



TENBURY FODDER SALE REPORT – 9TH NOVEMBER 2023

Nick Champion, auctioneer reports a room full of customers at the collective auction sale of 4,590 bales of fodder and straw held at The Fountain Inn, Oldwood, Tenbury Wells on Thursday 9th November 2023.

Trade was in general firmer than anticipated with local farmers and merchants looking for the best quality sheep hay and haylage, whilst round and square bale straw was in good demand from mainly dealers. The very wet autumn weather and the patchy harvest has certainly increased demand, and it is likely that straw supplies will be impacted next year which will further increase demand over the season. A lot of the round bale hay that was made late and of lesser quality met with very limited interest. Location was as usual the governing factor in the demand for haylage.

Round bale seeds hay sold at £38 for May made from G T Dallow, Tedstone Wafre. Round bale meadow hay topped at £28 for June made from L J & E V Preece, Bockleton. Some very nice horse quality meadow hay in 6'6" quadrants from W R Bellingham & Son, Linley Green sold at £57. Haylage topped at £36 from E H Handley & Sons, Sutton. 4 string square bale 80 x 88 meadow hay topped at £30 for 5' from I A Greenhalgh, Rock and 6 string 7' x 120 x 90 meadow hay sold at £42 from D W Greenow, Hereford.

Round bale barley straw topped at £16 (twice) from R S Taylor Services Ltd, Far Forest and from Lee Morley, Clifton on Teme. Round bale wheat straw sold to £18 from D R, M E & M R George, Nash and 6 string 8' x 120 x 90 sold to £36 from R W & P M Brown, Sutton. Oat straw sold to £27 for 4 string 7'8" x 80 x 88 (2022) from J W Pugh Farming Ltd, Lower Broadheath.

Round & square bale clearance rates: hay 47%, haylage/silage 55%, straw 86%.

General prices as follows: -

MEADOW HAY	MIN	MAX	AVERAGE
Conventional Bales	£3.00	£3.60	£3.10
Round Bales 122/137cm	£20.00	£28.00	£22.80
Square Bales 150 x 80 x 88cm	£30.00	£30.00	£30.00
Square Bales 215 x 80 x 88cm	£25.00	£27.00	£25.66
Square Bales 200/220 x 120 x 70cm	£35.00	£56.00	£47.00
Square Bales 215 x 120 x 90cm	£42.00	£42.00	£42.00

SEEDS HAY	MIN	MAX	AVERAGE
Round Bales 122 cm	£38.00	£38.00	£38.00

HAYLAGE	MIN	MAX	AVERAGE
Round Bales 122/127cm	£25.00	£36.00	£30.19
Square Bales 150 x 70 x 80cm	£22.50	£22.50	£22.50





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SILAGE			
Round Bales 122cm	£20.00	£20.00	£20.00

WHEAT STRAW			
Round Bales 122/132cm	£13.00	£18.00	£14.89
Square Bales 230 x 80 x 88cm	£21.00	£21.00	£21.00
Square Bales 240 x 120 x 90cm	£35.00	£36.00	£35.33

SPRING BARLEY STRAW			
Conventional Bales	£2.50	£2.50	£2.50
Round Bales 122cm	£16.00	£16.00	£16.00

WINTER BARLEY STRAW			
Round Bales 130cm	£15.00	£16.00	£15.23

OAT STRAW			
Square Bales 230 x 80 x 88cm	£21.00	£27.00	£23.86

Next Sale – Thursday 8th February 2024