

TENBURY FODDER SALE REPORT

15th November 2018

Nick Champion auctioneer reports a large entry of over 13,600 bales of hay, haylage and straw on farms in Gloucestershire, Herefordshire, Shropshire and Worcestershire was offered at the collective auction held at The Fountain Inn, Tenbury Wells on Thursday 15th November.

The saleroom was packed with local farmers and dealers from across the Midlands and Wales and with buyers represented from as far afield as Norfolk and Lincolnshire. The trade on hay and haylage was terrific throughout as the dry summer and autumn has considerably depleted stocks available. The straw trade on the other hand was very selective with prices bid to levels last seen in 2016 as a result of much more plentiful supplies on farms nationally and a very dry and open autumn delaying the housing of cattle.

The clearance rate on hay was 95%, haylage/silage 100% and straw 33%.

	Conventional		Round/Square 4'/4'6"		4 String 1.3 x 80 x 70		4 String 1.5/1.85 x 80 x 88/90		4 String 2.3/2.4 x 80 x 88/90		6 String 2.2/2.25 x 120 x 70		6 String 2.4 x 120 x 88/90	
	Max	Av	Max	Av	Max	Av	Max	Av	Max	Av	Max	Av	Max	Av
Meadow Hay	4.20	4.11	36.00	33.65			38.00	33.50	51.00	45.18	50.00	49.08	29.00	29.00
Seeds Hay			35.00	32.68										
Haylage/Silage			40.00	34.15	26.00	26.00								
Wheat Straw	1.40	1.07	16.00	14.21					16.00	15.01				
Spring Barley Straw	2.50	2.50	16.00	15.75					16.00 (2016)	16.00				
Winter Barley Straw													25.00	25.00