly coming through as a result of the very large quantum of development being discussed. This could present landowners with lucrative opportunities to secure development on their land. In addition, the infrastructure required to rectify the historic transport problems and also facilitate and support the proposed growth will mean road, rail and other infrastructure projects, which could impact some farmers and landowners' holdings and we are already seeing this with a number of infrastructure schemes in the area including the A428/A421 improvements and the East West Rail proposals. It is also worth noting that the Government anticipates Green Infrastructure playing an important role in the Arc Spatial Strategy, which means that there could also be opportunities for landowners in terms of providing biodiversity services and other opportunities such as carbon offsetting.

It is welcome that the Government is now moving forward with detailed Spatial Planning through the Arc and the planning policies set out within the Arc Spatial Strategy will have a far reaching impact on our region and its future development.

If you would like to discuss the potential opportunities for your land assets, please do not hesitate to contact the Planning & Development team at any time.

*Peter Moore - Partner
Planning & Development*



REPORT FOR TUESDAY 6TH JULY

New Season Lambs

595 New Season Lambs forward today met a slightly less trade than last week, as more lambs have been found after the up lift in last week's trade, which has forced many light lambs out on to the market, which aren't what the processors want, therefore many are being bought to feed for a couple of weeks, to sell as heavier lambs.

153 Standards – Topped at 243p for 36kg Beltex lambs from W Bartlett & Son who also had similar lambs half a kilo lighter at a penny less; RS Betteridge sold to 240p for 37kg lambs; R Burrow saw 236p for his 38kg lambs; RJ White sold 38kg lambs to 232p; B Page & Son sold 38.5kg & 39kg lambs to 229p and BS & FL Pile sold their 37.5kg lambs to 227p. Top price per head went to R Burrow at £89.68; B Page & Son to £89.31; RS Betteridge sold to £88.30 and W Bartlett & Son sold theirs to £88.50.

To		From		Average	
243p	£89.68	201p	£70.35	224.6p	£83.85

355 Mediums – Top price on the day for the champion lambs went to TO Withers with 45.5kg lambs selling to 275p or £125.13; JE Bury with Reserve Champion pen of lambs weighing 42.5kg sold to 250p or £106.25; P & M Careless sold their 41kg lambs to 247p; NK Butcher sold 42.5kg lambs to 246p; NJ Foster sold 42kg lambs to 240p & 43.5kg lambs to 238.5p; MJ Gillet & Partners sold their 42.5kg lambs to 240p; AF & RF Slatter sold 43.5kg Suffolks to 238.5p and P & M Careless sold 41.5kg lambs to 238p.

To		From		Average	
275p	£125.13	210p	£85.05	230.5p	£96.71

87 Heavies – AF & RF Slatter topped this section at 240p with 46.5kg Suffolks and sold 37 others weighing 46kg at 237.5p; NJ Foster sold his 47kg Texels to 239.5p; WR Spencer sold his 46kg lambs to 235p; John Bourne & Son sold to 231.5p for 46kg lambs; RS Hawkins sold 46.5kg lambs to 231p; TO Withers sold five 48.5kg lambs to 230p; D Hutsby sold 46kg lambs to 229p and GC Hodges & Son sold 47kg Suffolks to 228p. Per head topped at £112.57 for NJ Foster; AF & RF Slatter sold to £111.60; TO Withers to £111.55; MJ Gillet & Partners sold to £111.28; WR Spencer sold to £108.10; RS Hawkins sold to £107.42 and GF Heath & Son sold to £107.35.

To		From		Average	
240p	£112.57	214p	£103.96	231.1p	£108.79

Prize Show & Sale Results

We would like to Thank our Sponsors TFM of Banbury for donating gift Vouchers to spend at their Banbury store for the winners, and we would also like to Thank Mr Robert Leach for his expertise in Judging the lamb classes.

Continental Class

- 1st TO Withers
45.5kg Charollais 275p or £125.13
- 2nd JE Bury
42kg Charollais 250p or £106.25
- 3rd P & M Careless
41kg Charollais 247p or £101.27

Native Breed Class

- 1st AF & RF Slatter
46.5kg Suffolks 240p or £111.60
- 2nd GF Heath & Son
47.5kg Suffolks 226p or £107.35
- 3rd GC Hodges & Son
40.5kg Suffolks 224p or £90.72

Champion: TO Withers
Reserve Champion: JE Bury

8 Store Lambs

A few starting to come out and plenty of buyers are looking for some grass managers to eat the abundance of grass they have. A long-term pen of Continental lambs from RS Hawkins sold to £70.50. More will be forward each week. Don't forget WEDNESDAY 4TH AUGUST – The Field Sale of Store lambs.

To	From	Average
£70.50	£70.50	£70.50

13 Hogs

Still a few about, Charollais selling to £81 and £79.50 from £74 from DH & BD Minett.

To	From	Average
£81.00	£74.00	£78.38

47 Cull Ewes & Rams

Trade still good for all types topping at £111 for a Mule from MJ & IJ Gibbs while their Charollais sold to £101; GC Hodges & Son sold Mules and a Suffolk to £107; B Burrows & Son sold a Texel to £105, a Continental to £101 and their Mules to £96; RW Kerby sold a Suffolk to £102 and a Texel to £95; and B Page & Son sold a Mule to £95.

To	From	Average
£111.00	£40.00	£88.17

Fur & Feather, Produce & Sundries

Over 700 lots on offer this week, if you've not been to see us recently, we have a wide range of goods on offer. Stratford is fully open and the café is open serving hot and cold takeaway food. It FREE to browse, so why not come down and have a look.

Plants & Shrubs - Another great offering of plants for boarders, baskets and for all sizes of gardens. Quality plants at a fraction of the price compared to garden centres. Lilac sold to £8.50 from £1, Roses sold to £8 from £4.50, Geraniums sold to £1.50, Trailing and Fuchsia plants £1.50 from 50p, Cosmos plants sold to £4, Hanging Baskets £9 from £6.50, Bizzie Lizzies sold to £1.50, Tomato Plants to £10.50, Planted tubs sold to £5.50.

Veg & Produce – Bags of Bread £4, Carrots 30p, Gooseberries £1.40, Blackcurrants £1.10, Rhubarb 20p, Trays of Artichokes £1.

Hatching Eggs – Trays of eggs sold to £3.50 from £2. Duck Eggs sold to £4 from £3.50, Guinea Fowl eggs sold to £3, 9 Brahma eggs sold to £2, 7 Call Duck eggs sold to £2, 15 Quail eggs sold to £1.50.

Fur & Feather – Various breeds of Cockerels sold to £13 from £2, Bluebell Hens to £12, Harlequins £4, Pair of Marley Game £40, Goldline Hens to £2.50, English Black Rabbits £12, English Doe Rabbit £21, English Buck Rabbit £10, Mini Lop Rabbit £10-£5, Khaki Campbell Ducklings £14, Silkie Hen and 13 chicks £26, Bronze Turkey Stag £20.

Sundries – Plenty of items on offer with something for everyone, you name it, we sell it, even the kitchen sink! Some of the prices achieved; LED Light Board sold to £10, a set of Garden Tools sold to £9, a Tent sold to £3.50, Galvanised Bin sold to £10 a Pet Cage and Bed sold to £20.

FARM DISPERSAL SALE

Briefly comprising of:

2008 MASSEY FERGUSON 5475 4wd Tractor,
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1995 MASSEY FERGUSON Combine,
Track Marshall 90 Crawler,
2018 OPICO HE-VA Disc Roller

Also 4 Furrow Reversible Plough,
Cultivation equipment and the
usual farm machinery and
miscellaneous equipment.

Approximately 500 lots will be on offer

To be held on Friday 9th July at 11am

At Rectory Farm, Newton Road,
Rushden, Northamptonshire, NN10 0SX

The sale is being held due to the
retirement of Mr G J H Wothers.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

It is with great sadness we report the death of Alan Dwight Woodley. He died on 22nd June 2021, aged 87 years old having been unwell for a period of time. A private family funeral will be held on 6th July 2021.



MOBILE SHEEP DIPPING

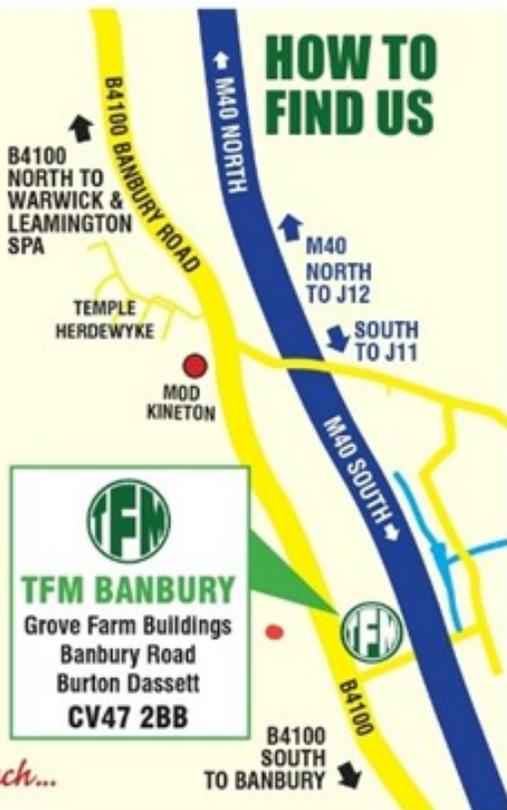
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 9th July

Farm Dispersal Sale - Rushden, Northamptonshire

*** *Catalogue Available Online* ***

Thursday 15th July

Summer Show & Sale of Lambs

At Thrapston Livestock Market

Wednesday 4th August

Stratford Field Sale of Store Lambs

*** *Please forward your entries as soon as possible* ***

*For further information please
contact the Market Team*

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FORTHCOMING MACHINERY SALES

Friday 9th July

Farm Dispersal Sale – Rushden, Northants

Friday 30th July

Thrapston Collective
Machinery & Equipment Sale

Saturday 11th September

Farm Dispersal Sale - Oxfordshire

Friday 24th September

Thrapston Collective
Machinery & Equipment Sale

For further information please contact the Market Team

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