



AUCTIONEERS & VALUERS

THAME FARMERS AUCTION MART LTD

Deadweight – Week ending 17.4.26

Stock sold: 268 cattle & 26 sheep

Clean Cattle (205)

Trade eases 5p/kg on the week with processors reporting poor retail demand. Consumers feeling the pinch with increased fuel cost & everything becoming more expensive reducing spending power. More cattle come forward possibly some backed up by the two short weeks and processors only killing what they have orders for. A number for producers coming to the end of their winter finished cattle and keen to empty their yards as feed & straw comes to an end. A huge difference in price between this year and last year – 50p/kg or £150-£200/head! Will supermarkets look to reduce price of beef to sell volume or do they want to maximise margin. When one supermarket put on an offer on beef they sold out!!

	Commercial Clean	Aberdeen Angus	U24M Aberdeen Angus (on contract)	Young Bulls
E	655			645
U+	640			635
U-	630	640	632 + 30p	625
R	620-630	630-635	624 + 30p	615
O+	610	620	616 + 30p	595
O-	590-600			

OTM Clean, Mature Bulls, Barren Cows (63)

For the first time in a long time cow prices came under pressure with R grades back 5p and further drops likely. Cull supplies remain tight but with price differential between cows & prime so small the better yield of prime cattle has made them comparatively cheaper. Reports that even burger chains are seeing reduced footfall in stores the same as reported in all out-of-home eating establishments.

Cows wanted – Good, best, bad or ugly why not give us a try! Non-UK tagged and non-FABBL (subject to VAN) catered for.

	Best Fed Beef Cows	Commercial Beef & Dairy Cows	Mature Bulls	OTM Clean	OTM Aberdeen Angus
E					
U+					
U-					
R	585	565	420	620	625
O+					
O-					
P					

Old Season Lambs (26)

Trade finds a new level with R grades at 830p/kg. Numbers tight and firms bidding early for spring lambs – maybe a sign they see short supplies. NSL to 920kg.

- Please order replacement ear tags allowing plenty of time for them to arrive before your stock goes.
- Please check breed & sex on passports
- All stock must have two ear tags on leaving the farm - if they only have one and they lose one that equals none and that equals the bin
- Please ensure stock is ready to load before lorries arrive it is not fair to have drivers waiting, making them late for next collections.
- To comply with the Welfare of Animals in Transport Act any un-sound stock will require a vet certificate before loading.
- **Young bulls must be 12 months + one day of age.**
- **Producers under TB Restriction should make sure they are issued with the AMENDED TB24C LICENCE authorizing general movement of bovines directly to a licensed slaughter house or via an approved TB slaughter gathering (Tuesday collection Centre)**
- All Non-Assured cattle must have a valid Vet Attestation Number (VAN) before coming to a collection Centre or going to an abattoir.