



MARKET REPORT

FOR WEEK ENDING

September 29, 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 phenomenal flash of autumnal colours fills the auction halls this week, heralding harvest festival celebrations. Fresh local spray Chrysanthemums, in a range of browns, oranges and reds, start the week's trading off slowly, but as the weekend draws closer and the sunshine comes out to play, the bidding increases drawing prices up towards the one pound mark. A smashing showing of super Sunflowers has startled spectators swooning with delight as they queue up to bid for their favourite assortments. Pink prices are in rude health, with all quality entries clearing daily.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Asters	Bunch	£0.80 -	£1.10
Chrysanth Spray Dutch	Bunch	£0.90 -	£1.30
Chrysanth Spray Local	Bunch	£1.20 -	£1.50
Dahlia	Bunch	£0.40 -	£0.80
Delphiniums	Bunch	£1.00 -	£1.10
Gladioli	Bunch	£0.50 -	£0.70
Lily (Imported)	Bunch	£7.00 -	£8.00
Pinks	Bunch	£0.20 -	£0.40
Sunflower	Bunch	£0.50 -	£1.20

POT & GARDEN PLANTS

Plant sales continue to flourish with a good selection of quality on show, giving buyers the confidence to bid freely. Despite a huge entry of miniature patio Cyclamen midweek, prices are robust across the board, helped by a healthy demand. Primroses are well received by the buyers, all quality entries clearing with ease. Wallflowers sell well as growing supply is matched by a growing demand. Dionaea Flytraps remain at the top of buyers' novelty plant wish lists. Delicate, dainty Hydrangeas help to provide a late season splash of panache, performing strongly despite a large entry.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Calluna	10 cm	£0.40 -	£0.60
Campanula	10 cm	£0.70 -	£0.80
Cyclamen (Patio)	10cm	£0.45 -	£0.65
Dionaea (Flytrap)	9 cm	£1.00 -	£2.00
Hebe Variegated	13 cm	£1.00 -	£1.20
Holly (Ilex) Assorted	3 Litre	£2.30 -	£2.70
Hydrangea	5 litre	£4.00 -	£5.50
Pansy (Pot)	10 cm	£0.12 -	£0.22
Primroses	10 cm	£0.30 -	£0.40
Wallflower	Bunch	£0.40 -	£0.80

FRUIT & VEGETABLES

The week starts off at a slow steady pace, with supplies exceeding demand. This allows the buyers to pick and choose which lines to offer their love and affection to. As Wednesday arrives, the halls are filled by even greater amounts of top quality fruit and vegetables. But demand is good and attendance is high. The positive trade carries forward to Thursday, with lines including Cauliflowers and Onions clearing out totally. With many growers looking to move than store Potatoes, returns remain around three pounds a bag, with only a few bold uniform samples making any more.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Cabbage - Savoy	6's	£1.80 -	£2.50
Cauliflower	6's	£1.50 -	£2.80
Courgette	5kg	£4.00 -	£8.00
Leeks	4.5Kg	£2.50 -	£3.00
Onion 60/80	10kg	£1.20 -	£1.50
Potatoes	25kg	£2.50 -	£3.50
Pumpkin	Each	£0.40 -	£0.70
Red Beet	Bunch	£0.25 -	£0.35
Sprouts	9Kg	£5.00 -	£7.00
Tomatoes	5.4kg	£4.00 -	£6.00

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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