Thainstone - Aberdeen & Northern Marts (Thursday 22nd February 2024) A total of 34 Cows, Bulls & Prime Cattle and 95 Sheep were forward from Orkney consignors with leading prices as follows.

Beef Cows

Sold to £2,070 gross for a 894kg Charolais from W R Baillie & Co , Biggings, Toab and to 245.8p per kg for a 598kg Shorthorn from T & G Ritch, Kastal, Langskaill, Birsay.

Leading Prices per Head Lim – Hewan £1,890, £1,550 & £1,430; East-house £1,330. Sax – Redland, Stromness £1,830; Newhouse £1,410. Char – Biggings £1,830, £1,650; Kastal £1,570, £1,490 & £1,430. AA – East–house £1,670; Kastal £1,570; Lower Cottiscarth £1,550; Quoys £1,490; Messigate £1,490; Claybraes £1,410. Hex – Quoys £1,570. Sho – Kastal £1,470. Sim – Kastal £1,370; Wardhill £1,250.

Leading prices per kg

Kastal 244.5p; Hewan 241p; Redland 235.8p; Biggings 231.5p; Kastal 230.6p; East-house 219.4p; Hewan 217p; East-house 212p; Biggings 209.3p; Claybraes £207.9p; Newhouse 206.1p; Quoys 203.3p; Messigate 202.4p.

Mature Bull

Sold to £1,410 gross for a 1025kg Chaarolais from J & G Smith, Cauldhame, Stromness.

Prime Cattle 30-48mths

Sold to £1,840.05 gross and 261p per kg for a 705kg Simmental from J Scott & Sons, Claybraes, South Ronaldsay.

Prime Sheep (95)

Old Season Lambs

Sold to £188 gross for 51kg Beltex and to 403.8p per kg for 39kg Beltex from T & J Leslie, Quoymorhouse, Shapinsay. <u>Leading Prices per Head</u> **Belt –** Quoymorhouse £163.50, £160 & £157.50. **Chev –** Sebay Farm £131.50.

<u>Leading Prices per Kg</u> Belt – Quoymorhouse 309.2p, 389.3p & 368.6p. Chev – Sebay 306p.

Feeding Ewes & Rams

Sold to £187.50 gross for a Blue Texel from A & P Casey, Gaitnip, St Ola

Leading prices per head

BT – Gaitnip £164.50 & £152.50. **Suff** – Stonelea £143.50.**Chev** – Braehead £139.50; Stonelea £105.50. **Cont** – Gaitnip £135.50 & £123.50; Lower Cottiscarth £115.50; Braehead £101.50; Leary £90.50. **GF** – Gaitnip £119.50. **BF** – Gaitnip £94.50.

Rams

Char – Braehead £149.50. **Suff** – Lower Cottiscarth £109.50.