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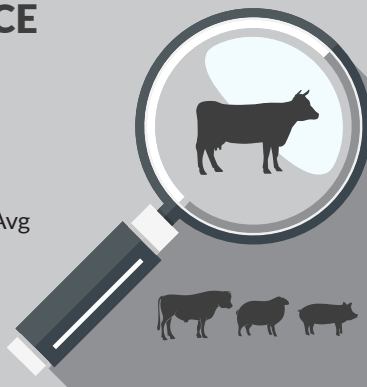
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## MARKET REPORT FOR MONDAY 18TH DECEMBER 2023

### MARKET AT A GLANCE

Prime Steers to 336p/kg & £2117  
Prime Heifers to 351p/kg & £2130  
Prime Bulls to 224p/kg & £1160  
Cows to 169p/kg & £1261  
Prime Lamb SQQ 280.5p/kg (1420 Avg  
£123)  
Prime Lambs to 375p/kg & £164  
Ewes to £218 (535 Avg £111)  
Calves to £355 (34)



THURSDAY 18th JANUARY  
SALE OF STORE CATTLE & STORE LAMBS  
PLUS IN LAMB EWES

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## CATTLE: 97 FORWARD



Steers: 35  
Heifers: 20  
Bulls: 1  
Cows: 7

Top today in the Steers ppk went to Page Bros for some lovely Limousin & British Blue Steers at 336, 331 & 323. In the lump it was R Ellis & Son topping at £2117

In the Heifers it was Page Bros who topped again in the ppk at 351, 341 & 338.

In the lump again this went to Page Bros.

In the Cows G & W Plant topped in the ppk.

**OUR NEXT SALE FOR CATTLE IS MONDAY 1ST JANUARY, GATES OPEN 12PM AND SELLING WILL COMMENCE AT 2PM. CATTLE ARE IN DEMAND FOR THIS DAY**

*More Cattle needed each week to fulfill demand*

**Auctioneer : Emma Coupland**

## COMMISSIONS

Following our annual review we have a tiny increase in prices

Fat Cattle £39

Over 2K £49

Store Cattle

£12 min 3.5% standard, Max £37

Breeding Sheep

4.2% plus redeemable penning deposit £5

MV RAMS

Same penning charge £5, minimum sale price £250

Commercial Rams 5% plus penning deposit £5 minimum sale price £200

Fat Lambs

3.6%

**PLEASE COULD ALL VENDORS BOOK IN STOCK,  
EITHER BY A QUICK CALL, TEXT OR EMAIL THANK YOU!**

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## STEERS & BULLS

Top prices per Head				FA
Limousin x	672kg	£2117	R Ellis & Son	Y
Limousin x	650kg	£2099	R Ellis & Son	Y
Limousin x	612kg	£2056	Page Bros	Y
Limousin x	630kg	£2035	Page Bros	Y
Charolais x	706kg	£2033	D J Hull & Partners	Y

Top prices per Kilo				
Limousin x	612kg	336ppk	Page Bros	Y
British Blue	582kg	331ppk	Page Bros	Y
Limousin x	650kg	323ppk	R Ellis & Son	Y
Limousin x	630kg	323ppk	Page Bros	
Limousin x	672kg	315ppk	R Ellis & Son	Y

## HEIFERS

Top prices per head				FA
Limousin x	634kg	£2130	Page Bros	Y
British Blue	584kg	£1991	Page Bros	Y
Charolais	652kg	£1852	Freeman Farming	Y
Limousin	572kg	£1830	GR Fountaine & Son	Y
Limousin x	520kg	£1825	Page Bros	Y
Top prices per kilo				
Limousin x	520kg	351ppk	Page Bros	Y
British Blue	584kg	341ppk	Page Bros	Y
Limousin x	634kg	336ppk	Page Bros	Y
Limousin	572kg	320ppk	GR Fountaine & Son	Y
British Shorthorn	610kg	287ppk	GR Fountaine & Son	

## Len Eadon 1999-2022 Tribute page

<https://leneadon.muchloved.com/?fbclid=IwAR1QM9qsvxqscmyehDUuwJvjrB4KICliDqyezWbDYBEAsDaB164bZn50g4>

## COWS

Top prices per head Cows				FA
Devon	888kg	£1261	Midland Slurry	Y
Devon	802kg	£1123	P Russell	Y
Longhorn	624kg	£992	G & W Plant	Y
Top prices per kilo				
Longhorn	624kg	159ppk	G & W Plant	Y
Devon	888kg	142ppk	Midland Slurry	Y
Devon	802kg	140ppk	P Russell	Y

## PRIME LAMBS: 1420 FORWARD SQQ 280.5 P/KG AVG £123



Less about but what a super show of meat from our vendors. We have really struggled for our usual quality this year but normal service renewed today with a run of lambs that whilst many only Mule x where on the whole full of meat. A super trade prevailed at 280p/kg SQQ with buyers fit for numbers from start to finish. A real trade throughout. Export lambs today with shape pretty much all over 290p/kg with plenty of premium on show as Butchers pushed the Export men. Top a massive 370p/kg at 36kg from D W Gurney & Son with Beltex. Hillside with pure Beltex indoor and shorn lambs to 356p/kg and Messrs Gurney then 350,349,344,343 & 336p/kg for his well fed and super bred sorts. Heavies with shape a real trade with only Cutting lambs harder to sell on the week with heavy Suffolks etc meeting resistance. Heavier lambs saw a top of 313p/kg for 46kg from Messrs Gurney with R H Burman 46kg to 309p/kg and S Wise 46kg to 304p/kg. An all in avg today of £123 per head despite a nice showing of Export weights. Top in the Export Gross to £151 for 44kg from Messrs Gurney selling the same £148 and 43kg at £142 with 40kg to £140. Messes Humphrey Livestock 45.5 at £138. Weight though is king in the gross with a top of £164 at 60kg for M & C Morris with £162 at 59kg from RF & J Nichols with D G Coombes at £160 equal with R F Leach. B F Humphreys & Sons £158 and Messrs Jeyes £157.

A proper yard of Meat and well chased as Christmas trade landed in the nick of time. Merry Christmas to all Customers from Everyone at RFM. We wish you a peaceful and family filled rest period.

. We commence belly clipping this Sunday with all overnight lambs subject to compulsory Clipping. Gates close strictly at 4pm.!!!!

## DIRTY CRUTCHES & BELLIES ARE NOT ALLOWED OVER THE WEIGHBRIDGE

## PRIME LAMBS SQQ 280.5 p/kg

### Per Kilo **under 45.5kg**

Beltex	36.00kg	375ppk	DW Gurney & Son
Beltex	40.00kg	350ppk	DW Gurney & Son
Beltex	39.00kg	349ppk	DW Gurney & Son
Beltex	36.00kg	344ppk	DW Gurney & Son
Beltex	37.00kg	343ppk	DW Gurney & Son

### Per HEAD

Beltex	44.00kg	£151.00	DW Gurney & Son
Beltex	44.00kg	£148.00	DW Gurney & Son
Beltex	43.00kg	£142.00	DW Gurney & Son
Beltex	40.00kg	£140.00	DW Gurney & Son
Texel	4550kg	£138.00	Humphrey Livestock

### Per Kilo **over 45.5kg**

Beltex	46.00kg	313ppk	DW Gurney & Son
Beltex	46.00kg	309ppk	R H Burman
Beltex	48.50kg	309ppk	DW Gurney & Son
Texel	46.00kg	304ppk	S Wise
Char	47.00kg	304ppk	DW Gurney & Son

### Per HEAD

Beltex	60.00kg	£164.00	M & C Morris
Beltex	59.00kg	£162.00	RF & J Nichols
Texel	56.00kg	£160.00	DG Coombes
Char	62.00kg	£160.00	R F Leach
Texel	56.00kg	£158.00	BF Humphrey & Sons

**\*\*FAT CATTLE TIMINGS\*\***  
**COWS 8:30AM**  
**PRIME CATTLE 9AM**

Sunday lairage is now open from 9am-3:00pm  
Gates close 3:00pm **STRICTLY.**

## CULL EWES :535 FORWARD



Less about and a much better quality with less Ewes about and much more quality than we have seen. Ewes topped at £218 on two occasions for Fordwell Farm Partnership with others at £200 for pure Texel. M J Woodward with super Texel Rams to £180 equal with R J Wright. Meat white faces all £140 plus and Suffolks to £140 for R F Leach and HL Goode & Son £139. Suffolks generally £120 plus. Mules to £105 for Humphrey Livestock and generally £90 plus for meat.

**PLEASE SEE THE WELFARE STATEMENT BELOW REGARDING THE CULL EWES**

*Auctioneer: Thomas Wrench*

### EWES

Texel	£218	Fordwell Farm	Ram	£180	R J Wright
Texel	£200	Fordwell Farm	Continental	£175	Leam Farm Partnership
Ram	£180	M J Woodward	Texel	£170	J & S White Farms Ltd

### WELFARE STATEMENT

Following a meeting with Warwickshire Trading Standards & the FSA on Monday we have been asked to highlight the Welfare Issues being reported from the Abattoirs regarding Cull Ewes. These mainly relate to MASTITIS & LAMENESS. Condition Score i.e being very thin.

Please remember that an animal must be fit for the intended journey, it should not be ill, injured or severely lame i.e. must be full weight bearing.

These sheep are being rejected at abattoirs around the Country

## STORE LAMBS: 248 FORWARD



A few less forward today only because of our Special Store Lamb Sale on Thursday

Trade still very fast throughout and in great demand topping at £111 for Mark Warner

Other good entries from RC & J Mann, J & C Hinton,

*Auctioneer: Emma Coupland*

**MARKETS OVER THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD  
PLEASE NOTE WE WILL BE HOLDING A SALE ON THE  
28TH DECEMBER FOR FAT LAMBS & CULL EWES &  
CALVES**

**GATES WILL OPEN AT 11AM AND THE SALE WILL  
COMMENCE AT 1PM WITH CALVES & 2PM WITH  
SHEEP**

**MONDAY 1ST JANUARY WILL BE FOR FAT CATTLE  
ONLY GATES OPEN AT 12PM AND THE SALE WILL  
COMMENCE AT 2PM**

### FOR SALE

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### HELP REQUIRED

DUE TO RETIREMENT WE HAVE A VACANCY  
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FURTHER DETAILS ON REQUEST  
ROBERT DAVY 07762164552

## STORE CATTLE



Our last sale of the year saw the continued trend of increased numbers upon the year. We started with Cows & Calves bolstered by the final Dispersal of the N J Foster Herd. These Summer calving Cows met plenty of demand with the Empty Cows attracting both feeding men and those looking to synchronise with their own Herds.

This resulted in a top Couple from the family at £2020 for Simmentals. Messrs TH Morris showed a 2016 Limousin Cow with 2m old Hfr at 1980. Grazing Cows from the Fosters topped at £1230.

Into the Store Cattle and some serious trade throughout. Young Cattle saw yearling Buckets Blues from HemCo at £900 and Limousin £800 with Montbeliarde £790. South Devon Yearling from RJB sae £950 with those slightly older at 14m to £1155.

Messrs Semple with the last draw of 2023 saw pure Limousin at £1370 for Limousin Steers 14m of age and others £1205 and £1100 with Heifers to £1100. Herefords at 15m from L Bicknell & Son saw £1095/ Jane Gilbert back again and doing her thing selling at £1350 for 17m Lim Steers and 15m Heifers £1090. Herefords from RJ Wright saw Herefords 15m at £910 for Steer. Next a new Customer DD Pugh, down from Leicestershire decided to use the Sale ring ahead of Direct Sale Merchants. A return £1228 avg more than justifying his decisions with these Blue Bucket Steers 15m of age topping at £1370 and £1295. W H Allan in next from Banbury seeing 16m Angus Steers to £1200 and sisters £1170. LC Threadgold with Angus Heifers 21m at £1290.

Simply a fantastic trade for a yard short on weight and lovely to welcome new and old Customers back.

*Auctioneer: Thomas Wrench*

### ROBERT WOODFORD

IT IS WITH GREAT SADNESS WE REPORT THE PASSING OF ROBERT WOODFORD  
OF CHURCH LAWFORD WHO PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY 2ND DECEMBER  
HIS FUNERAL IS TO TAKE PLACE 4TH JANUARY AT 1PM ST PETERS CHURCH,

CHURCH LAWFORD

CONTACT DETAILS 07531251359

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## **BOSWORTH MARINA**

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## **FOR SALE COLLIE PUPS**

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Lynne Smith: 07759454195  
Good home top priority please

## CALVES: 34 FORWARD



The last sale of 2023 was greeted with a packed ringside of buyers and good to see a fair selection of Calves for everyone.

Peter Hemmings topped the market today with a Limousin Bull Calf selling for £350 and bought by our very own Wendy Taylor. He also sold Heifers £310 & £335

Hayden James sold British Blue Bulls £310 to £340 again a good trade

Pilkington Farms and Long Partners entered decent groups as well

Please note our next sale is the 8th January 2024

Limousin Bulls	to £350
Limousin Hfrs.	£225 to £340
British Blue Bulls	£310 to £340
British Blue Hfrs.	to £275
Angus Bulls.	£100 to £197
Angus Hfrs.	£80 to £170
Hereford Bulls.	£98 to £118
Hereford Hfrs.	to £141
Sussex Hfrs.	to £100
Holstein Bulls.	£15 to £50

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all buyers and sellers of Calves a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

***Auctioneer : Tim Webster***

## STORE LAMBS: 446 FORWARD



*Many thanks to all the farmers bringing in Lambs to be sold and they were rewarded with a tremendous sale, with buyers attending from further afield which made a unbelievable affect on prices*

*We topped at £113 for P Davenport and his Cont x Lambs and sold to Messrs B & R Deane*

*Other good runs from Ted Taylor who sold a majority of his 100 Lambs between £96.50 & £106.50*

*Also Lambs from Jenny Gibbs, Tom Hallifield, Graham Bell, AJ Hadley Partners, Etc*

*Many more could have been sold with this strong demand at present*

**Auctioneer: Thomas Wrench**

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**THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY  
SALE OF STORE CATTLE & STORE LAMBS  
PLUS IN LAMB EWES**

**Vendors who are wishing to sell stock  
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**Tim Webster**- 07437 101163 Auctioneer & Fieldsman

**Emma Coupland**- 07808 271218 Fat Cattle Auctioneer

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will require a Veterinary Attestation from  
13th December 2023



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