

Market Report for Wednesday 28th January 2026

On Wednesday 28th January 2026, Mitchells Livestock Centre, Cockermonth, held their weekly sale of primestock with 26 Cattle: 1347 sheep including 1134 prime hogs and 213 cast ewes and rams.

A smaller entry of cows today, with a bigger percentage being dairy bred. Never the less all breeds and grades being a very good trade. Top gross award went to a Limousin cow at £2312.62 from JA&CM Brown, Parkhouse Farm. A British Blue cow achieved 367.5p per kilo from TJ &EA Postlethwaite, Hollin Head.

Dairy bred cows from Tallentire Hill with a Holstein topping at £2046.80 (297.5ppk).

Hereford bulls from M/s Teasdale, Lowside Farm, Penrith achieving 369.5p per kilo grossing £2320.46.

Cast Cows (per head - £)– **Limousin** – 2312.62 Parkhouse Farm, 2145.35 High Bewaldeth. **British Blue** – 2230.73 Hollin Head, 2207.30 Overcroft. **Holstein** – 2046.80 Hill Farm, 1733.75, 1511.70, 1349.18 Dubbs Farm, 1300.73 Dearham Hall. **Charolais** – 1944.13 Crooklands Farm. **Aberdeen Angus** – 1758.73 Crooklands Farm, 1430.67, 1331.62 Croft House. **Ayrshire** – 1681.20, 1255.35 Plaskett Lands. **Holstein Friesian** – 1569.78 Dearham Hall, 1381.35 East Farm, 1344.51 Dubbs Farm. **British Friesian** – 1127.30 Outgang Farm.

Cast Cows (per kilo)– **British Blue** – 367.5 Hollin Head, 271.5 Overcroft. **Limousin** – 315.5 Parkhouse Farm, 267.5 High Bewaldeth. **Holstein** – 297.5 Hill Farm, 237.5, 231.5, 209.5 Dubbs Farm, 211.5 Dearham Hall. **Aberdeen Angus** – 257.5 Crooklands Farm, 239.5, 231.5 Croft House. **Charolais** – 257.5 Crooklands Farm. **Ayrshire** – 233.5, 201.5 Plaskett Lands. **Holstein Friesian** – 229.5 Dearham Hall, 221.5 Dubbs Farm, 213.5 East Farm. **British Friesian** – 211.5 Outgang Farm.

OTM Heifers (per head- £)- **Holstein** – 1857.25 Hill Farm. **Holstein Friesian** – 1445.42 Dearham Hall.

OTM Heifers (per Kilo)- **Holstein** – 287.5 Hill Farm. **Holstein Friesian** – 259.5 Dearham Hall.

Prime Bulls (per head - £)– **Hereford** – 2320.46, 1970.46 Lowside Farm.

Prime Bulls (per kilo)– **Hereford** – 369.5, 341.5 Lowside Farm.

An increased entry of hogs witnessed a rising trade for all breeds and weights with an overall average of £140.17 per head with 47% being hill bred.

Top price hogg today was a tremendous heavy weight Beltex from R Skelton, New Hall Farm making £209 bought by weekly supporter Tony Harrison Butchers, Cockermonth.

J Sewell, Mayfield presented pens of 47kg Beltex hogs all achieving £180.

Top Consignment Averages (3 or more):-

R Skelton, New Hall Farm	31	avg	61kg	£180.13
FA Stockdale, Crosshow Farm	6	avg	57kg	£176.17
M/s Fraser, High Flatts	14	avg	57kg	£172.36
M/s J Sewell, Mayfield	16	avg	48kg	£167.44
A&M Roberts, Riggingill	36	avg	47kg	£164.19

Prime Hoggs (per head) – Beltex – 209, 206, 190, 175, 174 New Hall Farm, 180(2), 168, 153, 150(2) Mayfield, 171, 157 Greengill Farm, 165 Fern Lea, 162 Bell House Farm, 159 Hinning House, 158, 155 Overcroft, 156 Riggingill, 145 Park Road. **Texel** – 198, 187, 179, 175, 171 High Flatts, 195, 176 Rook Farm, 195, 190 Crosshow Farm, 193, 184, 183, 177, 176, 174, 171 New Hall Farm, 174 Whinnerah, 171 Riggingill. **Dutch Spotted** – 174 New Hall Farm, 173, 139 Bell House Farm. **Suffolk** – 151 Meadow Farm, 150 Greengill Farm, 148 Whinnah Lodge, 148 Shatton Lodge Close, 146 Westray Farm, 143 High Lawnthwaite Farm, 143 Low House. **Mule** – 147, 138.50(2) Pasture House, 142 Shatton Lodge Close, 140 Byresteads Farm, 138 Greengill Farm, 137 Low Garth, 136.50 Low House, 133.50, 133 Swinside End Farm, 121.50 Millriggs, 121 Uldale Hall. **Cheviot** – 145 Fern Lea, 125 Stonecroft, 121 Woodhall Brow Farm. **Texel x Herdwick** – 139 Low Eskholme Farm, 138, 130 Swinside End Farm, 136 Easthwaite Farm, 133 Dearham Row, 133 Millriggs, 128 East House, 124 Seathwaite Farm. **Blue Texel** – 138 Greengill Farm. **Herdwick** – 130 Elva Plain, 120 Easthwaite Farm, 120 East House. **Scotch Blackface** – 129 Swallow Croft, 126 Field Head Farm. **Swaledale** – 125.50 Hinning House, 120 Uldale Hall. **Ryeland** – 123 Ullock Mains. **Cheviot Mule** – 120 Blackthorn Close.

Prime Hoggs (pence per kilo) – Beltex – 383(2), 357.4, 347.7, 294.1(2) Mayfield, 375 Fern Lea, 338.3 Hinning House, 327.8 Cockley Gill Farm, 327.1, 316.7 Greengill Farm, 322, 290.1, 286.3, 282.3 New Hall Farm, 312 Riggingill, 308.5 Park Road, 300 Bell House Farm, 292.6, 281.8 Overcroft. **Texel** – 377.3 Riggingill, 371.8 Whinnerah, 369.6, 361.4, 355.8, 347.7 Greengill Farm, 362.8(2) Meadow Farm, 357.8 Croft House, 353.3 Fern Lea, 350 Ullock Mains, 347.7 High Lawnthwaite Farm, 345.7 Low Garth, 344.6, 338.1(2) Strawberry How, 343.5 Hinning House, 340 High Flatts, 338.6 Rook Farm, 338.1 Park Road. **Texel x Herdwick** – 347.5 Low Eskholme Farm, 342.1, 287.5 Swinside End Farm, 340, 326.3 Easthwaite Farm, 328.2 East House, 324.4 Dearham Row, 324.4 Millriggs. **Cheviot** – 337.2 Fern Lea, 318.4 Woodhall Brow Farm, 302.9 Stonecroft. **Suffolk** – 332.6 High Lawnthwaite Farm, 308.3 Shatton Lodge Close, 300 Greengill Farm, 298 Westray Farm, 296 Whinnah Lodge, 291.8 Low House, 284.9 Meadow Farm. **Scotch Blackface** – 330.8 Swallow Croft, 323.1 Field Head Farm. **Blue Texel** – 328.6 Greengill Farm. **Mule** – 317.9, 309.3 Swinside End Farm, 311.5 Millriggs, 311.4 Low Garth, 303.3 Low House, 301.1(2), 277.4 Pasture House, 297.9 Byresteads Farm, 295.8 Shatton Lodge Close, 285.9 Dearham Hall, 281.4 Uldale Hall. **Dutch Spotted** – 310.7 New Hall Farm, 302.2, 293.2 Bell House Farm. **Herdwick** – 305.3 Hinning House, 302.6, 300 East House. **Swaledale** – 292.7 Uldale Hall, 291.9 Hinning House. **Ryeland** – 279.5 Ullock Mains. **Cheviot Mule** – 279.1 Blackthorn Close.

Smaller show of ewes forward with 72% being hill bred and an overall sale average £102.33. Light weight Beltex ewes topping at £200 from J Sewell, Mayfield.

Cast Ewes- Beltex – 200, 172 Mayfield. **Blueface Leicester** – 198 Elva Plain, 140 Low Kinmont. **Texel** – 192, 180(2), 140 Mayfield, 150 Riggingill, 148 Swallow Croft, 140 Crosshow Farm. **Mule** – 143, 125, 123, 114 Stainton Farm, 139 Rook Farm. **Blue Texel** – 132 Crosshow Farm. **Dutch Spotted** – 129 Hinning House. **Cheviot** – 123 Elva Plain, 117 Crosbythwaite Farm, 112 Muncaster Home Farm. **Swaledale** – 105, 91 Low Kinmont, 98 Stainton Farm. **Jacob** – 100 Rook Farm. **Herdwick** – 96 Crosbythwaite Farm, 90 Elva Plain, 90, 78 Seathwaite Farm, 88 Wilson Farm. **Scotch Blackface** – 91 Swallow Croft.

Cast Rams- Texel – 186 Crosshow Farm. **Blueface Leicester** – 170 Hinning House. **Charollais** – 168, 162 Low Eskholme Farm. **Herdwick** – 140, 107 Crosbythwaite Farm, 128 Low Eskholme Farm, 114 Low Kinmont. **Swaledale** – 101 Low Kinmont.