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## **STANFORDS AUCTIONS**

Sales held weekly, both for livestock and other items.

### **Weekly Sales:**

- **Tuesdays – Livestock.** Weekly sale of prime stock with OTM cattle and cull ewes.
- **Saturdays – The General Market.** Cage/aviary birds, rabbits, guinea pigs. Bicycles, timber, plants and a variety of yard items.

### **Monthly Sales:**

- **Tuesday – monthly sale of Store Cattle.**
- **Saturday – monthly sale of antiques, collectables and household effects in the General Saleroom.**
- **Saturday – monthly sale of pet and bird food in the General Saleroom.**



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# **Colchester Livestock Market**

**an Assured Market under the ABM Scheme**

# **Sale Report**

## **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

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## WE ARE A 6 DAY RESTRICTED MARKET

### CATTLE

**34 Cattle** a very short entry, a firm trade resulted but the short numbers restricting buyers. Top this week 413pkg for heavy Limousin heifer from M B Farms (£2688.63). The same vendor having 3 heavy Limousin steers to 409pkg (£2924.35), 405pkg (£3065.85) and 393pkg (£3124.35) being the top price per head this week. Tony Evans Limousin heifers to 404pkg. W G Vant & Sons BB X heifers to 408pkg, B R & P L Liverton to 400pkg for a Limousin steer with East Anglian Trailers to the same price per kg for a Limousin heifer. Hereford X steers from B R & P L Liverton to 383pkg Hereford X heifers to 357pkg from P A Evans. British Shorthorn steers to 386pkg from R & S Vant. General run of Continental X steers and heifers 377pkg to 398pkg only 1 beast below 357pkg reflecting consistent demand. More cattle wanted please.

	TOP PKG	BOTTOM PKG	AVG PKG	CONSIGNOR	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
<b>13 STEERS average 391.23pkg.</b>						
7 Light 370-550kg	400	377	386.22	B R & P L Liverton	2009.50	1955.93
8 Medium 551-650kg	386	384	385.06	R & S Vant	2439.52	2293.04
4 Heavy 651kg+	409	392	399.6	M B Farms	3124.35	2996.98
<b>19 HEIFERS average 387.36pkg</b>						
3 Light 330-500kg	391	300	359.44	A Heath & Sons	1947.18	1641.44
10 Medium 501-590kg	488	380	392.88	W G Vant & Sons	2289.30	2129.80
6 Heavy 591kg+	413	357	389.55	M B Farms	2688.63	2457.41
<b>2 AOTM</b> Desperately short, South Devon cow to 282pkg (£2591.58), AA X Holstein cow to 244pkg (£1493.28).						
<b>STORES</b> - Next store sale Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March. Entries requested as soon as possible. Entries to date include 20 AA steers and heifers 12-14 m/o by named sire, 8 Charolais steers and heifers 18 m/o.						

## S H E E P

**560 Sheep** average entry, the trade again strong and advancing with quality at a premium throughout the sale to show an overall average of £170.36. Som resistance seen to hogs over 54kg on price per kg but still a good demand. Top per head this week £192 for a 45.5kg hogs from regulars Mark and Jake Taylor and to 435pkg topping the price per kg as well. Other medium weight hogs to £188 again from the Taylors with Jamie Gregory and Polly Northwood to £186 as was Richard Criddle. G D Black & Sons to £185 and all these over 420pkg live weight. Heavy hogs to £190 from Jamie Gregory and Polly Northwood with G D Black & Sons to £189. A mention for Amy Taylor to 400pkg (£188) for Norfolk Horns. Hogs over 54kg to £188, £185, £180 etc. Standard hogs very short £150 a head from Tom Hanmer, M Bruce to £130 and to 395pkg but most lacking finish which is required. Several pens of lean hogs throughout the sale included in the average and these looking fantastic trade compared with 4 weeks ago. Please let us know as soon as possible for next week and to monitor demand.

	TOP PKG	BOTTOM PKG	CONSIGNOR	AVERAGE PKG	TOP £ PER HEAD	AVERAGE £ PER HEAD
<b>451 OLD SEASON LAMBS SQQ 389.10pkg all in 369.85pkg.</b>						
1 Light 25.5-32kg	258	258	A Taylor	258.00	80	80.00
19 Standard 32.1-39kg	395	271	Tom Hanmer	362.84	150	133.11
250 Medium 39.1-45.5kg	435	341	M R & J Taylor	390.79	192	169.18
129 Heavy 45.6 - 52kg	413	272	J Gregory & P Northwood	368.99	190	177.67
52 Over 52kg	333	250	J Coe	299.17	188	173.29
<b>91 EWES</b> a short entry to £250 for Suffolk ewes from Richardson Farms. All in average £165.90. Texel ewes to £238, Border Leicester ewes to £180, Charollais X ewes to £186, Suffolk Mules to £202, Texel Mules to £190, Polled Dorset ewes to £180, Welsh ewes to £121, Herdwick ewes to £100, North Country Mules to £174. Only 7 ewes in the Market less than £100 and the majority well over £150.						
<b>2 RAMS</b> to £148 for Norfolk Horns.						
<b>12 STORE LAMBS</b> to £124 average £106.75.						
<b>4 GOATS</b> to £178 average £140.						

**NEXT STORE SALE TUESDAY 31ST MARCH 2026.  
ENTRIES REQUESTED.**

**PLEASE ENTER YOUR STOCK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE –  
HELP US TO HELP YOU!**