



MARKET REPORT

FOR WEEK ENDING

January 12, 2018

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

The bitterly cold, damp weather conditions take a toll on proceedings this week, as buyers show a lack of confidence for all things floral. Daffodils start the week well, seeing a strong demand despite a heavy entry, continuing over to the Wednesday sale. By Thursday, prices soften as supplies overwhelm demand. Tulips see a role reversal, with a growing demand as the week progresses, Thursday proving to be the highlight. Chrysanthemum prices are steady, with local varieties providing good value, whilst imported entries rise in price rapidly.

POT & GARDEN PLANTS

Another strong week for Shrubs and Nursery stock plants with many lines clearing daily. Avid bidders queue up to buy Conifers of all shapes, sizes and colours, whilst premier quality Laurels command the buyers' attentions. A wonderful entry of bare-rooted fruit and ornamental trees has the auctioneers' gavel rattling a staccato rhythm as bids rain down from all corners of the auction halls. Well presented bare root fruit bushes also sell very well. Potted Roses ready for the garden, fly off the shelves as buyers bid to secure their favourite colour selections. Primroses are unloved this week, with many buyers uninterested, even at reduced prices.

FRUIT & VEGETABLES

The post Christmas blues continue to affect discerning greengrocers and market traders' buying habits, with even the most savvy buyers uncertain which lines to bid on. Delicate Brassica lines of Cauliflower and limited supplies of Purple Sprouting Broccoli fight it out to take top spot on buyers wish lists. After last weeks high point of clearing daily, Leeks meet a very variable demand and trade. As Potatoes make up the lions share of entries, buyers can afford to pick and choose their varieties.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Carnations Spray	Bunch	£0.40 -	£0.70
Chrysanth Spray Dutch	Bunch	£1.40 -	£1.60
Chrysanth Spray Local	Bunch	£0.50 -	£0.90
Daffodils	Bunch	£0.50 -	£0.80
Tulips	Bunch	£0.50 -	£0.70
Waxflower	Bunch	£1.00 -	£1.20

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Amaryllis	13cm	£1.00 -	£1.50
Fruit Trees (Bare Root)	Each	£4.50 -	£7.00
Hellebores	13cm	£0.90 -	£1.20
Laurel	7.5L	£4.00 -	£4.50
Leylandii Green	6ft	£6.50 -	£7.00
Orchid	13cm	£1.50 -	£2.00
Potted Rose	3 Litre	£1.50 -	£1.70
Primrose	9cm	£0.15 -	£0.30
Snowdrops (Potted)	10cm	£0.60 -	£0.70
Tete-a-Tete (Potted)	10cm	£0.40 -	£0.50

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Cabbage - Savoy	6's	£1.20 -	£1.50
Carrots Dirty	20kg	£4.00 -	£6.50
Cauliflower	6's	£1.80 -	£2.80
Celeriac	6's	£3.00 -	£3.50
Leeks	4.5kg	£2.00 -	£2.80
Onion 60/80	10kg	£1.00 -	£1.50
Potatoes	25kg	£1.50 -	£3.50
Sprout Stalks (Bundle)	5's	£1.00 -	£1.20
Sprouting Broccoli	1kg	£1.00 -	£2.00
Sprouts	9kg	£2.00 -	£3.00

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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