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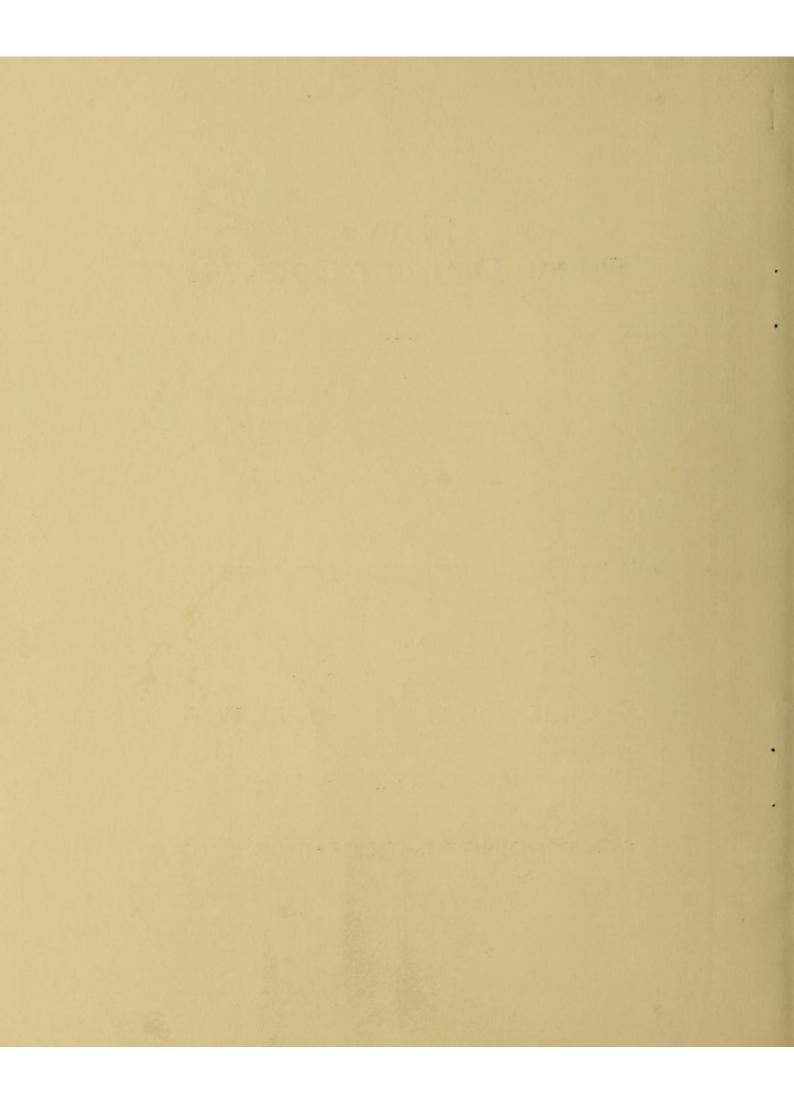
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AND

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1967



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Mr Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my report on the sanitary conditions and the state of the Public Health in the Hay Rural District during the year 1967.

In this report I have endeavoured to deal briefly with all matters within my responsibility regarding Public Health and preventive medicine, and I have included comments on the subjects specifically requested in Circular 1/68(Wales) by the Welsh Board of Health.

I wish to tender my thanks to the Members of the Council for their helpful consideration and cooperation in all matters affecting Public Health. Also the Officers of the Council for their help in all matters appertaining to the duties of the Public Health Department.

I am,

Mr Chairman and Members,

Your Obedient Servant,

Creighton E Edwards.

B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch. D.P.H.

Officers of the Public Health Department.

Medical Officer of Health - C.E.Edwards, B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.

Public Health Inspector - Wm. D. Morgans, C.R.S.H.

STATISTICS OF THE AREA

1967 - 3410 Population: (Registrar Generals'Estimate)

Acreage 39,153 Acres.

£70,862. Rateable value as at 1st April 1967 :

Product of a Penny Rate: Actual 1966/67 -£273 • 18 • 11d 1967/68 -£280 • 0 • 0

the state of the Public Health in the May Rural District during

14/6d. 14/11d Rate in the Pound : 1966/67 1967/68

3/- d in the £. Water Rate:

- 1,118. Total number of Domestic Dwellings:

Number of Council Houses in the Domestic Dwelling figures. - 282

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R.D.C. country Country	Hay R.D.C.		Breconshire County Council	
BIRTHS	Male	Female	Total	
No. of Legitimate Live Births No. of Illegitimate Live Births Total Live Births Birth Rate per 1000 Pop 1967(Crude) * * (correct) Registrar Generals Conparability Fact No. of Still Births Legitimate No. of Still Births Illegitimate Illegitimate Live Births per cent of Total Live Births Total Live and Still Births Still Birth Rate per 1000 Live & Still Births	14 3 17 or	19 2 21 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 1	33 5 38 11.1 14.1 1.27 1 - 14.73 39	700 36 736 13.57 15.06 1.11 16 - 4.89 752 21.27
DEATHS Total No. of Deaths Crude Deaths Rate per 1000 Pop. Registrar Generals Comparability Fact Corrected Death Rate prr 1000 Pop.	32 or	34	66 19.4 0.48 9.3	703 12.96 0.89 11.5
MATERNAL MORTALITY Deaths from Maternal Causes Maternal Mortlaity Rate per 1000 Live and Still Births	zi e	a t zobm	Nil Nil	Nil Nil

VITAL STATISTICS (Continued)

		Hay R.I	7 D.C.		Breconshire County Council
	0.d.s	Male	Female	Total	
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Illegitimate		-	1	addylik av	1110
Infant Mortality Rate per Live Births	1000	TOPLICE !	Congara	53	12.22
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Total		1	- 9	1 20	7
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No. of Still Births Perinatal Mortality Rate CANCER DEATHS		-	1	1 51	16 31.25
No of Deaths from Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasms Cancer Death Rate	t Neoplasms	3	4	7 2.05	89 1 . 64

CAUSES OF DEATH

		Blowerin	
1.	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Male	Female
2.	Tuberculosis (Other Forms)	2H - 6200	1110 Bales
3.	Syphilitic Disease	al.	_
4.	Diptheria	_	_
	Whooping Cough	THE DIE	etilene un
	Meningococcal Infections	tineral , d	todacii fili
	Acute Poliomyelitis	duna aron	un frinch a
-	Measles.	- be thoper	morantas
100000000000000000000000000000000000000	Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	Look other
	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	1	-
	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus.	1	media han
	Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	enbulance i	1
	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	LOW DIESO	best grins
	Other Malignant & Lymphatic Diseases	1	3
	Leukaemia & Aleukaemia	on to at	to the annual
	Diabetes	_	_
	Vascular Lesions of Nervous Systems	4	4
	Coronary Disease, Angina	8	7
	Hypertension with Heart Disease	rode-n nh	street .
	Other Heart Disease	7	14
	Other Circulatory Disease	3	2
	Influenza	_	_
	Pneumonia	r the tree	1
	Bronchitis	1	and the bear
	Other Disease of Respiratory System	_	-
	Ulcer of Stomach & Duodenum	_	_
	Gastritis, Entéritis & Diarrhoea	-	_
	Nephritis & Nephrosis	_	_
	Hyperplasia of Prostrate		-
	Pregnancy, Abortion, Childbirth	_	-
	Congenital Malformations	-	-
	Other Defined and Ill Defined Diseases	2	2
	Motor Vehicle Accidents	2	_
	Suicide	-	-
	Homicide and Operations of War	_	_
	All Other Accidents	-	-
		1	
	ALL CAUSES :	32	34

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SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES

Public Health Officers Mr. Wm.D. Morgans remained as your Public Health Inspector.

Laboratory Facilities During the year laboratory facilities were available at Cardiff, Newport, Carmarthen, Swansea, Aberystwyth and Brecon. All Water Samples were sent to the Public Health Laboratory at Hereford whilst any investigation required in the control of infectious disease was performed by the Public Health Laboratory at Cardiff.

Nursing and other Facilities. The County Council is responsible for the provision of the ambulance and nursing facilities. The County also administer the Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics where treatment is available for minor ailments, eye, dental and orthopaedic defects. Immunisation against diptheria and whooping cough is also carried out at these clinics.

Hospitals. The hospital needs of the residents of the district for all diseases apart from infectious diseases are provided by the Brecon War Memorial Hospital. A certain number of cases are also admitted to Hereford Hospital. Merthyr Isolation Hospital and Hereford Isolation Hospitals receive cases of infectious diseases.

For the treatment of smallpox arrangements have been made by the Welsh Board of Health for beds to be available at the Penrhys Hospital, Rhondda.

SECTION C

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Notifications

The following cases other than Tuberculosis were notified during 1967.

DISEASES	No. OF CASES
Measles	87
Whooping Cough	Nil
Scarlet Fever	Nil.

<u>Tuberculosis</u> A schedule of new cases and removals from the Register is given below:

N	ew Cases		Ren	mov	als f	rom the	Register	
Respir	atory	Non F	Respiratory		Respi	ratory	Non Res	piratory
М	F	М	F		M	F	M	F
-	2	-	-		5	-	-	May Area s

Number of Cases remaining on the Register 31st December 1967

	Respiratory	Non	Respi	ratory
М	F Total	М	F	Total
8	5 13	1	ion b	1

<u>Venereal Disease.</u> The County Council has an agreement with the General and Eye Hospital, Swansea. for the treatment of these cases. The tracing of contacts and the following up of defaulters is the responsibility of the County Council.

SECTION D

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES

Water Supplies The Radnorshire and North Breconshire Water Board, which was formed in August 1965, took over all existing and proposed water supplies on the 1st April 1966, when the Rural District Council ceased to be responsible for water supplies in their district.

The following water samples were taken by the Public Health Inspector and the results notified to the Water Board:-

Name of Supply	Total No. taken	An	alysis of sam	ples
-		Satisfactory	Suspicious	Unsatisfactory
Gwernyfed	5	4	-	1
Talgarth	4	2	Secret 1 Proces	1
Bronllys	1	-	-	1
Llyswen	a Lewisney Ton Strant	wan to distorted	A - Inclu	oreding -
Aberllynfi	1	: walled never	- 1	-
Llanigon	2	1	1	-
Ffordlais	2	1	-	1
Trefecca	1	1	-	-
	16	10	2	4

Samples were taken from 7 private sources and all these were satisfactory. Some of the samples were from sources to provide new farm supplies.

Number	of	dwelling houses	s in the district1118
Number	of	houses supplied	from public mains919

Hay Area Water Scheme.

Messrs Grocock & Day of Leicester, the contractors engaged in carrying out this scheme, continued with the laying of mains and the construction of reservoirs and pumping stations in the Hay and Paincastle districts. Work was also commenced on Intake Works and purification Plant at Llanbuchllyn Lake. As from the 1st April 1966 the Radnorshire and North Breconshire Water Board were responsible for the administration of the scheme.

Drainage and Sewerage

Talgarth and Bronllys Sewage and Sewerage Disposal Scheme. Final plans of this proposed scheme were prepared by the Consulting Engineers and forwarded to the Welsh Office for approval. The Welsh Office gave permission for the Council to invite tenders and an advertisement was inserted in the press requested firms who would be interested in tendering to submit their names; tenders would then be requested from the firms on the approved list.

Planning permission was granted Breconshire County Council for the rection of the sewage pumping station on the proposed new works.

Sanitary Circumstances - Cont'd

Three Cocks Sewarage and Sewage Disposal Scheme

This scheme was completed at the beginning of 1967 and the works tested and put into operation.

Llanigon Sewarage and Sewage Disposal Scheme

Agreement was reached with the landowner for purchase of the necessary land for the proposed sewage disposal works for this village, and the Wye River Authority issued formal consent to this scheme.

Plans and documents were submitted to the Welsh Office for approval and informationswas received that an Engineering Inspector would investigate the scheme.

Ffordlas Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme.

Levels were taken and details prepared for a proposed scheme for this hamlet.

Glasbury (Breckockshire) Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme.

The Councils Consulting Engineers were requested to draw up a scheme for the provision of a sewerage and sewage disposal works for the village of Glasbury(Breconshire) and to submit a Report and Layout Plan for consideration by the Council.

General

A sewage works maintenance team is employed by the Council, comprising two workmen with small van, and regular inspections and maintenance is undertaken to all village sewage works. and small septic tanks serving the Councils' housing estates. This team carry out similar duties for Hay UDC and Paincastle RDC.

Number	of	visits made	to	sewage disposal works6
Number	φf	inspections	to	drainage works14

Public Cleansing.

Refuse collection is collected once weekly in Talgarth, Bronllys, Llyswen, Pipton, Tregoyd and Velindre, Aberllynfi Llanigon, and the Parish of Hay Rural. Some of the outlying properties of the district have a monthly collection including Pengeffordd and Capel y Ffyn. Refuse is disposed of by controlled tipping in the Councils' Refuse Tip near Talgarth Mental Hospital.

The Council undertake this service with a lorry and workmen jointly with Hay UDC and Paincastle RDC, under the supervision of the Public Health Inspector.

Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

The sanitary inspection of the area is undertaken by the Public Health Inspector and the following details give information for 1967,

Nuisances.	Number of	complaints received34
	Number of	complaints investigated
	Number of	premises inspected
		premises revisited
		Preliminary Notices served2
		Abatement Notices served
		10

Sanitary Inspection of the Area. -Cont'd

Offensive Trades There are no offensive trades in the area.

Common Lodging Houses There are no common lodging houses in the district.

Verminous Premises Number of premises inspectedNil.

Caravan sites

There are three licensed caravan sites in the district. One site is situated at Bronllys for holiday caravans and up to 18 residential caravans; part of the site is also used for camping purposes
A licence was issued during the year for a small holiday caravan site at the rear of the Hollybush Inn on the Hay to Glasbury Road, this being for up to

10 caravans for the period Good Friday up to 31st October each year.

The site at Llyswen is licensed for a maximum of 23 holiday caravans

but it has not been brought into use .

Camping Sites.

The Essex County Council made application for the use of two fields at Maesylade Farm, Velindre, for camping purposes during the summer months in connection with their Youth Outdoor Pursuits Centre; a site licence was issued. and planning permission granted.

Licensed Premises. There are 15 Licensed Premises, 1 Licensed Club, and 3 off-licence shops in the district.

Rodent Control

One full-time Rodent Operator is employed by the Council jointly with Hay UDC and Paincastle RDC, and he works under the supervision of the Public Health Inspector.

Number of	premises	inspected during 1967	.477
Number of	premises	found infested	. 164
Number of	premises	treated by Rodent Operator	.127
Number of	premises	treated by the Occupier	37
Estimated	Number of	f Rats kil ed in 1967	1486
Number of	dead rate	s picked up in 1967	423

The sewers in Talgarth, Bronllys, Trefecca, Velindre and Llyswen were test baited in in June but there was no evidence of rat infestation. The refuse tip at Talgarth receives regular inspections and treatment to prevent infestation.

Legal Proceedings.

No legal proceedings were undertaken by the Council during 1967.

SECTION E

HOUSING.

There were 27 applicants on the Councils'Waiting List' for houses and bungalows at 31st December 1967, and these could be housed as follows:-

Parish	No. of Applicants	No. of b Bungalow			uired.
Any Parish	3	0	1	1	1
Aberllynfi	4	1	2	1	0
Bronllys	11	1	5	5	0
Llanigon	2	2	0	0	0
Llyswen	0	0	0	0	0
Talgarth	5	1	2	1	1
Velindre	2	1	1	0	0
	27	6	11	8	2

One of the above ap licants was living in rooms, and 2 in caravans.

There are 282 Council Houses in the District.

There were 10 private houses erected in 1967 making a total of 73 since 1945. Housing Programme.

The following are details of the Councils' housing programme and the position on the various sites:-

Gwernyfed Park

The erection of 20 houses and 6 bungalows was completed during the year, tenancies were allocated by the Council and the dwellings occupied.

Talgarth

Good progress was made by the Contractors on the erection of 48 houses, 14 bungalows, one flat and Communal Centre at Talgarth, and of these 41 dwellings were completed and occupied. The remaining dwellings were expected to be completed early in 1968.

All the nine plots which the Council set aside for private development were sold and building commenced on several sites; one bungalow was completed and occupied by the end of 1967.

Bronllys

The Council purchased the field adjoining Neuadd Terrace, Bronllys, for the erection of 10 houses and 6 Bungalows, planning permission was obtained and the Welsh Office gave approval to the Tender submitted by Drury South Western Ltd., of Bristol. Work on the site will commence in January 1968.

Llanigon.

Land is available at Llanigon for the proposed erection of 6 houses and 2 Bungalows to form an extension to the Digeddi Housing Estate, but development has been deferred at the request of the Welsh Office until the Llanigon Sewerage Scheme has been approved.

Housing Programme - Cont'd

Llyswen

The Council made application for 'outline' planning permission for the erection of approximately 8 dwellings on a site in the village of Llyswen.

Three Cocks.

The Council made application for 'outline' planning permission to erect dwellings on approximately 2 acres of land adjoining Great House Farm at Three Cocks.

Grants for Old Peoples' Bungalows.

The Breconshire County Council has agreed to the payment of Gants for 30 years for housing of elderly people in the 6 Old Peoples' Bungalows to be erected at Bronllys under Section 56 of the Local Government Act, 1958. The dwellings which are eligible for the Grant have to conform to the standard laid down by the Ministry and a list of tenants, with ages, must be submitted to the Council for approval.

Housing Grants.

2 applications for Discretionary Grants were approved by the Council during the year to a total of £348.

15 applications for Standard Grants were also approved up to a maximum

The following table shows the number of applications received by the Council for Housing Grants during the last 5 years.

	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967.
Discretionary Grants	1	8	4	4 .	2
Standard Grants	10	7	1	6	15.

Housing Act, 1957

- 3. Number of unfit houses made fit and houses in which defects were remedied 0

An undertaking was given by the owner of one property that it would not be used for human habitation until brought up to the required standard.

Housing General

Number of housing inspections made by the Public Health Inspector78.

SECTION F.

INSPECTION OF MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

Milk

There are two dealers trading in the district who sell T.T.pasteurised and sterilised milk and these operate from dairies outside the district; one being in Hay Urban District and the other in the Brecon Borough.

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4.4	~	102	~

There is one licensed Slaughterhouse in Talgarth owned by Mr. W.J.George.

Cattle										209	
Calves.										0	
Sheep										873	
Pigs											

Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part.

Number killed and inspected	Cattle 209	Calves	Sheep 873	Pigs 280	Horses
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticercosis	Dutcho	Parasal Parasal	eds sort	controls	Bekern.
Whole carcases condemned	0	0	0	0	0
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	10	0	4	0	0
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis or Cysticercosis.		0	0.45	0	0
Tuberculosis Only	0	0	0	0	0
Carcases of which some part or organ condemned	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	0	0	0	0	0
Cysticercosis					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	0	0	0	0	0
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	0	0	0	0	0
Generalised and totally conder	mned O	0	0	0	0

Meat Inspection Regulations 1963

The Hay Rural District Council make the maximum permitted charge under the Regulations for inspection of animals at the slaughterhouse:-

2/6d per beast(other than a calf)

9d per calf or pig.

6d per sheep or lamb.

Meat Inspection (Amendment)Regulations 1966

In accordance with the requirements of these regulations the following days and times of slaughtering at the slaughterhouse were approved by the Council:

Mondays 8.0 a.m to 4.0.p.m.
Tuesdays 8.0. to 4.0.
Saturdays 2.0. to 7.0.

Shops

There are 26 shops which deal in food from the district and these may be classified as follows:-

Grocers10	Cafes5
Grocer/Confectioners3	Greengrocers1
Confectioner/Tobacconists4	Fish & Chips1
Bakers1	Butchers1
Foods condemned from shops	
Number of inspections by Public H	Health Inspector29
Number of Notices served	1

Food Preparation Rooms (including bakehouses)

Number of inspections by Public Health Inspector......30
Number of Notices served......1

No special examination of a shops'stock or consignment of food was necessary during the year.

Ice-cream premises

Fried Fish Shops.

APPENDIX

Factories Acts. 1937 to 1959.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR 1967.

FOR THE RURAL DISTRICT OF HAY IN BRECONSHIRE.

Prescribed particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act. 1937.

Part 1 of the Act

 INSPECTIONS for purpose of provisions as to health(including the inspections made by Public Health Inspector).

Premises		No. on Register	Inspections		Occupiers Prosecuted
(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
i. Factories in which Sects 1,2,3, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	4	3	5	-	-
ii. Factories not included in (1) i which Sect 7 is enforced by Local Zuthority	n	10	13	-	-
(iii)Other premises in which Sect 7 is enforced by the Local Author (excluding out-workers prems.)		-	-	-	-
Total:		13	18		
	_	of cases were for		i	o. of cases n which rosecutions
Particulars			to HM	Day IDM	ore
			Inspector	7.7	nstituted
(1)		2) (3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of Cleanliness (81)		- -	-	-	
Overcrowding (S2)	-		-	-	
Unreasonable Temperature (S3)	-				-
Inadequate ventilation ((S4)			-		
Ineffective Drainage-Floors (S6)	-		-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S7) (a) Insufficient	_		-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective		- -	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes		-	-	-	-
Other Offences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-work)		2 2	-	-	-
Total:	1 2	2	-		-

There was no out-work done in the district during the year.

Yours faithfully,

Creighton E. Edwards.

Medical Officer of Health.



