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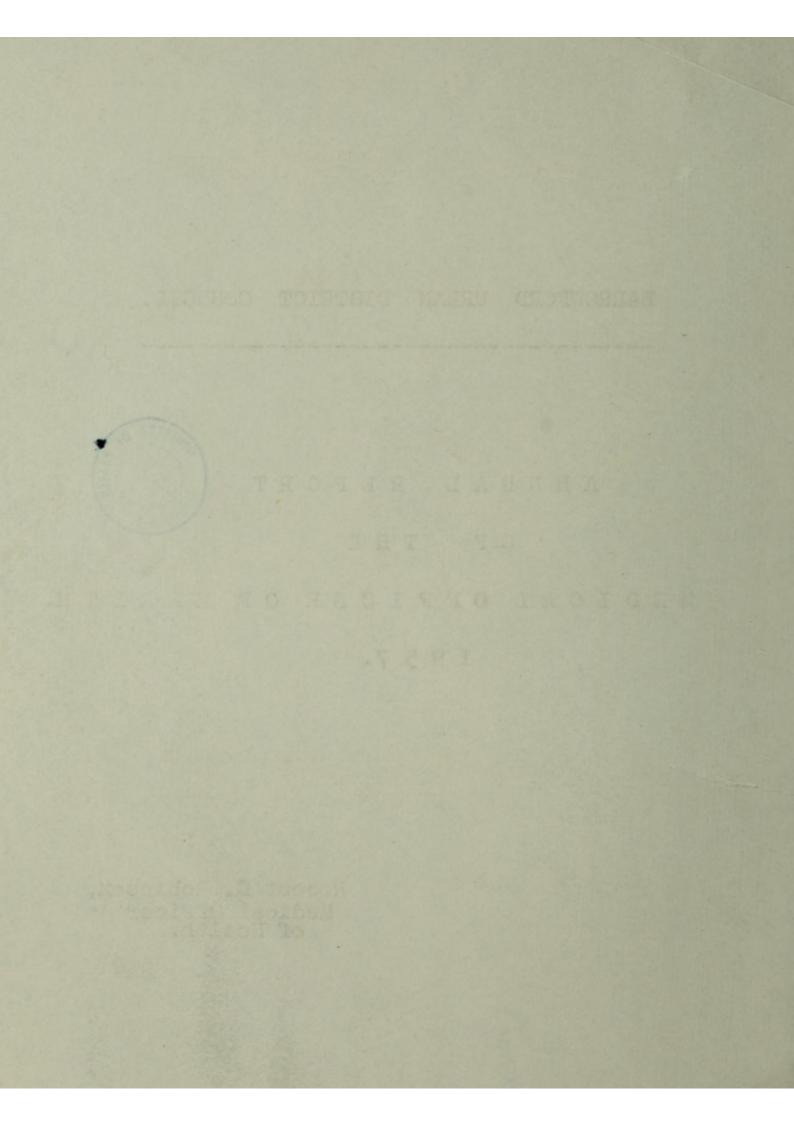


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23rd May, 1958.

To the Chairman and Members of the Barrowford Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen.

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report for the year ended 31st December, 1957.

Various statistics and comparisons together with my comments thereon, are given in appropriate sections of the report. From this information it is evident that it was a relatively satisfactory year.

There was no decrease in the estimate of the population; the Crude Birth Rate of 16.2 per 1,000 population was the highest for over 30 years, and the Adjusted Birth Rate showed an increase of 2.0 per 1,000 population. This latter figure was 2.1 per 1,000 more than the rate for England and Wales.

A slight decrease in the number of deaths gave a figure comparable with the average for recent years, and only five in excess of the number of live births, which is the smallest such margin since 1948.

Once again, and for the ninth successive year, there was no maternal death, but I regret to report four infant deaths which gave an Infant Mortality Rate of 52 per 1,000 live births. This was the highest number of infant deaths since 1949, and the highest rate since 1950. The Infant Mortality Rate for England and Wales was 23.0 per 1,000 related births.

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I would, however, point out that when comparing these rates for small urban areas such as Barrowford, it must be remembered that on account of the small number of births involved, one death can make a large difference. This is shown by the fact that a reduction of one in the number of infant deaths in Barrowford would have reduced the Infant Mortality Rate by 13, whereas in Nelson one less in the number of infant deaths would only influence the rate by 2 per 1,000 births.

Measles was prevalent during the last few months of the year amongst infants and pre-school children.

In conclusion, I take this opportunity to express my thanks and appreciation for the courtesy and co-operation received from members of your Council and officials throughout the year.

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Local Legislation (including byelaws) in force in the district.

Operative Date.

Infectious Diseases (Notification) Act, 1889.

30th August, 1889.

Infectious Diseases (Prevention of) Act, 1890.

4th August, 1890.

Public Health Acts (Amendment Act) 1890,

8th June, 1893.

Public Health
(Amendment Act) 1907
(Parts 2, part 3 (except ss 39, 40,41,42, 50 and 51) part 4 (except ss 58 and 67) and Part 6.

28th August, 1907.

Byelaws.

Nuisances	1894	18th July, 1894.
Slaughter Houses	1894	18th July, 1894.
Offensive Trades	1894	18th July, 1894.
Common Lodging Houses	1894	18th July, 1894.
New Streets	1925	7th Feb., 1925.
Clean Food Byelaws	1950	11th August, 1950
Building Byelaws	1953	18th Nov., 1953.

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STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

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Area in acres	1387
Population - Census, 1951	4776
Registrar General's Estimate of	
Home Population, mid-1957	4740

Note: This figure is the same as the figure supplied for mid-1956.

Number of inhabited houses at the end	of	1957.
according to rate books.		1910
Rateable Value		£47,569
Sum represented by a penny rate		£175

The main industries are cotton and silk weaving, dyeing, printing and bleaching.

Contraction of the main industry (textiles) has continued although full employment was maintained. Decreasing order books were the cause of much concern at year-end and stocks were increasing. Other industries enjoyed full employment.

Diversification of industry is the great need, and factory space is available in the district.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Live Births -		Males.	Females	Total.	
Legitimate Illegitimate		37 2	38	75 2	
		-	-	BESSET-CRASS	
		39	38	77.	
Live Birth Rate	per 1	,000 esti	imated ho	me populati	on:
	Crude Adjust Compan	ted rability	Factor	16.2 18.2 1.12	

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Population - Census, 1951 Registrar General's Estimate of Home Population, mid-1957

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	Males.	Females.I	otal.
Still Births - Legitimate Illegitimate	- 3	3	3 nil
Still Birth Rate per 1,000 total	(live	and still) births.	38
Still Birth Rate per 1,000 estim	ated hor opulation		0.63
Combined Live and Still Birth Ra estimated home population	te per	1,000	16.9
Illegitimate Birth Rate per 1,00 (Live and Still) births	0 total		25.0
Illegitimate Birth Rate per 1,00 home population	00 estima	ated	0.42
	Males.	Females.T	otal.
Deaths	35	47	82
Death Rate per 1,000 of estimate	d home	population	:
Crude Adjus Compa	ted	7 Factor	17.3 15.7 0.91
Deaths from pregnancy, childbirt	h and al	ortion	nil
Maternal Mortality per 1,000 tot	al (live		nil
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Deaths of infants under one year	of age	1 Day 1 12	
Legitimate	1200	Females.T	otal.

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Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births 52

Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age:

Males. Females. Total.

Legitimate 2 - 2
Illegitimate 1 - 1

Neo-natal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births 39
Excess of deaths over live births 5

LIVE BIRTHS.

The total of 77 live births (39 males and 38 females) assigned to the area for 1957, was 9 (7 males and 2 females) more than the previous year and 16 more than the average for the five-year period 1952-56. Furthermore, it is interesting to note that this is the largest number recorded in any year since 1926.

Two of the births were illegitimate, and only 10 of the total actually took place in Barrowford.

The Crude Birth Rate was therefore 16.2 per 1,000 of estimated population, and the highest figure for well over 30 years. Although the number of actual births exceeded the 1957 total in 1926, the rate that year was only 14.9 per 1,000 as the estimated population then was 5,534 or approximately 800 more than last year.

The comparability factor supplied by the Registrar General for external comparison purposes was 1.12, a decrease of 0.01 on the previous year.

This factor gives an Adjusted Birth Rate of 18.2 per 1,000 population which is an increase of 2.0 per 1,000 on the previous year, 3.8 more than the corresponding rate for Nelson and 2.1 more than the birth rate for England and Wales as a whole.

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There were 3 Still Births registered during 1957 and these gave Still Birth Rates of 37.5 per 1,000 total (live and still) births and 0.63 per 1,000 estimated population. The corresponding rates for England and Wales as a whole were 22.4 and 0.37.

DEATHS.

During the year 51 deaths occurred in the area and also 31 deaths occurred in other areas of persons whose home address was in Barrowford. The total of 82 deaths (males 35 and females 47) was 5 less than in the previous year and one less than the mean figure for the period 1952-56.

The Crude Death Rate was therefore 17.3 per 1,000 of estimated population and a decrease of 1.1 per 1,000 on the figure for 1956, but almost identical to the mean rate for the previous five years.

The comparability factor is 0.91, an increase of 0.02 on 1956, and this gave an Adjusted Death Rate of 15.7 per 1,000 population. This figure is a decrease of 0.6 on the previous year, 0.5 per 1,000 greater than Nelson and 4.2 per 1,000 in excess of the rate for England and Wales as a whole.

Anal ysis of the deaths shows that the principal causes were the same as in recent years, namely, Vascular lesions of the nervous system, Coronary disease, and other Heart diseases, and these account for more than half of the total.

The 11 deaths from Cancer was an increase of 4 on the previous year, but the mean for each of the two previous quinquennial periods was 12. These 11 deaths gave a cancer death rate of 2.32 per 1,000 population compared with 2.09 per 1,000 for England and Wales and 1.48 per 1,000 for Barrowford in 1956.

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Inward transfer deaths, all but two of which took place in hospital, showed an increase of 4.5% on 1956.

There were 5 more deaths than live births during the year, which was the smallest margin since 1948.

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ty.	Rate per 1000 live births	39	ni1 16 45 19 18	19.6
Mortality.	No. of deaths regis- tered	3	nii 1 1 1 1	1,2
Infant Mc Total	Rate per 1000 live births	52	ni1 16 45 33 35	26.3
Inf	No of Rate deaths per regis-1000 tered live	47	Lin L 22	1.6
nal lity.	Rate per 1000 total births	nil	nin nin nin nin	nil
Maternal Mortality	O TO	nil	ridad Lidad Lidid Lidid	ni1
l hs.	Rate No. per of 1000 dæth total regis birthstard	38	mil 72 443 199 17	30
Still Births.	No. Reg- ist- ered	3	ויין המשרו	2.0
s(A11	Rate per 1000 pop.	17.3	18 19.8 17.8 17.8	17.4
Deaths (All Causes)	No. Reg- ist- ered	82	87 80 91 75 82	83
is.	Rate per 1000 pop.	16.2	12.00	12.9
Live	No. Reg- ist- ered	77	68 64 53 57	61
		1957	1956 1955 1954 1953 1952	Aver. 5 years.

* Adjusted: Live Birth Rate (Comparability factor 1.12)=18.2 Death Rate

(Comparability factor 0.91)=15.7

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15. Comparative Table showing Birth Rates, Death Rates and Analysis of Mortality for the Year 1957.

	England and Wales	Nelson	Barrowford
Sent the state of	Rates per	1000 home por	pulation
Births:		*	P
Live Births	16.1	13.3	16.2
Still Births		,	(0.63
PULL DILLUIS	(0.37	(0.37	1
Deaths:	(22.4 (a)	(27.7 (a)	(37.5 (a)
	77 6	75 6	777
All causes	11.5	15.6	17.3
Tuberculosis	0 77	0.75	
(all forms)	0.11	0.15	nil
Respiratory	0.09	0.12	nil
Non-Respiratory	0.01	0.03	nil
Cancer (all forms)		2.26	2.32
Lung & Bronchus	0.43	0.37	0.42
Other cancer	1.67	1.89	1.90
Maternal Mortality			
(total)	0.47 (a)	nil	nil
Maternal causes			
(excl.Abortion)	0.39 (a) nil	nil
Due to Abortion	0.08 (a) nil	nil
	Rates	per 1000 Liv	e Births
Infant Mortality	23.0 (b)	23.2	1 51.9
Neo-natal Mortality	1	13.9	38.9

- (a) Per 1000 total (live and still) births (b) Per 1000 related births
- - Adjusted: Live Birth Rate 14.4 per 1000 (Comp. Fact. 1.08)

Death Rate 15.2 per 1000 (Comp. Fact. 0.97)

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Analysis of Deaths during 1957 according to Causes.

				Death Rate
Cause of death	Nun	nber of	f Deaths	
Andrew Control of the	M.	COMPANY OF THE REAL PROPERTY.	Total	population.
Tuberculosis, respiratory	_	_	_	_
Tuberculosis, other	_	_	_	_
Syphilitic diseases	-	-	_	
Diphtheria	-	-	-	1 -0.21
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal infections	-	-	2-	7 -1.68
Acute polio-myelitis	-	-	-	
Measles	-	-	-	-
Other infective and				
parasitic diseases	-	-	-	-
Malignant neoplasm,	_		-	
stomach	1	-	1	0.21
Malignant neoplasm, lung,	_			0.1.0
bronchus	2	-	2	0.42
Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	1	1	0.21
" " Uterus	-	-	-	
Other malignant and	0	_	7	7 1.8
lymphatic neoplasms	2	5	7	1.48
Leukaemia, aleukaemia Diabetes		2	2	0.42
Vascular lesions of		-	2	0.42
nervous system	7	14	21	4.43
Coronary disease, angina	8	5	13	2.74
Hypertension with heart				
disease	1	2	3	0.63
Other heart disease	3 -	2 5 1	3 8	1.69
Other circulatory disease	1	1	2	0.42
Influenza	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	3	1	4	0.84
Bronchitis	1	2	3	0.63
Other diseases of				
respiratory system	-	1	1	0.21
Ulcer of stomach or				
duodenum	-	-	-	-
Gastritis, enteritis and	7	-	0	0.1.0
diarrhoea	1	1	2	0.42
Nephritis & nephrosis	-	1	1	0.21

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Death Rate				
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15.0				
		5		lymphatic neoplesma
0.42				
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2.74	15			
				Hypertension with heart
0.63				disease
			. 8	
48.0				Proumonts
0.63				
	I			respiratory system
		I		
		I	-	Nephritis & nephrosis

Cause of death	Num	ber o	f Deaths	Death Rate per 1000 of
	М.	F.	Total.	population.
Hyperplasia of prostate Fregnancy, childbirth,	8 -	-	-	
abortion	-	-	PHEN	_
Congenital malformations	-	1	1	0.21
Other defined and ill- defined diseases Motor vehicle accidents All other accidents Suicide	5	2 - 3	7 - 3	1.48
Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-	
All causes	35	47	82	17.29

		Other defined and ill-
		Motor vehicle accidents
		sosuso IIA

% of each group to total deaths.	4.88 1.22 1.22 1.22 1.22 1.4.63 1.22 1.22 1.22	100.00
Total deaths allocated to Barrowford.	111111111111111111111111111111111111111	35 47 82
Inward trans- fers. M. F.		15 16
Outward trans- fers. M. F.		1
Deaths in Barrow- ford. W. F.		20 31
Age Groups.	Ower and under 1 yr. 15 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	Totals

Summary of Ages at Death during 1957.

Monthly Analysis of Deaths during 1957 showing Rates.

	Actual deaths in Barrowford	trans-	Inward trans- fers.	Nett dear Barrowf Number.	THE RESERVE OF THE PROPERTY OF
January February March April Mey June July August September October November December	435445485144		1433-1214624	578746699768	1.05 1.48 1.69 1.48 0.84 1.26 1.90 1.90 1.48 1.26 1.69
Totals	51		31	82	17.29

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Tol and			
bac			
Rate per			
1.05			January
1.48			
1.69			
1.48			
48.0			
1,26			
1.26			
1.90			
1.90			
84.1			
1.26			
1.69			
17,29			

GENERAL PROVISION

OF

HEALTH SERVICES.

FOR THE AREA.

Particulars of the Public Health Officers of the Authority are given on page 3 of the report.

Hospitals.

The Hospital Services for the area are provided by the Burnley and District Hospital Management Committee of the North-West Regional Hospital Board.

Venereal Diseases Clinic.

These are also provided by the Burnley and District Hospital Management Committee at the Victoria Hospital, Burnley, where separate clinics are held twice a week for both male and female patients.

Laboratory Facilities.

The Services of the Central Pathological Laboratory, Salus Street, Burnley, are available for the use of your authority and samples of milk were submitted for examination during the year, the results of which are given in the appropriate section of the report.

Tuberculosis Service.

The Chest Clinic for the area is at the Marsden Hospital, Burnley.

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Care of the Aged.

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Other Services.

The Lancashire County Council provide and maintain the following services which are administered from the Divisional Health Office, Reedley, Nr. Burnley.

Ambulance Service.

The area is served by ambulances from the Divisional Ambulance Station at Reedley and both ambulances and sitting-case cars are available.

Child Welfare Service.

The Infant Welfare Centre for Barrowford is held at the Congregational Sunday School, Hill Top.

Convalescent Home Care.

Arrangements for the admission of adults and children under school age to Convalescent and Recuperative Homes are made through the Divisional Health Office.

Home Help Service.

This service is provided to give assistance of a domestic nature to households in times of difficulty, and the benefits provided are now well established. There is an ever increasing demand on the Service.

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Home Nursing Service.

There are two district nurses of the Divisional Staff assigned to Barrowford, one full-time and the other part-time along with the Blacko area. The demands on this service are also increasing year by year.

Immunisation and Vaccination.

Divisional medical staff conduct immunisation and vaccination sessions at the various clinics and schools as required. Protection is now available against diphtheria, smallpox, whooping cough, tetanus, tuberculosis and polio-myelitis.

Mental Health Service.

The duties of the County Council under Section 51 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, are delegated to the Divisional Health Committee and the work is carried out by the Duly Authorised Officer and the Mental Health Worker.

Midwifery Service.

One nurse-midwife of the Divisional Staff is assigned to the Barrowford and Blacko area.

Welfare Services.

Homes for the accommodation of old people are provided in the form of three hostels managed by the Divisional Health Committee, and other residential accommodation is available by agreement with other authorities.

The County Council Scheme for the care of the aged in their own homes has proved most successful and the health and welfare services available for the aged are now well known and used throughout the Division.

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Clinics.

Ante-natal, Dental, Minor Ailments, Orthopaedic and Ophthalmic Clinics are provided outside your area and are available for Barrowford residents.

Further information relative to these and other services provided by the Divisional Health Committee, may be obtained from my report as Divisional Medical Officer.

National Assistance Acts, 1948 & 1951-Section 47.

It has not been found necessary to take any action under this section during the year.

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SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

Water Supply.

No change has taken place in regard to the water supply. This comes from the neighbouring Borough of Nelson and has been adequate and satisfactory during the year. Raw water and treated water going into supply are tested periodically for bacteriological and chemical purposes by the supplying Authority and the results during the year have been satisfactory.

It is estimated that 1981 dwellinghouses are supplied from this source, and also that 40 dwellinghouses, all on the outskirts of the area, have a private supply from wells or springs. There are no houses in the area which are supplied by means of standpipe.

Extensions, to a total of 298 yards, have been made to the water mains during the year.

Supplies to Dwellinghouses.

		114
(a)	Direct from public mains:-	
	No. of dwellinghouses supplied	1981
	No. of dwellinghouses newly connected	
	during the year.	31
	Estimated population supplied.	4670
(b)	By means of standpipes.	nil
(c)	From private supplies (well, springs etc)
	No. of dwellinghouses supplied.	40
	Estimated population supplied.	76

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Drainage and Sewerage.

The sewage works owned by your Authority are on the outskirts of the area and there is a natural fall thereto from all parts. Treatment consists of automatic screening detritus tanks, primary and secondary settling tanks, percolating filters, and humus tanks, the effluent being finally discharged into Pendle Water.

Some extensions to the sewerage system were carried out on the Higher Causeway Estate, during the year, and 31 new houses were connected to the sewerage system.

Only farms and a few houses on the outskirts of the area are without drainage system. This is due to the distance from the main sewers.

Closet accommodation at the end of 1957.

water closets.

Privy middens.	
No. of middens	nil
No. of clesets attached to these middens	nil
No. of pail closets	22
No. of dry ashpits(excluding middens)	nil
No. of movable ashbins	2053
No. of trough closets	nil
No. of waste water closets	630
No. of fresh water closets	949
No. of houses on water carriage system	1993
Conversions during 1957.	
No. of waste water closets to fresh	

Public Cleansing.

30

This is carried out by direct labour under the control and supervision of your Surveyor and Public Health Inspector.

Household and trade refuse is collected weekly and disposed of by means of controlled tipping. Movable dustbins are provided by the owners of the premises.

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Cesspools are emptied monthly and pail closets twice monthly.

Sanitary Inspections during 1957.

No.	of	premises in general visited	210
No.	of	visits to these premises	301
No.	of	defects or nuisances discovered	87
No.	of	defects or nuisances abated	78
No.	of	notices served - Informal	65
		- Statutory	nil
No.	of	legal proceedings	nil

Analysis of Defects or Nuisances discovered during the Year.

	10010
Defective gutter or rainwater pipes Defective roofs Defective windows Defective wall or ceiling plaster Defective floors Defective drains Defective water closets Defective pointing of walls Dampness Sundry items	4 3 2 6 4 20 18 7 9 14
Total	87

Shops and Offices.

Under the Shops Acts, 1950, 43 inspections of shops were made during the year and conditions were found to be satisfactory.

Under the Public Health Act, 1936, 4 inspections of offices were carried out and conditions found to be satisfactory.

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Atmospheric Pollution.

There are 8 factory or works chimneys within the district and 3 observations of these were taken during the year. The time limit allowed for the emission of black smoke is 10 minutes per hour and if this is exceeded informal notices are served on the occupiers.

Swimming Baths and Pools.

There were no public baths or pools nor any privately owned baths or pools open to the public in Barrowford, but public baths and an open air swimming pool in the Borough of Nelson provide facilities which are available to, and used by, Barrowford residents.

Disinfestation.

No houses owned by the local authority were found to require disinfestation, but 4 other houses were disinfested, by treatment with D.D.T. spray. This work is carried out by the Local Authority.

There were no public baths or pools nor ony privately ewned baths or pools open to the pools in

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.

- 1. No. of rodent operatives employed (a) Full Time Nil. (b) Part Time 1.
- 2. Action relating to rodent control during year ended 31st December, 1957.

TYPE OF PROPERTY

		Non-agricultural		Agricult-	
		Dwelling houses	All Other	ura:	1
	No. of properties in district	1981	47		17
	No. of properties inspected	39	4		13
	Total inspections carried out (inc.re-inspections)	39	4		13
(d)	No. of properties inspected which were found to be				
	infested by: Rats - major	_	_		_
	minor	10	2		-
	Mice - major	2	1		-
(e)	minor No. of infested	2	Т		_
	properties treated	12	3		-
(f)	Total treatments carried out (incl.re-treatments)	12	3	1	_
(g)	No. of "block"control	12	,		
	schemes carried out	-	-		-
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- (h) Any other action: Sewer treatment and treatment of controlled tip.
- 3. Particulars of other infestations under the Act (Sect. 28) Nil.

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Schools.	,
Number of schools in the district	2
Sanitary condition of schools:-	
(a) No. of unsatisfactory yard surfaces (b) Sanitary accommodation-No. of schools with: (1) Fresh water closets	nil 2
(2) Waste water closets (3) Trough closets only (4) Pail closets only (5) Privy closets only	nil nil nil
(c) Drainage - No. of schools with drainage to:- (1) Public Sewers (2) Private treatment works	2 nil
(d) Refuse di sposal - No. of schools with:- (1) Dustbins (2) Dry Ashpits	2 nil
(e) Water supply - No. of schools supplied from:- (1) Public mains (2) Private supplies	2. nil
(f) No. of schools where facilities are considered unsatisfactory for:- (1) Washing	2
(2) Drinking	2

Offensive Trades.

There are no offensive trades carried on within the area.

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(h) Pail closets only
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Factories Acts, 1937 and 1948. Part 1.

1. Inspections for purpose of provisions as to health:

	-		-	-	-		-
	No. or	1	Number of:				
Premises	Regist		spect-	Write			piers ecuted.
(1) Factories in which Sect. 2,3,4 & 6 are be enforced by Local Authorit (2) Factories not included i (1) in which	1, to					_	
Sect.7 is en- forced by Loca Authority. (3)Other prem ises in which Sect.7 is en- forced by Loca	29		21	1		-	
Authority.	- -	45	-	-		-	
Total	30		21	1		-	
2. Cases in which defects were found:							
rarticulars Found Inchi		Number Remed- ied	of ca	ses Merc ector	rred From Insp	H.M.	No. of cases in which Prosecut- ions were instituted
Defective sanitary convenience	-	-		_		1	-

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		2. Cases in wi
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Part VIII

(Sections 110 and 111)

1. Outwork.

No notification of Outworkers was received during the year.

Rag, Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951. Number of registered premises at end of year on which rag, flock or other filling materials were used in manufacture of bedding, toys, etc. Number of licensed premises at end of year on which rag flock was

(a) Manufactured or manufactured and stored.Nil
(b) Stored only
Number of inspections during the year.
Number of samples taken.
Nil

Chief Sanitary Requirements of the District.

The conversion of the 630 waste water closets to the fresh water closet system.

Installation of new water service pipes to several groups of houses whose poor supply is due to the inadequacy of old joint service pipes.

Marber of Inspections dering the year. nowns' colleges 20 godses

HOUSING

Number of new houses erected during the year:

1. By the local authority 2. By other local authorities 3. By other bodies or persons	Houses - 7	Flats 24
1. Inspection of dwellinghouses during	the year.	
 (i) (a) Total no. of dwellinghouses in or informally for housing defe (b) No. of inspections made for the distribution of Dwellinghouses unfit for human and not capable at reasonable 	ects ne purpose n habitati	65 151
of being rendered fit: (a) No. found during year (b) No. (or estimated No.) at and	of moon	nil
(a) No. found during year (b) No. (or estimated No.) at end (iii) No. of dwellinghouses found du year to be not in all respects fit for human habitation but o being rendered fit.	reasonabl	
2. Houses Demolished.		

Tn	Clearanc	e Areas-	-(Housing	Act.	1936
	o roar and		(11000 1116	,	
and	Housing	Renairs	and Ren	its Ac	t. 19500)

and Housing Repairs and Rents Act, 1954)	Demol- ished	quar	ter Famil-
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation (2) Houses included by reasons of bad arrangements, etc			-
Not in Clearance Area; (4)As a result of formal or informal procedure under S.11 Housing Act, 1936.	-	-	-

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	3. By other bodies or persons
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3.Unfit Houses Closed:	Houses Demolishe	Displanting during	g er.
(1)Under Section 11, Housing Act, 1936 & Sections 10(1) & 11(2)		Pers-	Fami.
Local Govt. (Misc. Prov.) Act,	-	-	-
(2)Under Ss.3(1) & 3(2) Housing Act. 1949	-	-	-
(3)Parts of buildings closed under Section 12, Housing Act,			
1936.	-	-	-
4. Unfit Houses Made Fit & Houses in V	Which Defe Remed	ects wer	
	By Own	er Auth	
(1) After informal action by local authority	60		-
(2) After formal notice under (a) Public Health Act	_		-
(3)Under S.5. Housing Repairs and Rents Act, 1954.	_	(1)	-
5. Unfit Houses in Temporary Use (Ho	using Rep	airs & F	lents
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	No. of Houses	Number separat dwellir contair	e igs ied in
Position at end of year:	(1)	column (2)	(1)
(1) Retained for temporary accommodation-		1.20	control
(a)Under Section 2 (b)Under Section 3	-	-	
(2) Liggier Section 4 (2) Liggier Section 6	-		
v-/occupation under section 6			

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			(3)Parts of bulldings closed under Scottos-12, Housing Act,

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-		-	
no			
Number of Separate dwellings dwellings contained		No. of dw Houses dw	
(1) (2) (2)			

6. Purchase of Houses by Agreement:

Houses in Clearance Areas
other than those included
in confirmed Clearance Orders
or Compulsory Purchase Orders,
purchased during the year..

	No. of occup- ants of houses in Co.(1)
31	20

7. Housing Act. 1949 - Improvement grants, etc:-

authority to Ministry

dwellings included in

(d)Finally approved by

(f)Additional separate

Ministry

(e)Work completed

Local Authority Private bodies. or individuals No. of Action during year: No. of No. of dwell-No. of ing houses Schemes dwell-Schemes | or other ing buildings houses affected. or other build ings affected (a) Submitted by private individuals to local authority 8 8 (b) Approved by local authority .. (c) Submitted by local

(g) Any other action taken under the Act (give brief particulars) -

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Housing Conditions.

Housing conditions generally are good. On the outskirts particularly, the dwellinghouses are of good residential types, but chiefly along the main thoroughfares and immediately adjoining these are a number of quite old houses. There are approximately 300 of these which are mainly back-to-back and have no separate closet accommodation. Also about a fifth have an insufficient water supply due to restrictions in the old joint service pipes. It is considered that there are 250 dwellinghouses that are really not fit for human habitation or capable of being rendered fit at reasonable expense.

Apart from these, defects found as a result of inspection were mainly of a minor character and no difficulty was experienced in dealing with them by informal action.

There is no housing shortage, but houses with one or two bedrooms will be required for re-housing families in unfit houses.

No difficulties are experienced in providing suitable sites for new dwellinghouses and during the year your authority completed the erection of 24 flats and 9 dwellinghouses were erected by other bodies. At the end of the year your authority also had in hand a scheme for the erection of a further 24 flats.

Movable Dwellings and Camping Sites.

No sites in the area were used for camping sites during the year, and no licences were issued by the Local Authority under Section 269 of the Public Health Act, 1936, in respect of sites or individual movable dwellings.

Other Premises.

There are no Common Lodging Houses, Houses let in Lodgings or Underground Sleeping Rooms within the area.

No inspections were made of canal boats.

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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Milk Supply.

Distributors of milk within the area are registered by the local authority under the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949, and during the year your authority registered 28 distributors in the following categories:-

Operating from (a	a)	Dairies in the district	1
(7	b)	Shops in the district other	
	-	than dairies	16
(c)	Premises outside the district	11

Licences to use special designations in relation to milk sold within the area were issued under the following Regulations as stated.

The Milk (Special Designation) (Raw Milk)
Regulations Dealers' Licences (including
supplementary licences) issued in respect
of "Tuberculin Tested" Milk
The Milk (Special Designation) (Pasteurised
and Sterilised Milk) Regulations 1949-1953.
Licences issued in respect of "Heat Treated" Milk-

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Pasteurising plants	nil
Sterilising plants	nil
Retail distributors (a) "Pasteurised"	7
(b)"Sterilised"	21

It was not found necessary to refuse or revoke any licence for the sale of designated milk.

No structural alterations or improvements were carried out to dairies registerable with the local authority.

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Milk Sampling.

As part of the arrangements between your Authority and the Borough of Nelson, officers from the Public Health Department, Nelson, took informal samples of milk from vendors in your area during the year. A total of 48 samples were taken and submitted to laboratory examination with the following results.

Type of Milk and Test.	Samples Taken	Res Satisfactor;	y.Unsatis-
Raw Milk			factory.
(1) Tuberculosis - Biological test.	23	23	-00
(2) Methylene Blue Test.	24	19	5
"Heat Treated" Milk. (1) Phosphatase Test	1	1	-

There were no notifications from any local authority of tuberculous milk produced within the district, and therefore no Ministry investigations of such by the Divisional Inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Also no action was required to be taken during the year under the Milk and Dairies Regulations 1949, Articles 19 or 20, or under the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations 1925.

Meat and Other Foods.

There is no licensed slaughterhouse in Barrowford and so all meat for the area comes from external sources.

A general inspection is carried out of shops and other premises where food is prepared.

Number of food premises, by type of business, in the district at the end of the year:-

General grocers and provision dealers	25
Greengrocers and fruiterers (inc. wet	7
fish and game, etc.)	/

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Fishmongers (inc.poultry, games, etc.) Meat shops (butchers, cooked meats, etc.)	7
Bakers and/or confectioners	3
Fried Fish shops	2
Sweet shops (minerals, ice-cream, etc.)	4
Licensed premises, clubs, canteens, restaurants, cafes, snack bars, etc. Others	13 40

Number of food premises, by type, registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, the Lancashire County Council Acts, or other local Acts, for manufacture and sale of ice-cream or preserved foods.

Type of Business.	No. of premises registered 31.12.57.	No. of inspections during 1957.
Grocers Greengrocers Sweets, etc. Butchers Cooked meats Fish and Chips Confectioners	25 7 4 7 1 2 3	25 7 5 9 2 2 4

Six samples of ice-cream were taken during the year and submitted to the laboratory for bacteriological examination. All were found to be Grade 1 samples.

Food Inspection.

The following foodstuffs were inspected, found unfit for human consumption and surrendered voluntarily for destruction. They were disposed of by incineration.

Type of Food.	No. of	Containers.	Cwts.	Qtrs.	Lbs.	0zs.
Meat		72	4	1	13	15
Fish	ot ml	2	1	1	124	6
Ţ	Oual	14	-		-	-

Food Poisoning.

No cases of food poisoning were reported during the year.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

The Food and Drugs Authority for the area is the Lancashire County Council and samples of milk and other foods for analysis are taken in the district by an officer of that authority.

The following information relative to the samples taken in Barrowford during 1957, has been kindly supplied to me by Dr. S. C. Gawne, the County Medical Officer of Health.

A total of 25 samples was obtained; of these 20 were of milk (this included 1 Channel Islands Milk) and the 5 others comprised:-

1 Meat Pie 1 Arrowroot

1 Flour Confectionery

1 Borax 1 Cherry Ginger Concentrate.

On analysis in the County Laboratory all the samples proved genuine with the exception of the following:-

Type. Result of Analysis. Action Taken.

Milk Fat 2.85%, deficient Vendor notified. 5% fat.

Clean Food Campaign.

No special action was taken by your Council during the year, but byelaws for the handling, etc. of food were adopted in 1950, and general inspection of food premises is carried out.

Food Potsenting,

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PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The total of 118 notifications of infectious diseases received during 1957 was the largest number for many years. However, 105 of that total were cases of measles. An epidemic of which commenced during the late summer and ran through until year end. Over half of these cases were children under five years of age. The case incidence of the disease was 22.15 per 1,000 of population compared with 14.11 per 1,000 for the country as a whole, and 18.74 per 1,000 for Nelson.

There were no cases of Polio-myelitis and the only other incident of note was the notification of a case of Undulant Fever (Brucella Abortus) during May. This patient was a boy aged 7 years. Follow-up investigations were the means of detecting several re-actors in a local dairy herd and these animals were slaughtered. No other patients were notified.

Four cases were admitted to Marsden Hospital, Burnley, during the year, two suffering from Measles, one Scarlet Fever and one Undulant Fever.

The following tables show (1) Infectious Diseases Notifications during the year according to Ages of patients, and (2) Case Rates for certain Infectious Diseases in England and Wales, Nelson and Barrowford.

1	Notifiable Diseases	Total							tifie year		1	Total Deaths.
-	Diseases	of all ages.	0-	1-	2-	3-	4-		10-		25 & over.	
	ScarletFever Whooping Cou Measles Undulent Fever Pneumonia Tuberculosis Respirator	gh 6 105 r 1 2	2	10 -	211	- 2 14 - -	- 1 18 - -	2 1 48 1	2 -	1 1	- - - 1 1	-
	Totals.	118	2	10	13	16	19	52	2	12	12	

PRRVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The total of 118 netifications of infectious disca recoived during 1957 was the largest number for many years. However, 105 of that total were cases of measie an epidemic of which commenced during the late summer a ran through until year end. Over half of these cases we children under five years of age. The case incidence of the disease was 22.15 per 1,000 of population compared with 14.11 per 1,000 for the country as a whole, and

There were no cases of Folio-myelitis and the only other incident of mote was the notification of a case of undulant fever (Brucella Abertus) during May. This patter the means of detocting several re-actors in a local dailered and these animals were slaughtered. No other pattents were notified.

Four cases were admitted to Marsdon Hospital, Burnl during the year, two suffering from Measles, one Scarle Fever and one Undulant Fever.

The following tables show (1) Infectious Discases Notifications during the year seconding to Ages of patients, and (2) Case Rates for certain Infectious Discases in England and Wales, Melson and Barrowford.

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Case Rates for certain Infectious Diseases for England and Wales, Nelson & Barrowford, during the year 1957.

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Enquiries with regard to infectious diseases and the following up of such cases is carried out by the staff of the Public Health Department, Nelson, in accordance with the agreement between the two Authorities.

Tuberculosis.

Two new cases of tuberculosis (both male - pulmonary) were notified and five cases (3 males and 2 females - all pulmonary) were transferred into the area during the year. During the same period three patients (1 male and 2 females - all pulmonary) removed from the district, so that forty cases (19 males and 12 females - pulmonary, and 2 males and 7 females non-pulmonary) remained on the register.

No action was found to be necessary under the Public Health Act, 1936, Section 172, for the compulsory removal to hospital of infectious persons suffering from tuberculosis of the respiratory tract.

Disinfection after Infectious Diseases.

The disinfection of rooms, clothing, bedding, etc. after infectious diseases is carried out by the staff of the Public Health Department, Nelson, in accordance with agreement.

During the year 8 rooms in 4 houses and 48 articles of clothing etc., were disinfected. Formalin spray or vapourisation is the method used for rooms. Articles of clothing, bedding, etc. are subjected to steam disinfection, the apparatus used being the property of the Nelson Corporation and situate at the Cleansing Department, Charles Street, Nelson.

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