

## STOW-ON-THE-WOLD, Gloucestershire

9<sup>th</sup> January 2026 Report

### HAY & STRAW TRADE FIRMER STILL AS SUPPLIES DWINDLE

With a room full of buyers, 2750t of hay and straw was offered in today's sale, which saw trade firm further with concern over end of season supply.



Despite the poor weather following Storm Goretti, our team successfully facilitated telephone bidding for the many buyers unable to attend in person. Bidding remained strong from the room, with high demand for limited supply. Prices for both barley and wheat straw strengthened slightly, while hay prices also rose due to limited availability and concerns regarding end-of-season stock levels.

Straw prices on the day averaged **£57/bale for 0.9m x 1.2m bale**, equivalent to approximately **£124/t for spring barley straw** and **£131/t for wheat straw**. The best price for conventional bales of wheat straw was **£2.75/bale** from Tim Cook.

Hay rose slightly, especially as the best quality had been sold in previous sales. Top hay from Harold Smith made **£115/bale for 0.7 x 0.8m of meadow hay** whilst Philip Judge sold his lorry load of French hay at **£8/conventional bale**.

Haylage of good quality achieved strong prices with top price reaching **£100/bale for 0.9m x 1.2m bales**

We look forward to welcoming to the next sale on the 13<sup>th</sup> February.

The table below summarises the average bale prices:

	Size  Example  Unit	0.9m x 1.2m x 2.4m	0.7m x 1.2m x 2.4m	0.8m x 0.9m x 2.4m	0.7m x 0.8m Or 0.6m x 0.9m 2.4m	ROUND	Conventional	Average	Min	Max	Clearance on big bales
		Claas 3300, MF187	Quadrant	D1010 MF185	D800/D1000			On Square bales			
		£/bale	£/bale	£/bale	£/bale			£/bale	£/bale	£/t *	£/t *
<b>STRAW</b>	W WHEAT	57	-	-	30	-	2.75	131	112	178	100
	W BARLEY	-	-	-	-	-	3.00	140	137	143	100
	Sp BARLEY	56	-	26	38	-	-	124	104	145	98
	PEA	46	-	-	-	-	-	90	80	108	100
	OSR	40	-	-	-	-	-	100	100	100	20
<b>HAY</b>	SEEDS	-	80	-	-	-	-	200	200	200	90
	MEADOW	110	75	55	70	-	8.00	125	125	500	85
	MIXTURE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>HAYLAGE</b>	4ft length	100	-	40	-	-	-	175	100	250	40
<b>MAIZE SILAGE</b>		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
<b>FODDER BEET</b>		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0

\* PLEASE NOTE OUR CALCULATIONS BASED ON OUR BEST ESTIMATES OF BALE WEIGHTS

**The next Hay and Straw Sales for 2025-26 season at Stow-on-the-Wold are on  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

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