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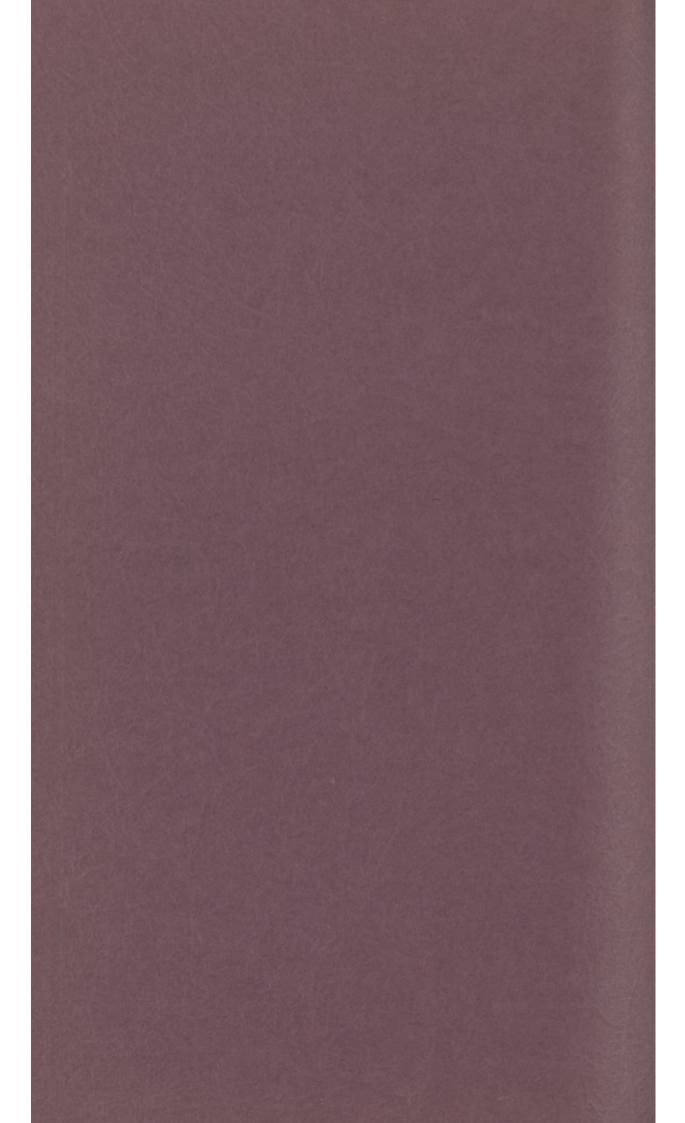
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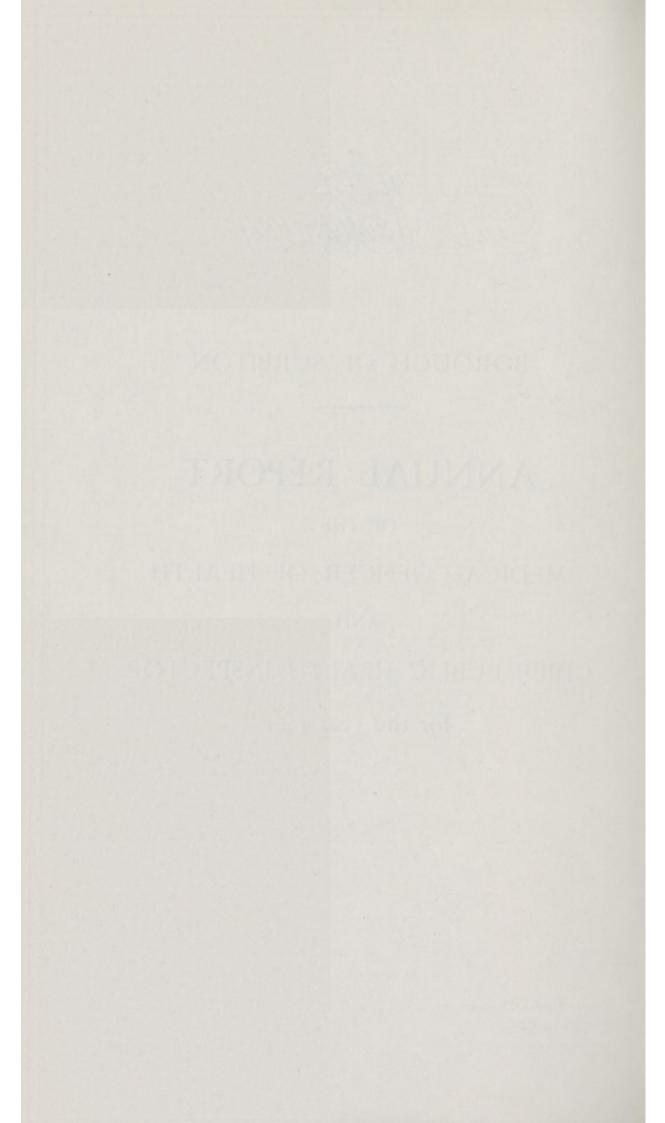
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INTRODUCTION BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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June 1962.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Surbiton.

Annual Report, 1961.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the Public Health and Social conditions of the Borough for 1961.

The report is compiled in accordance with Ministry of Health Circular No. 1/62, dated 18th January, 1962, and follows the general lines as for previous years.

I am pleased to report on the continued satisfactory state of the Public Health in the Borough during the year; there have been no outbreaks of infectious disease.

Population: The population of Surbiton on which the vital statistics are based is now 62,850.

In my last year's Annual Report I gave the 1961 Census Provisional figure as 62,940. The Registrar-General in an explanatory note states "in making the mid-1961 estimates regard has been had to the preliminary results of the Census enumeration of 23rd April, 1961, adjusted in respect of (a) persons enumerated away from their usual place of residence; (b) pupils and students in boarding schools and university halls of residence, etc.; (c) armed forces in stations within the specified area; (d) the movement of population between Census Day and 30th June, 1961; and (e) all other relevant available information".

Infectious diseases: With the exception of the periodic increase of measles notifications which were 897 for the year, I am pleased to report a low incidence of infection generally, although it is with regret I report that a case of Poliomyelitis occurred in the person of a female aged 39 years who contracted the disease whilst on holiday abroad.

It is most pleasing to report a decrease of 28 in the whooping cough notifications, and to say for the first time in nine years no case of sonne dysentery was reported.

There was no case of diphtheria reported during the year, and we have been free from this disease in the Borough since 1946, which again speaks very highly for the way in which the general medical practitioners and public health officials have continued to carry out an intensive and persistent programme of active immunisation.

Births: The number of live births for 1961 is 924 and compares with 921 for 1960. The birth rate is 14.70 per 1,000 of the population compared with 14.36 for the previous year.

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The number of deaths of infants under one year in 1961 is 15 giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 16.23 compared with a rate of 17.37 for 1960. The causes of death of these infants will be seen on page ten.

Causes of death: The main causes of death during 1961 were:-

Heart and circulatory disease ... 244

Cancer 128

Vascular lesions of Nervous System 8

In view of the attention given to the relationship between smoking and lung cancer the relevant figures for Surbiton residents is given below:-

	19	56	19	57	19	58	199	59	196	60	19	61
nels because o	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Deaths from cancer of the lung and bronchus.	24	6	19	4	26	3	22	4	34	1	24	5
Total	30	0	2	3	2	9	2	5	3!	5	2	9

With regard to the dangers of tobacco smoking the following points are now considered relevant.

"Three quarters of the men and half the women in Britain are now regular smokers and the number of people dying each year from lung cancer has been increasing very rapidly. Heavy cigarette smokers have thirty times the death rate of non-smokers.

Once people become addicted to smoking it becomes a drug habit and difficult to break off. That is why young people should never start.

Lung cancer is a particularly unpleasant way of dying and smokers'lung cancer often causes death in the prime of life.

It has been shown that the examples of parents especially of mothers who smoke may encourage children to do the same". (from a pamphlet of the Central Council for Health Education).

Housing: The provision of new dwelling houses still remains an urgent responsibility for the Council. The activity of recent years by private developers continue but at a slower pace

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While it is true that a great deal of opinion is expressed in favour of a home which stands on the ground, it is also true that the ground space for this can be ill-afforded in Surbiton today. Therefore if present needs are to be served the planned programme must include not only houses of 3 to 4 bedrooms for families, but also housing for special groups such as flatlets and bungalows for the old people; a few specially planned or adapted houses for handicapped persons, also some accommodation of small self-contained flats for single persons.

Last but not least a small percentage of tenants prove to be destructive and are bad tenants in the real sense of the word. The Authority has a duty to these as to the sick which in a sense they are, at least, socially. This problem is not solved by making special unbreakable houses but by social welfare and constant supervision by qualified staff, and this is where the Housing Department and the Medical Social Department join. Sometimes the family is reclaimed and the children grow up to be decent tenants after years of education.

There are also those tenants who can but will not pay the rent; these are best dealt with by court action before the arrears accumulate; but however unsatisfactory tenants may be, every effort should be made to keep the family as a unit, preferably placed in individual houses where their behaviour will affect their normal neighbours as little as possible.

Staff: The details of the staff of the Public Health Department are set out on page 1. There was one change during the year. Mr. J.M. Weaver, the junior clerk was transferred to the Borough Treasurer's Department, and Mr. M.L. Thompson was appointed in his place.

I am pleased again to record my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their support and encouragement throughout the year, and to Mr. Eldridge, the Chief Public Health Inspector and his Inspectors, Mr. Elms and the clerical staff and to Dr. W.H. Kinstrie, the Deputy Medical Officer of Health.

I have the honour to be Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant,

J.W. STARKEY

Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area of Borough (in acres)	4,709
Population (June 1961)	62,850
Resident population (Census 1951)	60,875
do. (Census 1961 Provisional)	62,940
Estimated number of separate habitable dwellings (houses and flats) in the Borough as at	76 (24.38)
lst April, 1962	20,385
Number of new houses, flats and maisonettes erected during the year:-	
(a) By local authority (29 to replace temporal dwellings).	ry 47
(b) By other local authorities	Nil
(c) By private enterprise	270
(d) Rebuilt following destruction by enemy ac	tion Nil
(e) Eleven properties were converted by priva enterprise to provide 34 flats. One single house was converted into two h	
Rateable value at 31st December, 1961.	£1,257,574
Sum represented by a penny rate (estimated)	£5,140

SOCIAL CONDITIONS

Surbiton is an attractive well favoured residential town with many recreation grounds and open parks. It flanks the river and is close to Epsom Downs, two Royal Parks and Hampton Court Palace.

Its population is healthy and it enjoys many physical and social amenities.

It is mainly a dormitory town but many of the people are engaged in local industry which comprises a variety of trades in modern factories.

There are good shopping centres and exceptionally good communications by road and rail.

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VITAL STATISTICS.

Based on Registrar General's population figure of 62,850 and on adjusted statistics supplied by the Registrar General.

LIVE BIRTHS:	-	ale	Female (450)	TOTAL
Legitimate	439	(421)	449 (459)	888 (880)
Illegitimate	22	(19)	14 (22)	36 (41)
Birth rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population.			62,579	14.70 (14.36)
Adjusted birth rate (Comparability factor 1.00)			53,110	14.70 (14.36)
England and Wales.			63,550	17.45 (17.1)
STILL BIRTHS:			707,100	
Legitimate	4	(4)	7 (6)	11 (10)
Illegimate	1	(2)	- (-)	1 (3)
Rate per 1,000 (live and still) births.				12.82 (13.91)
TOTAL LIVE & STILL BIRTHS:		ale (446)	Female 470 (488)	TOTAL 936 (934)
England and Wales (Still births)			17,717	18.7 (19.7)
INFANT DEATHS: Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births.	16.23 (17.37)			
England and Wales.	21.4 (21.7)			
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births - legitime	ate	gulanz		14.63 (18.18)
Infant mortality rate per 1 live births - illegitimate	,000	PAIN.		55.5 (Nil)
Neo natal mortality rate (fifour weeks) per 1,000 live 1	irst	з.		14.06 (14.11)
Perinatal mortality rate		13731	7,738	11.90 (12.74)
Illegitimate live births per cent of total live births.	r		2,147 2,380	3.89 (4.45)
Maternal deaths (including a	abort	ions)	7787	Nil (Nil)
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births		3:515	1.31	Nil (Nil)
DEATHS:	_	ale (353)	Female 335 (322)	<u>TOTAL</u> 664 (675)
	-			633
Crude death rate per 1,000 c	of Latio	n.		10.56 (10.53)
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NOTE: The figures in parenthesis are those for 1960.

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POPULATION

(a) The following table shows the estimated mid-year Population figure for the last ten years.

1952	61,590
1953	62,230
1954	63,320
1955	62,570
1956	62,610
1957	63,110
1958	63,550
1959	63,750
1960	64,100-
1961	62,850

(b) Census Figures.

1901	15,017
1911	17,717
1921	20,149
1931	30,178
1951	60,875

(c) 1951 Census - Ages (quinary) Sex Distribution:-

	Male	Female	Persons
ALL AGES 0-4 5+9 10-14 15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79 80-84 85-89 90-94 95 and over	28,501 2,446 2,312 1,935 1,535 1,568 1,886 2,078 2,704 2,377 2,013 1,509 1,270 920 649 450 187 71 20 2	32,374 2,409 2,213 1,805 1,738 1,863 2,147 2,380 2,851 2,825 2,593 2,825 2,593 2,839 1,834 1,530 1,355 1,095 814 446 185 466	60,875 4,855 4,525 3,740 3,273 3,431 4,033 4,458 5,529 4,970 4,252 3,343 2,800 2,275 1,744 1,264 633 256 666 8

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It will be seen that there are over 6,000 persons over 65 years of age in this population table. The presence of so many in the older age groups means the necessity to co-ordinate, organise and maintain more comprehensive geriatric services and special housing for the old folk.

BIRTHS.

The following table shows the number of live births and the birth rate over the past ten years.

Year	Number of Births.	Birth Rate.	Birth Rate for England and Wales.
1952	814	13.21	15.3
1953	856	13.73	15.5
1954	816	12.88	14.1
1955	760	12.14	15.0
1956	761	12.15	15.7
1957	777	12.31	16.1
1958	867	13.64	16.4
1959	853	13.38	16.5
1960	921	14.36	17.1
1961	924	14.70	17.4

AGES AT DEATH DURING 1961.

The deaths occurred at the following ages:-

Age Group	Male	Female
Under 1 year 1 - 4 5 - 14 15 - 24 25 - 34 35 - 44 45 - 54 55 - 64 65 - 74 75 and over	5 4 1 10 2 2 40 89 66 110	10 2 - 2 3 4 18 48 67 181
TOTAL	329	335

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CAUSES OF DEATH DURING 1961

	Male	Female
All causes	329	335
Tuberculosis, respiratory	7	1
Syphilitic disease	1	2
Meningococcal infections	-	-
Other infective and parasitic diseases	1	BONT_
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	7	5
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	24	5
Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	11
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	_ 18	1007
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	34	35
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	3	3
Diabetes	1	2
Vascular lesions of nervous system	28	55
Coronary disease, angina	80	49
Hypertension with heart disease	4	3
Other heart disease	22	51
Other circulatory disease	18	17
Influenza	1	3
Pneumonia	17	21
Bronchitis	33	14
Other diseases of respiratory system	2	1
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	Sogland	1
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	1	1
Nephritis and nephrosis	-	1
Hyperplasia of prostate	3	-
Congenital malformation	2	5
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	22	31
Motor vehicle accidents	9	-
All other accidents	6	5
Suicide	3	6
Homicide and operations of war	-	-

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INFANT MORTALITY.

There were fifteen deaths of children under one year of age. It will be noted that seven died in the first hours of life.

Of the infant deaths eleven occurred in hospitals or public institutions outside the Borough.

The causes and ages at death were as follows:-

Unascertainable, open verdict, found in stream	Newly born
Prematurity with immaturity	1 hour
Prematurity	2 hours
Pre-viable birth	2 hours
Atelectasis, prematurity	5 hours
Prolonged cerebral anoxia during delivery	18 hours
Atelectasis, prematurity	19 hours
Extreme prematurity	1 day
Prematurity	1 day
Atelectasis, prematurity	1 day
Atelectasis, cerebral anoxia	1 day
Anoxia, gross congenital cardiac lesions	l week
Cardiac failure, duodenal obstruction, prematurity	2 weeks
Bronchial pneumonia, mongolism	2 weeks
Congenital morbus cordis	2 months

INFANT MORTALITY RATE.

The following table shows the death rate of infants under one year of age per 1,000 live births.

Year	Deaths under 1 year	Surbiton	England and Wale (Smaller Towns)		
1952	15	18.42	27.6		
1953	18	21.02	24.3		
1954	9	11.02	25.0		
1955	17	22.36	24.9		
1956	12	15.76	23.8		
1957	9	11.58	23.0		
1958	14	16.14	22.5		
1959	15	17.58	22.0		
1960	16	17.37	21.7		
1961	15	16.23	21.4		

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INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

The table shows the incidence of infectious diseases during the past ten years.

	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	76	84	45	38	48	23	23	30	24	18
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	9	-	1	2	-	-	2	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	4	3	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	-
Pneumonia	12	34	14	19	18	32	6	22	10	19
Erysipelas	5	6	4	3	4	3	2	2	5	-
Poliomyelitis	2	3	2	8	1	6	=	-	-	1
Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infection	4	1	2	2	2	2	-	-	1	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	10	12	25	289	202	28	123	2	-
Malaria	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	11	11	5	4	13	9	20	9	8	11
Measles	538	790	114	998	228	838	362	1139	24	897
Whooping Cough	204	139	41	70	78	41	8	11	41	13
TOTALS	856	1083	249	1169	686	1160	450	1337	118	960

The list of compulsorily notifiable diseases by General Medical Practitioners in the Borough is as follows:-

Anthrax Malaria Cholera Diphtheria Dysentery Encephalitis (Acute) Enteric (Typhoid or Paratyphoid) Fever Plague Puerperal Pyrexia Relapsing Fever Erysipelas

Measles Membranous Croup Meningococcal Infection Ophthalmia Neonatorum Scarlatina or Scarlet Fever Smallpox Tuberculosis Pneumonia, Acute Primary
Pneumonia, Acute Influenzal
Poliomyelitis (Acute)
Puerperal Pyrexia

Typhus
Whooping Cough
Food Poisoning (or suspected
Food Poisoning) Leprosy (specially)

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AGE GROUPS OF NOTIFIED CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Disease	Under 1	1 - 2	3 - 4	6 - 6	10 - 14	15 - 24	25 - 44	45 - 64	65 and over	Age unknown	TOTAL
Scarlet Fever	-	-	3	11	4		-	-	-	-	18
Pneumonia	-	1	-	-	2	3	2	6	5	-	19
Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-		-	1
Food Poisoning	1	2	2.	1	1	1	2	1	-	-	11
Measles	22	178	232	425	19	7	3	1	-	10	897
Whooping Cough	-	3	2	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	13
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1

AGE GROUPS OF NOTIFIED DEATHS FROM INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Disease	Under 1	1 - 2	3 - 4	5 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 24	25 - 44	45 - 64	65 and over	Age unknown	TOTAL
Pneumonia	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	5	33	-	38

NOTE: Total deaths include transferable deaths occurring outside the district which are not included in the total cases notified.

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INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Exclusion from work of Contacts of Infectious Disease.

By regulations made under the National Insurance Act, 1946 and the Public Health (Infectious Disease) Regulations, 1953, persons may be excluded from work and entitled to National Health sickness benefit if, in the opinion of the Medical Officer of Health, such persons are contacts or carriers of disease and it is necessary to exclude them from work in order to prevent the spread of infection.

These Regulations apply particularly to food handlers in foodshops; also cooks, and kitchen hands employed in cafes, canteens and restaurants.

During the year one such certificate was issued.

DIPHTHERIA.

The Borough has now been free from cases of diphtheria since 1946, and if parents will continue to take advantage of the immunisation services offered, there is no reason why the disease should not be entirely stamped out. The responsibility for providing this service rests with the County Council by virtue of section 26 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, and the Medical Officer of Health, who is also the Divisional Medical Officer for the County Council, organises the service within the Borough.

Administrative work on immunisation is conducted in the Public Health Department on behalf of the County Council for which 35% of a clerk's salary is reimbursed.

Arrangements also exist with general medical practitioners to carry out diphtheria, whooping cough and other immunisation. A doctor taking part is expected to send records to the Authority of the immunisation carried out in the course of his practice; the Authority provides the record cards and pays a fee to the doctor for each completed card received.

Doctors are able to collect prophylactic material from the Public Health Department or from Grange Road Health Centre, Kingston-upon-Thames.

Diphtheria Immunisation Clinics are held at:-

Gosbury Hill Clinic, 1, Gosbury Hill, Chessington. Telephone: Elmbridge 5737.

Monday mornings at 9.30 to 11 o'clock.

South Place Clinic, Ewell Road, Surbiton. Telephone: Elmbridge 4897 Monday mornings at

(or Diphtheria Immunisation may be carried out by patient's own doctor, as described above).

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION

The number of immunisations carried out during the year was as follows:-

Age Group	Primary Immunisations during 1961	Reinforcement doses during 1961
Age under 1 year	379	-
Age 1 year to 4 years.	539	274
Age 5 years to 14 years.	146	2,006

The following table sets out the number of children immunised in each of the last seven years:-

Year	Primary Immunisations	Reinforcements.
1955	737	132
1956	741	298
1957	691	1,399
1958	799	1,162
1959	859	1,267
1960	956	1,002
1961	1,064	2,280

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The number of immunisations carried out between the 1st January. 1947 and 31st December, 1961, is shown below:-

Born in	U1207	1961	1-4 1957-1960		10-14 1947-1951	Total under 15
last (prim boost compl	r of ren whose course ary or er) was eted in the d 1957-1961	379	2,761	3,015	3,245	9,400
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	ated mid-year population.	924	3,420	8,400		12,744
Immunity index 100 A/C.		41.01	80.73	74	.52	73.76

Note: The Immunity Index is the number of children immunised (primary or booster) during the last five years (total of item A.) expressed as a percentage of the total estimated mid-year child population (total of item C.)

SMALLPOX.

Whilst this disease only appears in this country at rare intervals it is still prevalent in many parts of the world and its introduction here is an ever-present threat which materialised at the end of 1961 when a case occurred in London.

Its seriousness is such that the simple precaution of vaccination ought not to be neglected even though it is no longer compulsory for infants to be vaccinated.

Patients of all ages can be vaccinated by their own doctors whilst children are also dealt with at the Clinics under the control of the Surrey County Council.

Calf-lymph for vaccination is obtainable from the Central Public Health laboratory at Colindale.

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The number of persons who were vaccinated or re-vaccinated during 1961 was:-

Age Groups	Under	1	2 - 4	5 -14	15 or over	TOTAL
Vaccinations	685	61	27	36	56	865
Re-vaccinations	-	-	9	33	288	330

Calculations show that by the end of 1961 74.13 of children under one year have been vaccinated against smallpox.

SONNE DYSENTERY.

No cases occurred during the year and only two the previous year.

The following table shows the number of cases occurring since first recognition of this disease in Surbiton in 1951:-

1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961
62	-1	10	12	25	289	202	28	123	2	-

POLIOMYELITIS.

The figures since 1949 are given below:-

Year	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958-61
Cases	5	8	1	2	3	2	8	1	6	1
Deaths	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

Arrangements are made whereby doctors may collect anti-poliomyelitis vaccine from the Public Health Department, and this facility is much appreciated and used.

At the end of the year good progress had been made towards the protection by vaccination of the priority groups for which vaccine had been issued by the Ministry of Health.

These groups were:-

All persons who have not at the time of their application for vaccination reached the age of forty.

General practitioners.

Ambulance staff

Hospital staff who come into contact with patients.

Medical students.

Practising dental surgeons, dental students, dental hygienists, student hygienists and dental surgeons' chairside assistants.

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Public Health staff who may come into contact with poliomyelitis cases.

The families of the above groups.

Expectant mothers who are particularly urged to be vaccinated as early as possible in pregnancy and such requests are dealt with as priorities.

Persons going to visit or reside in a country outside Europe, other than Canada or the United States of America.

In the latter part of the year supplies of Salk vaccine became severely restricted when the Ministry of Health decided to introduce Oral Sabin vaccine. This very much curtailed the poliomyelitis vaccination programme, and it was not until early 1962 that the Sabin vaccine became available and allowed the doctors and the clinics to catch up on arrears.

In June 1961 the Public Health Laboratory Service commenced a one-year study of the incidence of poliomyelitis and other viruses in the faeces of normal children below 5 years of age with the object of obtaining more information as to the presence of these infections and to see what changes have taken place as a result of the widespread use of polio vaccine.

We are co-operating in this survey by arranging for and collecting five specimens per week so that by the end of the period some 260 children in this Borough will have been checked.

FOOD POISONING.

There were eleven confirmed cases notified by general medical practitioners; the causative organisms were identified as shown below:-

S. Newport							5	cases
S. Typhi-m	urium an	d Stay	ph. Aur	eus			2	cases
S. Typhi-m	urium						3	cases
Staphyloco	cci Aure	us					1	case
The ages o	f the el	even p	ersons	were	as fol	lows:-		
Adults							4	
14 years							1	
6 "							1	
3 "							2	
2 "							1	
l year 4 m	months						1	
6 weeks							1	

The five cases of S. Newport were members of one family who were almost certainly infected by the consumption of a chicken in which decomposition had commenced.

The origin of the other cases, two of whom were sisters, was, not ascertained.

On 28th March, 1961, there was a small food poisoning incident at a local factory involving seven persons, three of whom were sufficiently ill to be removed to hospital.

All made a satisfactory recovery within a few days.

These cases were not included in the notifications because none of those who were seen by a doctor were residents of this Borough.

The responsible organism was confirmed as Staph. Aureus and the vehicle was undoubtedly imported cheese.

LABORATORY PACILITIES.

Extensive use is made of the facilities provided by the Public Health Laboratory Service (directed by the Medical Research Council for the Ministry of Health); and opportunity is taken to gratefully acknowledge the co-operation of Dr. D.R. Gamble and his staff at the Epsom Laboratory to which our specimens are taken.

Apart from routine samples of water, milk, ice-cream and other food (details of which are given under other headings) the undermentioned specimens were collected by the Inspectors in the course of investigating suspected cases of dysentery, para-typhoid, food poisoning, etc. and taken to the Laboratory.

Year	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961
Faeces	183	129	263	306	3,704	2,256	610	1,177	199	167
Suspected Food.	15	12	8	10	6	24	13	36	3	59

EXCLUSION FROM SCHOOL

Thirteen certificates were issued during the year excluding and re-admitting school cases and contacts of infectious disease.

TUBERCULOSIS.

At the end of the year 251 persons were shown to be suffering from tuberculosis and living within the district:-

Sex	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary
Males	141	5
Females	88	17

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		N	EW CASES			DE	ATHS		
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Under 1	-	1	-	9 - 7		-	19 - 10	-	
1 - 4	-	-	1	8 - 87	-	-	19 - 57	-	
5 - 14	-	3	-	2	-	-	191 - 83	-	
15 - 24	4	2	-	1	12	10-	19 - 11	-	
25 - 34	4	3	-	-	-	-		-	
35 - 44	9	1	-	1	-	10-	77 -19	-	
45 - 54	5	2	01 -	-	3	10-	- 18	-	
55 - 64	4	1	-10-	01 - 56	2	-	181 - 39	-	
65 and over.	2	1	152 - 44	733	4	1	9 500	859	

Of the 47 new cases tabulated above 16 were transferred from other districts.

At the commencement of the year there were 259 cases of tuberculosis on the register and at the end of the year this figure had decreased to 251, the lowest figure for the last ten years.

During the year 26 were notified as recovered from the disease; 19 left the district and there were 10 deaths.

Cases added to Register during year.

	Primar,	y Notifi	cations	Tro	nsfers,	etc.	Total	
Ward.	1959	1960	1961	1959	1960	1961	1901.	
Berrylands	1	4	3	4	4	1	4	
Chessington	5	7	7	2	4	1	8	
Hook and Southborough	3	-	3	9	7	-	3	
Seething Wells	1	2	3	7	1	1	4	
St. Mark's	3	-	1	8	2	1	2	
Surbiton Hill	6	10 - 10	2	5	5	8	10	
Tolworth East	1	3	3	4	3	1	4	
Tolworth West	1	2	3	3	2	2	5	
Tolworth South	2	1	3	6	1	4	7	
Totals	23	19	28	48	29	19	47	

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The table below shows the number of cases on the register at the end of the year for the past ten years.

Ward	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961
Berrylands	43	50	45	43	32	25	32	24	25	21
Chessington	74	80	89	77	89	86	79	65	60	63
Hook & Southborough	95	85	74	87	79	75	65	57	42	35
Seething Wells	23	20	21	22	28	24	19	23	14	15
St. Mark's	46	48	54	46	47	50	39	33	26	23
Surbiton Hill	29	30	30	29	27	28	26	27	20	25
Tolworth East	48	50	45	41	35	32	27	19	21	18
Tolworth West	35	41	38	32	33	30	24	18	23	23
Tolworth South	41	48	50	56	43	40	38	35	28	28
Totals	434	452	446	433	413	390	349	301	259	251

PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS, 1925.

It was not necessary to take any action under these Regulations during the year.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, (Section 172)

No action was taken under this section.

MASS RADIOGRAPHY

No visit was made by the Mass X-ray Unit to the Borough during 1961. However, persons requiring chest x-ray may attend by appointment at the Chest Clinic, 27, Queen's Road, Kingston Hill, Telephone Number Kingston 6251, at the following times:-

Mondays at 9.30 a.m.

Tuesdays at 9.30 a.m. and 2.0 p.m.

Wednesdays at 2.0 p.m.

Thursdays at 9.30 a.m. and 2.0 p.m.

Fridays at 9.30 a.m.

KINGSTON & DISTRICT TUBERCULOSIS CARE COMMITTEE.

This is a local voluntary Committee which raises funds and gives help to families with tuberculosis and other chest diseases. It works with the Surrey County Council Official services and is formed from representatives of the four District Councils in the North Central Division together with other interested persons.

The Town Council appoints two representatives annually and the present representatives are:-

Alderman Mrs. A. Woodgate, J.P.

Councillor J.R. Ashton.

During the year 1961 an amount of £1,841 was spent on giving help to 80 families in the Division.

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.

During the year fifty-nine medical examinations were carried out at the Public Health Department, 2, Shalston Villas. These included the examination of new entrants to the Council's service, also members of staff attaining the age of 18 years to determine their suitability for acceptance under the Superannuation Scheme; members of the Borough Engineer's outdoor staff after completing six months' service to determine their suitability into the Council's Sick Pay Scheme, also to examine special cases referred for investigation. The latter usually necessitated a considerable amount of correspondence with private doctors and hospital specialists.

WELFARE OF OLD PEOPLE

There is in the Borough much voluntary activity devoted to this cause such as provision of weekly clubs, daily centre, arranging seaside holidays, distribution of Christmas gifts and visiting of house-bound.

The work is co-ordinated through the Surbiton Old People's Welfare Committee, a voluntary body representative of most walks of life and presided over by His Worship the Mayor.

The Town Council leases to the Committee a large house known as "Alfriston", Berrylands Road, which, after extensive works of repair and re-decoration, was opened in September 1958 as a Centre for old people, including clubrooms, recreation rooms, handicraft room, chiropody clinic and canteen. The chiropody service is now being conducted on behalf of the County Council.

A meals on wheels service is operated by the Surbiton Division of the British Red Cross Society, and the Council makes a generous contribution towards the cost involved. The number of subsidised mid-day meals distributed during the year was 4,156.

The Borough Council has provided ninety-four special flats for aged people, and a further twelve are under construction.

There can be no exaggeration of the importance of this work for the old people, or of its increasing urgency as year succeeds year and more survive to the older age groups.

It is now imperative that the contributions in money and services by the Local Authorities, i.e. County and Borough be extended and continuous co-ordination be exerted over all the field of work.

CO-ORDINATION OF HEALTH AND OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES.

In 1957 a committee of the Council was formed to consider and report upon methods of co-operation between the Town Council and other bodies concerned with the health and other social services

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within the Borough, to assist if required in the co-ordination of such work, and to examine ways of encouraging recruitment of more voluntary workers.

The meed for such work was indicated by the consideration of the Housing Committee of the previously published report of the Working Party of the Surrey County Council on the Prevention of Break-up of Families. There was also a conference between the Housing Committee, the Old People's Welfare Committee and the W.V.S. at which all aspects of the provision of services for the elderly was discussed.

During the year meetings of Field Social Workers in Chessington Area were held. There appeared to be a desire for all social workers to meet informally, and to establish contact with each other beyond the telephone.

The meetings proved to be very helpful to all concerned.

NURSING IN THE HOME.

(District Nursing).

The Headquarters of the District Nursing Association is at 21-23, Upper Brighton Road (Telephone No. Elmbridge 3027) where application should be made for the services of a district nurse or midwife.

Such applications have to be supported by the family doctor under whose direction all home nursing is given.

The District Nursing Services are administered by the Surrey County Council through the Divisional Medical Officer of Health who is also Medical Officer of Health for Surbiton.

ANTE-NATAL CLINICS.

The ante-natal clinic can serve as the focal point to all activities relating to the expectant and nursing mother. The health visitor from the ante-natal clinic follows up cases at home for the purpose of advising and helping the expectant mother in all matters relating to pregnancy. Mothers are also encouraged to attend these clinics after their confinement to make sure that full health and normality is restored. This service is additional and designed to supplement that which an expectant mother is entitled to receive from a general practitioner and midwife.

HOME HELP SERVICE.

Persons desiring to avail themselves of this service should apply, supporting their application with a medical certificate, to the Divisional Medical Officer, The Health Centre, Grange Road, Kingston-upon-Thames, who will arrange for the Divisional Home Help Supervisor to visit and investigate the application.

WATER SUPPLY.

The whole of the water supply for the Borough comes from the Metropolitan Water Board and is satisfactory both as regards quantity and quality.

All premises have a direct mains supply and there are no wells or standpipes in use.

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Monthly reports are supplied by the Board giving details of their chemical and bacteriological examinations.

This dependable first class water supply is a tremendous factor in maintaining the good health of the people of Surbiton.

RIVERS AND STREAMS.

The Hogsmill River is the Borough boundary for some two miles on the eastern side. Now that sewage effluent from Epsom is no longer discharged into it, it has become a clean stream again and small fish which have been absent for many years have re-appeared.

The River Thames is the northern boundary and whilst there is no bathing a pleasant riverside promenade gives much pleasure to many people and boating and yachting are popular pastimes. The island known as Ravens Ait belongs to the Navy League and Sea Cadet Corps and is used as a national boat training station for sea cadets.

SWIMMING BATHS

Publicly owned bath.

Surbiton Lagoon, situated in Raeburn Avenue, is an open air pool 165 feet long and 90 feet wide, with a depth of three to nine feet. There is also a paddling pool for small children.

The water is from Metropolitan Water Board mains and is treated by continuous pressure sand filtration, sterilisation by breakpoint chlorination and oxygenation over an ornamental cascade.

Periodical samples of water are taken by the Borough Engineer and the plant adjusted as necessary. In addition thirteen samples were taken by the Public Health Department for chemical and bacteriological examination all of which proved to be satisfactory.

School bath.

One private school has a small swimming bath which is used only by scholars and staff. Sterilisation is by hand dosing with chlorine with changes of water as necessary. Eight samples were taken by the Public Health Department to ensure adequate chlorination and fitness for bathing, all of which proved to be satisfactory.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

Refuse and salvage collection is under the control of the Borough Engineer. The collection was maintained at seven day intervals except when interfered with by holidays and sickness.

The refuse is transported to a central loading depot in the Royal Borough of Kingston-upon-Thames, transferred to large haulage wagons and then moved under contract for disposal into privately owned pits.

SEWERAGE.

There are very few cesspools remaining, nearly all properties in the Borough being connected to the public sewerage system.

A little trouble is being experienced in the Hook area with the sewers which are proving inadequate to deal with the many new properties connected to them, and a new relief sewer is to be constructed by the Council along the Hook Road at an early date. orand talide one yeobaced creatives out at essent? Towes end Personan Engineer. The collection was maintained of seven day intervals except when interfered eith by helidays and placence

Flooding during times of heavy rainfall has also occurred in other parts of the Borough and sundry remedial works have been carried out by the Borough Engineer's Department and a new surface water sewer in the Tolworth area is under consideration.

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COMPLAINTS.

During the year 1,423 complaints were received with regard to the undermentioned matters, were duly investigated, and any necessary action taken.

Choked and defective drains and sewers	1007
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Illegal parking of caravans 26	5
Miscellaneous 30)

TOTAL :- 1,423

The number of complaints received in the Department during the previous ten years was :-

1960	 	1,250	1955	 	1,15
1959	 	1,518	1954	 	90
1958	 	1,251	1953	 	1,03
1957	 	1,230	1952	 	1,09
1956	 	1,210	1951	 	1,059

VISITS MADE BY INSPECTORS.

Number of dwellings inspected for housing defects (under Public Health and Housing Acts)	133
Number of awellings visited for purposes other than housing defects	1752
Number of visits to premises other than houses	2586
Premises re-inspected	1352
Visits to works in progress	460
Visits re. rats and mice	7091
Visits re. Rent Act	61
Miscellaneous visits	691
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VISITS MADE BY INSPECTORS (cont.)

Included in the aforementioned are the following classified visits :-

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HOTEPIROOD				31 26
" outworkers premises " schools				83
" caravans and caravan sites				325
" council houses and applicant				103
" piggeries				4
Re. cases of infectious disease				4
(including dysentery, tuberculo				
	***			432
Re. overcrowding				23
" Shops Act				213
II Det Animole Act				12
" Heating Appliances (Firegus	ards) Ad			9
" Heating Appliances (Firegus Clean Air Act				153
Improvement Grants				383
aged people				47
Visits re. Noise Nuisances				47 76
Visits re. Polio Survey				442
Interviews with owners, tradesme Samples of swimming bath water	en etc.			176
Samples of swimming bath water	taken			21
Samples of drinking water taker	1			4
TESTING OF DRAINS	AND SAI	ITARY	FITTI	NGS
Drains tested with water				7.7
Drains tested by other methods				33 5
Drains examined under section				,
48, Public Health Act, 1936				Nil
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lealth Act, 1936, requiring inf	formatic	n as		
to ownership of premises				4
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and Control of Development Act,	1960			1
cicence to station and use move	able dy	rellin	gs	
Section 269, Public Health Act	, 1936)			1
Licences under The Pet Animals	Act, 19	51.		4
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NOTICES SERVED, LICENCES AND CERTIFICATES ISSUED. (Continued)

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- Inspection of dwelling houses during the year :-1.
 - Total number of dwelling houses (a) inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) ... 133
 - Number of dwelling houses (included (b) under sub-heading(a) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 38 1925 and 1932
 - Number of dwelling houses found to (c) be unfit for human habitation
 - Number of dwelling houses (exclusive (d) of those referred to under the preceding sub-heading) found to be unfit for human habitation but capable at a reasonable expense of being 96 rendered so fit
- 2. Remedy of defects without service of Formal Notices :-

Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers - (including some from previous years)

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(A)	Proceedings under Sections 9 and 10 Housing Act, 1957 :-	
(i)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	 Nil
(ii)	Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-	
	(a) by owners	 Nil
	(b) by Local Authority in default of owners	 Nil
(B)	Proceedings under Public Health Acts :-	
(i)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	 Nil
(ii)	Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:-	
	(a) by owners	 Nil
	(b) by Local Authority in default of owners	 Nil
(c)	Proceedings under Sections 16,17 and 18 Housing Act, 1957.	
(i)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	 2
(11)	Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	 2
(iii)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Closing Orders in lieu of Demolition Orders were made	 Nil
(D)	Proceedings under Sections 18 and 27 of the Housing Act, 1957:-	
(i)	Number of parts of buildings or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders complied with by vacation of premises	 Nil
(ii)	Number of such premises in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the premises having heen rendered fit	Nil

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DETAILS OF SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS ETC. EFFECTED DURING THE YEAR

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Cleansed and repaired	 	121
New pans fixed	 	5
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Lighted, ventilated or screened	 	9
Flushing cisterns repaired or renewed	 	9
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DETAILS OF SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS ETC. EFFECTED DURING THE YEAR (CONT.)

NOTES: (i) Further details will be found under headings "Food Hygiene", "Factories", etc.

(ii) No works carried out as a consequence of action under the Rent Act and Improvement Grant Scheme are included above.

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

The Council continued to operate this scheme in cases (a) where new housing accommodation would be provided by the conversion of an existing building, (b) where additional accommodation was to be provided by adding rooms to meet the needs of the family, and (c) where it was intended to improve the sanitary arrangements and/or the system of water heating.

These grants are now known as "Discretionary Grants" and are paid solely at the discretion of the local authority.

Seven applications for Discretionary Grants were received, four were approved, two withdrawn, and one not recommended.

The House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959, requires local authorities to make grants towards the cost of providing "standard amenities" in dwellings; and makes certain amendments to the existing provisions relating to improvement grants. Further amendments to the scheme were introduced by the 1961 Housing Act.

The standard amenities now are :-

(a) a fixed bath or shower in a bathroom;

(b) a washhand basin;

(c) a hot water supply at a fixed bath or shower in a bathroom, and at a washhand basin, and at a sink;

(d) a water closet in, and accessible from within, the dwelling;

(e) satisfactory facilities for storing food.

The amount of the "standard grant" which, subject to certain conditions, can be claimed as of right is one half of the cost of the approved works, subject to a maximum of £155.

This limit of $\mathcal{E}155$ is reduced as follows in respect of amenities which already exist :-

Amenity	Reduction:
Fixed bath or shower in a bathroom Washhand basin	25 5
Hot water supply Water closet	75 40
Satisfactory food store	10

Forty-four applications for standard grant were received, 35 were approved, 8 not proceeded with, and 1 not recommended.

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IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (Cont.)

Particulars of Standard Grants approved during the year :-

Serial No.	Maximum £	Grant	approved d	Actua £	al grant	paid d.
69	115	0	0	64	8	7
70	105	0	0	105	0	0
71	105	0	0	102	0	0_
72	145	0	0	Not :	yet cla	imed
73	115	0	0	115	0	0
74	75	0	0	. 75	0	0
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79	5	0	0	Not	yet cla	imed
80	45	0	0	Not	yet cla	imed
81	105	0	0	105	0	0
82	155	0	0	155	0	0
83	155	0	0	124	0	0
84	115	0	0	115	0	0
85	115	0	0	115	0	0
87	75	0	0	67	15	0
88	105	0	0	105	0	0
90	115	0	0	72	19	5
92	155	0	0	155	0	0
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IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (Cont).

Standard Grants:

Serial No.	Maximum £	Grant	approved d	Actual grant paid £ s d
108	155	0	0	Not yet claimed
111	155	0	0	Not yet claimed
112	115	0	0	Not yet claimed

Discretionary Grants:

The amounts granted together with details of the works are set out below :-

Serial No.		Approved,	d	Approved Works.
126	200	0	0	Converting Ground Floor and Basement into self- contained flat.Owner did not proceed with application.
128	100	0	0	Additional ground floor room for use as a bed- room or living-room.
129	100	0	0	Additional bedroom at side of house over garage
131	100	0	0	Additional living room and kitchen at side of house.

The figures for previous years were :-

Year	Applications re Discretionary	Standard	Grants A Discre- tionary	Standard	Not tak Discre- tionary	en up Standard
1961	7	44	4	35	1	8
1960	4	11/1	2	41	-	9 - 2
1959	12	24	9	20	-	-
1958	17	-	15	-	1	-
1957	15	-	13	-	-	-
1956	14	-	9	_	1	-
1955	19	-	12	-	3	-
1954	21	-	15	-	3	-
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RENT ACT, 1957.

This Act, together with its accompanying Regulations has been in operation since 6th July, 1957.

The Council has delegated to the Public Health Committee its powers relating to Certificates of Disrepair, and this materially helps in dealing with applications in an expeditious manner which is so important in common fairness to the parties concerned.

The position up to the end of the year is shown in the following summary :-

	6th July to 31st Dec.1957	1958	1959	1960	1961
(1) No. of applications for Certificates of Disrepair (Form I)	61	56	25	5	9
(2) No. of decisions not to issue Certificates	3	1	1	Nil	1
(3) No. of decisions to issue Certificates -					
(a) in respect of some but not all defects listed by tenants	40	36	16	5	4
(b) in respect of all defects liste	12	13	8	Nil	3
(4) No. of undertakings to remedy defects given by landlords under paragraph 5 of the First Schedule	ELDE AND				
(Form K)	27	. 34.	. 19 .	4_	4
(5) No. of such undertakings refused by Council (6) No. of notices of proposal to	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
issue a Certificate of Disrepair served (Form J.)	52	_57_	25	5.	7
(7) No. of Certificates of Disrepair issued (Form L)	10	32	5	1	Nil
(8) No. of applications by tenants under consideration at the end of the year (Form I)	6		Nil	Nil	
(9) Applications by landlords to Local Authority for cancellation of Certificates (Form M)	Nil	16	9	3	2
(10) Objections by tenants to					
(11) Decisions by Local Authority to	Nil	9.	1_		Nil
cancel in spite of tenants'	Nil	2	Nil	Nil	Nil
(12) Certificates cancelled by Local Authority	Nil	13	9	2	2
(13) Refusals to cancel Certificates of Disrepair	Nil	2	Nil	1	1
(14) Certificates as to remedying of defects specified in landlord's undertaking (Form P)	Nil	19		7	6

Dealing with applications by tenants and landlords has brought its problems, but despite the complications involved, it can be said that there have been no serious troubles and, so far no appeals in which the Council has been concerned.

There can be no doubt that a great deal of repair and redecoration of houses has taken place as a result of the Act - much of it without recourse to the Council.

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FOOD INSPECTION

Foodstuffs of all descriptions are constantly under inspection to see that they are fit for human consumption.

During the year a variety of foods which were not fit were surrendered by the owners and destroyed by burning or burying.

The total weight of such goods was :-

1 ton: 2 cwts: 3 lbs: 131 ozs.

There is no slaughterhouse in use in the Borough, consequently the only meat inspection carried out is in butchers' shops, canteens, etc.

Thirty-nine samples of various kinds of food were taken for bacteriological examination as a routine measure to check on fitness for human consumption.

FOOD HYGIENE.

Forty-four premises are registered under section 16 of the Food & Drugs Act, 1955, for the preparation or manufacture of sausages, or potted pressed, pickled or preserved foods intended for sale, and twenty-one premises for the preparation of preserved food intended for sale for human consumption (including the preparation of fish by any process of cooking and the cooking of poultry).

1,159 visits were made to these premises and to shops, canteens, restaurants, public houses, food handling businesses, and vehicles, to ensure the maintenance of a proper standard of hygiene and to examine food intended for sale.

The following works were carried out to meet the requirements of the Food & Drugs Act, byelaws and other legislation:-

Protection of food from contaminatio		
Hot water supply provided	15	
Sinks and basins provided	8	
Floors repaired, renewed, cleansed,	etc 5	
Internal walls and ceilings repaired		
Food rooms cleansed	48	
Renewal or cleansing of equipment	6	
WCs. cleansed, repaired, or new pans		
WCs. lighted or ventilated	2	
Drains cleansed, repaired or re-laid	14	
Refuse bins provided	4	
Accumulations removed	9	
Rooms ventilated	3	
Artificial light provided to food ro	om 1	
Roofs repaired	1	
Gutters or RWP repaired	2	
Yards cleansed	2	
New staff rooms constructed	2	
Glass screen provided	1	
Partition erected	1	
Butchery cutting room constructed	1	
New cutting blocks provided	1	
Name and address displayed on vehicl	e 8	
Miscellaneous	8	

Whilst the standard of hygiene has been maintained at a reasonably satisfactory level, it is a subject which calls for constant attention by the Inspectors.

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The following is a summary of samples taken by the Inspectors during the year for analysis by the Public Analyst:-

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700	Stowed stook in snow		1	4			
390	Stewed steak in gravy		1	1			
2391	Sausages	-		1			
	Pork Sausages with		7	7			
	preservative	-	3	3			
392	Brandy Butter	-	1	1			
393	Maggi Seasoning	-	1	1			
394	Indian Turkey Curry	-	1	1			
	Liver Curry	-	1	1			
396	Liqueur Chocolate						
250	Bottles (imitation)	-	1	1			
707	Liqueur Chocolates						
397			1	4			
	(imitation)	-		1			
398	Pink Salmon	-	1				
434	Chum Salmon	-	1	1			
	Frig-Ice	-	1	1			
400	Minced Turkey in Jelly	7 -	1	1			
401	Cream Mushrooms	-	1	1	1		
	Ground Almonds	_	2	2			
	Lard		1	-1			
404	Daru						
	Milk	100	17	17		1	4
	MIIK		17	11			
413/20							
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437	Evaporated Milk	-	1	1			
461	Full cream evaporated	-	1	1			
	milk						
496	Evaporated separated		1	1	-	1	1
450	milk and vegetable far						
412		_	1	1			
	Raspberry milk drink		- 1	1			
423	Lys Bar Gin Fizz	-	1				-
424	Hi-Proteen Loaf	-	1	1	-	1	1
425	Slimcea Loaf	-	1	1			
426	Dressed Crab	-	1	1			
427	Vitaminised Iron and			1			
	Yeast Tablets	_	1	1			
428	Pork & Goose Liver Pas	ato -	1	4			
429		- 00	4	4			
	Vick Vapour Rub	-	,				
431	Meat Paste Chicken	-	1	1			
430	Table Jelly	-	1	1			
432	Self-raising Flour	-	1	1			
439	White Plain Flour		1	1			
433	"Guavas"in Syrup	-	1	1			
436	Steak & Kidney Pie	-	1	1			
438	Tinned Pease Pudding		4	1			
440	Creamed Rice		4	1			
			1	1			
441	Chopped Ham	-	1				
443	Orange Milk Chocolate	-	1	1			
444	Single Cream	-	1	1			
445	Double Cream	-	1	1			1
446-7							
	Double Devon Cream	-	4	4			
448	Tinned Cream	-	1	1			1
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FOOD & DRUGS (Cont.)

Sample	Article:		nalysed			ravent:	
Nos.	AND THE PERSON NAMED IN	Formal	Infml	TOTAL	Formal	Infml	TOTAL
	Brought forward :-	-	73	73	-	3	3
2460	Villescon (tonic)	_	1	1			
2462	Glycerin Lemon Honey	-	1	1			
2463	Velveeta (cheese food)	_	1	1			
464	Garden Peas	-	1	1			
2465	Marmalade	-	1	1			
2466	Vecon(tonic vegetable						
	concentrate)	-	1	1			
2467	Naxtex Tisanes(Lime				LUMB,		
	Flowers Herbal Drink)		1	1			
2468	Limmits (biscuits)	-	1	1			
2469	"Coldrex" Tablets)	-	1	1			
2470	Quinine Compound			E die			
	Tablets	-	1	1			
2471	Luncheon Meat	-	1	1			1
2473	Pork Luncheon Meat	-	1	1			
2472	Spaghetti	-	1	1			
474	Pate Sandwich Spread	-	1	1			
2475 2476	Meatless Steak in Grav	У -	1	4			
477	Lemon Pie Filling Creamed Horseradish	_	1	1	1		
478	Chicken Supreme	_	1	1			
479	Bubble Gum		1	1			
480	Lolly	-	1	1			
481	Wheatmeal loaf	-	1	1	-	1	1
2482)							
2484)	Mincemeat	-	2	2	k 17 20		
2483	Lemon Curd		1	1			
2485	Junior Orange Rice						
	Pudding	-	1	1			
2486	Junior Tomato Macaroni						
	and Beef	-	1	1	102 000		130
2487	Junior Beans with Ham	-	1	1			
2488	Junior Cheese Savoury		1	1			100
2489	Junior Chicken Rice	-	1	1			1488
2490	Strained Fish & Tomato	-	1	1			
2491	Bleu D'Azur (cheese)	-	1	1			
2492	Strained Veal Dinner	-	1	1			
2493 2495	Strained Lamb Dinner	-	7	1			
-433	Full cream Milk Chocolate		4	4			
497	Marzipan	-	1	1			
498	Christmas Pudding	_	1	1			
499	Victoria Plums in Syru	p -	1	1			
500	Irish Stewed Steak	-	1	1		I TO THE	1
501	Chewing Gum	net .	1	1			100
502	Aspirin B.P.	-	1	1			
2503	Blackcurrant Juice						
mail	Cordial	-	1	1		Principal II	
504	Orange Squash	-	1	1		le par	
2505	Chocolate Flavoured			1		PILL S	1
2506	Sponge	-	1	1	1000	1	1
2506	Mixed Fruit	-	1	1		1000	
2507	Pepsi Cola	-	1	1			
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	TOTALS :-		118	118		1	4

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FOOD & DRUGS (Cont.)

The Analyst's report and details of action taken on contravening samples were as follows:-

2408 (informal) Milk

2424 (informal) Hi-Proteen Loaf

2481 (informal) Wheatmeal loaf

2496 (informal)
Milk & Vegetable Fat,
Evaporated and Separated

Deficient in milk solids other than milk fat to the extent of 4 per cent. This sample contained:

Milk fat ... 8.53%
Milk solids other
than milk fat ... 8.14%

than milk fat ... 8.14%
It did not contain added water. The milk was abnormally rich in milk fat and may have been drawn from the top of milk which had been standing.

This sample was taken at a school canteen kitchen. The explanation offered by the Public Analyst may be correct, or there is a possibility that the milk might have been prepared in some way for cooking purposes without the Sampling Officer being so informed. A subsequent sample was normal.

Contained only 20.1 per cent of protein (N2 x 5.7) on the dry basis instead of a reasonable minimum of 22 per cent for an article of this nature described as "Hi-protein". The matter was taken up with the manufacturers.

It would seem that the Public Analyst took the opportunity to express his personal opinion that the recommendations of the Food Standards Committee are too low, but until the recommendations are implemented in the form of legislation prescribing standards there is no further action which can be taken.

Contaminated with lumps of burnt blackened bread.

Matter taken up with manufacturers who submitted a detailed report for consideration of the Council after which it was decided that no further action be taken.

Deficient in fat and skimmed milk solids to the extent of 8 per cent and 9 per cent respectively as compared with the analysis on the label. This article is also subject to the minimum requirements of the Skimmed Milk and Non-Milk Fat Regulations, 1960, for protein and fat and the deficiencies in these respects amount to 16 per cent and 7 per cent.

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FOOD & DRUGS (Cont.)

2496 (informal) (Cont.) Milk & Vegetable Fat, Evaporated and Separated.

Total solids 29.8% Fat, including oils 8.6% Skimmed milk solids 21.1% Protein derived from milk 8.0%

After a thorough investigation the manufacturers admitted that an error had occurred and gave an assurance that action had been taken which would prevent a recurrence.

The Council decided to issue a warning to the manufacturers.

FOOD & DRUGS ACT, 1955.

Foreign bodies in food.

Mouldy loaf. A resident complained that he had taken delivery of a small wrapped cut brown loaf which was later found to contain mould growth.

After considering the circumstances and correspondence with the manufacturers the Council decided to send them a letter expressing concern at the incident and the hope that they would take all possible measures to prevent a recurrence.

MILK SUPPLY.

1. The Milk (Special Designation) Regulations, 1960. These regulations came into operation on 1st January, 1961, insofar as they relate to dealers' licences, the effect being, inter alia, that all dealers' licences (except a few kinds which will be granted by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries & Food) will be issued by the food and drugs authority for the area in which are situated the premises at or from which the milk is processed or sold. A dealer's licence no longer restricts sales to the area of the licensing authority and supplementary licences are therefore discontinued.

A new form of licence, the dealer's (pre-packed milk) licence, is introduced which may authorise, in a single form of licence, the use of any or all of the appropriate special designations where the milk is obtained by the licensed dealer pre-packed i.e., in the container in which it is to be delivered to the consumer, or is pasteurised or sterilised by the dealer in accordance with a dealer's (pasteuriser's) licence, or a dealer's (steriliser's) licence. The dealer's (tuberculin tested) licence is being retained for the purpose of re-selling such milk by wholesale or by retail.

Dealers' licences issued on or after 1st January, 1961, will be valid for five years from that date, and will be renewable for subsequent quinquennial periods.

Applications for Dealers' (Pre-Packed Milk) licences to use

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MILK SUPPLY (Cont.)

the special designations were granted, subject to the provisions of these regulations, until the expiration of the period of five years ending with the 31st day of December, 1965:-

Pasteurised		 	32
Sterilised		 	18
Tuberculin To	ested	 	24

2. Registrations. - At the end of the year there were forty-four entries on the register as follows:-

Distributors of milk (premises in the Borough)	32
Distributors of milk with premises outside the Borough but retailing in the Borough	9
Premises registered (used as Dairies)	3

3. Milk Sampling. - Eighty-seven samples of milk were taken during the year and submitted to the following tests:-

35636 L	T.B.Bio- logical Test	Turbidity Test	Phosphatase Test	Methylene Blue Test
Tuberculin Tested (Raw milk)	15	-	100	2
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All samples conformed to the required standard.

The phosphatase test indicates that pasteurisation has been properly carried out; the methylene blue test is used to determine cleanliness and keeping quality; the turbidity test is a check on sterilisation and the T.B. test is for the purpose of detecting tubercle bacilli. Twelve of the T.T. (Raw Milk) samples for T.B. test were taken at farms in the Borough.

4. Milk & Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959. -

A complaint was made by a local resident concerning the dirty condition of a milk bottle delivered to her house. After considering the report of the Public Analyst and the observations of the suppliers the Council decided to send the distributor a warning letter.

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ICE CREAM

(i) Registration:

167 premises are registered by the Council under Section 16, Food & Drugs Act, 1955, as under :-

For manufacture, storage and sale ... 3

For manufacture, storage and sale but manufacture to be limited to iced lollies

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For storage and sale but not manufacture

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(ii) Samples:

85 samples were taken, details being as follows:-

Ice cream.

Grade 1	81	98.781%)
Grade 2	Nil	100%
Grade 3	1	1.219%
Grade 4	Nil 82	

Iced lollies.

Grade 1 3 100%

The Public Health Laboratory Service advises that owing to the numerous factors governing the hygienic quality of ice cream it is unwise to pay too much attention to the bacteriological results on any single sample. Judgement should be based rather on a series of samples. It is suggested that over a six monthly period, 50% of a vendor's samples should fall into grade 1, 80% into grades 1 or 2, not more than 20% into grade 3, and none into grade 4.

The results above show that a very high standard of hygienic quality is being maintained both by manufacturers and retailers.

There is now no ice cream manufactured within the Borough.

MERCHANDISE MARKS ACTS.

The parts of these Acts for which the Council is responsible relate to false trade descriptions of articles of food and to the marking of certain imported foodstuffs with an indication of the country of origin.

There is a tendency for the requirements of these Acts and the Marking Orders made thereunder to be 'overlooked' necessitating reminders to traders of their obligation.

Three contraventions were observed during the year and a caution given in each case. There were no prosecutions.

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MOVEABLE DWELLINGS.

The following sites remain licenced either under the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1950, or the Public Health Act, 1936, Section 269.

- 1. The Riverhill Estate the lease of which is held by a local Sports Club and where 36 caravans are permitted.
- 2. One caravan in the orchard of a private house.
- A temporary summer-house type of dwelling on a large plot of land used only occasionally.

As in the previous year a great deal of trouble was caused by itinerant caravan dwellers who became attracted by four open sites in the Borough and were reluctant to move on.

On one occasion more than thirty caravans were parked at one time, causing annoyance to local residents and making the site generally foul and untidy.

All the offenders on various sites were eventually removed but on two occasions towing-off operations were necessary to effect this.

There are now seven Orders under the Surrey County Council Act in force in the Borough prohibiting the parking of moveable dwellings.

NOISE ABATEMENT.

The Noise Abatement Act, 1960, came into operation on 27th November, 1960, the main provisions being as follows:-

(i) Noise or vibration. Under section 1 a noise or vibration which would amount to a nuisance at common law becomes a statutory nuisance which can be dealt with under Part III of the Public Health Act, 1936. Under this procedure, local authorities will be able to require the abatement of a noise or vibration nuisance by the service of an abatement notice on the person causing the nuisance or on the owner or occupier of premises on which it arises, and if the notice is not complied with it can be enforced by proceedings in a magistrates' court. Apart from action by a local authority, three or more occupiers of land or premises who are aggrieved by a noise or vibration nuisance may make a complaint to a magistrate.

The Act does not apply to noise or vibration caused by aircraft, which are subject to other statutory controls, nor to noise or vibration caused by statutory undertakers in the exercise of their powers. In the case of noise or vibration caused in the course of a trade or business it is a defence in any proceedings to show that the best practical means have been used for preventing it and counteracting its effect;

- (ii) Loud peakers in streets. Section 2 of the Act deals with the use of loudspeakers in streets. It prohibits their use for any purpose between 9 p.m. and 8 a.m., except in the following circumstances:
 - (a) For Police, Fire Brigade or Ambulance purposes, or by a local authority within their area;

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NOISE ABATEMENT (Cont.)

(ii) Loudspeakers in streets (cont.)

- (b) For communicating with persons on a vessel for the purpose of directing the movement of that or any other vessel;
- (c) If the loudspeaker forms part of a public telephone system;
- (d) If the loudspeaker :-
 - (1) is in or fixed to a vehicle; and
 - (2) is operated solely for the entertainment of or for communicating with the driver or a passenger of the vehicle or, where the loudspeaker is or forms part of the horn or similar warning instrument of the vehicle, solely for giving warning to other traffic; and
 - (3) is so operated as not to give reasonable cause for annoyance to persons in the vicinity;
- (e) Otherwise than on a highway, by persons employed in connection with a transport undertaking used by the public in a case where the loudspeaker is operated solely for making announcements to passengers or prospective passengers or to other persons so employed;
- (f) By a travelling showman on land which is being used for the purpose of a pleasure fair;
- (g) In case of emergency.

No trade, business or entertainment may be advertised by loudspeakers at any time, except that between noon and 7 p.m. a loudspeaker fixed to a vehicle used for the sale of perishable foodstuffs may be operated to announce that the commodities are on sale; the loudspeaker is, however, not to be so operated as to give reasonable cause for annoyance to persons in the vicinity.

(iii) Byelaws.

Section 4 preserves existing byelaws and byelaw-making powers.

The public soon became interested in this Act and 16 complaints were received during the year, some of which were rather trivial.

All the complaints were investigated, and by persuasive means a number of items received attention which brought relief if not complete satisfaction to those aggrieved.

This is a new field of activity for the Public Health Inspectors as hitherto no such powers have been in the hands of Councils except those with local Act provisions.

The subject has therefore had to be approached with caution, but the response of those who found they were causing annoyance (even though insufficient evidence had been obtained to prove actual nuisance) has been most co-operative.

It seems likely therefore that tactful handling of the situation will in most cases produce the desired results without recourse to statutory action, which is just as well, for the prescribed procedure appears to present many difficulties for those charged with the administration of the Act if the need for prosecutions should arise.

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DISINFECTION.

(a) (i) During the year disinfection was carried out free of charge at thirteen premises as under :-

Poliomyelitis (or suspect	ted)	 	2
Tuberculosis		 	7
Suspected Food Poisoning		 	1
Enteritis		 	1
Miscellaneous		 	2

- (ii) Disinfection was also carried out at twelve premises where non-infectious illnesses had occurred on request, the occupier in each case paying the cost.
- (b) The total number of articles disinfected by steam at the Tolworth Hospital, or destroyed was :-

			Disinfected:	Destroyed:
	Blankets Mattresses Pillows Pillow cases Sheets Wearing Apparel Counterpanes Bolsters Towels Miscellaneous		4 5 3 11 13 27 2 3 5 20	1
			93	3
(c)	No. of rooms dis	infected .	the Moreous	28
	No. of library b	ooks disinfe	cted	45

DISINFESTATION.

(a) Bed bugs, etc.

	Council Hou	ses:	Other 1	Houses:
	Found to be infested:	Disinfested	Found to be infested:	Disinfested:
Bugs	-	_	-5	5
Fleas	-	-	1	1

(b) School Canteens.

At the request of the Surrey County Council thirteen school canteens were sprayed with insecticide to prevent flies and other insect pests, the County Council paying the cost of the work.

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DISINFESTATION (CONT.)

(c) Wasps nests.

The Council has no responsibility for the destruction of wasps nests on private property, but many calls for assistance are received (66 this year). All complainants are visited and suitable advice given; in most cases the nests are easily disposed of by the occupier using a recommended insecticide at sundown when it can be applied with no danger to the operator.

PUBLIC MORTUARY.

During the year 95 bodies were received into the mortuary for post-mortem examination.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT. 1948.

- 1. It was not necessary to make any burial arrangements as provided by section 50 of the Act.
- 2. It was not necessary to make use of the powers of section 47 for compulsory removal to suitable premises of sick or aged persons in need of care and attention.

THE HEATING APPLIANCES (FIREGUARDS) ACT, 1952.

This Act which prohibited the sale, or letting, of certain heating appliances without an effective fireguard was repealed during the year by the Consumer Protection Act, 1961, but the Regulations made by the Secretary of State were continued in operation.

Nine visits were made to premises in the Borough to inspect appliances, and in no case was it necessary to take action.

THE PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951.

This Act is designed " to regulate the sale of pet animals".

Four premises were licensed during the year. Twelve inspections were made but no infringements of the licence conditions found.

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SHOPS ACT, 1950.

Two hundred and thirteen visits were made in the administration of this Act and 7 infringements corrected.

"Shop" for the purpose of this Act is a very comprehensive term and includes any premises where any retail trade or business is carried on.

The number of such premises in the Borough at the end of 1961 was :-

Watchmakers and Jewellers Miscellaneous	:::	106
Licensed premises Motor and Cycle dealers and Engineers Tailors and Outfitters Upholsterers and House Furnishers	:::	54 32 14 15
Grocers and Provision Merchants Hairdressers Hardware, Ironmongery and Timber	:::	75 51 23
Fishmongers and Fried Fish Shops General Stores Greengrocers, Fruiterers and Florists		15 13 60
Drapers and Ladies' Outfitters Electrical supplies		51 20
Chemists Confectioners, newsagents and tobacconists Cycles, radio and television Dairies and Milkshops	:::	23 93 26 7
Antique dealers and second-hand furniture Bakers Boots and Shoes Builders and Decorators supplies Butchers Cafes and Restaurants	:::	8 18 28 29 34 39

The present unsatisfactory state of the law with regard to shops is to be deplored.

The 1950 Act is merely a consolidation of legislation passed between 1912 and 1938 and is to a large degree outmoded.

Further, there have been many decisions given by the Courts which have rendered much of the Act virtually incomprehensible and consequently inoperable.

It seems most desirable for the sake of traders, public and local authorities, as well as for Inspectors trying to carry out their duties in a state of uncertainty, that the situation should be straightened out at an early date.

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FACTORIES ACT, 1937 to 1959.

The total number of factories on the register at the end of the year was 290 (251 mechanical, 17 non-mechanical and 22 works of building construction).

Three hundred and sixty-seven visits were made to these premises and work was carried out to remedy contraventions found as under :-

Particulars:	No. of cases in which defects found and remedied:
Inadequate ventilation.	2
Insufficient sanitary conveniences	2
Unsuitable or defective sanitary conveniences.	13_
Other offences, etc.	15

There were 64 outworkers on the register at the end of the year. Twenty-six visits were made but no infringements found.

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health.

Premises	Numbers on Register	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2,3,4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	17	25	5	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	251	255	12	
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7	26			
is enforced by	22	87	_	_
Authority (excluding				
outworkers' premises).	64			
TOTALS :-	290	367	17	-

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FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 - 1959 (cont).

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found -

Particulars:		were	s in which		Number of cases in which
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M.	prosecutions were instituted
Want of cleanli- ness (S.1)	-	-	LL progra	-	dissett Tied
Overcrowding (S.2.)	edans	1	ele pesti	un recumi	66813968
Unreasonable Temperature (S.3)	-	ag - 1	logs - dove	romer dre	estention to
Inadequate Vent -ilation (8.4)	2	2	arly with	engura to	the nessure-
Ineffective drain age of floors(S.6		-		100-1	
Sanitary Conven- iences (S.7) (a)insufficient	2	2	Depur toes	of Scientis	ific and
(b) Unsuitable or defective	13	13	-	- The state of the	by the -
(c) Not separate for sexes Other offences	_	-		<u> </u>	-
against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	15	15	pate in t	nghar di	y several ur
TOTAL:	32	32	-		

3. Outwork (Sections 110 and 111)

Nature of Work	Number of Outworkers in August list required by section 110(1) (c)	Number of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	Number of pro- secutions for failure to supply lists	Number of in- stances of work in un- whole- some premises	Notices	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel (making etc. cleaning and washing)	28	in, - more r	to -iversi	-	-	-
Umbrellas etc.	1	-	01-110001	-	-	-
Lampshades	35	ta- lagor	st. for Tre	- 10	-	-
TOTAL:	64	-20		-	-	-

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CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956.

(i) Smoke Control Areas.

The Minister of Housing and Local Government requested the Council to re-consider their previous decision not to create any smoke control areas in the Borough at present but to call for a further report from the officers in January, 1962.

The Council resolved to adhere to their previous decision to review the question of an overall programme of smoke control in January 1962, and to inform the Minister that they are dissatisfied with the present procedure and urge him to alter the grant arrangements in accordance with their previous recommendations.

(ii) Air Pollution - measurement and research.

The Minister of Housing and Local Government drew attention to a co-operative scheme whereby local authorities undertook, or contributed towards, the cost of investigation and research into problems of air pollution particularly with regard to the measurement of air pollution.

The essence of the scheme was the collation of measurements of air pollution of different kinds made by local authorities in various parts of the country. The work of collation and publication was undertaken by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. Local authorities could participate in the scheme by taking and making available air pollution measurements or, whether or not they took measurements, by making a token contribution towards the cost of the services provided by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research in connection with the scheme. Local authorities could obtain the advice of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research on what type of instruments to purchase, how to operate them and interpret the results and where to install them.

The Council agreed to participate in the scheme by setting up a station for the measurement of smoke and sulphur dioxide, the necessary financial provision to be made in the estimates for 1962/63,

RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION.

The Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949, places upon the occupiers or, in certain circumstances the owners, of land(including buildings) the responsibility for the destruction of rats and mice thereon and for keeping the land free from such pests.

It is the duty of the Council to carry out inspections to see that this is done, and to secure so far as practicable that their district is kept free from rats and mice. Where necessary they may serve upon owners or occupiers notices requiring them to take steps for this purpose and penalties are laid down for failure to comply with such notices.

The policy of the Council is, however, to give such assistance as is possible to the occupiers of private dwelling houses. For that purpose they permit their own small rodent control staff, who are primarily engaged to deal with Corporation property(including sewers) to give advice and practical help where appropriate, without charge subject to the signing of the "Request for Treatment" form.

The Council is under no legal obligation to do this and does not undertake to provide a service for the destruction of vermin, but allows its staff to help so far as time permits. Every effort is made to give householders the best possible service with the staff available.

Seventy-three schools, business and industrial premises were treated by the Council's staff on payment of the cost involved by the occupiers or owners concerned.

The figures which follow indicate the extent of the work carried out during the year.

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	VISITS								
	1. (a) SURVEYS Re. complaints	Priva Dwell		Business Premises	Agricultura Property		oration Sewers	Totals 686	Total No. of visits
	Under Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949 No access (re. complaint) No. access (re.Pests Act) Miscellaneous	525 138 92 7	1094	126 235 1 -	<u>4</u> <u>4</u> <u>1</u> <u>1</u>	32 1 2	40 -	687 1373 140 94 9 243	1616
	(b) TREATMENTS No. of visits No. of properties treated No. of completed treatments	375 <u>6</u> 427 491	180	96 <u>5</u> 73 103	=======================================	142 16 17	1.15	-	4863
49.	(c) SEWERS. 22nd Maintenance treatment) 22 manholes poison baited) 23rd Maintenance treatment) 34 manholes poison baited) Annual test baiting Treatment of sewers in conjunct with surface infestations (d) OTHER VISITS.	ion -		<u> </u>	- 1	-	186 <u>368</u> 11	186 368 11	554 11 <u>47</u> 7091
	2. SURVEYS REVIALD. Premises infested with rats Premises infested with mice Premises not infested	448 51 595		78 33 124	2 - 2	13 3 24	Ē	541 87 745 1373	

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ANNUAL TEST BAITING OF SEWERS.

	No. of Manholes baited	Takes of Bait	Percentages of takes
Initial 1947/8 Second 1948 Third 1949 Fourth 1950 Fifth 1951 Sixth 1952 Seventh 1953 Eighth 1956 Ninth 1957 Tenth 1958 Eleventh 1959 Twelfth 1960 Thirteenth 1961	384 160 229 250 200 201 179 162 167 156 129 182 181	64 13 8 9 11 7 7 10 7 10 2 14	16.666 8.125 3.493 3.600 5.500 3.487 3.910 6.173 4.191 6.410 1.542 7.704 6.071

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The following is a summary of the several treatments carried out since disinfestation of Sewers commenced in 1948:-

Date	Description	No. of Manholes Pre-baited	Takes of Pre-bait	No. of Manholes Poison baited	Takes of Poison bait
April 1948 July 1948 February 1949 July 1949 March 1950 July 1950 February 1951 August 1951 February 1952 February 1952 February 1954 December 1955 December 1956 May 1957 November 1957 April/May 195 July 1959 November 1958 July 1959 November 1958 July 1959 November 1960 November 1960 July 1961 November 1961	2nd " 3rd " 4th " 5th " 6th " 7th " 10th " 11th " 12th " 14th " 15th " 1	218 77 80 71 58 41 57 35 69 58 54 47 16 21 61 49 36	77 14 49 20 41 20 17 146 14 136 14 136 152 15 13	77 10 49 24 41 22 17 14 36 14 13 16 7 18 52 13 4+ 13 18+ 28+ 49+ 34+ 47+ 22+ 34+	31 88 7 21 13 15 6 5 14 8 8 2 9 9 3 6 1 4 1 6 2 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

⁺ Direct poisoning with Warfarin.