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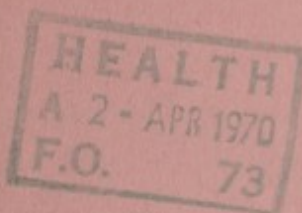
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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT 1968



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BOROUGH OF LAMPETER

Mayor 1967/68

Mayor 1968/69

Alderman, Rev. Father G. Fitzgerald

Alderman L. V. Wiseman

The Council consists of 16 members including  
the Mayor

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HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE

Chairman 1967/68

Chairman 1968/69

Councillor D. R. Timothy

Councillor Mrs. J. I. Lewis

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SECTION OF LATTER

March 1967/68

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Albion J. V. W. W. W.

The Council consists of 10 members including  
the Mayor

HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE

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Councillor Mrs. J. I. Lewis

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To the Mayor, Aldermen and Members of  
Lampeter Borough Council

#### PREFACE

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report of the Public Health Department for the year which ended on the 31 December, 1968.

The number of live births registered during the year was twenty-six, representing an increase of two over the figure for the previous year. There were no registered stillbirths, and no infant was registered as having died before reaching the first birthday. No woman died as a result of pregnancy, childbirth or abortion.

The number of registered deaths was forty, a decrease of four from the previous year. Thirteen people died of heart disease, twelve of 'Stroke' and five of cancer.

The only notification of the occurrence of infectious disease received during 1968 related to one case of measles. Two new cases of tuberculosis were notified but no person died of the disease.

In 1965 a proposal to inquire into the alleged abuse of antibiotics in animals and poultry was made (Anderson and Lewis) and this proposal received the support of two editorials in the British Medical Journal during that year. Soon afterwards the Netherthorpe Committee representing the Medical Research Council and the Agricultural Research Council recommended that an inquiry should be made into the use of antibiotics in livestock, and this recommendation was accepted by the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Agriculture in 1967.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Members of  
 Liverpool Borough Council

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 in animals and poultry was made (Anderson and Lewis) and this proposal  
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 during that year. Soon afterwards the Northern Health Committee representing  
 the Medical Research Council and the Agricultural Research Council  
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 livestock, and this recommendation was accepted by the Ministry of Health  
 and the Ministry of Agriculture in 1967.



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Professor M. M. Swann, F.R.S., the Principal and Vice-Chancellor of Edinburgh University was nominated as chairman of this review body whose terms of reference were " to obtain information about the present and prospective use of antibiotics in animal husbandry and veterinary medicine, with particular reference to the phenomenon of infective drug resistance, to consider the implications for animal husbandry and also for human and animal health, and to make recommendations".

The recommendations of the Swann review body are awaited with great interest for they will be of the utmost importance in the field of human health. Especial significance will be attached as to whether or not the case for prohibiting the systemic administration of chloramphenicol, ampicillin and neomycin to livestock is upheld, since preservation of sensitivity to these antibiotics is vital to human health.

A more detailed account of the work of the Public Health Department, including a section by the Public Health Inspector, will be found in the following pages.

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#### References

- Anderson, E. S. and Lewis, M. J. (1965) Nature (Lond.) 206, 579.  
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At Faer, Henaduriaid ac Aelodau Cyngor  
Bwrdeisdref Llanbedr-Pont-Steffan

### RHAGAIR

Y mae'n bleser gennyf gyflwyno Adroddiad Blynnyddol yr Adran Iechyd Cyhoeddus am y flwyddyn a orffennodd a'r 31 Rhagfyr, 1968.

Nifer y rhai a gofrestrwyd yn fyw ar eu genedigaeth yn ystod y flwyddyn oedd chwech-ar-hugain, dau yn fwy na'r flwyddyn flaenorol. Ni chofrestrwyd un marw-anedig nac ychwaith marwolaeth un baban cyn cyrraedd un-mlwydd oed. Ni fu un fenyw farw oherwydd ei bod yn feichiog, nac wrth eni plentyn, na thrwy erthyliad.

Cofrestrwyd pedwar-deg o farwolaethau, pedwar yn llai na'r flwyddyn cynt. Bu farw un-deg-tri o glefyd y galon, pump o'r cancr a deuddeg o'r stroc.

Yr unig ddigwyddiad a nodwyd o glefyd heintus yn ystod 1968 oedd un o achos: o'r frech goch. Nodwyd dau ddigwyddiad newydd o'r ddarfodedigaeth yn ystod y flwyddyn, ond ni bu farw un person o'r clefyd hwn.

Yn 1965 cynigwyd gwneud ymchwiliad i'r honiad y rhoddid gormed o feddyginiaeth wrthfietig i anifeiliaid a defednod a chafodd y cynnig hwn gefnogaeth dwy erthygl olygyddol yn y Cylchgrawn Meddygol Prydeinig y flwyddyn honno. Yn fuan wedyn cymeradwyodd Pwyllgor Netherthorpe sy'n cynrychioli y Cyngor Ymchwiliad Meddygol a'r Cyngor Ymchwiliad Amaethyddol y dylid gwneud ymchwiliad i'r defnydd a wneir o feddyginiaeth wrthfietig i anifeiliaid stor a derbynwyd yr argynelliad hwn gan y Weinyddiaeth Iechyd a'r Weinyddiaeth Amaethyddiaeth yn 1967.

Enwebwyd yr Athro M. M. Swann, F.R.S., Prifathro ac Is-Canghellor Prifysgol Caeredin yn gadeirydd y Corff adolygiadol hwn gyda'r

/cyfarwyddiadau .....



At West, Henshawfield on London Street  
Bristol and London - P. 2-3-11

# WAGGAS

I was a member of the Society of Friends in London in 1847.

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cyfarwyddiadau canlynol - "i gasglu gwybodaeth ynglyn a'r defnydd a wneir yn bresennol ac a fwriedir ei wneud yn y dyfodol o'r feddyginiaeth wrthfietig yn hwsmonaeth anifeiliaid a noddion nilfeddygol gyda golwg arbennig ar ffenomen gwrthsafiad i gyffur sy'n cynnwys haint, i ystyried ymhlygiadau'r arferiad a all effeithio hwsmonaeth anifeiliaid, ac hefyd iechyd dyn ac anifail, ac i wneud argymellion".

Disgwylir yn eiddgar am argymellion y Pwyllgor hwn oherwydd ei ddylanwad ar astudeithiau meddygol. Rhoddir sylw arbennig i'w ddyfarniad ar y cwestiwn holl bwysig - a ddylid rhoddi 'chloramphenicol', 'ampicillin', a 'neomycin' i anifeiliaid yn gyson neu beidio. Beth bynnag, y mae diogelu gallu cyfansoddiad dyn i adweithio'n foddhaol i feddyginiaeth wrthfietig yn hanfodol.

Ceir manylion pellach o waith yr Adran Iechyd Cyhoeddus yn cynnwys cyfran gan yr Archwiliwr Iechyd Cyhoeddus yn y tudalennau canlynol.

#### Cyfarwyddiadau

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VITAL STATISTICS

|                                                                              | <u>1966</u> | <u>1967</u> | <u>1968</u> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>1. <u>LIVEBIRTHS</u></b>                                                  |             |             |             |
| Total .. .. .                                                                | 22          | 24          | 26          |
| Leg: .. .. .                                                                 | 22          | 24          | 26          |
| Illeg: .. .. .                                                               | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Rate per 1,000 population (crude) .. .. .                                    | 10.6        | 11.3        | 12.3        |
| Rate per 1,000 population (adjusted) .. .. .                                 | 13.5        | 14.6        | 15.9        |
| Rate per 1,000 population England and Wales .. .. .                          | 17.7        | 17.2        | 16.9        |
| Illegitimate live births per cent of total live births                       | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| <b>2. <u>STILLBIRTHS</u></b>                                                 |             |             |             |
| Total .. .. .                                                                | 0           | 1           | 0           |
| Leg: .. .. .                                                                 | 0           | 1           | 0           |
| Illeg: .. .. .                                                               | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths .. .. .                                  | 0           | 40.0        | 0           |
| Rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths England and Wales                        | 15.4        | 14.8        | 14.0        |
| <b>3. <u>TOTAL LIVE AND STILLBIRTHS</u> .. .. .</b>                          |             |             |             |
|                                                                              | 22          | 25          | 26          |
| <b>4. <u>PERI-NATAL DEATHS</u> (Stillbirths plus early neo-natal deaths)</b> |             |             |             |
| Total .. .. .                                                                | 0           | 1           | 0           |
| Leg: .. .. .                                                                 | 0           | 1           | 0           |
| Illeg: .. .. .                                                               | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths .. .. .                            | 0           | 40.0        | 0           |
| <b>5. <u>EARLY NEO-NATAL DEATHS</u> (deaths under one week)</b>              |             |             |             |
| Total .. .. .                                                                | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Leg: .. .. .                                                                 | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Illeg: .. .. .                                                               | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Rate per 1,000 total live births .. .. .                                     | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| <b>6. <u>NEO-NATAL DEATHS</u> (deaths under four weeks)</b>                  |             |             |             |
| Total .. .. .                                                                | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Leg: .. .. .                                                                 | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Illeg: .. .. .                                                               | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Rate per 1,000 total live births .. .. .                                     | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| <b>7. <u>INFANT DEATHS</u> (total deaths under one year)</b>                 |             |             |             |
| Total .. .. .                                                                | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Leg: .. .. .                                                                 | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Illeg: .. .. .                                                               | 0           | 0           | 0           |





1966    1967    1968

7. INFANT DEATHS (CONTINUED)

|                                                                  |   |   |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| Rate per 1,000 total live births .. .. .                         | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate<br>live births ..  | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate<br>live births | 0 | 0 | 0 |

8. MATERNAL DEATHS

|                                                 |   |   |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| Number of deaths .. .. .                        | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths .. .. | 0 | 0 | 0 |

DEATHS

|                                                |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Total .. .. .                                  | 31   | 44   | 40   |
| Rate per 1,000 population (crude) .. .. .      | 14.9 | 20.6 | 18.9 |
| Rate per 1,000 population (adjusted) .. .. .   | 10.0 | 15.1 | 11.5 |
| Rate per 1,000 population England and Wales .. | 11.7 | 11.2 | 11.9 |

|                                              |      |      |      |
|----------------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Area comparability factor for births .. .. . | 1.28 | 1.30 | 1.30 |
| Area comparability factor for deaths .. .. . | 0.67 | 0.73 | 0.61 |

POPULATION STATISTICS

|                                                                                     |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Area (in acres) .....                                                               | 1,754 |
| Population (census 1961) .....                                                      | 1,855 |
| Population (Registrar General's<br>Estimated Mid-Year<br>Population for 1968) ..... | 2,120 |





CAUSES OF DEATH

(Headings with no deaths allocated are omitted)

| <u>Causes of death</u>                | <u>Number of Deaths</u> |               |              |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|--------------|
|                                       | <u>Male</u>             | <u>Female</u> | <u>Total</u> |
| Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach          | -                       | 1             | 1            |
| Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Bronchus   | 2                       | -             | 2            |
| Other Malignant Neoplasms             | -                       | 2             | 2            |
| Hypertensive Disease                  | 1                       | 1             | 2            |
| Ischaemic Heart Disease               | 7                       | 3             | 10           |
| Other Forms of Heart Disease          | 2                       | 1             | 3            |
| Cerebrovascular Disease               | 1                       | 11            | 12           |
| Other Diseases of Circulatory System  | 3                       | 1             | 4            |
| Pneumonia                             | 1                       | -             | 1            |
| Bronchitis and Emphysema              | 1                       | -             | 1            |
| Peptic Ulcer                          | 1                       | -             | 1            |
| Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System | -                       | 1             | 1            |
|                                       | <hr/>                   |               |              |
| <u>TOTAL</u>                          | 19                      | 21            | 40           |



INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The following is a list of the notifications of infectious disease, other than tuberculosis, received during the year:-

|                                                   |     |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Diphtheria .. .. .                                | Nil |
| Dysentery (amoebic and bacillary) .. .. .         | Nil |
| Encephalitis .. .. .                              | Nil |
| Erysipelas .. .. .                                | Nil |
| Food Poisoning .. .. .                            | Nil |
| Measles.. .. .                                    | 1   |
| Meningococcal meningitis .. .. .                  | Nil |
| Paratyphoid fever .. .. .                         | Nil |
| Pneumonia (acute primary and acute influenzal) .. | Nil |
| Polioomyelitis .. .. .                            | Nil |
| Relapsing fever .. .. .                           | Nil |
| Scarlet fever .. .. .                             | Nil |
| Smallpox .. .. .                                  | Nil |
| Whooping Cough .. .. .                            | Nil |

W. J. ST. J. O. ST. J.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH





TUBERCULOSIS

The following table shows the sex and age distribution of the new cases notified during the year:-

| AGE GROUP | RESPIRATORY |        | NON-RESPIRATORY |        |
|-----------|-------------|--------|-----------------|--------|
|           | Male        | Female | Male            | Female |
| 5 - 14    | -           | -      | -               | -      |
| 15 - 24   | -           | -      | -               | -      |
| 25 - 44   | -           | -      | -               | -      |
| 45 - 64   | 2           | -      | -               | -      |
| 65 +      | -           | -      | -               | -      |
| TOTAL     | 2           | -      | -               | -      |

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH  
SERVICES IN THE AREA

These remain essentially the same as in previous years, and are under the control of the County Council.

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SECTION 47 OF THE NATIONAL  
ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

No action was required to be taken under this section during the year.

W. J. St. E.-G. RHYS  
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH





ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1968

1. SEWERAGE

The area is drained on the partially separate system. Wherever possible surface water is excluded from the general system and is disposed of through soakaways. Most of the town's sewers are relatively modern being constructed of stoneware, concrete, cast iron and latterly of pitch-fibre and U.P.V.C. in diameters ranging from 6 inches to 21 inches. Flows in excess of 6 times dry weather flow are discharged through storm overflow chambers into watercourses.

During the year, 268 yards of 4 inch rising main sewer were laid from North Road to the site occupied by Messrs. Greens Agricultural Limited adjoining Tregaron Road. As this site is below the level of the main sewer it was necessary to construct a pumping chamber and install a "Sinplex" ejector unit. At the same time the Council also assumed responsibility for the ejector unit serving Messrs. Slimma's factory at the same location.

The Falcondale Drive sewer was also extended by 167 yards of 6 inch diameter pitch-fibre to serve developments in that area. If development continues in this area it will be necessary to sewer by some alternative means as the existing sewer will then become inadequate.

2. SEWAGE DISPOSAL

No significant alterations were carried out at the Council's sewage disposal works which operates on the activated sludge principle, and my remarks of previous years still apply. The average daily flow of sewage passing through the plant was 98,676 gallons with a maximum of 456,000 gallons and a minimum of 34,000 gallons. The highest flow of storm water occurred on 11th October when 4,600,000 gallons were recorded.

Effluent sampling is regularly carried out by both Officers of the South West Wales Rivers Authority and by myself for analysis by the Public Analyst in order to ensure that the plant is producing effluent to Royal Commission Standards. In the case of outlying properties which are not served by sewer, cesspools are emptied on request by a cesspool emptier owned by an adjoining authority and the cost recovered from the individual owners.

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During the year, 266 yards of 6 inch rising main sewer were laid from North Road to the site occupied by Messrs. Green Agricultural Limited adjoining Trooper Road. As this site is below the level of the main sewer it was necessary to construct a pumping chamber and install a "Shoplex" ejector unit. At the same time the Council also assumed responsibility for the ejector unit serving Messrs. Elliott's factory at the same location.

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Effluent sampling is regularly carried out by both Officers of the South West Water Rivers Authority and by myself for analysis by the Public Analyst in order to ensure that the plant is producing effluent to Royal Commission Standards. In the case of outlying properties which are not served by sewer, cesspools are emptied on request by a cesspool emptier owned by an adjoining authority and the cost recovered from the individual owners.



### 3. WATER SUPPLY

The Cardiganshire Water Board is the supply authority for the area. During the year four samples for bacteriological examination were taken. All were reported to be satisfactory.

### 4. DRAINAGE AND NEW BUILDINGS

|                                                         |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Number of plans submitted under Building Regulations .. | 36 |
| Number of plans approved under Building Regulations ..  | 36 |
| Number with drainage .. .. .                            | 16 |
| Number tested and approved .. .. .                      | 16 |

### 5. PUBLIC CLEANSING

There has not been any change in the method of collection or disposal since my last report. During the year the Council's Health and Housing Committee considered a report of mine on the possible introduction of a paper sack system of collection which set out the advantages and disadvantages of such a scheme. In my view the paper sack system is the only one which can satisfy the demands of hygiene and convenience of service to the householder although it is admitted that such a system is likely to be more costly than that of the existing kerb-side method of collection. Initially the Committee decided to undertake a pilot scheme using this system, but unfortunately this decision was later reversed.

### 6. VERMINOUS PREMISES

Again there were no cases reported.

### 7. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

I have nothing to add since my last report.

### 8. OFFENSIVE TRADES

There are none registered within the Borough.

### 9. SCRAP METAL DEALERS ACT, 1964

One dealer in the area remains on the register, but he operates without a depot and no problems have arisen.

### 10. INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The Medical Officer of Health did not require action to be taken by me in any case.



3. WATER SUPPLY

The Cambridge Water Board is the supply authority for the area. During the year four samples for bacteriological examination were taken. All were reported to be satisfactory.

4. DRAINAGE AND NEW BUILDINGS

|                                                         |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Number of plans submitted under Building Regulations .. | 36 |
| Number of plans approved under Building Regulations ..  | 36 |
| Number of drains ..                                     | 16 |
| Number tested and approved ..                           | 16 |

5. PUBLIC CLEANING

There has not been any change in the method of collection of refuse since my last report. During the year the Council's Health and Housing Committee considered a report of mine on the possible introduction of a paper sack system of collection which set out the advantages and disadvantages of such a system. In my view the paper sack system is the only one which can satisfy the demands of hygiene and convenience of service to the householders although it is admitted that such a system is likely to be more costly than that of the existing kerb-side method of collection. Initially the Committee decided to undertake a pilot scheme using this system, but subsequently this decision was later reversed.

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As there were no cases reported.

7. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

I have nothing to add since my last report.

8. DEFENSIVE TRADES

There are none registered within the Borough.

9. SCRAP METAL DEALERS ACT, 1904

One dealer in the area remains on the register, but no operations were carried out at a depot and no registers have arisen.

10. INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The Medical Officer of Health did not require action to be taken by me in any case.

11. FOOD POISONING

There were not any cases notified during the year.

12. ICE-CREAM

There is one manufacturer in the area. Six samples were taken during the year and submitted for bacteriological examination. All were reported to be grade one. Three samples from other retailers were also submitted with the same result.

13. MILK

There is one registered producer/retailer in the area. Four samples were taken from his supply and submitted for examination for *Brucella Abortus*. All proved to be negative.

14. SLAUGHTERHOUSES

The public Slaughterhouse at Llanfair Road supplies the requirements of the Borough as well as a large part of the surrounding area. During the year an automatic pig dehairing machine was installed which has had the effect of speeding up the rate of through put. Also during the year electro-lethalers were installed in both the sheep and pig slaughtering rooms.

The following table shows the through-put for each of the past five years. It will be noticed that this year the through-put is somewhat lower than usual. This, I believe, was due to the economic aftermath of the great epidemic of foot and mouth disease which occurred in the winter of 1967/68.

|      | <u>Steers</u> | <u>Cows and<br/>Heifers</u> | <u>Calves</u> | <u>Sheep</u> | <u>Pigs</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|------|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1963 | 1,064         |                             | 16            | 6,872        | 1,364       | 9,316        |
| 1964 | 929           |                             | 12            | 7,429        | 1,157       | 9,527        |
| 1965 | 923           |                             | 19            | 9,276        | 2,271       | 12,489       |
| 1966 | 965           |                             | 15            | 10,818       | 2,138       | 13,936       |
| 1967 | 991           |                             | 12            | 10,514       | 1,935       | 13,452       |
| 1968 | 836           |                             | 3             | 8,937        | 2,087       | 11,834       |

# 11. FOOD POISONING

There were not any cases notified during the year.

# 12. ICE-CREAM

There is one manufacturer in the area. Six samples were taken during the year and submitted for bacteriological examination. All were reported to be Grade A. Three samples from other retailers were also submitted with the same result.

# 13. MILK

There is one registered producer/retailer in the area. Four samples were taken from his supply and submitted for examination for *Brucella Abortus*. All proved to be negative.

# 14. SEWAGEWORKS

The public Sewage Works at Llanfair Rhedyn supplies the residents of the Borough as well as a large part of the surrounding area. During the year an automatic pig debiting machine was installed which has had the effect of speeding up the rate of through put. Also during the year electric-fishers were installed in both the shop and pig slaughtering rooms.

The following table shows the through-put for each of the past five years. It will be noticed that this year the through-put is somewhat lower than usual. This, I believe, was due to the economic effects of the great epidemic of foot and mouth disease which occurred in the winter of 1967/68.

|      | <u>Steers</u> | <u>Cows and<br/>Heifers</u> | <u>Calves</u> | <u>Swine</u> | <u>Pigs</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|------|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1963 | 1,064         | 16                          | 6,872         | 1,364        | 9,316       |              |
| 1964 | 929           | 12                          | 7,429         | 1,137        | 9,527       |              |
| 1965 | 923           | 19                          | 9,276         | 2,271        | 12,489      |              |
| 1966 | 965           | 12                          | 10,818        | 2,138        | 13,933      |              |
| 1967 | 931           | 12                          | 10,514        | 1,932        | 13,452      |              |
| 1968 | 836           | 3                           | 8,937         | 2,087        | 11,863      |              |



# 15. MEAT INSPECTION

One hundred per cent inspection is carried out. During my absence local veterinary surgeons act as relief inspectors.

Number of animals killed and inspected:

|              |       |
|--------------|-------|
| Cattle ..... | 836   |
| Calves ..... | 3     |
| Sheep .....  | 8,937 |
| Pigs .....   | 2,087 |

## Meat and Offal Condemned

| <u>Tuberculosis only</u>     | <u>Cattle</u> | <u>Pigs</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Carcass and all organs ..... | Nil           | Nil         |
| Lungs .....                  | Nil           | Nil         |
| Head and Tongue .....        | Nil           | 6           |

## Diseases other than Tuberculosis

### Cattle

|                           |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 3 Whole carcasses .....   | Pathological Emaciation |
| 7 Heads and Tongues ..... | Actinobacillosis        |
| 356 Livers or parts ..... | Distomatosis            |
| 24 Lungs .....            | Pneumonia               |
| 17 Hearts .....           | Pericarditis            |

### Sheep

|                         |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 7 Whole carcasses ..... | Pathological Emaciation |
| 4 Whole carcasses ..... | Generalised Oedema      |
| 2 Whole carcasses ..... | Pyrexia                 |
| 2 Whole carcasses ..... | Bruising and Laceration |
| 1 Whole carcass .....   | Moribund Condition      |
| 463 Livers .....        | Distomatosis            |
| 67 Lungs .....          | Cystic                  |

### Pigs

|                            |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 Whole carcass .....      | Generalised Oedema         |
| 50 lbs, carcass meat ..... | Bruising and Laceration    |
| 61 lbs, carcass meat ..... | Abscesses                  |
| 34 Hearts and Lungs .....  | Pericarditis and Pneumonia |

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| 2,087 | Pigs   |

Meat and Offal Examined

| Pigs | Cattle | Examination only         |
|------|--------|--------------------------|
| MI   | MI     | Carcasses and all organs |
| MI   | MI     | Lungs                    |
| 0    | MI     | Heart and Tongue         |

Examination other than Inspection

Cattle

|                      |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 3                    | Whole carcasses   |
| 7                    | Heads and Tongues |
| 350                  | Livers or parts   |
| 34                   | Lungs             |
| 14                   | Hearts            |
| Pathological         |                   |
| Examination          |                   |
| Acute inflammation   |                   |
| Chronic inflammation |                   |
| Pneumonia            |                   |
| Pericarditis         |                   |

Sheep

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 7                     | Whole carcasses |
| 4                     | Whole carcasses |
| 2                     | Whole carcasses |
| 2                     | Whole carcasses |
| 1                     | Whole carcass   |
| 403                   | Livers          |
| 67                    | Lungs           |
| Pathological          |                 |
| Examination           |                 |
| Generalized infection |                 |
| Pneumonia             |                 |
| Brucella and          |                 |
| Liver                 |                 |
| Metabolic condition   |                 |
| Dysentery             |                 |
| Gastro                |                 |

Pigs

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1                     | Whole carcass    |
| 30 lbs.               | carcass meat     |
| 61 lbs.               | carcass meat     |
| 34                    | Hearts and lungs |
| Pneumonia             |                  |
| Pericarditis and      |                  |
| Liver                 |                  |
| Brucella and          |                  |
| Generalized infection |                  |



## 16. FOOD INSPECTION AND HYGIENE

The following goods were condemned as being unfit for human consumption and were surrendered to me and destroyed:-

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Canned Ham .....              | 42 lbs.    |
| Canned Fruit .....            | 80 Cans    |
| Canned Meat and Fish .....    | 15 Cans    |
| Canned Vegetables .....       | 37 Cans    |
| Canned Milk and Cream .....   | 21 Cans    |
| Frozen Meat and Poultry ..... | 1,709 lbs. |
| Ice-cream .....               | 60 lbs.    |

## 17. MARKETS

The Council owns a centrally sited market which is leased to a local firm of auctioneers. During the year a new building to house pigs was erected. The principal marts are held on Mondays and Tuesdays of alternate weeks. Cleansing of the mart is carried out by the Council's staff. On mart days stall holders are also allowed to pitch their stalls on the Common Car Park and St. Thomas Street.

## 18. HOUSING

|                                                     |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Number of dwellings in the area .....               | 708 |
| Number of Council owned dwellings .....             | 136 |
| Number of Houses completed during the year:         |     |
| (a) Council .....                                   | 0   |
| (b) Private .....                                   | 22  |
| Number of Houses under construction at end of year: |     |
| (a) Council .....                                   | 0   |
| (b) Private .....                                   | 1   |

### Housing Need

During the year ten families from the waiting list were allocated houses. At the end of the year forty names remained on the waiting list.

### Improvement Grants

#### (a) Discretionary

|                                        |        |
|----------------------------------------|--------|
| Number of applications received .....  | 2      |
| Number of applications approved .....  | 2      |
| Number of applications completed ..... | 4      |
| Amount paid in grant .....             | £1,430 |





(b) Standard

|                                        |      |
|----------------------------------------|------|
| Number of applications received .....  | 3    |
| Number of applications approved .....  | 3    |
| Number of applications completed ..... | 1    |
| Amount paid in grant .....             | £155 |

Up-to-date the Borough Council has paid in grant the total of £19,752.

19. MOVABLE DWELLINGS

There is one authorised caravan site in the area which is licensed for twelve caravans.

20. OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

The following table shows the work carried out to the end of the year:-

| Class of Premises                                    | Number of premises registered during the year | Total number registered at end of year | Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Offices                                              | -                                             | 36                                     | 5                                                                            |
| Retail Shops                                         | -                                             | 50                                     | 1                                                                            |
| Wholesale Shops, Warehouses                          | Nil                                           | Nil                                    | Nil                                                                          |
| Catering establishments open to the public, canteens | -                                             | 9                                      | 3                                                                            |
| Fuel Storage depots                                  | Nil                                           | Nil                                    | Nil                                                                          |

Number of Exemptions ..... Nil  
 Number of Prosecutions ..... Nil





21. CIVIC AMENITIES ACT 1967

During the year it was found necessary to invoke the provisions of this act to secure the removal of two cars which had apparently been abandoned.

22. RODENT CONTROL

The Council does not employ a full-time operator. This work is a part-time duty carried out by a member of the Council's staff.

Sewerage System

Four sewer treatments were given during the year when very little evidence of infestation was found.

Refuse Tip and Slaughterhouse

As both these properties are at continuous risk, frequent baiting is carried out.

Generally

|                                                             |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Number of properties inspected following notification ..... | 30 |
| Number found infested by rats .....                         | 10 |

/23. Factories Inspection .....



23. FACTORIES INSPECTION

(1) Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health

| Premises<br>(1)                                                                                      | Number on<br>Register<br>(2) | Number of         |                           |                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                                                                                                      |                              | Inspection<br>(3) | Written<br>Notices<br>(4) | Occupiers<br>Prosecuted<br>(5) |
| (i) Factories in which section 1,2,3,4, & 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority                | Nil                          | Nil               | Nil                       | Nil                            |
| (ii) Factories not included in (i) which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority                | 24                           | 32                | Nil                       | Nil                            |
| (iii) Other premises in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authorities (excluding out-workers) | 1                            | 5                 | Nil                       | Nil                            |





(2) Cases in which defects were found

| Particulars<br><br>(1)                                                          | Number of cases in which defects were found |                 |                          |                          | Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted<br><br>(6) |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                 | Found<br>(2)                                | Remedied<br>(3) | Referred                 |                          |                                                                  |
|                                                                                 |                                             |                 | To H.M. Inspector<br>(4) | By H.M. Inspector<br>(5) |                                                                  |
| Want of Cleanliness (S.1)                                                       | 3                                           | 3               | Nil                      | Nil                      | Nil                                                              |
| Overcrowding (S.2)                                                              | Nil                                         | Nil             | Nil                      | Nil                      | Nil                                                              |
| Unreasonable temperature (S.3)                                                  | Nil                                         | Nil             | Nil                      | Nil                      | Nil                                                              |
| Inadequate ventilation (S.4)                                                    | Nil                                         | Nil             | Nil                      | Nil                      | Nil                                                              |
| Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)                                            | Nil                                         | Nil             | Nil                      | Nil                      | Nil                                                              |
| <u>Sanitary conveniences</u> (S.7)                                              |                                             |                 |                          |                          |                                                                  |
| (a) Insufficient                                                                | Nil                                         | Nil             | Nil                      | Nil                      | Nil                                                              |
| (b) Unsuitable or defective                                                     | Nil                                         | Nil             | Nil                      | Nil                      | Nil                                                              |
| (c) Not separate for sexes                                                      | Nil                                         | Nil             | Nil                      | Nil                      | Nil                                                              |
| Other offences against the Act (not including Offences relating to out-workers) | Nil                                         | Nil             | Nil                      | Nil                      | Nil                                                              |
| TOTAL                                                                           | 3                                           | 3               | Nil                      | Nil                      | Nil                                                              |





24. CONCLUSION

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