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THE TENBURY 38th ANNUAL COLLECTIVE ROVING AUCTION OF STANDING STRAW

8th July 2023

Nick Champion auctioneer reports an entry of 849 acres of standing straw was offered at the roving auction with entries on 11 farms across south Shropshire, northeast Herefordshire and west Worcestershire. Trade was less than last year due to the large carryover of straw and waning demand, even so a good clearance rate of 77.7% was achieved. Access, clean and heavy crops and location were the governing factors to the strength of demand. Spring crops were generally much lighter than last year, which reflected on the trade. There was little or no demand for the clover/legume stewardship crops that couldn't be cut until 16th August.

Winter wheat was again most in demand, selling to a top of £56 per acre for an excellent clean crop entered by B & J Yarnold at Puddleford, Eastham. Winter barley peaked at £45 at Whatmore Court Farm, Nash. Spring barley straw topped at £35 from J W Williams & Sons, Upper Hollin Farm, Pensax who also sold winter oats to a top of £35 and a field of Triticale at £45.

General prices as follows:

481 acres of winter wheat sold from £20 to £56 to average £40.33 – clearance 84%

69.75 acres of winter barley sold from £33 to £45 to average £38.79 – clearance 100%

131.75 acres of spring barley sold from £20 to £35 to average £28.15 – clearance 88.8%

86 acres of winter oat sold from £30 to £35 to average £31.52 – clearance 38.4%

9 acres of winter triticale sold at £45.

37 acres of spring beans and winter rape were unsold.

34.5 acres of clover/legume were unsold.

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