

# The Market Report

## June Professional Ponderings

The honours have fallen to me to write my very first Professional Ponderings and introduce myself, having just joined Bletsoes as a Chartered Surveyor.

I grew up on a mixed farm at Orton in Northamptonshire, where in my spare time I continue to farm with my father and wife. I attended the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester where I graduated with a degree in Rural Land Management, and I then joined a local firm completing my APC to become a Chartered Surveyor.

Some of you will recognise me from the market or my time at Melton Mowbray Market, where I began my auctioneering career, selling the sundries and Fur & Feather before progressing to the calves and pigs. I then moved to Shrewsbury Market where I sold the cull ewes and machinery, together with assisting with the general running of the market.

Having decided to focus on my skills as a Chartered Surveyor, I then worked for two national firms where I provided specialist advice in respect of Compulsory Purchase and Compensation, acting for both landowners and acquiring authorities on local and national infrastructure projects for road and rail, together with water schemes. My experience from being on both sides of the fence puts me in a strong position to provide the best advice regarding any schemes that may affect you or your land. I have also been providing valuation advice for a variety of purposes from business and tax planning, to secured lending.

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DEFRA have recently announced new funding available to farmers and growers to process, diversify and add value to their products. Grants will pay for Capital Items to enable agricultural products to be processed after they have been harvested or reared.

Eligible items include:

- Equipment for preparing or processing edible agricultural products for added value sales.
- Equipment for 'second stage' processing of grain.
- Equipment for processing non-edible agricultural products.
- Premises for the preparation or processing of added value agricultural products, including associated integral storage areas.

The award of grants is competitive, therefore the RPA will score your application against the funding priorities. The minimum grant you can apply for is £25,000 and the maximum grant available is £300,000 per applicant business. Grants cover up to a maximum of 40% of the eligible costs of the project.

Further information is available at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/adding-value-grant-for-farmers-to-improve-crops-or-livestock>

If we can be of assistance with the grant application process, or provide any advice regarding your proposed plans, please do give us a call.

This week sees the majority of the Bletsoes team attending Cereals on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June at Chrishall Grange, Duxford and then out again on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> at the Northamptonshire Young Farmers County Rally at Bugbrooke. If you are attending either, or indeed both events, please do come and join us for a drink.

I look forward to attending at Stratford market and to meeting you, in due course and if I can be of assistance, please do contact me.



***Richard Spendlove***  
*Rural Chartered Surveyor*

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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# Stratford Forthcoming Events

## Tuesday 14th June

Prime, Cull & Store Sheep - 10.30am

Fur, Produce & Misc - 10.00am

## Tuesday 21st June

Prime, Cull & Store Sheep - 10.30am

Fur, Produce & Misc - 10.00am

## Tuesday 28th June

Prime, Cull & Store Sheep - 10.30am

Fur, Produce & Misc - 10.00am

*For further information regarding any of the sales  
please contact the Market Team*

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## REPORT FOR TUESDAY 7TH JUNE

### 364 New Season Lambs

**56 Standards** – Prices sold to 321p for 38kg from TR Tame & Son; R Hall & Sons sold 38kg lambs to 321p from 316.5p for 39k Suffolks and FH Pullin & Sons sold their 34-36kg lambs to 304p from 302p.

Top Price Per Head - £123.44 from R Hall & Sons; £121.88 for TR Tame & Son, FH Pullin & Sons sold to £115.52.

To		From		Average	
321p	£123.44	302p	£102.68	307.3p	£112.16

**299 Mediums** – RW Kerby sold 43.5kg lambs to 334p while their 41k lambs sold to 332p; TR Tame & Son saw their 40kg lambs sell to 330p from 328p, P & M Careless sold 41kg lambs to 325p; GC Hodges & Son sold 42kg Suffolks to 325p; Bayliss Farming sold 44.5kg lambs to 325p and J Peebles sold 40.5kg lambs to 325p.

Top Price Per Head - £145.29 for RW Kerby; £144.63 from Bayliss Farming, £140.80 for AF & RF Slatter and GC Hodges & Son.

To		From		Average	
334p	£145.29	307p	£124.40	320.8p	£133.56

**9 Heavies** – P & M Careless sold 48kg lambs to 325p; RW Kerby sold 48kg lambs to 319p and a 51kg lamb from FH Pullin & Sons sold to 285p.

Top Price Per Head - £156 from P & M Careless; £153.12 from RW Kerby and £145.35 from FH Pullin & Sons.

To		From		Average	
325p	£156.00	285p	£145.35	319p	£154.31

### 12 Old Season Lambs

**3 Standards** – R & JL Peebles sold 38.5kg hogs to £88.55 and a 36kg hogg to £86.40.

To		From		Average	
240p	£88.55	230p	£86.40	233.2p	£87.83

**2 Mediums** – P & M Careless sold a 45kg hogg to £117 and a 40kg hogg from R Rainbow sold to £84.

To		From		Average	
260p	£117.00	210p	£84.00	236.5p	£100.50

**6 Heavies** – SL Hitchman sold 46kg hogs to £118.22 and a 48kg hogg to £112.80; K Walby sold hogs to £98.50.

To		From		Average	
257p	£118.22	235p	£112.80	253.2p	£117.32

**1 Over 52kg** – P & M Careless sold a 55kg hogg to £133.10.

To		From		Average	
242p	£133.10	242p	£133.10	242p	£133.10

**116 Cull Ewes & Rams** – Ewes topped at £164 for Suffolks from B Burrows & Sons their Texels sold to £162; a Suffolk from R Rainbow sold to £139; Sam Walby sold ewes to £137; B Page & Son sold Suffolks to £135. Mules sold to £130.50 from B Burrows & Sons and GF Heath & Son sold Mules to £130.

Rams sold to £160 for a Charollais from GF Heath & Son; ET Mawby sold a Texel to £130 & £125.

To		From		Average	
£164.00		£34.00		£119.00	



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