

Sale of Ewes and Lambs

Friday 1st May 2026

On Friday, Penrith & District Farmers' Mart LLP held their sale of 1200 Breeding Sheep with lambs at foot.

A much larger entry was forward on the fortnight which included mostly full and broken mouth ewes. The whole sale averaged a very strong £119.41.

Topping the sale at £175 ahead went to Messrs J L Potter & Son, Town Head with a pen of Texel 2 shear ewes with twin Beltex lambs at foot selling to Mr Slee, Kirkby Thore.

First time vendors Messrs Pitchford, Great Easby Farm sold a run of Texel X, 2 – 3 shear ewes with Beltex lambs at foot to average £159.13, topping at £170.

A run of 60 full mouthed Mule ewes with twin Texel lambs from Messrs Holliday, Cleamire averaged £133.50 a life topping at £135 up £10 on the fortnight. Plenty of demand amongst the younger sheep with Messrs W Richardson & Son, Ghyll House selling Suffolk x Mule shearlings to £165 a life.

Mule shearlings fell along way short of requirements with Messrs M Ridsdale & Son, Yew Tree Farm topping at £155 all with twin Texel lambs.

First of the Mule hogs forward topping at £150 a life for 10 with Texel lambs at foot from A Fox, Low Scales and a pen of twins achieving £112 a life from Yew Tree Farm.

A great run of powerful Suffolk x Mule geld hogs from Messrs M Bindloss & Son, Shap Abbey achieved a top of £226 x10 and £224 x15.

Our next sale will be the Annual "New Fair" Prize Show and Sale of Hogs, Ewes and Shearlings with Lambs at foot and Geld Gimmer Hogs. Also, the "Troutbeck" Sale of Swaledale, Herdwick and Hill Bred Ewes with Lambs at foot on Tuesday 12th May. Please ensure all entries are submitted to the mart office by 12 Noon on Tuesday 5th May.

Leading Prices

Ewes with Single Lambs

Texel – £175 Town Head (Potter); £153 Salkeld Road; £148, £122 Melbourne House; £140, £118 Slakes Farm; £138 (NCM), £114 (NCM) Muncaster Home Farm; £132, £117, £114 Willow Close

Suffolk - £162, £146, £142, £135 Shap Abbey; £148 Erintalla

Continental - £140 Howrigg; £138 Town Head (Potter); £123, £116 Slakes Farm

Mule - £138, £118, £116, £108 Shap Abbey; £137 (NCM) Howrigg Farm; £130 Salkeld Road; £128 Lingfield Bungalow; £105 Stoneygarth

Cheviot - £106, £100 Winter Crag

Ewes with Twin Lambs

Texel – £170, £160 (2), £155, £152 Great Easby Farm; £120 Orchard Farm; £117 Willow Close

Cheviot-Mule - £148 Yew Tree Farm

Mule - £135, £132 Clea Mire; £120 Salkeld Road; £116 Midtown Farm (Fisher); £116 Howrigg Farm; £114 Stoneygarth; £106 High Carlingill

Continental - £129, £122 Howrigg; £128, £119 Low Grassgill; £122 Town Head (Potter); £118 (3), £114 Midtown Farm (Fisher)

Cheviot - £116 (NCM) Town Head (Potter); £112, £92 (NCM) Winter Crag; £94, £92 Midtown Farm (Fisher)

Shearlings with Single Lambs

Suffolk - £165, £160, £148 Ghyll House; £153 Shap Abbey

Mule - £162 Shap Abbey; £156 Low Scales

Beltex - £160 Lingfield Bungalow

Shearlings with Twin Lambs

Mule - £155, £144, £130 Yew Tree Farm; £145 Low Scales; £122 Cape Farm

Hoggs with Single Lambs

Mule - £150 (2) Low Scales

Hoggs with Twin Lambs

Mule - £112 Yew Tree Farm

Texel - £92 Yew Tree Farm

Geld Hoggs

Suffolk - £226, £224 Shap Abbey