

Breeding Sheep

Friday 20th February 2026

On Friday Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held their sale of in-lamb breeding sheep and geld gimmer hoggs.

Another very busy ringside of buyers for all classes helped set a buoyant trade throughout the sale. The sale topped at £300 for a pen of Texel X Beltex shearlings, due at the beginning of April from Mr T Field, Ling Farm, Driffield. This home also sold Suffolk X Mule shearlings to £300 per head, with Suffolk X Cheviot shearlings realising £290 for a pen of 7 and £285 for a pen of 10. Plenty of pens of Texel X Mule shearlings achieved between £280-£290, with all 218 sold averaging £273.17.

Mule shearlings, scanned 200%, topped at £300 from Messrs M Ridsdale, Yew Tree Farm. Loads of demand for the horned ewes with Mr TH Harrison, Sleddale Hall, topping at £170 for full-mouthed Swaledale ewes, scanned in-lamb to the Bluefaced Leicester, with this consignment averaging £165.

Leading Prices

In-lamb Shearlings

Texel - £300, £290 (4), £285 (3), £280 (4), £270 Ling Farm

Suffolk - £300, £290, £285 Ling Farm

Mule - £300 Yew Tree Farm

In-lamb Ewes

Beltex - £240, £185 Hopperhill

Continental - £180 Hopperhill

Swaledale - £170, £160 Sleddale Hall; £150 Hill Side

In-lamb Hoggs

Continental - £140 Hopperhill