



SHREWSBURY AUCTION CENTRE

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MARKET REPORT FOR TUESDAY 17th JUNE 2025



DAIRY (25)	Top Price	£3350 h	£3400 C	
PRIME HOGGETS (116)	Top Price	£120.00	or 330pp	Ave244ppk
CALVES (150)	Top Price	£790(B)	£618(H)	
CULL EWES AND RAMS (171)	Top Price	£220(E)	£238(R)	
BARREN COWS/OTM'S (10)	Top Price	£2049.80	or 277ppk	
SPRING LAMBS (1420)	Top Price	£184.50	or 397ppk	

MARKET OPENING TIMES

*****GATES ARE OPEN FROM 6.30AM*****

AUCTIONEERS CONTACTS

CALVES 10am

Nick Griffiths 07748 306442

LAMBS/HOGGETS 10am

James Evans – 07581 552 438

DAIRY & BARREN CATTLE 11am

Jonny Dymond 07803 412617

Henry Hyde 07398 137343

STORE CATTLE 10.30am

WEANLINGS 12.30pm

Jonny Dymond 07803 412617

STARTING TIMES

LAMBS/ HOGGETS: 10AM

CALVES: 10AM

CULL EWES: TO FOLLOW LAMBS

BARRENS COWS AND BULLS: 11AM

DAIRY: 11.15 AM

WEANLINGS: 12.30- 1PM

STORE CATTLE FORTNIGHTLY

THURSDAY: 10.30AM

*******IMPORTANT INFORMATION*******

**ALL PASSPORTS ARE TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ENTRY FORM.
ALL DETAILS ON FORM ARE TO BE FILLED IN CORRECTLY.**

25 DAIRY 11.15am

JONNY DYMOND – 07803 412617

Total		Ave (£)	Top (£)	Vendor
6	Freshly Calved Cow	2645.00	3400.00	GJ & AW Dutton
18	Freshly Calved Heifer	1180.00	3350.00	TA Wainwright & Son
1	Dry Cow	1900.00	1900.00	WJ Nadin & Co

25 Dairy Cattle

6 Fresh Cows to £3400 ave £2645

18 Fresh Heifers to £3350 ave £2729

A SIMPLY UNBELIEVEABLE TRADE A huge leap forward from Mays Prices, in part fuelled by blue tongue Regulations, part low numbers and part the end of seasonality. 50% of heifers sold for £3000 or more!!

The pre-sale show was judge by Harry Edwards who awarded his places as follows: -

Cows

1st & Reserve Champion 4th Lact Cow GJ & AW Dutton £3400

2nd 5th Lactation Cow GJ & AW Dutton £2400

3rd DILANDY RENEGADE REENIE D & AC Shakeshaft £2600

Heifers

1st & Champion FORESTGATE ADDERLEY SIETSKE A&C Drinkall £3300

2nd Commercial Heifer £3350 TA Wainwright & Son

3rd STYCHE HELIUM HILGONDA 2 AJ Scott £3050

A QUALITY SHOW OF Cattle, yes, a show eager of buyers ABSOLUTELY. Correct well balanced stock forward just flew off the shelf today, with a top of £3400 for the 1st Prize cow and £3350 for the 2nd Prize Heifer. Other Heifers over the £3000 for all but 2 vendors today, with one of those achieving £2950!! There are so many highlights to pull out the trade was absolutely bouncing from the very first cow in the ring to the last. It has been coming for a while with prices held back by seasonality now, we rock on forward to what we hope will be a stronger trade through the Summer and Autumn. Who knows the true effect of the Blue Tongue rules we can only hope that common sense prevails and an amendment is made sooner rather than later. Thanks to all our vendors and buyers for your ongoing support **MORE NEEDED**

NEXT WEEK SPECIAL ENTRY OF 10 IN CALF HEIFERS FROM GJ & AJ DUTTON, CHESTER



10 BARRENS 11.00am
HENRY HYDE- 07398 137343

Breed	PPK	Price	Vendor
AA x	277ppk	£2049.80	TMP & LAL Jones
Fleck	241ppk	£1942.46	J Summers & Partners
Hfd x	285ppk	£1402.20	ME Ryder
Hfd x	273ppk	£1337.70	ME Ryder
Fleck x	219ppk	£1248.30	J Summer & Partners
Hfd x	198ppk	£1223.64	MR Jones & Son
AA x	201ppk	£1061.28	TF Jones

150 CALVES 10AM
NICK GRIFFITHS-07748 306442

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Breed	Bulls			Heifers		
	No	Ave	Top	No	Ave	Top
Frie	13	148.46	325.00			
BB x	36	474.17	790.00	23	421.13	618.00
AA x	9	496.56	595.00	8	381.63	500.00
Hfd x	26	535.38	700.00	19	440.53	550.00
Sim x	3	594.00	640.00	1	520.00	520.00
Lim x	3	566.67	640.00	8	420.63	565.00
Char x				1	600.00	600.00

Plenty of trade about this week with numbers low due to harvesting weather but demand remaining sky high!!

Blue bulls topped at £790 from DH & VM Morgan with others to £720 from TA Wainwright. Strong Hereford bulls to £700 from G & M Povall with a good run from Martin Lewis selling to £690!

90 bulls on offer averaged £454 with all blue bulls averaging £480. Simmental bulls sold to £640 from DH & JE Morgan with Limousins to £640 also this time from John Phillips. Angus from Roger Ainsworth sold to £595 with others to £590 from Mr Ashley. The best of the Friesians selling to £325.

Heifers topped out at £618 for smart Blues from DH & JE Morgan who also sold at £605 while young Charolais from PA & JM Astley sold well at £600.

Hereford heifers to £550 from Martin Lewis with Lims to £565 from Hargrove farm. Nice young Simmentals from Pat Price sold to £520.

Overall demand remains terrific with an abundance of men for the calves on offer. Simply more needed. Do give us a call if you are looking to sell, we have the men, we need the calves!

NON-Slaughter Declarations** NO FORM NO DECLARATION**

In the interest of protecting your milk contract, Vendors are responsible for declaring their calves individually as not for slaughter, every week the auctioneer will declare at the point of sale and on invoice to our trusted buyers. Halls Holdings Ltd cannot be held responsible for the calf once it leaves the market where the onus transfers to the purchaser.

1420 SPRING LAMBS
JAMES EVANS 07581 552438
TOM JERMAN :07948 080906.

ALL SHEEP LICENCES MUST BE FILLED OUT CORRECTLY.
WE ARE HAVING A LOT OF LICENCES NOT BEING FILLED IN CORRECTLY,
NUMBER OF SHEEP MISSING, CULL EWES NOT BEING ON SHEET, MISSING HOLDING NUMBERS ETC.
PLEASE MAKE SURE THIS IS DONE BEFORE HANDING IN YOUR LICENCE

Lambs	Ave P/Kg	Top Ave	Vendor	Top Per Hd	Vendor
17-25.4kgs					
25.5- 32kgs	337.65ppk	344ppk	J Wiliams	110.00	J Wiliams
32.1 -39kgs	361.46ppk	397ppk	M Cordiner	144.00	J Pinner
39.1- 45.5kgs	342.75ppk	375ppk	FC Roberts	158.00	J & T Powell
45.6- 52kgs	367.62ppk	384ppk	J Pinner	184.50	PR Hodnett
52+ kgs	301.26ppk	319ppk	R Hares	180.00	R Hares
Overall	349ppk				
SQQ	345ppk				

It was a busy day at Shrewsbury Auction Centre on Tuesday, 17th June 2025, with 1,418 spring lambs sold, marking a notable shift in the market compared to last week's strong trade. While last Tuesday's entry of 1,220 lambs saw a lively sale with an overall average of 352p/kg and an SQQ of 351p/kg, this week's trade was steadier, reflecting some changing buyer preferences. The overall average dipped slightly to 346p/kg with the SQQ at 350p/kg, indicating a steady but less buoyant demand as the market adjusts.

One of the biggest stories of the day was the strong demand for lambs weighing over 46kg. For the first time this season, weight was money, with buyers keen to pay a premium for the heavier lambs. The 46 kg-plus lambs saw excellent competition, with heavyweights (45.6–52kg) averaging 369p/kg and topping at £184.50 per head from PR Hodnett. Superheavy lambs over 52kg were also well supported, selling to £180 per head and 319p/kg from R Hares. This renewed appetite for big, well-finished lambs brought a welcome boost to the trade and underlined the value of carrying weight at this stage of the season.

In contrast, lambs in the 40 to 45kg range experienced a softer demand. This weight bracket, which has been popular throughout the season, saw prices ease slightly, reflecting a shift in buyer focus towards either lighter lambs ready for quick sale or heavier lambs offering better returns on weight. Medium-weight lambs averaged 340p/kg with a top price of 375p/kg, showing buyers are becoming more selective as the market finds a new balance.

Lighter lambs remained in smaller supply but sold well, with J Williams topping the lights at 344p/kg and £110 per head. However, interest was limited compared to the heavier classes, reinforcing that finish and weight are now value drivers.

Overall, this week's sale highlighted a market in transition. While trade was steadier than last week, the strong demand for lambs over 46kg signals that **weight is money**, and producers with well-finished, heavy lambs stand to benefit most as the season progresses.

For further information or to discuss entries for future sales, please contact James Evans on 07581 552438.

Lambs 25.5-32		
£110.00	344ppk	J Williams
£101.00	337ppk	J Williams
£100.00	313ppk	M Cordiner

Lambs 32.1-39		
£144.00	369ppk	J Pinner
£143.50	373ppk	J Pinner
£143.00	367ppk	CR Livestock
£142.50	375ppk	M Cordiner
£141.00	381ppk	J Pinner

Lambs 39.1- 45.5		
£158.00	347ppk	J & T Powell
£157.50	350ppk	JH Jones & Son
£157.00	349ppk	JH Jones & Son
£156.00	347ppk	DA & JM Embrey
£155.00	344ppk	DA & JM Embrey

Lambs 45.6-52		
£184.50	377ppk	PR Hodnett
£184.50	362ppk	CR Livestock
£184.00	376ppk	PR Hodnett
£180.50	384ppk	J Pinner
£180.50	376ppk	PG & LM Harding

Lambs 52+		
£180.00	286ppk	R Hares
£178.50	319ppk	R Hares

NOTICE TO PRIMESTOCK VENDOR

Due to the continuous increase in values of Primestock, abattoirs are demanding that the highest welfare standards be upheld. Sheep must be “fit to sell” in the market and be fit for human consumption.

Any Whole or Part of a carcass which is condemned is the responsibility of vendor and any deduction will be taken from your sale proceeds.

The Welfare of Animals in Markets Order 1990 states in order to be sold stock must not show any signs of being Diseased, Ill, Injured or Infirm. Anything that does not meet the standards will not be offered for sale and instead returned to its holding or origin.

****** IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL VENDORS ******

VETERINARY ATTESTATION NUMBER (VAN) From the 13th December 2023 the European Union will not accept ANY part of a Carcass or Offal from UK livestock producers unless that have a Veterinary Attestation Number, this is relevant for Cattle, Sheep, Pigs, Chickens and any other livestock in the UK.

IF YOU ARE FARM ASSURED your stock is considered to meet the requirements for export and you can ignore the rest of this statement.

IF YOU ARE NOT FARM ASSURED, please contact your Vets about getting a number.

While your stock can be sold at the market with or without a VAN Halls **STRONGLY ADVISE** getting one. The process from our experience is based on the health and well-being of your livestock, rather than paperwork.

OUR BUYERS REQUESTING THIS! The meat industry is complex and when we trade in a world market ticking this box will be financially beneficial to you

116 PRIME HOGGETTS
JAMES EVANS 07581 552438

Lambs 32.1-39		
£123.00	315ppk	REN Hamer
£100.00	2944pk	M Cordiner
£67.00	203ppk	J Pugh Ltd

Lambs 39.1- 45.5		
£148.50	330ppk	A Gwilliam & Son
£122.00	271ppk	JA Heeley
£120.00	300ppk	J Pugh Ltd

Lambs 45.6-52		
£165.50	318ppk	A Gwilliam & Son
£150.00	294ppk	HM Jones
£128.00	267ppk	F & SM Schofield
£120.00	261ppk	J & W Morris
£		

Lambs 52+		
£182.00	289ppk	JR Ford & Daughter
£180.50	273ppk	RJ Savage
£180.00	250ppk	CP Goulding
£173.00	320ppk	RJ Savage
£171.00	317ppk	REN Hamer

A seasonal entry of 116 prime hogs met with a fair level of demand at Shrewsbury Auction Centre, producing a trade that could best be described as steady for the time of year. While not overly strong, the sale maintained a workable level throughout, especially for the better-finished and heavier types. Lighter hogs were generally out of favour, with limited interest and patchy bidding, reflecting a lack of demand for unfinished or smaller types.

 **Big Hogs Still Commanding Top Money – "Weight is Money".** That message rang loud and clear once again at this week's sale, as the best returns came from the heavy and superheavy categories. Hogs carrying weight and finish defy seasonal pressures, attracting standout prices per head. In the superheavies (52 kg+), JR Ford & Daughter topped the day at an impressive £182, with RJ Savage close behind, averaging £160. These results firmly demonstrate that big, meaty lambs remain the most profitable option, drawing consistent interest and strong bids at the ringside.

The heavyweight category (45.6–52kg) also sold well, with A Gwilliam & Son topping at £165.50 per head and averaging £142. Returns were more cautious in the medium and standard weights but still decent for well-covered types. A Gwilliam & Son topped the mediums at 330p/kg, and REN Hamer reached 315p/kg in the standard section. These prices show that while the general trade was not overly buoyant, quality lambs in the midweights could still command fair money.

The lighter end of the scale struggled, with limited appetite for lambs below 32kg. J Pugh LTD led the light and superlight categories, topping at 217p/kg and £65 per head, but overall interest was lacking, and returns were modest. These classes clearly lacked buyer enthusiasm, and producers must weigh the benefits of further finishing before marketing smaller lambs.

The overall average settled at 245p/kg, with the SQQ at 230p/kg – respectable figures given the time of year, but no fireworks in general. The clear take-home message remains: weight pays. Big hogs full of meat continue to deliver the best returns, while lighter types will struggle unless finished and timed well. For producers bringing forward strong, shapely lambs, the trade remains solid enough to justify the extra effort in finishing.

For entries or further information, please contact James Evans on 07581 552438.

171 CULL EWES AND RAMS: To Follow Lambs

TOM JERMAN :07948 080906

Ewes Top Price	Vendor	Ram Top Prices	Vendor
£220.00	RE & CJ Davies	£238.00	CP Goulding
£220.00	CJ & HM Evans	£235.00	J Pinner
£211.00	DA & JM Embrey	£	
£206.00	IR Edge		
£201.00	DT Roberts		
£196.00	JC Taylor & Son		
£195.00	DT Robert		
£194.00	R Hares		
£191.00	A Cockayne		
£189.00	DG Wyke		

This week saw a smaller but stronger entry of 171 cull ewes at Shrewsbury Auction Centre, with trade showing a clear improvement on last week's more resistant market following the festival period. The average for ewes rose to £151, up from £130 last week, reflecting a higher

quality and better finish in the entry. Any ewe carrying size, weight, and meat regularly sold for over £180, confirming that buyers remain very focused on well-meat sheep. Top prices this week exceeded £210 for the best Charolais, Texel, and Suffolk ewes, compared to last week's top of £211 from A Cockayne.

Last week's sale featured a larger entry of 338 ewes, but the trade was more of a two-tier affair, with many leaner and plain types holding back the average. Although lighter and unfinished ewes still sold between £100 and £140, buyers were noticeably more selective, showing less appetite for ewes without meat. This week, the entry was stronger overall, with more shorn, meaty ewes helping lift the average despite a higher proportion of leaner types, which still sold for £100-£140 depending on breed and condition.

Heavy, well-finished ewes continue to command the best prices, with pure Texel and Texel x Suffolk ewes consistently making over £180. Good meat Mules fetched £145 to £155, while plainer types with frame sold between £100 and £120. Hill breeds such as Welsh, Speckled, Scottish Blackface, and Swaledale ewes remained steady at £60 to £90, like last week's levels.

Cull rams saw a notable increase in both quality and price this week. The smaller entry of mainly lean rams averaged £236, a significant rise from last week's 7 rams averaging £95, with top prices of £238 and £235 from CP Goulding and TH Tanner respectively. This underlines steady demand for rams with shape and strength.

The demand for cull ewes remains strong at Shrewsbury, with 400 to 600 ewes required weekly to meet the needs of five regular buyers purchasing for nine different companies, each placing multiple orders. This steady demand pressures supply, especially for big, meaty ewes that meet market requirements.

In summary, this week's trade shows an encouraging improvement in price and demand, particularly for heavier, well-finished ewes and quality rams. The market remains firm for sheep with shape and weight, reinforcing the ongoing message that **money will be made if they've got backs on them.**

For entries and enquiries, contact Tom Jerman on 07948 080906.

!!BLUETONGUE UPDATE !!

On the 23rd May 2025, Defra announced all of England would be placed Bluetongue restriction Zone on the 1st July, in response on the 12th June the Welsh Deputy First Minister stated that Welsh Government had been successful in keeping Bluetongue serotype 3 out of Wales this year and therefore would not move into the Restriction zone. This result of this decision is that from the 1st July All BTV-3 susceptible animals (sheep, cattle, goats, deer and camelids) moving from the RZ (i.e. England) to Wales will need a negative pre-movement test and a specific licence.

From July 1st. No Cattle, Sheep, Goats, Deer or Camelids will be able to move from England to Wales without a negative pre movement test and license

The Welsh Government, who are advised by vets, have chosen to ignore Veterinary Science and will not allow vaccinated stock without a pre movement test.

A pre movement test, which costs £45-70 per animal plus Labour, is valid for 7 days and takes an estimated 5 working days for licensing and approval.

Welsh stock can be sold in our markets back to Welsh holdings, but they will need a post movement test.

Welsh stock and English stock can be sold to English Holdings WITHOUT RESTRICTION!

ALL TESTING AT THE FARMERS COST!

Halls operating two English Livestock markets in Shrewsbury and Bishops Castle servicing a vast number of cross border clients have been part of numerous discussions with industry for the last 12 months fearing that The Welsh Government would take a position based on politics rather than science dreaming that the midge which transports the virus would acknowledge a hard border between England and Wales.

The Welsh Governments statement does acknowledge this is a “dynamic and evolving disease picture” however it also suggests that the situation will not be reviewed until the autumn. If this is not reviewed, or exemptions made, the impact on farming businesses and food security will be immeasurable, running into the Millions of pounds with the costs of testing etc making transactions completely uneconomical. This decision is one that shows a complete lack of common sense, there is no impermeable membrane to stop the disease spreading into Wales through the summer of 2025. There will be huge costs to the farmers and to government implementing this policy which is set up to fail.

Halls are in constant discussions with our industry representatives to lobby for changes/adaptations to the rules and we are looking at all options to enable trade cross border trade including viable sites to hold our major breeding/store sales.

Halls have been navigating Bluetongue rules and will continue to evolve to meet the needs of our clients. Thankfully farmers are a resilient bunch, we will find a way through this!

The Welsh senate meets tomorrow 17th June, please help by lobbying your MP to represent their constituents and make the clear decision to protect Farmers, Food and Future

If you wish to speak to a member of our team please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Jonny Dymond 07803 412617

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**On Behalf of
Mr R. H. Edwards (Deceased)**

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STANDING STRAW SALE DATES 2025

ACTON PIGGOT STANDING STRAW SALE

TUESDAY 1ST JULY - 6pm
1270.5 Acres Acton Pigott, Shrewsbury

1054 ACRES WINTER WHEAT
96.5 ACRES SPRING BARLEY
120 ACRES SPRING OATS

On behalf of Messrs J.G. Owen and others.
To be held at Acton Pigott Farm,
Acton Burnell, Shrewsbury, SY5 7PH

ACTON, BISHOPS CASTLE STANDING STRAW SALE

THURSDAY 3RD JULY - 6pm
Acton, Lydham, Penanheath, Clunton & Hardwick

904 ACRES OF WINTER WHEAT
158 ACRES WINTER BARLEY
72.5 ACRES WINTER OATS
49.5 ACRES SPRING OATS
318 ACRES OILSEED RAPE

On Behalf of Messrs A & S Jones,
Messrs W D Sykes & Partners, Messrs W H & A Cooke
To be held at Meadow End, Acton Farmyard

SHREWSBURY COLLECTIVE STRAW SALE

THURSDAY 10TH JULY - 6.30pm
Entries still invited

1000 ACRES OF STANDING STRAW
240 ACRES OF WHOLE CROP WINTER WHEAT
60 ACRES OF WHOLE CROP WINTER BARLEY
150 ACRES OF STANDING MAIZE

To be held at Shrewsbury Auction Centre

MONTFORD BRIDGE STANDING STRAW SALE

TUESDAY 15TH JULY - 7.30pm

250 ACRES OF WINTER WHEAT

On Behalf of JR EMAR & GB Bright
To be held at Montford Farm,
Montford Bridge, Shropshire, SY4 1AA

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