THAINSTONE, Aberdeen and Northern Marts (Thursday 1st February 2024) Sold 3166 Prime Sheep and Feeding Ewes & Rams.

Old Season Prime Lambs (2360) averaged 294p per kg (+6.1p) and sold to 367.9p per kg and £195 gross for 53kg Pure Texels from Mid Haddo, Fyvie.

Old Season Prime Lambs SQQ up to 45.5kg (1096) averaged 300.8p per kg (+9.4p).

Feeding Ewes & Rams (806) averaged £88.18 and sold to £192.50 for Texels from Hewan, Shapinsay.

"A good entry of 3166 prime and cull sheep were sold at Thainstone. Prime lambs met an excellent demand with trade once again dearer on the week. The 2360 head averaged a strong £136.10 per head. Ewes sold at recent rates with top pure ewes very scare."

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

Old Season Prime Lambs: Pure Tex – Mid Haddo £190, 340.7p; **Tex –** Mid Haddo £184, South Mains, Balgaveny 330.7p; **TexX –** Uppermill Farm, Tarves £172, Hewan 258p; **Pure Suf –** South Mains £170, Braeside, Tough 317.2p; **Cross –** Shougle, Birnie £162.50, Ledmacoy, Strathdon 327.4p; **Bel –** Gerriesford, Cuminestown £162.50, Standingstones, Dyce 322.6p; **BelX –** Pittenkerrie, Glassel £161, Standingstones 321.6p; **Suf –** Shougle, The Glebe, Grimbister £158.50, Burnside of Whitefield, Forglen 314.4p; **SufX –** South Mains £157.50, Fawside, Kinneff 310.2p; **Cont –** Hewan £157.50, West Knock, Mintlaw 323.2p; **Down –** North Bethelnie, Oldmeldrum £155.50, Tillykerrie, Keith-hall 308.1p; **ContX –** Upper Sauchen, Ordhead £154.50, Balthayock, Perth 321.7p; **Black –** Odmoston, Laurencekirk £152.50, Netherhill. St Fergus 304.4p; **Chv –** East Brachmont, Durris £152.50, Cowiehillock, Echt 303.3p; **ChvX –** Largue, Forgue £148.50, Skeibhill, Aberchirder 301.2p; **Mule –** Upper Sauchen £140.50.

Leading Prices per Head

Feeding Ewes: Pure Bel – Muirfield, Everton of Auchry £187.50; **Pure Tex** – Uppermill £184.50; Oldtown, Peterculter £181.50; **Tex** – Newton of Greeness, Turriff £177.50; **TexX** – Hewan, Braeside £174.50; **BelX** – Kinaldie Logie, Coldstone £167.50; **Cross** – Gerriesford, Birkenbog, Cullen £164.50; **Cont** – Newton of Greeness £143.50; **ContX** – North Bethelnie £137.50; **Suf** – Drimmie, Rescobie £133.50; **Chv** – Harestone, Crathes £133.50; **SufX** – Muirfield £131.50; **ChvX** – Birkenbog £127.50; **Mule** – Whiteknowes, Craigievar £119.50; **BF** – Harestone £94.50;

Feeding Rams: Chv – Stoneyfield, Drumblade £189.50; **Suf** – Cormalet, Cairnie £154.50; **Pure Tex** – Oldtown £142; **Tex** – Oldtown £139.50; **ChvX** – Cormalet £129.50;