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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to present my Report for the Year 1955.

According to the Registrar General's estimate, the population has decreased slightly from 13,900 to 13,850.

The birth rate (13.0) is lower than last year (14.3) and lower than that for England and Wales, (15.0).

The death rate of infants under one year of age is 38.9., slightly higher than last year (30.1) and higher than that for England and Wales (24.9).

The chief causes of death has again been mainly from diseases associated with elderly people.

An outstanding event during the year was the taking over of Staunton Harold Hall to establish a Cheshire Home for the sick.

All water mains extensions have been completed with the exception of Lount Village, for which a scheme has been prepared.

Of the post war schemes of sewerage and sewage disposal, Appleby Magna and Worthington are in course of construction and approval has been given for a start on Osgathorpe. The scheme for Heather has been completed.

There are now 320 Cesspools in the district including 32 septic tanks constructed during the year.

89 closets were converted to the water carriage system during the year.

It will be noted that action was again necessary in connection with milk infected with Brucella Abortus but it was not necessary to serve notices stopping the sale of milk.

55 new houses were completed during the year making a total of 549 post war houses completed. The total number of applicants for Council Houses at the end of the year was 618, and the number of applications during the year 163.



240 cases of Infectious Diseases were notified during the year including 169 cases of Measles, 27 Whooping Cough, 17 Pneumonia, 11 Scarlet Fever, 8 Erysipelas and 1 case of Meningococcal Infection. There were 2 deaths from Pneumonia. Measles were notified at intervals during the whole year, but most cases occurred in the months of July, August and September.

In December, 7 cases of suspected Food Poisoning were notified. These proved to be cases of the Winter Vomiting Disease, which appeared to be very prevalent at that time.

I wish to report that there has been a slight decrease in the number of children being immunised against diphtheria, and there still remains a dangerously high percentage of children susceptible to diphtheria.

Only 2 new cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis were notified during the year. There were no deaths from Tuberculosis.

To the staff of the Public Health Department of the County Council, and to Doctor Mair, Director of the Public Health Laboratory, I wish to extend my thanks for their willing help and co-operation.

Finally I wish to thank Mr. C. S. Curtis, Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector, and to thank Mr. F.H. Wynne, for their invaluable help during the year and you, Ladies and Gentlemen, for your kindness and co-operation.

I remain,

Ladies and Gentlemen.

Your obedient servant,

A. McM. W. Segerdal, M.D., D.P.H.

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SECTION A.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

Area (in acres)	0 0 0	28,267	
Resident Population (R.G's estimate)	000	13,850	
Number of Inhabited Houses	000	4,253	
Rateable Value	000	£59,198	
Sum represented by a penny rate	000	£ 235	(estimated)
Comparability Factor - Births	000	1.00	
Deaths	000	1.02	

The chief industries in the area are Agriculture; Coalmining; Opencast Coal Working; Brickmaking; Stoneware and Pipemaking; and Stone Quarrying. There are also small Textile Works and Light Engineering Works.

No particular industry was noted as having a specially injurious effect on health during the year.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Live Births.		Male	Female	Total
Legitimate Illegitimate		97 1 98	79 3 82	176 4 180
Crude Birth Rate : Adjusted Birth Rate : England and Wales		m	**	
Birth Rate :	15.0	m	99	
Still Births.		Male	Female	Total
Legitimate Illegitimate		404	20 2	6 0 6
Total Births.		Male	Female	Total
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Still Births.				
. Still Birth Rate :	32.2 per	1,000 tot	al (lîve till) bi	
England and Wales Still Birth Rate :	23.1		"	

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Deaths.

Male Female Total

Deaths				85	74 159	_
Crude Death Rate Adjusted Death Rate	• • •	11.4 11.6	per	1,000	population	
England and Wales Death Rate	0	11.7		*		

CAUSES OF DEATH DURING 1955.

Diseases.

Male Female Total

Other infective and parasitic diseases	1	1	2
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	3	3	6
	3	ŏ	3
Malignant neoplasm, lung bronchus			
Malignant neoplasm, breast	0	2	2
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	0	1	1
Other Malignant and Lymphatic neoplasms	6	6	12
Leukaemina, aleukaemia	1	0	1
Diabetes	6 1 1	0	1
Vascular lesions of nervous system	17	17	34
	14	7	21
Coronary Disease, angina			
Hypertension with heart disease	2	3	5
Other heart disease	9	17	26
Other circulatory disease	1	4	5
Influenza	1	0	1
Pneumonia	2	0	2
Bronchitis	4	3	7
Other Disease of Respiratory system	ī	ŏ	i
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Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	T	0	Ť
Nephritis and nephrosis	2	2	1 4 2
Hyperplasia of prostate	2	0	
Congenital malformations	0	17	1
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	11	7	18
Motor Vehicle accidents	2	0	2
All other accidents	ĩ	õ	1
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Chief causes of death were :

Disease	of	Heart	and	Circulation		92
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MATERNAL MORTALITY.

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Total Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 births : Live and Still : 0.0

Live and Still England and Wales : 0.64

DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.

				Male	Female	Total	
	Legitimate Illegitimate	•••	•••	3 0	4 0	7 0	
DEATH	RATE OF INFANTS	UNDER	ONE YE	AR OF	AGE.		
	Per 1,000 Live England and Wal			38	.9		
	1,000 Live	Births		24	.9		

DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER FOUR WEEKS OF AGE.

			Male	Female	Total
Legitimate			2	4	6
Illegitimate	•••	•••	0	0	0
			2	4	6

DEATH RATE OF INFANTS UNDER FOUR WEEKS OF AGE.

Per 1,000 Live Births	 33.3
England and Wales per	
1,000 Live Births	 17.3

The figures for England and Wales are provisional.

SECTION B.

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

Hospitals.

All hospitals except some private Maternity and Nursing Homes are under the Sheffield Regional Hospital Board.

The County Homes for the aged and destitute are under the County Council. When the inmates take ill they become the responsibility of the Regional Hospital Board.

Cheshire Home for the Sick.

Group Captain Cheshire took over Staunton Harold Hall in March, 1955 in a practically derelict condition to establish a home for chronic sick patients.

One ward is now completed on the ground floor, and there are eight patients. This number will be increased when the first floor is completed. A lift is being installed and two bathrooms are being completed.

Treatment Centres and Clinics.

There are none actually held in your District.

Infant Welfare Clinics are held every Thursday afternoon at the Baptist School, Ashby-de-la-Zouch and every 2nd and 4th Thursday afternoon at the Centenary Methodist Church, Donisthorpe Road, Moira. At the Health Centre, Bridge Road, Coalville, an Ante-Natal Clinic is available. The Tuberculosis Clinic is held at Markfield Sanatorium under the auspices of the Sheffield Regional Hospital Board.

Ambulance Facilities.

The County Council is responsible for all facilities in the County. Colliery accidents are removed by Ambulances provided by the National Coal Board stationed at Nailstone Colliery and Moira Colliery.

Nursing in the Home.

All District Nursing and Midwifery in the home is under the Leicestershire County Council.

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Health Visiting.

This work is provided by the Leicestershire County Council and the work of Health Visitor, School Nurse and Tuberculosis Visitor is combined in a single appointment.

The Diabetic Health Visitor attends the Diabetic Clinic at the Leicester Royal Infirmary and visits the patients in their homes.

LABORATORY FACILITIES.

The Public Health Laboratory, Isolation Hospital, Groby Road, Leicester.

The following examinations were made :

Throat and Nose Swabs		•	0	1
Faeces and Urine	0	0	0	4
Sputa	0	0	0	21
Waters	0	•	0	35
Ice Cream	0	•	0	25
Whooping Cough Swabs		•	•	2
Miscellaneous		0	0	14
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Generally there is co-operation between the Local Authority and the services provided by the Executive Council and the Hospital Board, and the tendency is towards closer integration.

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SECTION C.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT.

Water Supply.

Mains supplies have been satisfactory in quality and quantity.

Five samples of water, from piped supplies, were taken for bacteriological analysis and all were satisfactory.

Particulars of water supplies to dwelling houses :

Internal M Water Supp		Mains wat External	er from Standpipes	Well Water Supply		
No. of Dwelling Houses	Pop.	No. of Dwelling Houses	Pop.	No. of Dwelling Houses	Pop.	
3827 (correct- ed figure)	12,350 (Estim- ated)	30 (Estim- ated)	160 (Estim∞ ated)	395 (Estim- ated)	l,390 (Estimated)	

Number of parishes with piped supply of water : From public mains : 15 From private reservoirs : 1

Number of parishes without a piped supply of water : 1

Scheme prepared for the laying of mains water in the village of Lount.

Water Supply from Wells.

Nur	nber of Samples	taken for And	alysis
Satisfacto	ory	Unsati	sfactory
Chemical	Bacterio- logical	Chemical	Bacterio- logical
Nil	2	Nîl	9
Number	r of wells close	đ :	6
Number	r of wells clean	sed etc :	l

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SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

Number of septic tanks constructed during the year : 32 Number of cesspools abolished during the year : Nil Total number in district on December 31st, 1955 : 320 Number of parishes with efficient sewage disposal works 4 (two badly overloaded) Number of parishes where new schemeshave been formulated 9

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

Total number in district on 31st December 1955 :

Privies : 160 Pail Closets : 1281 W.Cs. 2711 (Est)

Number of closets converted to water carriage system during the year :

Privies: 1 Pails : 88

A grant of £10. 0. 0., or one half the cost, which ever is the lesser is made towards the cost of conversion.

The contents of pails are emptied weekly and disposed of on to agricultural land and tips.

PUBLIC CLEANSING.

House refuse is removed by direct labour, using 2 Karrier Bantam 7 cubic yard, and two 10 cubic yard Refuse Collection Vehicles.

Number of parishes covered by routine collections : 16

House refuse is disposed of to three controlled tips and one crude tip.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA.

Total number	of complaints received	 129
	of premises at which defects were dealt with	 121
	of defects or nuisances	 191

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INSPECTIONS MADE.

Animal keeping	2	
Bakehouses	10	
Dairies	4	
Drainage Works	365	
Dwelling houses (all purposes)	1629	
Food premises	47	
Offensive Trades	000 -	
Refuse Collection and Disposal	86	
Rodent Control		ied out by
		cil's Rodent
		ator.
Schools	000 -	
Shops	17	
Slaughterhouses and Meat Inspection		
Smoke Observation	000 =	
Tents, Vans, Sheds etc.	18	
Verminous and Dirty Premises	5	
Water Curriller	17	
Workshops, Outworkers etc.,		
Other inspections	967	
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NOTICES .		
Preliminary.	Housing	Public
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Outstanding on January 1st 1955	10	17
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SHOPS .

Plans being prepared at end of year for survey of all shops.

REGULATED BUILDINGS.

Regulated Buildings	No. in District	No. of Inspec- tions	Action Taken	General Conditions
Common Lodging Houses	-	-	œ	0
Tents, Vans, Sheds etc.	10	13	80	-
Canal Boats	080	65	800	a 20
Offensive Trades		9	63	(%)

Eradication of Bed Bugs Pet Animals Act, 1951 Rag. Flock & Other Filling Materials Act, 1951 Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

Schools. Swimming Baths and Pools open to the Public. : One infested house cleansed. : No premises in area.

: No premises in area.

Routine parish by parish inspection, private dwellings treated free, business premises on a time plus material basis, carried out by one man employed half time.
No action taken.

: None in area.

SECTION D.

HOUSING .

New Houses.

Houses Completed during year	Prefab	P E Permanent	Average cost per house	Average rent incl. or excl. of rates.
By Local Authority	-	34	N.A.	19/6d.
Private Enterprise		21	N.A.	N.A.
Houses in course of erection at end of year by: Local Authority		164	N.A.	N.A.
Private Enterprise	60	32	N.A.	0

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New Monday,

Total number of post war houses completed by Local Authority	000	000	422
Total number of post war houses completed by private enterprise		000	127
Total number of applicants for Council Houses at end of year	000	0 0 0	618
Number of applications received during the year	0 0 0		163

HOUSING ACT. 1936 - PART IV - OVERCROWDING.

Number of dwellings overcrowded at end of year		Not known
Number of families dwelling therein		-
Number of persons dwelling therein		-
Number of new cases of overcrowding reported		
	000	-
Number of cases of overcrowding relieved		
during year	0 0 0	
Number of persons concerned in such cases		55

It is not known if any cases have again become overcrowded after steps had been taken for the abatement of overcrowding.

SECTION E.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

ICE CREAM.

Number of premises registered :

Manufacture and Manufacture only Retail only	000	1 36 (not all these are actually retailing).
Number of samples - 25	Results :	Grade 1 16 Grade 2 8 Grade 3 1 Grade 4

With one exception the persons who are licensed for retail only sell pre-packed ice cream.

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MILK SUPPLY.

Dairies (other than dairy farms) and Distributors (Section 8, Milk & Dairies Regulations, 1949).

No 。	on	Register	8	Dairies Distributors	0 0 0 0 0 0	2 18
No.	of	Inspections		Dairies Distributors	000	5 26

BIOLOGICAL MILK SAMPLES.

No. of routine bulk samples taken	45
Results satisfactory	42
Evidence of living Tubercle Bacilli	-
Evidence of Brucella Abortus	3
No. of individual samples taken following	
a positive brucella abortus report on a	
routine sample	47

BACTERIOLOGICAL MILK SAMPLING.

45 samples of designated "Tuberculin Tested" milk were taken and all proved satisfactory.

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) (PASTEURISED AND STERILISED MILK) REGULATIONS, 1949.

Particulars of Licences issued :

		Pasteurised	Sterilised
Dealers Licences	000	7	-
Supplementary Licences	0 0 0	7	-

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) (RAW MILK) REGULATIONS, 1949.

Particulars of Licences issued :

Dealers Licences	000	20
Supplementary Licences	000	8

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

No.	of	licensed slaughter houses in area	0 0 0	6
No.	of	animals slaughtered therein	0 0 0	2388
No.	of	animals examined therein	000	2388
No.	of	inspections of meat at time of		
		slaughter	000	10%
No.	of	Knacker yards in area		2
No.	of	visits to Knackers yards	0 0 0	5

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CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

MEAT STOPS, 3	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Total Weight in lbs
Number killed	305	329	10	1069	675	-
Number inspected	305	329	10	1069	675	-
All Diseases except Tuberculosis						
Whole carcases condemned	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil	00 0 <u>0</u> 0
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	77	91	nil	196	6	2701
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than	Tuboroulos		(01287) 102 101	tins 5.		
tuberculosis	25.2	27.7	-	18.3	.88	-
Tuberculosis only Whole carcases			ction	50 2017:100		
condemned	nil	nil	nil	nil	1	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	26	57	nil	nil	13	2016
Percentage of number inspected affected with tuberculosis	8.5	10.0		-		
CUDEL CUTORIS	0.0	17.3			1.9	-

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MEAT STALLS.

No. of inspections					nil
MEAT SHOPS, MEAT	STORES	ETC.			
No. of inspections			0 0 0	0 0 0	39
PLACES WHERE FOOD	(OTHER	THAN	MEAT)	IS KE	PT OR
PREPARED FOR SALE.	<u>.</u>				
No. of inspections			000		35

CLEAN FOOD.

A detailed and close survey of all cafes and canteens was carried out during the year. Much advise was given and many suggestions were carried out almost immediately.

SECTION F.

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

Infectious Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during 1955.

Disease	Final Nos. after correction	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths,
Scarlet Fever Whooping Cough Measles Pneumonia Erysipelas Meningococcal Infection	11 27 169 17 8 1		8 20 8 8
Total	233	1	2

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ANALYSIS UNDER AGE GROUPS ACCORDING TO REGISTRAR GENERAL'S RETURN 118d.

Age Group	9	Scarlet Fever	Whooping Cough	Measles
Under 1 year	000		2	1
1 - 2		1	4	32
3 - 4	000	2	8	43
5 - 9		7	12	43 78
10 - 14		1	65	12
15 - 24		-	629	2
25 and over		60	I	1
Age unknown		-	60	-
Total		11	27	169.

Age Group		Pneumonia	Erysipelas	Meningococcal Infection
Under 5 years		2		1
5 - 14		1	1	
15 - 44		4	3	-
45 - 64		7	2	
65 and over		3	2	-
Age unknown				-
Total		17	8	1

TABLE SHOWING INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASE IN EACH PARISH DURING YEAR 1955.

Parish	Scarlet Fever	Whoop- ing Cough	Measles	Pneu- monia	Erysi- pelas	Mening- ococcal Infection
Appleby Magna	3	805	13	1	1	
Chilcote	-	ø	13	I	-	
Coleorton	1	4	10	4	2	
Heather		-	3	1		
Measham		4	13	3	3	-
Normanton-le-Heath	-	-		-	-	-
Oakthorpe & Donisthorpe	3	12	56	5	1	69
Osgathorpe			56 8	-		
Packington		1	32			
Ravenstone	1	-	2	-	1	-
Snarestone	10 - 10 -		2	1	-	-
Staunton Harol'd	-				-	1
Swannington	2	2	5	2		-
Swepstone	-	-	32	-	-	
Stretton-en-le-Field	-	2				-
Worthington	1	2	9	-	89	-
Totals	11	27	169	18	8	1

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January	1	0	1	-	2	8	0	•	2	0		-		1	0	875	-	7
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June	1	-		1	-	-	-	8	4	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	5	25
July	3	-	11	3	0	6	8	32	2	-	1	5	8	1	26	8	4	91
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Total	13	0	13	10	3	13	0	56	8	3	2	5		5	32	0	9	169

The following table shows the incidence of Measles in each Parish monthly.

MEASLES

An Outbreak of the Winter Vomiting Disease.

In December some 7 cases of suspected food poisoning were notified at Ravenstone.

Initial investigation pointed to winter vomiting although some features were suggestive of food poisoning. However, all bacteriological examinations were negative, and investigation of some 23 cases altogether established winter vomiting as the diagnosis, and it became evident that at this time there was a widespread epidemic of this complaint.

However, it involved immediate enquiry, and I am very grateful to Mr. Curtis and Mr. Wynne for the whole hearted way in which they threw themselves in to assist and to Doctor Mair of the Public Health Laboratory at Groby Road, Leicester, not only for his bacteriological examinations, but for much useful advice freely given.



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Number of children who were immunised during the period IST JANUARY - 31st DECEMBER 1955

02		T
Totals	146	98
12 1943	0	0
11 1944	0	0
10	0	0
9 1946	0	0
8 1947	0	22
7 1948	Ч	0
6 1949	0	4
1950	3	86
1951	53	9
3 1952	ß	8
2 1953	20	I
1954	102	1
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Under 1955	13	1
Age at 31.12.55	Prîmary Immunîs- ation	Booster In jection

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS APPEARING IN THE REGISTER OF NOTIFICATIONS OF CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS FOR THE YEAR 1955.

	Pulmonary	Non-Pul.	Total
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Number of cases on Register at Commencement of year	21. 16	11 15	63
Number of cases notified for the first time during the year	0	0	63
Number of cases restored to Register	9	0	0
Number of cases added to Register and brought to notice other than by formal notification	1	8	1
Number of cases removed from the Register during the year		1 1	ы
Number of cases remaining on the Register at end of year 24	24 15	10 14	63

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TUBERCULOSIS - YEAR 1955.

CAUSES OF REMOVAL FROM REGISTER.

	MALES	The second second	FEMA		
	Pulmonary	Non-Pul.	Pulmonary	Non-Pul.	Total
Cured		1	1	1	3
Total	-	1	1	1	3

FACTORIES ACT, 1937 AND 1948.

Resumé of the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health in respect of the year 1955, which has already been sent to the Ministry of Labour and National Service, Orphanage Road, Watford, Herts.

PART I OF THE ACT.

INSPECTIONS FOR PURPOSES OF PROVISIONS AS TO HEALTH (INCLUDING INSPECTIONS MADE BY SANITARY INSPECTORS).

Premises.		No. of <u>Inspections</u> .	Written Notices.
Factories in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	35	49	4
Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	4	20	
Total	39	89	4

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

Particulars.		Columnation of the Calendary Calendary and the second	Referred by <u>H.M. Inspector</u> .
Want of Cleanliness (S.I)		1	l
Sanitary Conveniences.			
Unsuitable or defective	3	3	3
Total	3	4	4
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OUTWORK (SECTIONS IIO AND III).

Nature of Work.

Number of Outworkers in August list required by Sections III (I) (c).

Wearing Apparel, Making etc.,

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

SURVEYOR AND SANITARY INSPECTOR.

Rural District Council Offices, South Street, Ashby-de-la-Zouch.

29th. June, 1956.

To the Chairman and Members of the Rural District Council of Ashby-de-la-Zouch.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting this, my second Annual Report on the working of my department.

Although there has not, during the year under review, been a great amount of new legislation, the end of the year saw the publication of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, and the regulations made thereunder for the improvement of food preparing and handling premises. The year also saw publication of the Government proposals with regard to housing, alterations in housing subsidies and proposals for a review of capital schemes such as those connected with sewerage.

Plans for the demolition of unfit properties were finally approved by the Council, following visits to all the parishes in the district by the Sub-Committee formed for this purpose, and the routine work of inspecting and submitting houses for formal action was commenced.

The first full post war year during which slaughtering in private slaughter houses was allowed has seen a great decline in the proportion of meat condemned as unfit for human food as compared with pre-war years, particularly regarding animals affected with tuberculosis.

Good progress has been made in connection with the construction of new houses and although at the year end a great number of houses had not been handed over for occupation, two large sites were well on the way to completion.

The Housing Repairs and Rent Act, 1954 does not appear to have had the hoped for effect of encouraging a large number of owners of property to repair their properties with a view to an increased rent as laid down by the Act.



There still remains one village only without a piped water supply, and it is pleasing to be able to say that the necessary mains are now being laid. There are, however, many isolated dwellings without piped supplies; and unfortunately the cost of extending the mains does seem prohibitive unless we are prepared, (as I think we should be) to accept that, although there will be no return in hard cash, there will be a return in that the health and welfare of the persons concerned will be improved. Unfortunately, as in many public health matters, it is not possible easily to see the amount of money saved in this way.

With additional houses under construction at Donisthorpe, it has become necessary to consider extending the sewage disposal works at Donisthorpe. The works at Ravenstone continue to be grossly overloaded as do the Measham works. New works at Heather are now in operation and the parish has been sewered.

The brickwork to the small sewage disposal works at Newbold is in very poor condition and it would be of great advantage to connect the outfall sewer at these works to the sewer recently laid through Worthington village.

COMPLAINTS .

Set out below are details of the various complaints which have been received together with a table showing repairs and improvements carried out :

Dwellings rendered fit or de	fects re	emedied	the set of the		57
Complaints received			0 0 0		129
Premises inspected	000	000	000	000	129
Groundless complaints	000		0 0 0		8
Re-visits to work in hand	000	000	0 0 0	000	290
Premises at which nuisances		000	000		99
Nuisances detected (District	: Inspect	ions)	0 0 0	0 0 0	16
Premises inspected	000	000	0 0 0		16
Re-visits to work in hand	000	0 0 0	000	000	17
Premises at which nuisances	abated	000	000	000	14
Informal Notices served	000		0 0 0	0 0 0	121
Statutory Notices served	0 0 0	0 0 0	000	0 0 0	8

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W.Cs. repaired		000	0 0 0	4
Pan closets repaired		000	000	2
Drains relaid, repaired, trapped		entila	ted	7
Blocked drains cleared (does not				5
Cesspools cleansed or repaired		0 0 0	000	2
Offensive accummulations removed		000	000	14
Roofs repaired	000	000		21
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Damp walls remedied		000		9
Doors repaired			000	6
Windows repaired and renewed		000	000	21
Fireplaces repaired, or new ones		0 0 0 6 6 6	000	12
			000	30
Plastering repaired	000	0 0 0	000	2
Sinks provided		0 0 0	0 0 0	
Miscellaneous nuisances abated	000	0 0 0	000	19
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Piggeries removed	000	0 0 0	000	1
Floors repaired		000	0 0 0	18
Copper pans provided, or repaired	1	0 0 0	000	2
Dirty houses cleaned	0 0 0	000	000	1
Verminous houses cleansed	0 0 0	000	0 0 0	4
Smoke nuisances abated	0 0 0	0 0 0	000	1
Animal nuisances abated		000	000	1
Staircase repaired	000	000	000	1
Walls repaired	0 0 0	0 0 0	000	1

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act.

The man employed part time on Pest Control has continued to spend every other week carrying out his duties in connection with rodent destruction.

The Council's policy of free treatment at domestic premises with a charge on a time plus material basis at business and agricultural premises has been continued.

In all a total of 1585 visits have been made.

Infectious Diseases.

Routine investigations have been carried out into reported cases of infectious diseases and disinfections carried out as necessary.

Slaughter Houses.

Six slaughter houses have continued to be used, and slaughtering is carried out on 4 days of the week; Monday of each week being the day on which most meat inspections are made. Strenuous efforts have been made to see that all animals slaughtered are inspected, and it is gratifying to be able to report that 100% inspection has, in fact, been effected.

Ice Cream.

Premises in one parish have been used for the manufacture of hot mix ice cream.

36 premises are now licenced for the sale of pre-packed ice cream and one for the sale of loose ice cream. A close watch has been kept on all the premises concerned and samples taken and submitted for analysis.

A considerable number of premises, although licenced, are not in fact retailing ice cream.

Food Shops.

In addition to meat condemned in slaughterhouses, the following food has been condemned as unfit for human consumption.

Chocolate	4	lbs.
Tomatoes	2	tins
Soup	1	tin
Jam	12	tins
Peaches		tin
Black currants	2	tins
Pinapple	2	tins
Strawberries	1	tin
Milk	1	tin
Beans	12	tins
Confectionery	6	lbs

Public Houses.

A considerable amount of work has been carried out at public houses. Good progress is being made with the conversion of pail closets to the water carriage system; improvements carried out to bars and lounges and in a number of cases the whole atmosphere of an inn changed.

Much of this work has been at the instigation of the Licensing Magistrates as they have been able to ask for work to be carried out which we, as a local authority, have been unable to do.

Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949.

During the year licences as follows were issued :

Supplementary Licences to sell "Tuberculin Tested" milk

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Dealers Licence to open and cool "Tuberculin Tested" milk

Routine inspections of distributing vehicles have continued to be carried out.

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During the year, 45 samples of milk for biological examination were taken and 45 samples for bacteriological examination. In addition 47 "follow up" samples were taken.

Three farmers were confirmed as having cows in the herd giving milk infected with Brucella Abortus and the affected animals were disposed of.

The Ashby-de-la-Zouch Rural District is now in a Specified Area and no milk, other than designated milk, may be sold.

Refuse Collection.

Following a report on the refuse collection services, the Council decided to purchase a cesspool/ pail emptying machine and to institute a bonus scheme in connection with the emptying of dustbins.

A 5 ton Bedford Chassis with Eagle body was purchased for use as a cesspool emptier and a night soil attachment was fixed to the rear. Cesspools are emptied on request and a charge is made of 30/- per load or part load.

The system has worked very well. It is interesting to note that cesspools which prior to the new scheme had never been emptied, are now being dealt with, and in certain cases where previously the old hand operated pump was used free of charge for the occupier (or owner), and where this person was most vociferous in requiring attention, there has now descended a sudden silence with no demand for the service. There is no doubt whatever, that if a free scheme is again given, additional staff would be required.

The scheme whereby the workmen receive a bonus, provided bins in the district allocated to them are emptied in the stipulated period, has so far worked very satisfactorily, although the scheme is still in its infancy. Supplementary Livences to use. Special Designation "Restaution

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The Council's scheme whereby dustbins are provided by the Council has continued, 460 bins being supplied during the year.

A replacement refuse collection vehicle has been purchased and brought into use on the Measham side of the district.

Petroleum.

Installation of all new tanks has been supervised and pressure tests carried out before the Council were recommended to grant licences.

Factories Act, 1937.

Inspection of factories ... 69 Inspection of Bakehouses ... 10

Tents, Vans, Sheds.

Licences have been issued in respect of ten caravans. These continue to be spread throughout the district.

The policy of applicants first being requested to make application under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, has continued. If this is granted, an application for licencing under the Public Health Act, 1936, is then placed before the Council for their consideration.

New Drainage and Closet Conversions.

The Council's policy of giving grants of up to flo. 0. 0. per closet converted has continued, and although grants are now given to closets converted in unsewered parishes, this has not led to the number of conversions hoped for, doubtless due to the great expense of the provision of septic tanks. but the man pecefit by receiving wages for a 52 hour week (which they worked prior to the institution of the sektmel for an low as 44 hours, together with a firs day week. It has been needenty by agreement to extend the folloation period is a number of cases due to hildens, boildays 20., but ship was exviseged and allowed for in the seheme.

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New water closets to replace privies	1
New drainage systems laid to sewer	6
Old drains repaired and extended	8
New water closets constructed to	
replace pan closets	88
Pail closets to replace privies	5
Additional W.C. accommodation	
provided	14
Re-visits of inspection	188
New drainage to septic tanks	10
Septic tanks provided	10

Sewer and Sewage Disposal Works.

Inspection of sewers	97
Blocked sewers cleared	7
Inspections while work in hand	21
Inspection of sewage works	197

Capital Schemes in Progress or Approved.

	Estimated Cost.	Progress at 31/12/55
Heather	£28,100	Sewers laid, connections made and works completed.
Worthington	£24,400	Sewers laid. Works in progress. No connections made.
Appleby Magna	£44,200	Laying of sewers in progress. Works not started. No connections made.
Osgathorpe	£22,300	Tender has been provisonally accepted.
Snarestone	£14,000	Ministry has authorised negotiations with contractors for Appleby Magna scheme.
Packington	£23,000	Ministry has approved this scheme in principle.

	Estimated Cost.	Progress at 31/12/55
Measham Sewerage Works extension	£17,800	Scheme approved by Council. Final details being prepared.
Atherstone Road, Measham	Not known	Ministry would not approve this scheme in 1953.
Normanton-le-Heath	£ 9,100	Scheme deferred on grounds of high cost.
Coleorton and part Swannington	Not known	Ministry would not approve this section of the joint scheme with Worthington in 1953.
Acresford	Not known	Ministry would not approve this scheme in 1952 and Council decided to take no further action at that time.
Ravenstone Sewage Works extension	Not known	Scheme not yet prepared.
Chilcote	Not known	Report to be prepared.

NEW BUILDINGS, ADDITIONS, EXTENSIONS, IMPROVEMENTS &c.,

New houses by Local authority	34
New houses by private enterprise	21
New houses drained to sewer	43
	12
New houses drained to septic tanks	Contract of the second s
New houses with water from public main	55
New houses with water closets	55
Piggeries	1
Industrial buildings	18
Agricultural buildings	7 5
Office accommodation	5
Garages	36
Bathrooms	27
Water closets	19
Hot water systems	26
New drainage and alterations (excluding	~~
local authority houses)	79
Septic tanks (other than new houses)	10
Food stores	10
Miscellaneous	7
Visits of inspection	640

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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

Administration in connection with development under the Act is carried out by the Council in conjunction with the Western Area Sub-Committee of the Leicestershire County Council.

During the year, 151 applications were made in respect of permission to develop.

LOANS FOR HOUSE PURCHASE.

Twelve properties were surveyed in connection with loans for house purchase.

WATER SUPPLY.

Wells closed for drinking purposes	6
Wells cleansed	1
Number of houses inspected	17
Samples taken for analysis	16
Samples unsatisfactory	9
Informal notices served	17
Water laid on from public mains	49

CHLORINATION .

For some time now, I have been expressing the opinion that there should be no further delay in the installation of chlorinating equipment at the two waterworks.

Whilst the water at source has always been found to be pure, without chlorination, safety of the supply cannot be guaranteed at the tap in the house, especially where constant repairs, as in this district, are having to be made to broken pipes.

CAPITAL SCHEMES .

Scheme	Estimated Cost.	Progress at 31/12/55.
Lount Village	£3,740	200 yds of 3" main laid.
Extension to Willesley Reservoir	£9,100	Approved by the Council.

In addition a number of main extensions to premises such as farms, sewage works &c., were carried out.

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HOUSING .

Construction of new Council Houses.

Work at the two large sites continued during the year.

Details are as follows :

Site	Dwellings	Estimated Capital Cost.	Progress at 31/12/55	
Wilkes Avenue, Measham	102	£171,104	34 houses completed. 66 under construction.	
Ramscliff Avenue, Donisthorpe	98	£161,787	98 under construction.	
Round House, Worthington			Survey carried out, site layout prepared and approved in principle by Council.	

The houses under construction at Donisthorpe are "No Fines" houses and consist of 8 - 2 bedroomed flats, 86 - 3 bedroomed houses and 4 - 4 bedroomed houses.

Sewage will be pumped by automatic ejectors (in duplicate) to the Council's main sewer. The houses were altered internally to the Council's own requirements.

The 102 houses at Measham are of brick construction being of "Gregory" design. The estate consists of 3 blocks of 4 two bedroomed flats, 86 3 - bedroomed houses and 4 - 4 bedroomed houses. Space has been allocated for a police house on this site.

In each estate surface water is dealt with separately and is discharged to brookcourses.

During the year efforts were made to find sites in a number of parishes where no Council houses have been built and where no sewers are available. Drainage difficulties prevented any satisfactory outcome to the investigations.

Improvement Grants.

It has been necessary to again spend a considerable amount of time in connection with Improvement Grants. Applications received have been as follows :

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Informal applications	000	000	30
Formal applications	000	000	30
Applications approved	000	000	27
Applications refused	000	000	Nîl
Applications withdrawn	000	000	3
Total amount paid by way	of		
grant during the year		000	£2,183. 16. 9.

Although in the main applications were from owner/occupiers, the opportunity is taken, when grants are made, to get much incidental work and repair work carried out, and there is no doubt that the life of many houses has been extended by this means.

Court Cases.

During the year it became necessary to take legal proceedings against the owner of two properties. The Court Order was not obeyed nor was a second Court Order and at the close of the year, proceedings had been authorised for the institution of a daily penalty.

Housing Repairs and Rents Act, 1954.

During the year 9 applications were made for certificates of Disrepair, and in 8 cases these were granted.

It has been the Council's policy to serve a notice on the owner of the property on which a Certificate is granted requesting that the necessary work of repair be carried out.

Slum Clearance.

Good progress has been made with the Slum Clearance programme and a considerable number of sub-standard properties have been dealt with.

Details are as follows :

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Closing Orders.

Dwellings	in respe	ect of	f which	Closing	Orders	
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Number of	persons	rehou	used	000 000	000	14



Demolition Orders.

Dwellings in respect of which Demolition 0	rders
made	
Number of houses demolished as a result of	
Demolition Orders	12
Number of dwellings rendered fit as a resu	
of undertakings	
Number of persons rehoused	10
Clearance Areas.	
Clearance Areas declared	
Dwelling houses included in Clearance A	
Clearance Areas confirmed by the Minist	rv 5

Number of persons rehoused ... 17

Negotiations were commenced for the purchase, by agreement, of nine houses forming the Cross Street, Measham Clearance Area together with two houses adjoining which are already subject to Demolition Orders.

These properties are situated in the centre of the parish of Measham and it is felt that the site can be redeveloped to form an attractive but useful centre to the parish.

An indication of the site as at present and an impression of the site as proposed is shown on the following three pages.

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Rear of 4-12 Cross Street.







Front of Hinks Yard.









CROSS STREET CLEARANCE AREA.

Impression of view from High Street, Measham, after re-development.



Once again, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen, I wish to express my thanks for your interest, support and encouragement during the year and to express my appreciation for the co-operation I have always received from Doctor Segerdal, the Clerk of the Council and the Accountant.

I also wish to pay tribute to the way the present members of the department have worked and the willing way in which they have carried out their duties.

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Your obedient servant,

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