

The Market Report

Thrapston Forthcoming Events

Thursday 22nd May
Prime & Cull Sheep

Saturday 24th May
Store & Breeding Cattle, Calves, Sheep & Pigs

Thursday 29th May
Prime & Cull Sheep

Friday 30th May
Thrapston Collective Machinery

Saturday 31st May
Store & Breeding Cattle, Calves, Sheep & Pigs

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

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REPORT FOR THURSDAY 15TH MAY

52 Prime Lambs

A smart show of lambs forward this week with quality selling well. SQQ 333.49p/kg. Cambridge University Farm penned a majority showing with their Texel Mule lambs topping at 342p/kg for 42kgs with 44.5kgs Suffolks to £146, their heavy Charollais lambs at 56kgs topped at £150. Ulmus Farm penned their usual stamp of quality with Texels at 47kgs flying to £158.

To		From		Average	
Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)					
342p	£146.00	328p	£133.00	333.5p	£141.44
Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)					
336p	£158.00	323p	£150.00	323.7p	£150.67
Over 52kg					
268p	£150.00	268p	£150.00	267.9p	£150.00

141 Prime Hogs

A smaller entry this week with all grades forward. SQQ 279.69p/kg. Sub 47kgs are in demand but meat is crucial. Heavies are sold between £135 and £155 meat depending. Cartwright Farms topped the day with 311p/kg for best end Charollais hogs at 48.5kgs, followed with 40kgs of the same stamp at £119; M Burke saw a run of smart meat Continental rams sell to £128 at 44kgs; D Sansom penned a tidy show of Texel crosses with 45kgs at £120; DB Standing saw their usual stamp of Charollais forward with 46.5kgs to £130; SF & JH Wagstaff penned a meat run of heavies with the top end at £155 for 69kg Suffolks, their Texel crosses topped at the same level for 65.5kgs.

To		From		Average	
Mediums (39.1 - 45.5kg)					
298p	£128.00	267p	£119.00	279.7p	£123.92
Heavies (45.6 - 52kg)					
311p	£151.00	246p	£124.00	265.5p	£132.22
Over 52kg					
260p	£155.00	204p	£128.00	241.6p	£145.86

NOTICE

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

61 Cull Ewes & Rams

Another fierce week on the cull ewe trade averaging £148.59. Not a single cull sold below £100. Ulmus Ram topped the day with best end Texel ewes, meat and shape selling to £223, their similar style but lean ewes saw £171; RC & JT Bailey topped the Suffolk for the day with big framed thick fat ewes to £197; P Misselbrook topped the rams with Texels at £194 for shape, frame and meat; E Dahm saw the best show of Zwartble culls seen with good meat ewes topping at £194; MJ Lovett topped the Mules on the day with medium frame good meat selling to £147. Big framed meat ewes sold £140 plus with mid frame leaner types £127 to £138, true feeders were £100 to £116.

To	From	Average
£223.00	£100.00	£148.59

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.



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REPORT FOR SATURDAY 17TH MAY

26 Store & Breeding Cattle

2 Cows and calves from AJ Moulding sold to £2,450 from £2,000.

2 Empty cows sold to £1,650 from £1,020 from M & M Hutton.

3 Empty heifers 37 months from NP & MJ Russell sold to £1,570 from £1,420 and AC Downing sold a 42 month Angus heifer to £1,570.

19 Store Cattle - CG Holt sold Angus steers to £1,120 from £800 and heifers to £1,000 from £820. R Booth sold British Blue steers to £900. R Munns sold Blue steers to £2,100 and Angus steers to £1,980. B Burkitt sold Hereford steers to £400 and heifers to £320.

7 Calves

JEG James entered British Blue bulls and heifers which sold to £700 from £360 and a Holstein bull sold to £170.

418 Store & Sheep

Ewes with Lambs - another flying week with no signs of the trade weakening. A Olorenshaw topped the day with North Country Mule hoggs and single Blue Texel lambs selling to £145 a life, with their twins topping to £110 a life, or £330 an outfit; Rand Contracting saw a tremendous show of full mouth Texel ewes with strong lambs selling to £135 a life, their Suffolks with twins at the same age sold to £115 a life, Romney ewes from the same home with twins at foot topped to £306 the outfit. WV Harris & Son penned their best end full mouth Cheviot Mule ewes with well grown Charollais lambs selling to £110 a life for the doubles and their Mules with singles to £100 a life; C & SR Johnson topped their full mouth Texel crosses and singles to £102 a life followed with Mules at the same age £98 a life. Native bred types such as Jacobs sold around £65 a life.

Store Lambs - following the prime trade easing a harder week averaging £101.23. D Morgan topped the day at £124 for Charollais lambs; M Mahoney saw their Texel Mules to £120; J Cadman penned a smart run of Charollais crosses seeing highs of £109.50 for mid frame lambs with followers at £86. Longest term lambs still sold to £73.50.

Feeding Ewes - a flyer once again averaging £127.37. J & V Short topped the day at a £167 for best shape Charollais ewes with Mules to £148.50; D Morgan saw similar highs with Texel ewes to £156 and £150; J Cadman topped their run with Hampshire crosses at £146. True feeders sold around £130 for mid frame healthy ewes, native bred sorts were around £60.

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or Ollie - 07496 370073



SATURDAY 24TH MAY

STORE & BREEDING SHEEP

S F & J H Wagstaff

30 Suffolk x Mule Hogs with 30 Charollais & Texel Lambs at Foot
30 Texel x Mule with 30 Lambs at Foot

R F Wagstaff

30 Texel x Hogs with 30 Beltex Lambs at Foot
Heptavac P, Footvax, Electric Fence Trained

STORE & BREEDING CATTLE

Stimson & Co

1 North Devon Heifer - Freemartin

24 Months

COLLECTIVE MACHINERY SALE - IMPORTANT NOTICE

When delivering your items please ensure you report to the mobile office prior to unloading and obtain your computer number, this is to be clearly displayed on your lots prior to leaving the site. Reserves and payments will not be processed if unidentifiable.

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COLLECTIVE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT SALE

Thrapston Auction Centre
Haldens Parkway
NN14 4QT

Friday 30th May 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 20th May to be included in the catalogue

Auctioneer in Charge: Alastair Brown 07885 804450

**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 31st May 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

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An Auction



Saturday 28th June at 1.00pm

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

Entries by Monday 16th June

NO entries will be accepted after this date

For further information contact Beth Kitchener 07736 143630

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

Collaborative approaches for sustainable herbicide use and clean water

You're invited!

Join us on **Wednesday, 28th May 2025** for an informative morning event and farm walk at Brixworth Farming Co. This local, cross-sector collaboration will spotlight herbicide use and the associated risks to raw water. The event brings together a range of expertise to share practical, landscape-level strategies for strengthening herbicide stewardship - helping to ensure clean and plentiful water for all.

Event Details:

- **Date:** Wednesday, 28th May 2025
- **Time:** 08:00–12:00, meeting, farm walk and lunch
- **Location:** Brixworth Farming Co, Park Farm, Spratton Road, Brixworth, Northants, NN6 9DS
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Topics and discussion areas include:

- Stewardship – the key to clean water and product efficacy.
- Landscape scale risk management planning to reduce connectivity to water.
- Results from field trials - efficacy, companion cropping and rotations.
- Precision techniques and technology to minimise soil movement and losses to water.
- Selecting the right Adjuvant.
- Reducing risks from yards.
- Rotations and cultivation practices to improve water quality (incl. soil infiltration demo).
- The effect of roots for crop health and clean water (crops, cover crops and weeds!).
- Innovations and Technology.
- Navigating risk factors – site, soil and weather.
- Update on Anglian Water's Farm Innovation Grant

Key speakers: **Joe Martin**, Field Technical Manager, Corteva Agriscience; **Kim Hemmings**, Catchment Advisor, Anglian Water; **David Felce**, farmer at Midloe Grange Farm, St Neots LEAF Demonstration Farm since 2000, former Syngenta Spray Operator of the Year, Farmers Weekly Countryside Farmer of the Year, NRoSO trainer since 2005, Agrii Technical Advisor 2015-2023.

This event is open to local farmers and agronomists. BASIS/NRoSO Points available.

RSVP to Kim Hemmings by 23 May 2025 by phone or email. 07811 593009 / khemmings@anglianwater.co.uk



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Land at Top Green, Upper Broughton, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire

The land is situated in the attractive village of Upper Broughton, in the county of Leicestershire, approximately 7 miles away from Melton Mowbray. The land extends to approximately 3.78 acres (1.53 hectares). The land benefits from a rural but accessible location and is approximately 2 miles from the A46, which leads to central Leicester and Junction 21a of the M1 motorway.

The property slopes steeply southeast and is bounded by residential properties along part of the southern boundary. The property is classified as Grade 3 according to the Agricultural Land Classification and forms part of unmanaged grassland and part scrub/woodland. The property is surrounded by mature hedgerows.



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Guide Price: £95,000