



MARKET REPORT

FOR WEEK ENDING June 30, 2017

SPECIALIST SERVICES TO THE HORTICULTURAL AND FLORIST INDUSTRY TRADE

Prices Shown - Average to Top Quality

Sales are held as follows:
Vegetables & Fruit:
 Monday and Thursday 11.30am Wednesday 11 am
Flowers & Plants:
 Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 12.30 pm

CUT FLOWERS

A fantastic flotilla of flowers floats in front of the floral fanciers, facilitating phrenetic bidding throughout the week. Seasonal debuts this week sees Gladioli and Larkspur gobbled up by voracious buyers keen to put new lines on their shelves and barrows. Spiky blue Eryngiums bring a touch of pizzazz to proceedings, with their prickly spires of bright blue flowers causing admirers to squeal with delight as they bid. Stupendous Statice continues to attract the plaudits, with blue entries clearing daily and multi-coloured varieties consumed by a hornet's nest of bids.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Chrysanthus Spray Dutch	Bunch	£1.00 -	£1.30
Eryngium	Bunch	£0.80 -	£1.20
Gladioli	Bunch	£0.60 -	£0.80
Larkspur	Bunch	£0.75 -	£0.95
Oriental Lily	Bunch	£1.20 -	£1.50
Pinks	Bunch	£0.30 -	£0.40
Statice Blue	Bunch	£0.40 -	£0.70
Statice Mixed	Bunch	£0.80 -	£1.50
Stocks	Bunch	£0.50 -	£1.00

POT & GARDEN PLANTS

As many local nurseries approach the end of the spring season, we see a healthy attendance of buyers looking to fill their vans and trucks. Whilst "colour" seems to be high on the buyers' wish lists, large green "statement" plants continue to clear at top prices. The cooler weather favours Buxus, with balls selling well and pyramid conical shapes of all sizes attracting a host of bids, in readiment for the garden party season. Now, back to that colour. Patio Cyclamen and Dianthus provide a great splash for instant planting selections. Crocosmias and Penstemons are the perennial star attractions this week with buyers lining up to secure a slice of the action.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Buxus (Pyramid)	Each	£12.50 -	£32.00
Crocosmia	13cm	£0.80 -	£1.20
Cyclamen	10cm	£0.50 -	£0.70
Dianthus	13cm	£0.60 -	£0.90
Geranium Zonal	13cm	£0.50 -	£0.60
Gold Crest	13cm	£1.20 -	£1.50
Hydrangea	5 Litre	£3.00 -	£5.00
Lavender	13cm	£0.60 -	£1.20
N.G Impatiens	1 Litre	£0.60 -	£1.10
Penstemon	13cm	£0.50 -	£1.20

FRUIT & VEGETABLES

As the weather changes again, this time to a more autumnal feel, buyers show their love to well presented, clearly labelled produce. Tuesday's heavy rain affects the amount of lines on offer, bringing the local Strawberry season to a temporary close and new season Potato harvesting to a near standstill. The cooler weather also helps the Cauliflower, Primo and Savoy cabbage trade along nicely. Various sized and shaped Marrows continue to feature in many discerning greengrocers and market traders wish lists. A showing of Chilean Onions, draws tears of joy as the buyers bid with abandon.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Cabbage - Primo	12's	£1.50 -	£2.50
Cabbage - Savoy	12's	£3.00 -	£4.00
Carrots	Bunch	£0.60 -	£0.80
Cauliflower - Summer	6's	£2.50 -	£4.50
Cucumbers	Each	£0.30 -	£0.45
Gooseberries	227g	£0.65 -	£0.80
Onions 60/80 (UK)	10kg	£1.50 -	£2.00
Potatoes New	25kg	£8.00 -	£11.00
Raspberry	227g	£0.40 -	£0.60
Strawberries	Punnet	£0.40 -	£0.80

WOULD VENDORS ENSURE THAT ALL PRODUCTS ENTERED INTO THE AUCTION ARE IDENTIFIED BY THEIR VENDOR NUMBER. VENDOR CARDS, WHICH MUST DETAIL THE DESCRIPTION, COUNT AND OR WEIGHT OF THE ITEMS ENTERED ARE AVAILABLE FROM RECEPTION.

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