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BRIDLINGTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Annual Report

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year

1947.

by

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Including  
the annual report of the

SANITARY INSPECTOR.

A. RIDOUT, Cert.R.San.I., M.S.I.A., M.R.S.I., A.F.A.S.,

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A. Ridout, Cert. R. San. I., M.S.I.A., M.R.S.I.,  
A.F.A.S.

WOODROW,  
21, TRINITY ROAD,  
BRIDLINGTON.

Mr. Chairman, Miss Owston and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the Health of the Rural District, for the year 1947.

Hospital and Sanatorium provision.

The care of the chronic sick is now provided for at the County Council Hospital at Drifffield, instead of at Marton Road Institute, Bridlington.

There has been no change in laboratory facilities, nor in your Public Health Staff.

General Statistics.

Area of District.....	56.903 acres.
Population of area (estimated for 1947, from Registrar General's figures).....	9.238
Separate families.....	2.570
Separate houses and other dwellings on 31st December, 1946.....	3.374
Rateable value.....	332.798
Product of penny rate on the 31st March, 1947.	3122.19.9

Vital Statistics.

Population..... 9.238

	M.	F.	Total.
Live births ( Legitimate	84	87	171
( Illegitimate.	9	6	15
	93	93	186
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Still births. ( Legitimate.	2	1	3
( Illegitimate.	0	0	0
	2	1	3

Birth rate per 1,000 of estimated resident population 20.13  
Rate per 1,000 total (Live and still births)..... 20.45

	M.	F.	Total.
Deaths.....	54.	48.	102

Death rate per 1,000 estimated resident population. 11.30  
Death from Puerperal Sepsis..... NIL.  
Deaths from other puerperal causes..... NIL.

Deaths of Infants under one year of age.

	M.	F.	Total.
Legitimate.....	6	2	8
Illegitimate.....	0	0	0

Infantile death rate, 43.01 per 1000 live births (legitimate).  
 Infantile death rate for England & Wales, 41 per 1,000  
 live births.

Deaths from Measles (all ages).....none.  
 Deaths from Whooping cough (all ages).....none.  
 Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) 1.

Case rate of certain infectious diseases per 1,000 population.  
 Case rate of puerperal fever and pyrexia given per 1,000  
 total births.

Disease.	Bridlington Rural District	England & Wales.
Small Pox.	nil	nil
Scarlet Fever.	0.21	1.37
Diphtheria.	nil.	0.13
Enteric Fever Group.	0.1	0.02
Erysipelas.	0.21	0.19
Pneumonia.	0.21	0.79
Measles.	4.64	9.41
Whooping Cough.	0.54	2.22
Puerperal Fever & Pyrexia.	nil.	7.16

Diseases notified during the year.

Disease.	Total Notified.	Admitted to Sanatorium.	Deaths.
Scarlet Fever.	2	2	nil
Paratyphoid.	1	1	nil
Erysipelas.	2	0	nil
Pneumonia.	7	0	6
Measles.	43	0	nil
Whooping Cough.	5	0	nil

TUBERCULOSIS.

	<u>PULMONARY.</u>		<u>NON-PULMONARY.</u>
Males.	21	Males.	4
Females.	10	Females.	9
Total.	31.	Total.	13
<u>New cases notified.</u>			
	<u>PULMONARY.</u>		<u>NON-PULMONARY.</u>
Males.	5	Males.	1
Females.	4	Females.	1
Totals.	9	Totals.	2

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS.

Examination.	Positive.	Negative.	Total.
Sputum for Tuberculosis.	7	13	20
Swabs for Diphtheria.	1	7	8
Blood for Malaric Parasites.	0	1	1
Widal for Dysentery.	1	0	1
Widal for Typhoid Group.	0	1	1
Miscellaneous.	4	9	13

WATER SUPPLY.

The area is supplied with water from two Authorities, as follows:-

- (a). Supplied from Waterworks under the direction of the Rural District Council.

The Parishes of HUNMANBY....LUSTON...FOLKTON  
FLAMBOROUGH.

- (b). Supplied from Waterworks under the direction of the Bridlington Corporation.

The Parishes of BARMSTON..BLEBTON..BOYNTON..BURTON  
AGNES.. BURTON FLEMING., CARNABY  
GRINDALE..RUGHTON., RUDSTON., SKIPSALA.,  
THWING., ULROME and WOLD NEWTON.

- (i) a. The water supply in the whole area has been satisfactory as to quality.  
b. There has been no shortage of water during the year.
- (ii). Bacteriological examinations were made, both of raw water and treated water from waterworks under the Control of the Rural District Council. 3 samples were taken of each and all proved satisfactory. Samples are also taken in the area supplied with water by the Bridlington Corporation waterworks.
- (iii) The water is not liable to plumbo-solvent action.
- (iv). There was no contamination of water supplies during the year.
- (v). Number of houses and population supplied with water.

Parish.	TO HOUSES.		FROM STANDTAPS.	
	Houses.	Population.	Houses.	Population.
BARMSTON.	41	143	37	121
BLEBTON.	113	343	65	209
BOYNTON.	35	145	9	39
BURTON AGNES.	89	323	47	149
BURTON FLEMING.	77	252	34	125
CARNABY.	83	325	31	135
FLAMBOROUGH.	319	1197	62	246
FOLKTON.	104	399	12	45
GRINDALE.	26	97	27	103
HUNMANBY.	428	1517	64	231
LUSTON.	68	246	42	149
RUGHTON.	69	247	46	163
RUDSTON.	83	287	51	181
SKIPSALA.	69	249	57	173
THWING.	47	142	15	63
ULROME.	47	155	33	109
WOLD NEWTON.	67	247	7	26

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

During the year a new system of sewers and sewage disposal works was commenced for the Parish of Beampton and Buckton. This has long been needed and will be of great benefit to these two villages.

At Skipsen a new sewer was laid for a distance of 230 yards, to take sewage from four new Council houses and adjoining property.

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Garnaby Aerodrome.

During the year civilians took possession of some of the hutments of a former Royal Air Force Camp. Plans and specifications were drawn up by the Health Department, for the alteration and adaptation of the hutments for civilian occupation.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Miss Owston & Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

P. D. H. CHAPMAN,

Medical Officer of Health.

Woodrow,  
21, Trinity Road,  
BRIDLINGTON.

August. 1948.

BRIDLINGTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Annual Report of the PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
for the year 1947.

To The Chairman and members of the Bridlington  
Rural District Council,

Mr. Chairman, Miss Owston and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Fifth Annual  
Report of the Sanitary and other work carried out by your  
Sanitary Inspector during the year ended 31st December,  
1947.

The total number of inspections carried out for all  
purposes during the year was 2466.

1. HOUSING ACTS.

During the year 850 inspections were made  
in connection with the Rural Housing survey. Informal  
notices were served in 31 cases and the work asked for in  
the notices was carried out. It is still difficult to  
get repairs carried out owing to shortage of materials and  
labour.

2. PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS.

115 complaints and nuisances were dealt  
with during the year, 137 visits and inspections being  
made for this purpose. Notices were served where  
necessary.

Summary of Nuisances.

Dirty dwellings.....	9
Offensive accumulations.....	53
Ineffective pail closets & privy middens.....	14

3. MILK AND DAIRIES ORDERS.

There are 264 Cowkeepers, producers and whole-  
sale traders on the Register, of which 58 are also  
retail traders.

During the year 187 inspections of cowsheds  
and dairies have been made and as a result of these  
inspections the following infringements have been dealt  
with.

Accumulation of manure removed.....	34
Cowsheds and dairies limewashed.....	62
Dirty milking stools cleansed.....	11
Floors repaired or relaid.....	9

Water was laid on to 3 farms during the year.

4. MEAT AND FOOD INSPECTION (a) AND SHOPS ACTS (b).

(a) As in previous years the slaughtering of  
animals for human food has been centralised in the Borough  
of Bridlington, and the inspection of the food carried out  
by the Bridlington Inspectorate.

This, however, has not done away with  
the supervision of Meat and Food Shops in the District and  
in connection with this work 43 inspections have been made.  
As the result of these inspections it was found necessary  
to condemn the following articles of food as unfit for  
human consumption.

8 Tins beans.  
9 Tins milk.

4. (b) Shops Acts.

Most of the shops in the area are run by Owner-occupiers, such shops having sufficient and satisfactory sanitary accommodation. The larger shops are visited periodically, 69 visits having been made to ascertain the adequacy and condition of the sanitary accommodation.

5. WATER SUPPLIES AND SUPERVISION OF WATERWORKS.

One hundred and twenty five visits and inspection were made in connection with this work. Samples were taken from the Hunmanby, Flamborough and Folkton supplies, for Bacteriological Examination and all were found to be satisfactory.

There was no shortage of water during the year.

6. FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS.

There are 45 Factories and workshops on the Register and 42 inspections have been made during the year, and any infringements of the acts and regulations were dealt with.

7. PUBLIC SCAVENGING.

The work of public scavenging is carried out by Contract, in the Parishes of Hunmanby and Flamborough, and in this connection 261 inspections and visits were made.

In the remaining 15 Parishes in the area, the collection of tins &c is carried out by direct labour, once in each quarter.

8. SUPERVISION OF SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS AND DRAINAGE.

293 visits and inspections were made during the year. No major difficulty was encountered during the year, and as far as possible, owing to labour shortages, the dykes, under the control of the Council, were cleansed.

230 yards of new sewer were laid at Skipses, to take the sewerage from four Council houses and adjoining property.

A new system of sewers and sewage disposal works was commenced at Bampton and Buckton.

9. INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

During the year 2 cases of Scarlet Fever and 1 case of Diphtheria were reported. All three cases were visited and instructions given, and the houses were thoroughly disinfected.

10. FOOD & DRUGS ACT, 1938, Section 14.

7 Premises were registered for the sale of preserved food.

14 premises were registered for the manufacture and/or sale of Ice Cream.

Frequent inspection are made of these premises.

11. RODENT CONTROL.

In addition to enquiries made during the Housing survey, 31 visits and inspections were made in connection with this work, and where necessary poisoning was carried out. There has been no incident of any major infestation during the year.

## 12. COUNCIL HOUSES.

The inspection of Council houses, for repairs and maintenance has taken up a considerable amount of time, and a large amount of work has been carried out.

### Summary of repairs carried out during the year.

Defective doors.....	150
Defective windows.....	137
Reglazing of windows.....	334.
New cooking ranges.....	6
Ranges repaired..	107
Oven saddles.....	48
Range checks.....	30
Bottom grates.....	77
Floors repaired.....	16
Defective plasterwork.....	497
Repairs to flushing cisterns..	71
New wash-basins.....	4
New gates and repairs to existing gates.....	51
New gate posts.....	65
New drainer boards.....	64
Repairs to sink waste pipes...	33
Water leaks & ball tap repairs	108
Defective brickwork.....	63
Refixing of handrails.....	49
Repairs to wash-coppers.....	59
Repairs to paving.....	29
Roof repairs.....	47
Drainage.....	82
Provision of dustbins.....	33

## 13. STATISTICS OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT DURING THE YEAR.

Housing Acts.....	850
Public Health Acts.....	137
Public Health(Housing) Act...	27
Milk and Dairies Orders.....	187
Waterworks.....	125
Sewage works and Drainage.....	293
Factories & workshops.....	63
Bakehouses.....	19
Slaughterhouses.....	35
Tents, Vans and Sheds.....	239
Salvage.....	19
Scavenging.....	261
Other visits.....	65
Food inspection.....	43
Infectious diseases.....	3
Rodent control.....	31
Shops Act.....	69

Totals. 2466

I would again like to take this opportunity of expressing my thanks to the Council for the support and the consideration given to me during the year, also to the Medical Officer of Health, Dr. P. D. H. Chapman, the Clerk to the Council, Mr. A. S. Makin and his Staff for their interest and help in connection with my work.

I have the honour to be,  
Mr. Chairman, Miss Owston and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,  
Spencer

