

### Sales of Certified Organic Cattle and Sheep at Exeter Livestock Centre

Due to the large number of organic farmers in the South West and the increasing demand from buyers wishing to purchase organic stock, we are holding regular monthly sales of organic livestock at Exeter Livestock Centre on the last Friday of each month. We are able to sell store and breeding cattle, store and breeding sheep, and dairy cattle.

Our first sale was held on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2007. We are having good numbers forward meeting a good demand from organic buyers with nearly all the store cattle going to organic buyers. Trade particularly good for cattle to finish this year. Organic cows & calves also at a premium.

Entries now close one week before each sale in order for us to prepare a catalogue which has to be checked by the appropriate organic sector with whom you are certified before the sale. It also allows us to circulate catalogues to buyers and to newspapers for advertising.

Exeter Livestock Centre has the most modern facilities in Devon, with ample pannage to ensure that your stock are not held in cramped conditions, and all of our drovers are NVQ trained in livestock handling. Exeter is well placed with easy access to the M5 motorway, the A38 and A30 for customers from South and West Devon and Cornwall.

When entering, please remember to send a copy of your current organic certificate and your Trading Schedule, if registered with the Soil Association. You will need to bring a Livestock Transfer document with your animals on the sale day.

For further information please ring the Market Office on Market days i.e. Mondays and Fridays, and ask for Liz Bulled.

Exeter Market Auctioneers