Thainstone - Aberdeen & Northern Marts (Thursday 1st February 2024) A total of 40 Cast Cows & Bulls and 74 Sheep were forward from Orkney consignors with leading prices as follows.

Beef Cows

Sold to £1,950 gross for a 802kg Limousin from K D Eunson, Braebuster, Deerness and to 272p per kg for a 636kg Aberdeen Angus from J H Harvey & Sons, Quholmslie, Stromness

Leading Breed Prices per Head

Lim – Hewan £1,900; Ingsay £1,670; Quholmslie £1,570; Seaview £1,250; Knowe £1,110; Greentoft £1,005. AA – Hewan £1,750; Quholmslie £1,730; Hall of Tankerness £1,590, £1,570 & £1,550; Knowe £1,190. Sax – Hewan £1,710. Sim – Braebuster £1,510; Quholmslie £1,490; Braebuster £1,450; Hewan £1,430; Hall of Tankerness £1,245. Sho – Quholmslie £1,390.

Leading prices per kg

Ingsay 270p; Hall of Tankerness 250p; Hewan 245.7p; Braebuster 242p; Hewan 233.4p; Quholmslie 213.8p; Hall Tankerness 211.7p; Hewan 207p; Braebuster 206.3p; Seaview 191.7p; Knowe 191.3p.

Mature Bull

Sold to £1,810 gross for a 990kg Limousin from A Harcus, Messigate, Tankerness, Leading prices per head Knowe (Sax) £1,690.

Young Bulls

Sold to £2,336.25 gross and 267p per kg for a 875kg Charolais from A Harcus, Messigate, Tankerness.

Prime Sheep (74)

Old Season Lambs

Sold to £158.50 gross for 59kg Suffolks from Glebe Farm, Firth and to 358p per kg for 44kg Texels from R & J Johnston, Hewan, Shapinsay. <u>Leading Prices per Head</u> **Tex –** Hewan £157.50 & £147.50. **Suff –** Glebe £152.50.

<u>Leading Prices per Head</u> and Kg **Tex –** Hewan 316.5p. **Suff –** Glebe 287.7p.

Feeding Ewes & Rams

Sold to £192.50 gross for Texels from R & J Johnston, Hewan.

<u>Leading prices per head</u> **Tex** – Hewan £174.50. **Cont** – Balfour Castle £77.50.**Shet** – Balfour Castle £41.50.