



REPORT ON ANNUAL AUCTION SALE OF HAY AND STRAW

The Adkin Annual Hay & Straw Sale held at Ardington, Oxfordshire on Tuesday 14th January 2014 saw a large company of buyers, both farmers and merchants from across the country which resulted in a strong trade generally in excess of expectations.

The highlight of the sale was the demand for organic meadow hay in large bales which met with strong competition. Hay in conventional bales met a mixed trade, very much in line with reports elsewhere.

Big bales of both wheat and barley straw sold well to a good trade in line with expectations. Best quality haylage met a good demand.

The principle prices were:

HAY

Big Bales (100% Clearance)

Meadow Hay

Claas 2100 bales Organic Meadow Hay to £34.00 per bale, average £33.00 (Marcham Farms Ltd)

Claas 2100 bales Non-Organic Meadow Hay to £27.50 per bale (Marcham Farms Ltd)

Seeds Hay

Claas 3200 bales to £27.50 per bale (R M Benson & Son)

Conventional Bales (60% Clearance)

Meadow Hay to £2.50 per bale (Mrs Pam Humphrey)

STRAW

Big Bales (95% Clearance)

Barley Straw

MF186 bales to £20.00 per bale (Woodhouse Farm Partnership)

Claas 2200 bales to £19.25 per bale (Gale Partnership)

Wheat Straw

Claas 2200 bales to £18.50 per bale (Gale Partnership)

Haylage

NH9050 bales to £23.00 per bale (Mr & Mrs G Bosley)

We will be pleased to receive enquiries for any unsold lots. We still have demand particularly for big baled hay and straw and would be pleased to hear from any vendors. Please contact Philip Pocock on 01235 434380.