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# To the Chairman and Members of the Vaynor and Penderyn Rural District Council.

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Gentlemen,—

I beg to submit to you my Annual Report upon the Sanitary Condition and the Vital Statistics relating to the Rural District for the year 1938. As far as possible, I am following the directions contained in the Circular issued on the subject by the Ministry of Health.

It is not necessary to repeat matters which have appeared in previous Reports, except so far as they demonstrate improvements or developments which have taken place, or to indicate defects in the sanitary conditions of the district which have not yet been remedied. I find, however, that many inhabitants and ratepayers are interested in the description of the area, its boundaries and other conditions, and I think it serves a useful purpose to again submit such particulars.

The Rural District comprises the three Parishes of Vaynor, Penderyn, and Ystradfellte, in the County of Brecon. The Parish of Ystradfellte, which had been administered by the Neath Rural District Council, was added to this Rural District by a Review Order of April 1st, 1934.

## TOPOGRAPHY

The Rural District is situated on the southern boundary of the County of Brecon, and is separated from North Glamorganshire by the Rivers Taff, Cynon, and Pyrddin respectively.

The Parish of Vaynor comprises two valleys running northwards towards two spurs of the Brecknock Beacons, and the Parish of Penderyn consists of a high tableland adjoining and emerging towards the same mountainous area. These rural Parishes are only separated by the narrow streams already mentioned from the County of Glamorgan, and the important populous Urban Districts of Aberdare and Merthyr Tydfil on the south. The Parish of Ystradfellte presents similar physical features, extending from the rugged Van mountains to the north covering a rough hilly tableland intersected by two very narrow valleys converging towards an apex at Pontneathvaughan.

## ELEVATION

The district as a whole is at great elevation above sea level, varying from 263 feet to no less than 2,250 feet; it will be realised that the nearly 40,000 acres contained in the area includes a considerable amount of sparsely inhabited mountain land. In the Parish of Vaynor, the levels extend from 645 feet near Cefn Bridge to 1,612 feet at Twyn y Croes on the mountain above Cwm Glais. Penderyn Parish



presents levels varying from 588 feet at Cynon Bridge, Hirwaun, to 1,376 feet at the top of Twyn Cadlan; while the Parish of Ystradfellte contains such extreme variations of level as 263 feet at the bridge at Pontneathvaughan, and 2,250 feet near the top of Fan Fawr, which mountain is partly in the parish.

### BOUNDARIES

Parish of Vaynor (East Side).—The Taf Fechan River from its junction with the Taf Fawr River as far as the junction with the Car Brook. At Pont Garreg four parishes meet—Vaynor, Caatref, Llanvigan, and Llanddetty.

North Side.—From Car Brook to the junction of the Llysiog Brook with the Taf Fawr River.

West Side.—Taf Fawr River from its junction with the Taf Fechan River to the junction of the Llysiog Brook and the Taf Fawr River.

Parish of Penderyn (East Side).—The Taf Fawr River from the Ffrwd Brook to Nantygougarn.

North Side.—From Nantygougarn, where it joins the River Hepste, to the junction of the Rivers Hepste and Mellte, and from the Mellte River to Dinas Rock.

South Side.—From Dinas Rock, following Cwmnant Brook to the Cynon River near Lletty Rhys, and the Cynon River as far as the junction of Nant Hir at Cwm Ynys Mwn Tan, and following Nant Hir Brook to Nant Ffrwd Brook to its junction with the Taf Fawr River.

Parish of Ystradfellte (North Side).—From Carn-yr-Onen to Nant-yr-Eira.

South Side.—From Heol Las to Scwd Eira, and along the Afon Mellte to the bridge at Pontneathvaughan.

East Side.—From Nant-yr-Eira to Blaen Hepste and along the River Hepste to Heol Las.

West Side.—Afon Nedd at Pontneathvaughan Bridge to Nant-y-Bryn and Nant-y-Bryn to Carn-yr-Onen.

### GEOLOGICAL FORMATION

The Geological Formation of Vaynor and Penderyn consists of under-strata of conglomerate sandstone, carboniferous limestone, and old red sandstone rocks. There are no mineral riches, save where the limestone is being quarried, but the formation yields a healthy subsoil, which is favourable to good housing conditions. The district is itself a purely agricultural one, there being no industries of importance, but a majority of the workers are normally employed in the coal-mining industry, the coal measures cropping out immediately to the south of the district, this being the northern edge of the South Wales Coal Basin. There is, however, much unemployment in the area.

### CLIMATE

The proximity of the well-known range of mountains known as the Brecknock Beacons accounts for the rather heavy rainfall that prevails. Some of the largest reservoirs in Wales are partly in the Rural District.

**ACREAGE**

Penderyn	...	...	13,366.337 acres.
Vaynor	...	...	6,549.706 acres.
Ystradfellte	...	...	19,355 acres.
Total	...	...	<u>39,271 acres.</u>

**RATEABLE VALUE**

As on 30th September, 1938.

Parish of Penderyn	...	...	£12,342
Parish of Vaynor	...	...	£18,876
Ystradfellte	...	...	£6,395
Total	...	...	<u>£37,613</u>

The total Rateable Value remains practically stationary, Penderyn showing a slight increase, the other parishes a decrease.

A Penny Rate produced in 1937-38 :

Penderyn	...	...	...	£51	8	6
Vaynor	...	...	...	£78	13	0
Ystradfellte	...	...	...	£26	12	11
Total	...	...	...	<u>£156</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>5</u>

**POPULATION.—CENSUS RETURN**

CENSUS, 1931 :—

				<i>Males.</i>		<i>Females.</i>		<i>Total.</i>
Penderyn	...	...	...	973	...	885	...	1858
Vaynor	...	...	...	1544	...	1619	...	3163
Ystradfellte	...	...	...	341	...	309	...	650
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	<u>5671</u>

CENSUS RETURNS :—

		<i>Year.</i>		<i>Year.</i>		<i>Year.</i>		<i>Year.</i>
		1901		1911		1921		1931
Vaynor and Penderyn	...	4766	...	5526	...	5674	...	5021
Ystradfellte	...	—	...	627	...	613	...	650

The decrease from 1921 to 1931 of the three Parishes was 9.8 per cent.

**CENSUS RETURN, 1931.****VAYNOR AND PENDERYN RURAL DISTRICT.**

**HOUSING.**—The Census of 1931 showed an increase in the number of houses of 22 compared with 1921, and a decrease of 29 families in the same period.

There are 77 Two-roomed Houses in the District.

There are 142 Three-roomed Houses in the District.

There are 6 Four-roomed Houses occupied by 2 families.

There are 13 Five-roomed Houses occupied by 3 families. One being occupied by 4 families.



				<i>Separate dwellings.</i>		<i>Rooms.</i>		<i>Persons per room</i>
Penderyn	...	...	...	429	...	2149	...	.86
Vaynor	...	...	...	838	...	3963	...	.80
Ystradfellte	...	...	...	147	...	709	...	.92

## SEPARATE FAMILIES.

Penderyn	...	...	...	456
Vaynor	...	...	...	867
Ystradfellte	...	...	...	151

## DENSITY OF POPULATION

The Census Return for 1931 shows that the population per acre for the Rural District was 0.14 person; this is the lowest in the County of Brecon, except Brecon Rural, 0.03, and Hay Rural, 0.1. This shows how sparse is the population in your district, distributed over a wide area, except for four or five more compact villages. The density of Penderyn was 0.14 per acre; of Vaynor, 0.84; and of Ystradfellte, 0.033.

Language.—10 males and 15 females are stated to be able to speak Welsh only, in Penderyn. In Vaynor, the number was 11 males and 14 females. In the Parish of Ystradfellte, the number given is 26.

School Population.—The census for 1931 showed that the number of children between the ages of 5 years and 14 years in the area was 1,096 (513 males and 583 females).

Marital Condition.—The Census Return shows that 1,159 males and 1,187 females in the district were married persons; 150 males and 237 females were in the widowed state, and 2 females were divorced persons.

## POPULATION

The Registrar General estimates the population in the Rural District for 1938 as 5,237, a decrease on the previous year of 39 persons. Calculating on that basis, I estimate the population of Vaynor at 2,767, Penderyn at 1,787, and Ystradfellte at 683.

## BIRTH RATE

Births.—The births in the rural district in 1938 numbered 67 (males 37, females 30), compared with 68 in 1937.

Birth Rate.—The rate of Births (live) per 1,000 of the population was 12.79, compared with 12.88 in 1937. The Birth Rate for England and Wales in 1938 was 15.1, and that for Brecon County in 1937 was 13.79. The low Birth Rate in this area and in the County I attribute to the migration of the younger population.

Still Births.—These show an increase, the number being 8 (6 legitimate, 2 illegitimate). The rate per 1,000 of the population being 1.5, compared with 0.6 in England and Wales, and 1.02 in Brecon County in 1937. A comparatively high still birth rate continues throughout the County. The County M.O.H. has given much attention to the matter, and has presented useful analyses of the causes. The

principal cause appears to be premature birth, and possibly mal-nutrition may be an important factor. It is my opinion that where much unemployment exists the women present greater evidence of this than the men and the children.

### DEATH RATE

The total number of deaths assigned to the district in 1938 was 87 (45 males, 42 females), compared with 73 in 1937 and 76 in 1936. Of the 87 deaths, 22 occurred outside the district, usually in a hospital. This number shows a tendency to increase. There was no death in the district of a non-resident.

Death Rate.—The mortality rate for the year, calculated by the number of deaths per 1,000 of the population, was 16.69. In 1937 it was 13.8. The rate for England and Wales for 1938 is announced as 11.6, and that for Brecon County in 1937 was 13.3.

### DEATHS FROM CERTAIN SPECIFIED DISEASES

Infants Under 1 Year.—There were 7 deaths of infants under 1 year (1 of an illegitimate child). Last year (1937) 1 death of such infants was recorded, and in 1936 there were 4; the same number in 1935; while in the two previous years there were recorded 6 and 8.

Infantile Mortality.—The rate of deaths of infants under 1 year per 1,000 births is described as the Infant Mortality Rate, and for 1938 the rate was 10.4; last year (1937) it was 14.7. In England and Wales the Infant Mortality Rate was 53 in 1938, and in Brecon County in 1937 the rate was 5.17, the rates in various parts of the County varying from 0 to 123.7. It will therefore be seen that the small figures involved in a single year do not warrant any definite conclusions being drawn as to the conditions in the area. For instance, in this area the average infantile mortality over the period of the last 5 years was 60.7, which approximates to the average of the County.

Diarrhoea (under 2 years).—Again this year no death occurred under this heading.

Maternal Mortality.—There was no death from puerperal fever. Two deaths were assigned to other complications of childbirth.

Tuberculosis.—There were 2 deaths from Tuberculosis of the Lungs (1 male and 1 female). There were no deaths from other forms of Tuberculosis.

Cancer.—There were 5 deaths from cancer (3 males and 2 females). Last year there were 3, and in 1936-37, and in 1935 the number was 8. I have repeatedly drawn attention to my impression that there is an increase in the mortality from cancer. In Brecon County, for instance, deaths from cancer in 1937 numbered 87; in 1936 the number was 76, and in 1935 there were 80. Whether this is so or not, it is satisfactory to note that a combined effort is being made to reduce the mortality, by research to ascertain the cause and educating the public to realise the importance of seeking the earliest opinion as to the nature of any unusual lump or swelling, as early treatment may arrest the disease.



## DEATHS FROM ALL CAUSES.

					Males.	Females.
Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	—	1
Influenza	...	...	...	...	—	—
Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	1	1
Cancer	...	...	...	...	3	2
Diabetes	...	...	...	...	—	—
Cerebral Hemorrhage	...	...	...	...	7	3
Heart Disease	...	...	...	...	10	15
Other Circulatory Diseases	...	...	...	...	3	—
Brinckitis	...	...	...	...	1	—
Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	5	1
Digestive System	...	...	...	...	2	2
Nephritis	...	...	...	...	—	—
Congenital Causes	...	...	...	...	2	3
Senility	...	...	...	...	9	5
Suicide	...	...	...	...	1	3
Violence	...	...	...	...	1	1
Other Causes	...	...	...	...	1	5
TOTAL	...	...	...	...	45	42

There was no death from Scarlet Fever, Measles, Whooping Cough, Influenza, or Puerperal Sepsis. There were 2 deaths from other puerperal causes.

Transferable Deaths.—There were 22 deaths of inhabitants of the Rural District which occurred outside the area during the year. There was no death of a non-resident in the district.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF STATISTICS OF THE  
RURAL DISTRICT FOR FIVE YEARS

Year.	Population.	Births.	Rate.	Deaths.	Rate.
1934...	5561	85	15.2	77	14.07
1935...	5477	78	14.2	78	14.2
1936...	5360	63	11.7	77	14.3
1937...	5276	68	18.38	73	13.8
1938...	5237	67	12.79	87	16.6

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR  
THE AREA

Officers.—The Medical Officer of Health possesses the D.P.H. There is one Sanitary Inspector, who has the Diploma of the Royal Sanitary Institute and has a certificate for meat inspection. He also acts as Surveyor and Engineer to the Council, and has an Architectural Assistant and one Clerk. Much of his time has naturally been



occupied lately with important sewage works, waterworks, and re-housing, and the need of an additional Sanitary Inspector has been felt.

**Laboratory Facilities.**—These are provided under arrangements with R. Pendrill Charles, Esq., F.C.S., and samples of milk are also sent to Aberystwyth University College.

**Ambulance Facilities.**—These continue as detailed in my last Annual Report, and are on the whole adequate.

**Nursing in the Home.**—Provided by Voluntary Association, aided by grant from the County Council.

Clinics are provided by the County Council at Cefn and Penderyn.

**Hospitals.**—Public and Voluntary. These are as described in my last Annual Report, and are sufficient for the needs of the District except that there is still no proper provision for cases of Infectious Disease. The District has to rely at present on an arrangement whereby cases are admitted to Mardy Hospital when it is possible to make provision for them. It is true that the District has been remarkably free from cases of Infectious Disease, but there is necessarily now a large number of susceptible young persons, and it is hoped the Joint Hospital may materialise shortly.

#### SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

**Water Supply.**—The district is exceptionally well supplied with water, mainly from the public mains of Taf Fechan Water Board, Aberdare Council, Neath Rural Council, while this Council provides a public supply of filtered water from their own reservoir to Penderyn, and a supply of unfiltered water from a spring at Ystradfellte. It is intended to obtain a supply of water for this village from the Neath Council main. An extension of the main of the Aberdare Council to furnish water for Croes Bychan has been completed.

**Quality.**—Examination of the various waters chemically and bacteriologically were made twice during the year. In October it was reported by the Analyst that the bacteriological results were unsatisfactory in the case of supplies from the Taf Fechan Board, Aberdare Council, Neath Rural Council and the Council's own supply. *Bacillus coli* being present in each sample and necessitating more efficient filtration, the reports were sent to the authorities concerned and a later analysis showed a great improvement.

**Drainage and Sewerage.**—During the year the sewerage outfall works at Pontneathvaughan and Pontsticill were completed, and the sewerage scheme at Penderyn was started. This, with the projected small scheme at Ystradfellte, which will be undertaken shortly, will enable the Council to claim that the whole area has been provided with sanitary systems. The outfall works at Hirwaun, which were completed many years ago, require to be brought up to date and the land should be kept in better order. The caretaker, who recently died, had been unable to give proper attention to the work for some time.

**Refuse Collection and its Disposal.**—This is done daily in the district, and the few ash bins which are provided for detached groups of houses are cleared regularly. I would regard the provision of an incinerator at Hirwaun as a very desirable improvement.



Rivers and Streams.—I am satisfied that there is no material pollution in the area.

Closet Accommodation.—There were sixty-seven closets at Pontneathvaughan and Pontsticill converted to the water carriage system during the year, and there are ten remaining on the conservancy system which, owing to difficulties of level, cannot at present be dealt with. Farms and isolated cottages cannot, of course, have such provision made for them.

Swimming Baths and Pools.—There are none such in the area.

Eradication of Bed Bugs.—This matter is dealt with in the report of the Sanitary Inspector which follows.

Milk Supply.—Farms and dairies are inspected regularly, and improvements are constantly being carried out, and there is a great advance lately. Samples of milk are analysed at frequent intervals, and bacteriologically examined.

Meat and Other Foods.—There is only the registered slaughterhouse, and slaughtering is only done as a rule on two days a week. The Inspector visits at frequent intervals. A good many sheep, lambs and pigs are slaughtered on farms, and notice of this is insisted on and the Inspector visits and examines the carcasses.

#### CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

	<i>Cattle excluding Cows.</i>	<i>Cows.</i>	<i>Calves.</i>	<i>Sheep and Lambs.</i>	<i>Pigs.</i>
Number killed ...	—	1	23	518	72
Number inspected ...	—	1	7	215	42
Carcases condemned	—	0	0	0	0
Carcases' organs condemned ...	—	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis found ...	—	0	0	0	0

#### PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS DISEASE

The District continues to enjoy a notable freedom from notifiable Infectious Disease,—this the more remarkable as in two directions it is contiguous to large communities at Merthyr and Aberdare. As I have already indicated, this continued absence of such disease means an increasing proportion of the population being susceptible as unprotected by a previous attack. This makes the absence of proper provision for isolation a matter of concern to me.

#### SCHOOLS

These have been inspected. The school at Pontsticill is much below the standard required both internally and as regards playing ground.

**NOTIFIABLE DISEASE**

(Other than Tuberculosis, 1938).

DISEASE.	Total Number	Admitted to Hospital	Deaths
Small Pox ... ..	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever ... ..	2	—	—
Diphtheria ... ..	2	—	1
Enteric Fever ... ..	—	—	—
Puerperal Fever ... ..	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia ... ..	2	—	—
Pneumonia ... ..	1	—	—
Erysipelas ... ..	1	—	—

This gives a total of 8, compared with 4 in 1936.

There was no case of Ophthalmic Neonatorium notified.

**TUBERCULOSIS**

NEW CASES.					DEATHS.			
Age periods	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
15-25 ...	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
25-35 ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35-45 ...	—	2	—	1	—	1	—	—
45 upwards	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
TOTALS ...	1	3	—	2	1	1	—	—

I am not aware of any case of Tuberculosis not notified.

There was no occasion for action during the year under the Tuberculosis Regulations, 1925, or Section 62 of the Public Health Act 1925, during the year.

**SANITARY INSPECTION AND HOUSING**

These are dealt with in the report of the Sanitary Inspector, which follows.



## SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE DISTRICT

*Annual Report of Mr. W. G. Bond, A.R.S.I. Sanitary Inspector.*

States that his office is at 134, High Street, Merthyr, and his residence is at "Devonia," Cefn Coed, Vaynor. His telephone number is Merthyr 263, and his office telephone, Merthyr 466. He has a supply of antitoxin, swabs and disinfectants at his office and at his home address; there is also a supply available at the Post Office, Pont-neath-Vaughan.

NOTICES.—He served 38 notices and 5 notices prior to proceedings as a result of his routine inspections during the year.

FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS.—All were visited by him, and he found no matter that appeared to require the issue of any formal notice. They were found satisfactory as regards air space, ventilation, water supply and sanitary arrangements. In accordance with Section 41, Part III. of the Factory Act, 1937, an efficient water supply is being connected to all factories in the area for drinking purposes.

Factory visits, 14. Workshop visits, 15.

DAIRIES AND COWSHEDS.—He has regularly visited these. He has continued to give notices requiring improvements at farms, and a steady improvement in the conditions has to be recorded.

NEW BUILDINGS.—Plans of the following were examined and submitted for approval to the Council, and the work inspected during progress and on completion—2 bungalows; 1 addition to building; 1 hut; 2 alterations; 4 houses; 2 garages; 1 cowshed.

WORKSHOPS in the Parish of Vaynor are : 3 bakehouses, 2 boot-makers, 3 carpenters, 2 painters, 1 sculptor, 3 dressmakers. Total, 14.

FACTORIES in Vaynor are : 3 bakehouses, 1 sausage factory, 1 quarry. Total 5.

WORKSHOPS in the Parish of Penderyn are : 1 bakehouse, 2 dressmakers. Total 3.

FACTORIES in Penderyn are : 1 brickworks, 2 quarries. Total 3.

FACTORY in Ystradfellte is : 1 quarry.

HOUSING ACTS, 1930-1936. The 60 houses at Hirwaun and Cefn forming schemes No. 2 have been completed and are now occupied. Plans and specifications are being prepared for an additional 12 at Hirwaun, 60 at Cefn, 6 at Pontsticill, 12 at Pont-neath-Vaughan and 6 at Penderyn as set out below :—

			<i>One Bedroom</i>	<i>Two Bedrooms</i>	<i>Three Bedrooms</i>	<i>Four Bedrooms</i>
Vaynor	...	...	2	16	31	17
Penderyn	...	...	—	4	12	2
Ystradfellte	...	...	—	2	8	2
TOTALS	...	...	2	22	51	21

## ERADICATION OF BED BUGS.

No. of Council houses infested	...	...	—
Other houses	...	...	8
Disinfested	...	...	8

The method used is Lowe's solution. The belongings of tenants removed to Council houses are disinfested by cyanide process, the work being done by contract. Tenants have been instructed to report any re-infestation and houses are regularly visited.

## SECTION D.—HOUSING.

1. *Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year :—*

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) ...	...	...	...	...	270
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	...	...	...	...	423
(2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932 ...	...	...	...	...	Nil.
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	...	...	...	...	Nil.
(3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation ...	...	...	...	...	8
(4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation ...	...	...	...	...	Nil.

2. *Remedy of Defects during Year without Service of Formal Notices :—*

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers ...	...	...	...	Nil.
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3. *Action under Statutory Powers during the Year :—*

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936 :					
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ...	...	...	...	...	25
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :—					
(a) By owners ...	...	...	...	...	Nil.
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	...	...	...	...	Nil.
(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts :					
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied ...	...	...	...	...	32
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :—					
(a) By owners ...	...	...	...	...	32
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	...	...	...	...	Nil.



## (c) Proceedings under sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936 :—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made ... ..	8
(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders ... ..	Nil.

## (d) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936 :—

(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made ...	2
(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit ... ..	Nil.

4. *Housing Act, 1936—Part IV.—Overcrowding :—*

(a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of year	63
(ii) Number of families dwelling therein ... ..	13
(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein ... ..	336
(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year ... ..	Nil.
(c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding during the year ...	2
(ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases ... ..	20
(d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	Nil.



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR  
THE YEAR 1938, FOR THE RURAL DISTRICT OF  
VAYNOR AND PENDERYN.

On the administration of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, and the  
Factories Act, 1937 (which superseded the Act of 1901 on the  
1st July, 1938).

1. INSPECTION OF FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS AND WORKPLACES.  
Including Inspection made by Sanitary Inspectors.

<i>Premises</i> (1)	NUMBER OF		
	<i>Inspections</i> (2)	<i>Written Notices</i> (3)	<i>Occupiers prosecuted</i> (4)
FACTORIES (with mechanical power) ...	14	—	—
FACTORIES (without mechanical power)	15	—	—
§OTHER PREMISES under the Act (in- cluding works of building and engineering construction, but not including outworkers' premises) ...	None in	the District	
TOTAL ... ..	29	—	—

§ Electrical stations should be reckoned as factories.

## 2. DEFECTS FOUND IN FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS AND WORKPLACES.

Particulars.  (1)	NUMBER OF DEFECTS.			Number of defects in respect of which Prosecutions were instituted (5)
	Found. (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred H.M. Inspector (4)	
Want of cleanliness (S. 1) ...				
Overcrowding (S. 2) ...				
Unreasonable temperature (S. 3) ...				
Inadequate ventilation (S. 4) ...				
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)				
Sanitary Conveniences (S. 7)—				
Insufficient ...				
Unsuitable or defective ...				
Not separate for sexes ...				
Other offences ...				
<i>(Not including offences relating to home work or offences under the Sections mentioned in the Schedule to the Ministry of Health Factories and Workshops Transfer of Powers) Order, 1921, and re-enacted in the Third Schedule to the Factories Act, 1937)</i>				
TOTAL ...	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

	TOTAL	...	...
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Your obedient Servant,

*Medical Officer of Health.*

11th May, 1939.



Waynor and Penderyn Rural District Council.—Financial Statement of Income and Expenditure for year ended 31st March, 1938.

PART I.

INCOME.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance brought forward from 31st March, 1937	4534	6 11	Due Under Precepts:		
Rate Income:			Breconshire County Council	21853	15 4
General Expenses chargeable upon the whole District	25254	6 8	Breconshire County Assessment Committee	39	0 11
Special Rates	1906	16 3	Waynor Parish Council	40	0 0
Water Rates (Penderyn)	74	4 9	Penderyn Parish Council	34	0 0
Water Charges (Ystradfellte)	0	6 0	Ystradfellte Parish Council	80	1 6
Ministry of Health:			do.	39	18 10
Parochial Exchequer Grants	191	10 0	Other Expenditure:		
Tithe Act Grant	323	6 3	Cefn Coed Sewerage Works—Working Expenses	267	4 10
Ministry of Labour:			Cefn Coed Sewerage Works—Loan and Interest	552	0 0
Grant—Penderyn Waterworks	97	12 8	Pontsallil Sewerage Works—Loan and Interest	34	5 8
County Council:			Hirwaun Sewerage Works—Working Expenses	228	3 3
Salaries of Medical Officer and Sanitary Inspector	220	0 0	Penderyn Sewerage Scheme—Initial Expenses	39	6 9
Proportion of Parochial Exchequer Grants	150	15 0	Pontneathvaughan Sewerage—Initial Expenses	27	12 8
Other Income:			Pontneathvaughan Sewerage—Loan and Interest	42	12 1
Rent of Garden—Cefn Sewerage Works	0	6 0	Ystradfellte Sewerage—Working Expenses	3	0 0
Sale of Hay—Cefn Sewerage Works	1	1 0	Penderyn Waterworks—Working Expenses	60	8 11
Rent of Garden—Cefn Coed (Cefn Isaf)	0	1 0	Penderyn Waterworks—Loan and Interest	288	19 8
Public Convenience—Pontsallil	3	7 4	Gross Bychan Water Supply—Loan and Interest	15	5 3
Public Convenience—Pontsallil	0	18 11	Penderyn Water (Ogof Fawr)—Loan and Interest	129	7 11
Public Convenience—Penderyn	0	5 6	Scavenging—Penderyn Parish	91	14 9
Housing (Slum Clearance, &c.) Acts	0	10 0	Scavenging—Waynor Parish	310	5 8
Under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts	20	9 8	Scavenging—Ystradfellte Parish	59	10 0
Extracts from Valuation List for H.M.I. of Taxes	22	11 4	Notification of Disease and General Disinfection	43	15 5
Searches—Land Charges Register	0	7 6	Maintenance of Fever Patients	24	7 6
Petrol Licenses	3	0 0	Salaries, etc., Health Services	665	5 0
Ministry of Labour—Refund of National Insurance Contributions	0	4 6	Pontsallil Public Convenience	12	9 9
Coronation Celebrations	2	0 0	Pontsallil Public Convenience	9	4 6
Bank Interest	33	10 0	Penderyn Public Convenience	42	14 7
Penderyn Waterworks—Work executed	1	4 8	Returns of Births and Deaths	1	18 8
Adjustment of Housing Revenue Account	5	7 1	Rate Fund Contribution to Housing Revenue A/c.	298	9 3
Penderyn Water (Ogof Fawr)—Materials sold	4	16 0	Annual Contribution to Housing Revenue A/c	107	17 1
			Housing (Slum Clearance & Overcrowding) Schemes	372	12 1
			Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts	19	2 10
			Public Lighting—Penderyn Parish	231	10 1
			Public Lighting—Waynor Parish	257	8 8
			Public Lighting—Ystradfellte Parish	27	1 11
			Fire Brigades	161	5 6
			Election of Members of Council	90	4 10
			Valuation Expenses	214	1 0
			Telephone Kiosk, Cefn Coed	2	2 0
			Yard and Shed Rentals	18	11 0
			Air Raid Precautions	0	4 0
			Salaries of Officers	305	0 0
			Establishment Charges	384	16 1
			Cost of Collection—General Rate	572	11 4
			Cost of Collection—Special Rate	44	6 7
			Miscellaneous Payments—Roadside Seats, £50/0/3;	122	2 6
			National Insur., £51/17/3; other payments, £20/5/-	4589	15 3
			Balance carried forward	£32,855	16 6



# PART II.—LOAN AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

INCOME.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Balances brought forward (Water Supply)	2066 9 2	Balances brought forward (Small Dwelling Acquisition)	£8 13 4
SMALL DWELLING ACQUISITION.		(Housing)	224 3 6
Repayment of Advances	17 6 8		
HOUSING.		SMALL DWELLING ACQUISITION.	
Loans Raised	25942 0 0	Capital Expenditure	17 6 8
Revenue and Special Accounts (Housing Repairs and Equalisation)	181 2 2	HOUSING.	
SEWERAGE.		Expended by Council on Works	19959 8 2
Loans Raised	4083 0 0	SEWERAGE.	
Government Grants	1460 0 0	Expended by Council on Works	3800 15 6
WATER SUPPLY.		WATER SUPPLY.	
Ministry of Health Grant	62 10 0	Expended by Council on Works	2232 17 0
Brecon County Council Grant	125 0 0	Repayment of Loan	116 11 5
BALANCES carried forward—		PLAYING FIELDS.	
Small Dwelling Acquisition	8 13 4	Expended by Council on Works	170 5 9
Water Supply	95 9 3	FINANCIAL ADJUSTMENT.	
Playing Fields	170 5 9	Expended by Council	251 0 11
Financial Adjustment	251 0 11	BALANCES carried forward—	£ s. d.
		Housing	5919 10 6
		Sewerage	1742 4 6
	525 9 3		7661 15 0
	<u>£34462 17 3</u>		<u>£34462 17 3</u>

Audited and found correct—(Signed) ALAN WILSON,  
Assistant District Auditor,  
16th July, 1938.

FRANK T. JAMES,  
Clerk and Chief Financial Officer to the Council.



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