



Market Report

FOR WEEK ENDING: 31/7/26

Prices Shown - Average to Top Quality

Cut Flowers

Bloomin' Eck! Floral fever takes hold, with a bumper attendance of flower fanciers all looking to fill their boots. Awesome Asters blaze a trail on their seasonal debut, as swooning buyers look for new lines. "Limonium" varieties see a boom in interest, with rocketing prices for most entries of well presented Statics and Statice / Helichrysum bouquets. Lilies are popular this week, with buyers especially plumping for scented Oriental varieties. A dazzling display of Spray Carnations are this week's imported flower favourite.

Description	Per:	Average		Best
Aster	Bunch	£1.00	-	£1.40
Bouquet	Bunch	£2.00	-	£2.75
Dahlia	Bunch	£1.00	-	£1.40
Lily	Bunch	£1.30	-	£2.80
Spray Carnations	Bunch	£1.20	-	£1.60
Statice/Helichrysum	Bunch	£1.50	-	£2.30
Statice Mixed	Bunch	£0.60	-	£1.50
Sunflower	Bunch	£0.75	-	£1.30

Plants and Seasonal Sundries

Our plant auction resembles a bun fight on Wednesday with hordes of buyers turning out, all scrabbling and bustling in an attempt to secure their share of the spoils. With colour selection written all over our buyers' wish lists, any well presented Perennial plants clear with ease. Scabious, Salvias and New Guinea Impatiens are all fondly fancied. Buyers go doolally for Dicksonias, as we feature anything from juvenile entries up to fully fronded adult 4 foot trunk samples. Orchids continue to sell in decent volumes. Patio Cyclamen sales are robust, even at this early stage of the season.

Description	Per:	Average		Best
Alstroemeria	1Ltr	£2.50	-	£4.50
Cyclamen	9cm	£0.70	-	£1.00
Dicksonia	Each	£8.00	-	£185.00
Ficus Robusta	11cm	£1.00	-	£1.50
Hebe	11cm	£1.75	-	£2.25
Lavender	1ltr	£1.00	-	£1.80
New Guinea Impatiens	13cm	£1.00	-	£1.50
Orchid	10cm	£1.50	-	£2.50
Pansy Six pack	Pack	£1.00	-	£1.50
Penstemon	1ltr	£1.30	-	£1.80
Salvia	1ltr	£1.40	-	£1.90
Scabious	1ltr	£2.00	-	£2.50

Fruit & Vegetables

With the continued heat, growers express their concerns about the months ahead given the prolonged period of no rain. Customers complain that the lack of trade is a growing problem, this subsequently causes price to drop from the normal average prices. That being given, our halls have been filled with fresh local and imported produce giving something available for everyone. Fruits and salad lines have sold well again this week due to the heat and with eating habits changing. Despite the change in habits, brassica prices remain high with the availability shortages becoming more of an issue. Potatoes of a regular size are also becoming a problem, with some good samples making up to £7.50 for a 25kg bag. Early new Potatoes continue to drop slightly with second earlies and maincrop now being available.

Description	Per:	Average		Best
Apples	12kg	£ 16.00	-	£ 16.00
Apricot	51's	£ 8.00	-	£ 8.00
Bananas	18kg	£ 20.50	-	£ 20.50
Blackberry	Punnet	£ 0.60	-	£ 0.60
Cauli	8's	£ 4.95	-	£ 5.20
Cherry Tomatoes	4kg	£ 3.70	-	£ 8.00
Courgette	5kg	£ 3.14	-	£ 5.00
French Bean	2.5kg	£ 6.41	-	£ 7.30
Grapes	10's	£ 10.50	-	£ 11.00
Marrow	Each	£ 0.75	-	£ 0.90
Mushrooms	Tray	£ 7.13	-	£ 7.20
New Potatoes	lbs	£ 0.10	-	£ 0.13
Oranges	9 pp	£ 13.50	-	£ 13.50
Peaches	48's	£ 10.00	-	£ 10.00
Pears (Conference)	15kg	£ 25.00	-	£ 25.00
Pineapple	10's	£ 7.00	-	£ 7.00
Plums	2.6kg	£ 7.28	-	£ 8.00
Pointed Cabbage	18's	£ 8.06	-	£ 10.40
Red Beet	Bunch	£ 0.67	-	£ 1.00
Rhubarb	5kg	£ 4.80	-	£ 6.00
Spring Onion	Bunch	£ 0.53	-	£ 0.60
Strawberry	Punnet	£ 0.62	-	£ 0.80
Summer Squash	8's	£ 4.13	-	£ 5.10
Watermelon	6's	£ 7.60	-	£ 9.50



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