

MARCH 2024

**Good Morning**

March is getting towards the beginning of Spring and normally more produce and easing of prices, but this year will be different! The last 4/5 newsletters I have spoken about the shortage and prices of root crops caused by the large amount of rain last Autumn, crops are still in the ground and it will create a big shortage of produce going forward to the Summer. I can see when we reach the end of May, June, July that Jacket potatoes could be at least £20.00 per box and all potato products will be affected as well, none more so than prepared veg, couple this with rising wages from the beginning of April and vehicles costing more plus energy prices, fuel etc. it looks like being a difficult year! But like the last 103 years we will get through it. We have just been informed that the English carrot season will finish 6 to 8 weeks early and we will have to import more expensive French and Italian produce. Over the next 6 weeks we will be receiving 20 new vans just to ensure all our vehicles are under 3 years old and all environmentally friendly.

Kind Regards

John Plant JP, MBE Chairman

*"I like people too much or not at all".*



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Apples Cooking Bramley	Local English
Bread	All sourced locally to you.
Berries, blk berries, blueberries, raspberries	Dutch/ Spain/USA
Broccoli	Spain
Carrots <i>ORGANIC New</i>	All Local English
Cucumbers	Spain
Cauliflower	English Local/French
Cabbage/Hispi/Red/Spring/Savoy	Staffs/Notts/Yks/Derby/Lincs
Courgettes	spanish
Strawberries class 1	Spain
Dairy	All from local farms
Eggs	UK local, Free Range
Herbs	All local
Kale	English
Leeks	English/Dutch
Lettuce Iceberg	Spanish
Mushrooms All varieties	Yorks/Derbys/Lincs/Staffs/Notts
Melons Ogen/Galia/Canteloupe	Spanish
Marrows	English local
Onions Pickling	English
Peppers	Spanish/Dutch
Potatoes Jackets Main Crop	Yorks/Linc/Notts/Staffs/Derbys
Plums	Italian/Spain
Raidsh	Spain/Dutch
S/Onions	Spain
Tomatoes	spanish
Water Melon	Spanish
Cheese over 200 varieties	British/Continental
Salad Leaves	English local
All Prepared Veg grown	Notts/Derbys/Staffs/Yks/Lincs

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