



AUCTIONEERS & VALUERS

THAME FARMERS AUCTION MART LTD

Deadweight – 22.6.26 – 30.6.26

Stock sold: 296 cattle & 330 lambs

If you have stock, you would like us to view or for up-to-date professional advice, please call Daniel Slade – 07815495210.

We would like to thank our customers for their continued support as we endeavour to achieve best returns for you from the abattoirs we supply, particularly in these more difficult times.

Clean Cattle (180)

Trade bottomed out early in June – numbers of cattle forward began to tighten and processors had to compete that bit more to source stock. That said, demand on the shop floor is still reported weak. Some retailers have begun putting meat on promotion and this has bolstered sales.

Why did trade drop so fast in May?

- Poor sales as consumers bulked at price with rising household bills.
- More cattle became available at once and speed of drop producers looked to clear out fast.
- Imports – Australian, Polish, Brazil & New Zealand all flooded catering trade. Plus, reports of shipment from Australia destined for middle east arrived here.
- Finish price also fell through the period.

Numbers forward for July look tighter and a slight increase in price looks available. Demand for Angus beef has picked up with one retailer selling on promotion has altered demand.

	Commercial Clean	Aberdeen Angus	U24M Aberdeen Angus (on contract)	Young Bulls
E	625			610
U+	620-605			605
U-	610-595	620-600	604 +30p	590
R	600-585	610-595	596 + 30p	585
O+	590-575	600-580	588 + 30p	575
O-	565-550			

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OTM Clean, Mature Bulls, Barren Cows (116)

Cows a wanted commodity – the world cup and burger trade should help demand throughout the summer. Cows not the dizzy heights of February but demand is strong - strangely enough the plainer the better to do the job in question at present. A few grazed cows now coming forward after doing well on the spring grass.

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	565				
U+	561				
U-	553			590-595	610-590
R	545	530-535	410	580-585	600-580
O+		525-530		570-575	590-570
O-		515-520			
P		500-510			

New Season Lambs (330)

This week saw the seasonal dig drop back 50p to still very respectable 850p/kg. Every extra kilo is worth £8.50 so producers are keen to get the weight on. Lambs doing well and not too fat.

- 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.