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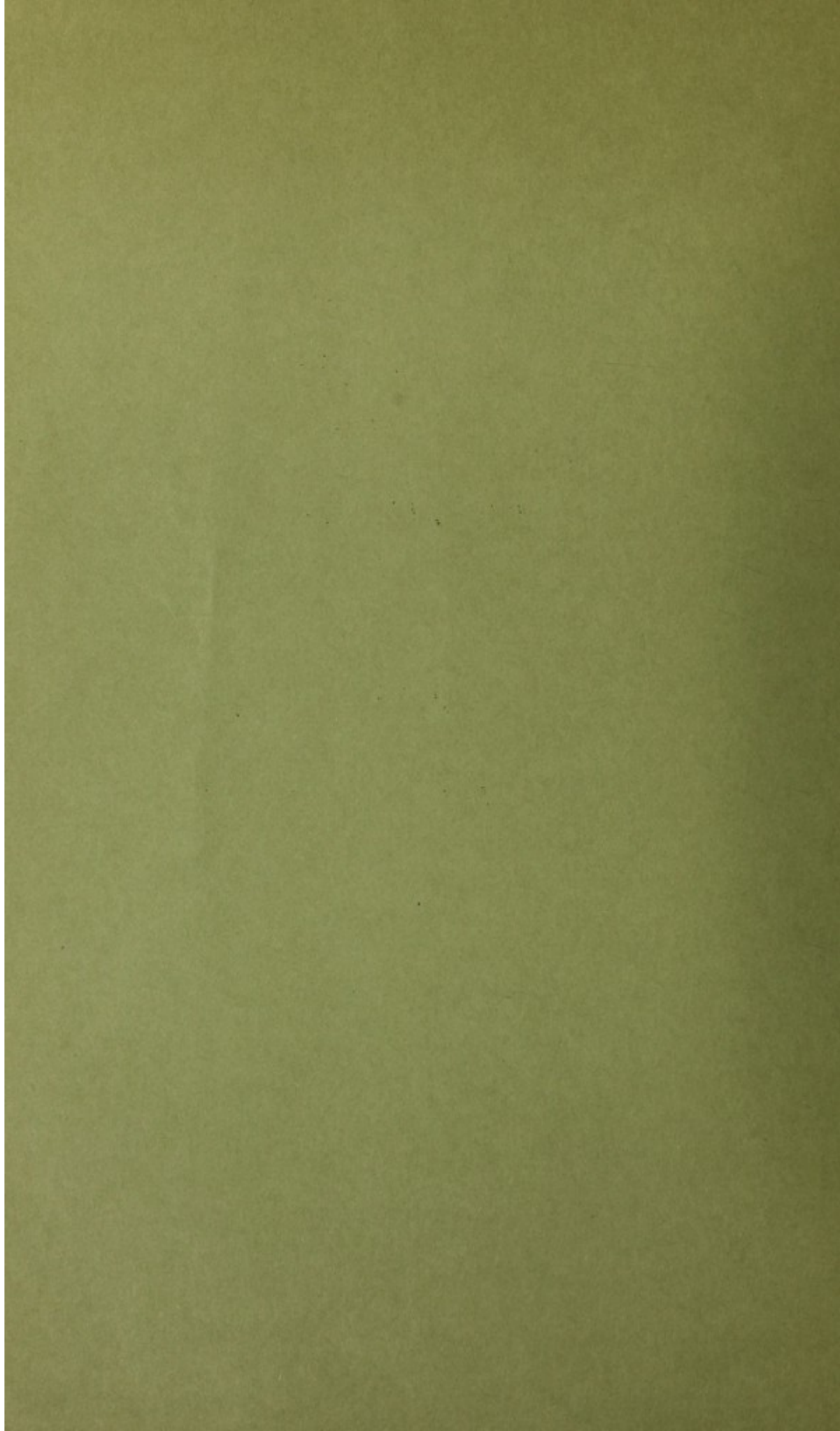


BOROUGH OF BUXTON

ANNUAL
HEALTH REPORT
FOR THE YEAR

1970





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Alderman J. Owen	Councillor E.E. Torrance

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE AUTHORITY

Medical Officer of Health :

H.E. NUTTEN, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Chief Public Health Inspector, Cleansing Superintendent
and Shops Act Inspector:

RICHARD CRUDDAS, M.C., F.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.,
(Cert. Inspector of Meat and Other Foods).

Additional Public Health Inspector:

J. CLOUGH, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.,
(Cert. Inspector of Meat and Other Foods).

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BOROUGH OF BUXTON

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

For the year, 1970

Public Health Department,
Town Hall,
Buxton.

To the Minister of State for the Department of
Health and Social Security and

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Buxton.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I present the Annual Report on the Health of the Borough for the year 1970.

The Adjusted Death Rate is again slightly higher than the average for England and Wales and the infant mortality rates are all higher than the national average. The adjusted Birth Rate is less than the average for England and Wales. The illegitimate live births expressed as a percentage of all live births is 9 compared with 8 which is the average for England and Wales. The main causes of death were diseases of the heart and circulation with 116 cases (39%), cancer with 47 cases (16%) and vascular lesions of the nervous system with 45 cases (15%). These three main causes were responsible for 70% of the total deaths.

The total number of deaths for the year was 299. Of these 137 (46%) were aged 75 and over, 228 (76%) aged 65 and over, and 269 (90%) aged 55 and over.

The number of meals served yearly since the Service started in 1962 is as follows:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>No. of Meals served</u>
1962(8 months)	1,583
1963	3,691
1964	4,654
1965	4,312
1966	4,848
1967	4,128
1968	4,556
1969	5,696
1970	4,920

I wish to record my thanks to the Chairman and members of the Health Committee, to the General Practitioners in the area and to the staff of the Health Department for their co-operation and support during the year.

Your obedient Servant,

H. E. NUTTEN

Medical Officer of Health

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

The elevation of the Borough is from 950 to 1,200 feet above sea-level.

Area of the Borough	6,337 acres
Estimated Population (mid 1970)	20,000
Number of Dwellinghouses, end of 1970	6,426
Rateable Value (31.3.71).	£688,453
Estimated product of Penny Rate (31.3.71)	£2,650

Vital Statistics

	M.	F.	T.
<u>Live Births</u> - Total	156	136	292
Legitimate	145	121	266
Illegitimate.	11	15	26
<u>Stillbirths</u> - Total	1	1	2
Legitimate	-	1	1
Illegitimate.	1	-	1
<u>Total live and stillbirths</u> - Total	157	137	294
Legitimate.	145	122	267
Illegitimate	12	15	27
<u>Deaths of infants</u> (under 1 year of age) - Total	4	3	7
Legitimate	4	2	6
Illegitimate.	-	1	1
(under 4 weeks of age)- Total	4	1	5
Legitimate	4	-	4
Illegitimate.	-	1	1
(under 1 week of age) - Total	4	1	5
Legitimate	4	-	4
Illegitimate.	-	1	1

Deaths - All ages 137 162 299

Live birth rates, etc

	Buxton	England & Wales
Livebirths per 1,000 home population (crude rate)	14.6	16.0
Area comparability factor	1.05	1.00
Local adjusted rate	15.3	16.0
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate. . . . .	.96	1.00
Illegitimate live births as percentage of all live births.	9	8

Stillbirth rate

Stillbirths per 1,000 total live and still births 7 13

Infant mortality rates

Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births	24	18
Deaths of legitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 legitimate live births	23	17
Deaths of illegitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 illegitimate live births	38	26
Neonatal mortality rate:		
Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births	17	12
Early neonatal mortality rate:		
Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births	17	11
Perinatal mortality rate:		
Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and stillbirths.	24	23

Death rates, etc. - all ages

Deaths per 1,000 home population (crude rate)	15.0	11.7
Area comparability factor . . . . .	.88	1.00
Local adjusted rate	13.2	11.7
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate.	1.13	1.00

Comparability Factors

Since 1954 the Registrar General has issued an "area comparability factor" for each County District and for the County as a whole. The reason for this is to allow for the way in which the age and sex distribution of the local population differs from that for England and Wales as a whole.

Since 1957 the death rate area comparability factors have been adjusted to take into account the presence of residential institutions in the area.

When the local crude birth and death rates are multiplied by the factor, they are comparable with the crude rate for England and Wales.

CAUSES OF DEATHS IN THE BOROUGH OF BUXTON

DURING YEAR 1970

CAUSES OF DEATH								Males	Females	Total
All Causes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	137	162	299
B4	Enteritis and other diarrhoeal diseases	...						-	1	1
B18	Other infective and parasitic diseases	...						1	-	1
B19(1)	Malignant neoplasm, buccal cavity etc.	...						-	1	1
B19(2)	Malignant neoplasm, oesophagus	...						1	-	1
B19(3)	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	...						5	1	6
B19(4)	Malignant neoplasm, intestine	...						4	1	5
B19(6)	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	...						11	1	12
B19(7)	Malignant neoplasm, breast	...						-	4	4
B19(8)	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	...						-	1	1
B19(9)	Malignant neoplasm, prostate	...						2	-	2
B19(10)	Lukaemia	...						-	1	1
B19(11)	Other malignant neoplasms	...						10	4	14
B21	Diabetes mellitus	...						1	1	2
B46(1)	Other Endocrine etc. diseases	...						1	1	2
B46(5)	Other diseases of nervous system	...						2	1	3
B26	Chronic rheumatic heart disease	...						2	2	4
B27	Hypertensive disease	...						-	1	1
B28	Ischaemic heart disease	...						26	45	71
B29	Other forms of heart disease	...						6	17	23
B30	Cerebrovascular disease	...						11	34	45
B46(6)	Other diseases of circulatory system	...						6	11	17
B31	Influenza	...						6	8	14
B32	Pneumonia	...						4	6	10
B33(1)	Bronchitis and emphysema	...						19	3	22
B46(7)	Other diseases of respiratory system	...						2	1	3
B34	Peptic ulcer	...						1	-	1
B37	Cirrhosis of liver	...						1	-	1
B46(8)	Other diseases of digestive system	...						2	1	3
B38	Nephritis and nephrosis	...						2	-	2
B46(9)	Other diseases, genito-urinary system	...						-	3	3
B46(11)	Diseases of musculo-skeletal system	...						-	2	2
B42	Congenital anomalies	...						2	1	3
B44	Other causes of perinatal mortality	...						2	1	3
B45	Symptoms and ill defined conditions	...						-	2	2
BE47	Motor vehicle accidents	...						4	-	4
BE48	All other accidents	...						-	4	4
BE49	Suicide and self-inflicted injuries	...						2	1	3
BE50	All other external causes	...						1	1	2

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

(a) Laboratory Facilities: Pathological and Bacteriological investigations are carried out at the County Public Health Laboratory, 121a Osmaston Road, Derby (Tel. Derby 41513), and the Devonshire Royal Hospital, Buxton. Chemical analysis is carried out at the County Analyst's Department, Matlock (Tel. Matlock 3411).

(b) Ambulance Facilities: This is a County Council Service with an ambulance stationed at Park Road, Buxton. (Tel. 2012).

(c) Nursing in the Home: This service is administered by the County Council.

(d) Clinics and Treatment Centres:

<u>Name & Situation</u>	<u>Clinic Held</u>	<u>By whom provided</u>
Maternity & Child Welfare, Bath Road	Mon. 1.30 - 4.15	Derbys. County Council
Harpur Hill Institute	1st & 3rd Tues. of each month 1.30 - 4.15	- do -
Special Clinic, Bath Road.	Thurs. 9 - 12	- do -
Eye Clinic, Bath Road.	1st, 2nd & 4th Monday, a.m.	- do -
Child Welfare, St. Nicholas' Church Hall, Fairfield.	2nd & 4th Thurs. 9.30 - 12 noon	- do -
Relaxation Class, Bath Road.	Thurs. 2.30 - 4 p.m.	- do -
Chiropody Clinic, Bath Road.	Mon. - Fri. 9 - 4 p.m.	- do -
Cervical Cytology Clinic, Bath Road.	3rd Mon. each month a.m.	- do -
Family Planning Clinic, Bath Road.	Tues. 7 - 8.30 p.m. 1st & 3rd Weds. 1.45 - 3.15	Family Planning Assocn. - do -
Chest Clinic, Stepping Hill Hospital. (Subsidiary Clinic held at the Buxton Hospital)	Mon. - Fri.	Regional Hospital Board
Venereal Disease Clinic, St. Thomas' Hospital, Shaw Heath, Stockport.	Mon., Wed. & Fri.	- do -

(e) Hospitals: Administered by the Regional Hospital Board.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948, SECTION 47 AS AMENDED BY THE NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

One case was dealt with under this Act.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There are no common lodging houses in the town.

Water Supply: This is now under the control of the North Derbyshire Water Board. Water samples taken by the Board have been satisfactory. I am indebted to the Engineer and Manager to the Board for regularly sending results of the samples.

FOOD

Food Poisoning Outbreaks

There were no cases of food poisoning during the year.

TUBERCULOSIS

NEW CASES DURING 1970

Age Periods	New Cases			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
0	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	-
5	-	-	-	-
15	-	-	-	-
25	-	-	-	-
35	-	-	-	-
45	-	-	-	-
55	-	-	-	-
65 and upwards.	-	-	-	-
Totals	-	-	-	-

NEW CASES DURING THE YEARS 1961 - 1970

Year	Respiratory			Non-Respiratory			Grand Total
	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	
1961	2	-	2	-	-	-	2
1962	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
1963	4	3	7	-	2	2	9
1964	2	-	2	-	-	-	2
1965	6	-	6	-	-	-	6
1966	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
1967	1	-	1	-	1	1	2
1968	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
1969	-	1	1	-	-	-	1
1970	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

ALL CANCER DEATHS

Year	BUXTON		ENGLAND & WALES
	No. of Deaths	Rate per 1,000 Population	Rate per 1,000 Population
1961	32	1.66	2.162
1962	62	3.20	2.175
1963	51	2.63	2.178
1964	46	2.37	2.209
1965	39	2.00	2.226
1966	45	2.29	2.249
1967	53	2.68	2.275
1968	50	2.5	2.3
1969	50	2.5	2.350
1970	47	2.34	2.342

DEATHS FROM CANCER OF LUNG & BRONCHUS

Year	BUXTON		ENGLAND & WALES
	No. of Deaths	Rate per 1,000 Population	Rate per 1,000 Population
1961	5	0.26	0.494
1962	11	0.57	0.509
1963	9	0.46	0.520
1964	11	0.56	0.535
1965	6	0.31	0.553
1966	5	0.25	0.562
1967	17	0.86	0.584
1968	11	0.55	0.593
1969	13	0.65	0.610
1970	12	0.51	0.606
Total	100	4.98	5.566
Average (10 years)		0.49	0.55

DEATHS FROM BRONCHITIS & EMPHYSEMA

Year	No. of Deaths	Rate per 1,000 Population
1961	14	0.72
1962	7	0.36
1963	13	0.67
1964	13	0.67
1965	14	0.72
1966	10	0.56
1967	11	0.56
1968	8	0.39
1969	10	0.49
1970	22	1.10

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES FOR THE YEAR 1970

Disease	Total Cases Notified (all ages)	Analysis of Total Cases in age groups												
		Under 1 year	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-59	60 and over	Age Unknown
Measles	79	4	3	14	7	14	32	1	3	1	-	-	-	-

Under the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations 1968 which came into operation on the 1st October, 1968, the following is a list of the other notifiable diseases:

Acute encephalitis	Optthalmia Neonatorum
Acute meningitis	Paratyphoid Fever
Acute poliomyelitis	Plague
Anthrax	Relapsing Fever
Cholera	Scarlet Fever
Diphtheria	Scallpox
Dysentery	Tuberculosis
Food Poisoning	Typhoid Fever
Infective Jaundice	Typhus
Leprosy	Whooping Cough
Leptospirosis	Yellow Fever
Malaria	Tetanus

REPORT OF THE BOROUGH METEOROLOGIST

Meteorological Station,
BUXTON

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Buxton.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

The following is based on Meteorological Observations made at the Buxton Meteorological Station during 1970.

A cold and snowy spring was followed by a dry, but otherwise unexciting summer. With September a wet autumn and winter set in. It was the wettest November since 1954. December was drier than average and we had a white Christmas.

The highest temperature recorded was 81 on the 7th July. The lowest temperature recorded was 9 on the 8th January. The heaviest rainfall measured 1.48 on the 16th August. The highest daily sunshine total recorded was 13.6 on the 21st June.

	Average Temperature (F)	Total Rainfall (inches)	Total Sunshine (hours)
1970 January ..	35.6	4.53	13.2
February ..	30.9	6.04	72.1
March	34.0	4.52	105.3
April	39.9	7.19	128.6
May	52.0	0.71	200.0
June	58.0	3.75	240.3
July	63.0	3.88	135.2
August	57.1	5.26	156.1
September..	54.4	3.61	111.7
October....	47.5	4.97	89.8
November...	42.5	8.19	37.0
December...	37.0	2.55	26.1
TOTALS	..	55.20	1317.4

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

I. E. BURTON

Borough Meteorologist

REPORT ON THE 1910-1911 SEASON

Metropolitan Station,
ALBANY

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgess of the Borough of Exeter.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

The following is based on meteorological observations made at the Exeter Meteorological Station during 1910.

A cold and snowy season was followed by a dry, but otherwise uneventful season. With September a wet season and winter set in. It was the wettest November since 1904. December was drier than average and we had a white Christmas.

The highest temperature recorded was 61 on the 14th July. The lowest temperature recorded was 9 on the 8th January. The heaviest rainfall measured 1.60 on the 18th August. The highest daily sunshine total recorded was 11.6 on the 21st June.

Month	Average Temperature (°)	Total Rainfall (Inches)	Total Sunshine (Hours)
January	35.6	4.33	13.2
February	30.9	6.06	75.1
March	34.0	4.32	102.3
April	33.3	7.19	128.8
May	37.9	0.72	200.0
June	50.0	3.75	260.3
July	61.0	3.08	132.2
August	57.1	6.96	121.1
September	56.4	4.61	111.7
October	62.8	4.37	83.8
November	62.5	8.19	37.0
December	37.0	9.55	36.1
TOTAL	..	52.20	1217.4

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Yours obedient servant,

I. E. BATH

Borough Meteorologist

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1970

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To The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Buxton.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my duty and my pleasure to present to you my Thirteenth Annual Report as your Chief Public Health Inspector. The report provides details of the work undertaken by the staff and employees of the Department and forms a historical record for future reference.

Items which I consider of interest have been extracted and given special mention.

1. Housing

The Housing Act 1969 Part III which provides for the conversion of controlled tenancies created additional work within the Department. A number of applications for qualification certificates were received and as a result the inspection of private dwellings increased. It is obvious that landlords are beginning to take advantage of the provisions of Section 43, 44, 45 and 46 and this action is welcomed as it provides for an improvement in the standard of tenanted properties throughout the Borough.

The programme of clearance of totally unfit houses continued and 12 houses were demolished during the year. Unfit houses made fit and houses in which defects were remedied totalled 96.

There was a gradual upward trend in the Applications received for Improvement Grants and the work on the improvement of Council owned dwellings continued.

Your Inspectors kept under surveillance those houses known to be in multiple occupation. It was unnecessary to serve any Statutory Notices in respect of these houses, the person or persons having control of the properties complying with our requests informally.

2. Refuse Collection, Refuse Disposal and Salvage

The Department is responsible for the Collection and Disposal of Refuse throughout the Borough.

Collection at the beginning of the year was undertaken by three 35 cubic yard S. & D. Pakamatic rear loading vehicles. During the year one S. & D. Pakamatic was replaced by a 'NORBA' system of 50 cubic yard capacity fitted on a Dennis Chassis. One S. & D. Pakamatic and the 'NORBA' are fitted with bulk loading equipment for $1\frac{1}{4}$ cubic yard bulk containers.

The use of $1\frac{1}{4}$ cubic yard bulk containers has increased since their introduction in 1968 and there are now 140 units distributed to the larger establishments on a rental basis.

The Health Department were fortunate not to be affected by the strike of refuse collectors which took place in many parts of the country. This was no doubt due to the introduction and the successful working of the 'Incentive Bonus Scheme'. Preliminary surveys were commenced in the Fairfield area with the object of ultimately introducing disposable refuse containers.

2. Refuse Collection, Refuse Disposal and Salvage (Continued)

During the year the Incentive Bonus Scheme was extended to the Refuse Disposal Salvage Section.

It will be noted with satisfaction that the target figure of £4,510. income from Salvage was exceeded by £256.

The loading shovel used as a mechanical aid for the disposal of refuse was replaced by a purpose built Weatherill loading shovel.

A difficult problem was the finding of suitable and sufficient materials for the adequate covering of the refuse after disposal. After much searching reasonable priced quarry waste and soil were obtained and stock piled.

All the employees engaged on this difficult section of our work, Refuse Collection, Refuse Disposal and Salvage, are to be thanked for their efforts; they continued working, come rain, wind or snow. Invariably, it has not always been the fault of the employees when refuse has failed to be collected regularly. In fact one ratepayer remarked to me "I can set my clock by them every Tuesday morning".

At this stage I would like to pay tribute to Mr. Leonard Wood, the Refuse Foreman who retired on 7th October 1970, on grounds of ill health, after 44 years service with the Corporation. During the thirteen years I had the pleasure of working with Mr. Wood he had endeavoured to give to the ratepayers and his employers an efficient Refuse Collection and Disposal Service with the resources available to him.

During the year a number of meetings of a Committee formed to study 'Refuse Disposal in the High Peak Area' were held in Buxton.

This Committee consisted of the officers responsible for Refuse Collection and Disposal in Buxton Borough, Chapel-en-le-Frith R.D.C., Glossop Borough, New Mills U.D.C. and Whaley Bridge U.D.C. together with two officers representing the Local Government Research Unit. The deliberations and findings of the Committee were issued in the form of a Report in December 1970.

3. Civic Amenities Act, 1967

Whenever accumulation of refuse or abandoned vehicles have been discovered on land in the open air immediate action has been taken for their removal.

It was necessary to serve 23 statutory notices on offenders. All these notices were eventually complied with.

The practice of advertising in the local press the dates on which the Corporation Controlled Tip was open to the public for the disposal of refuse again proved successful.

A number of requests were received for the removal of bulk items of refuse.

4. Smoke Control and Atmospheric Pollution

Two Smoke/Sulphur Dioxide recording instruments are situated in Buxton. One at Fairfield Endowed School, Queen's Road, Fairfield, Buxton. One at Town Hall, Buxton.

The results obtained were submitted to the Department of Trade and Industry, Warren Springs Laboratory. During the year the Council became a member of the Warren Springs Laboratory Standing Conference on the Investigation of Air Pollution. Membership of the National Society for Clean Air continued and the appointed Council member and myself attended the meetings held in the North-West arranged by the Society. Mr. G. Barson, Technical Assistant attended the Annual Conference of the Society.

4. Smoke Control and Atmospheric Pollution (Continued)

In January I submitted a detailed report on Atmospheric Pollution within the Borough, together with estimated costs of bringing the first proposed Smoke Control Area i.e. The Fairfield Area into operation. Subsequently the Minister decided that in view of the national economic situation and the shortage of solid smokeless fuels the time was not opportune for the introduction of Smoke Control Areas within the Borough.

Recordings of smoke and sulphur dioxide concentrations are given in the statistical details.

Representatives attended a meeting of the Peak Park Planning Board to consider a proposal to appoint a consultant to examine the problem of the omission of dust at Limestone quarries.

5. Public Conveniences

The problem of wilful damage by vandals continued and there was once again overspending of the estimates for repairs due to the activities of these persons.

It was very disconcerting to receive complaints of the conditions existing in Public Conveniences, only to find on investigation that the situation was due, not to neglect by the hard working convenience attendants but to the sheer destruction of conveniences by irresponsible individuals.

Nevertheless, every endeavour was made to keep the premises to a satisfactory standard and so far as finances would allow improvements were implemented.

6. Rodent Control

The arrangement whereby Chapel-en-le-Frith, Rural District Council shared the services of the Borough of Buxton Rodent Operative ended on 15th June 1970. The ending of this arrangement enabled the Rodent Operative to concentrate more on the problem of infestation by rodents within the Borough.

A test treatment of the sewer manholes was carried out in March 1970 using Fluoroacetamide. The results obtained indicated that it was not necessary to carry out a full treatment.

7. Shops Act, 1950

Routine inspections were carried out and necessary advice was given on the provisions of the above enactment.

Suspension Orders were made under Section 40 of the Act suspending during the period of eighteen weeks commencing on 13th May, 1970 and ending on 9th May 1970, the obligation imposed by the Shops Act, 1950 to close shops on weekly half-day holidays.

An Order was made under Section 42 (1) of the Act permitting Buxton Antiques Fair to carry on a retail trade up to 9.00pm. each evening (except Sunday) during the period 21st April 1970 to 5th May 1970.

8. Safety in the Home

A section of the work of the Public Health Department is 'Home Safety'. Two members of the Public Health Committee are nominated each year to serve on the Buxton Home Safety Committee and your Chief Public Health Inspector and Borough Treasurer are Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer respectively.

The Council make an annual contribution of £60 per. annum. towards the Committee's activities.

8. Safety in the Home (Continued)

During the year six meetings were held and matters receiving attention covered distribution of paper table napkins, bearing home safety slogans, for use at Christmas parties, representations of safety measures in the design of elder citizens flats, the showing of home safety films, safe handling of fireworks, publication of articles in the local press on (a) Electric Blanket Safety; (b) Advice on Children's Toys; (c) Fire Precautions in the Home.

A Safety Publicity Campaign and Exhibition was held in the foyer of the Public Library during the month of October.

Close liaison was maintained with the Buxton Hospital to ascertain the number of persons treated at the hospital as a result of home accidents.

The Committee was represented at the meeting of the East Midland Area No. 4. Home Safety Group and valuable help was obtained from the County Health Education Officer Mr. R. Bartle, the Group Secretary in providing exhibition material and giving advice on the organization of displays and publicity.

9. Conferences etc.

At the request of the Public Health Committee I attended two weekend Schools for Public Health Inspectors and the Annual Conference of the Association of Public Health Inspectors.

May I once again express my appreciation and thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their continued support and guidance.

The Staff and Employees of the Public Health Department are to be congratulated for the manner in which they have performed their duties throughout the year. With the preparation of schemes for Smoke Control, incentive bonuses, bin liners and the increase in duties connected with Improvement Grants and Qualification Certificates, all additional to normal routine duties, they have worked well and hard. Without their help and loyalty the results set out in this report could not have been achieved.

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

RICHARD CRUDDAS,

Chief Public Health Inspector.

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	47
Butchers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	110
Choked drains and sewers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	261
Civic Amenities Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	201
Clean Air Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	194
Complaints General	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,450
Dairies and milk distribution	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	72
Dustbins	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	171
Factories - mechanical power	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	68
Factories - non-mechanical	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	67
Factories - other premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	94
Fish shops (wet)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	53
Fish friers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	47
Food shops - general	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	160
Food warehouses and stores	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	71
Food preparation premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	149
Food hawkers and vehicles	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
Food inspection	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	86
Hairdressers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29
Houses inspected - housing consolidated regulations	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	105
Houses inspected - for housing defects (disrepair, etc.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	160
Houses inspected - after infectious disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Houses let in lodgings	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	110
Hotel and restaurant kitchens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	118
Ice-cream premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Ice-cream sampling	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Improvement Grants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	173
Infectious disease visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Market	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	130
Meat inspection	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	608
Milk sampling	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	54
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	168
Moveable dwellings	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	96
Outworkers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Pet animal premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29
Piggeries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Places of entertainment	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37
Public conveniences	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	341
Revisits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	204
Refuse and salvage	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	278
Rodent Control - refuse tips and sewage works	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	52
Rodent Control - other local authority properties	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28
Rodent Control - business premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	48
Rodent Control - private dwellings	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	156
Rodent Control - agricultural premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Rodent Control - main sewers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	130
Schools	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Shops Act, 1950 - routine	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Shops Act, 1950 - evening	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Shops Act, 1950 - Sunday	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Shops Act, 1950 - half-day closing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	250
Water sampling	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	62
Workplaces	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	46

6,907

SUMMARY OF NUISANCES ABATED AND SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS CARRIED OUT

Accumulations or deposits removed	...	...	...	...	...	99
Baths provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	64
Bedding and clothing destroyed	...	...	...	...	...	10
Bedding and clothing disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	7
Ceilings repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	67
Chimney stacks repaired	...	...	...	...	...	73
Closet compartments repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	26
Closet compartments cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	10
Disinfestation of wasps	...	...	...	...	...	21
Doors and other woodwork repaired	...	...	...	...	...	81
Drains repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	57
Drains unstopped or cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	147
Drains - additional provided	...	...	...	...	...	64
Drains - old drains tested	...	...	...	...	...	70
Drains - new drains tested	...	...	...	...	...	68
Eaves gutters repaired	...	...	...	...	...	82
External walls repaired	...	...	...	...	...	47
Firegrates repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	40
Flushing cisterns repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	37
Food stores provided or improved	...	...	...	...	...	27
Fuel stores provided or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	9
Gully traps provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	52
Improper keeping of animals discontinued	...	...	...	...	...	10
Inspection chambers provided or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	54
Lavatory basins provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	56
Lighting improved	...	...	...	...	...	35
Miscellaneous defects remedied and nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	96
Moveable dwelling nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	5
New dustbins provided	...	...	...	...	...	85
Overcrowding abated	...	...	...	...	...	1
Public sewers repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	8
Public sewers unstopped and cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	20
Rainwater pipes repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	51
Sinks provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	49
Smoke nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	17
Soil pipes provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	51
Staircases repaired	...	...	...	...	...	28
Staircase handrails provided	...	...	...	...	...	34
Steps and sills repaired	...	...	...	...	...	18
Unfit houses demolished	...	...	...	...	...	11
Unfit houses made habitable	...	...	...	...	...	96
Ventilation improved	...	...	...	...	...	32
Verminous articles disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	5
Verminous rooms disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	5
Walls repaired internally	...	...	...	...	...	63
Wash-houses and outbuildings repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2
Waste pipes repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	38
Water supply improved	...	...	...	...	...	41
Water fittings repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	28
Water closets - additional provided	...	...	...	...	...	51
Water closets - provided in lieu of pail closets	...	...	...	...	...	1
Water closets - repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	20
Windows repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	56
Yard and passage paving provided or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	15
Factories cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	4
Factories - heating improved	...	...	...	...	...	17
Factories - lighting improved	...	...	...	...	...	14
C/fwd.						2,275

Factories - ventilation improved	8
Factories - floors and drains repaired	16
Factories - sanitary conveniences int. vent. space provided	5
Factories - sanitary conveniences improved or repaired	11
Factories - sanitary conveniences provided	3
Factories - sanitary conveniences separate for sexes	1
Factories - structures repaired	15
Floors repaired or renewed	27
Food premises - repaired or improved	44
Food premises - sanitary accommodation provided	7
Food premises - cleansed	15
Food premises - other defects remedied	39
Food premises - washing facilities provided	10
Public conveniences - structures repaired or improved	12
Public conveniences - cleansed and redecorated	15
Public conveniences - fittings repaired or renewed	248
Shops repaired or improved	63
Shops - washing facilities provided	12
Shops - cleansed	18
Shops - sanitary accommodation provided	4
Shops - other defects remedied or nuisances abated	39
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	2,887

NOTICES, INTERVIEWS, ETC.

Total number of complaints received	1,450
Interviews with owners, builders, etc.	435
Statutory Notices served	31
Statutory Notices complied with	22
Informal Notices served	65
Informal Notices complied with	31
Verbal Notices given	222
Verbal Notices complied with	147
Letters and reminders sent to owners, etc.	120

STATUTORY NOTICES SERVED

<u>Civic Amenities Act, 1967</u>	8
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Housing Act, 1957

Section 16	1
Section 17(1)	1

Public Health Act, 1936

Section 44	1
Section 45	2
Section 93	9
Section 277	5

Public Health Act, 1961

Section 18	1
Section 26	2

Public Health Act, 1962

Section 1	1
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Year Ended 31st December, 1970

Number of new houses erected during the year:-

(a) Local Authority	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
(b) Private Enterprise	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
(c) Other Local Authorities	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(d) Existing houses converted into flats	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
(e) New flats	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40

SEWERAGE, DRAINAGE AND SANITATION

No. of manholes in main foul sewers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,150
No. of houses in the Borough connected to sewers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,397
No. of houses not connected to sewers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
No. of connections made during the year:-									
(a) Existing houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
(b) New houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
(c) Other premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
No. of conversions of pail closets to W.C.'s	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

Where drains were found to be defective, owners were requested to carry out works of repair. Details of work carried out are given in the summary of nuisances abated.

DISINFECTIONS FOLLOWING INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Details of work done during the year are as follows:-

Number of rooms disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Number of articles of clothing, bedding, etc., disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Library books disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Number of visits paid by Public Health Inspectors to premises in connection with infectious disease and disinfections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4

ERADICATION OF INSECT PESTS

Number of rooms treated	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Wasps nests removed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21

A. HOUSES DEMOLISHED			
In Clearance Areas declared under Section 42 of Housing Act, 1957	Houses Demolished	Displaced	
		Persons	Families
Unfit for human habitation	11	8	3
Included by reason of bad arrangement	Nil	Nil	Nil
On land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	Nil
Not in Clearance Areas			
As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17 (1) of Housing Act, 1957	1	19	6
Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health	Nil	Nil	Nil
Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts	Nil	Nil	Nil
Houses included in unfitness orders	Nil	Nil	Nil
Number of dwellings included above which were previously reported as closed			Nil
B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED			
	Houses Closed	Displaced	
		Persons	Families
Under Sections 16 (4), 17 (1) and 35 (1) Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	Nil
Under Sections 17 (3) and 26 Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	Nil
Parts of buildings closed under Section 18 Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	Nil
C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED			
	By Owner	By Local Authority	
After informal action by local authority	75	Nil	
After formal notice under			
(a) Public Health Acts	21	Nil	
(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	
Under Section 24 Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	
D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (HOUSING ACT, 1957)			
Position at end of year. Retained for temporary accommodation	Number of houses	Number of separate dwellings contained in Cols. 1 and 2	
(a) Under Section 48	Nil	Nil	
(b) Under Section 17 (2)	Nil	Nil	
(c) Under Section 46	Nil	Nil	
Licensed for temporary occupation under Sections 34 or 53	Nil	Nil	
E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT			
	Number of houses	Number of occupants of houses in column 1	
Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders, purchased in the year	Nil	Nil	

OVERCROWDING

No new cases of statutory overcrowding were reported or discovered during 1970. Two cases of overcrowding were relieved by the Local Authority during the year. Three cases of overcrowding remained outstanding at the end of the year.

(a) Number of dwellings statutorily overcrowded	...	...	...	5
(b) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved by L.A.	...	...	...	2
(c) Number of persons concerned in (b)	...	...	...	7
(d) Number of dwellings remaining overcrowded	...	...	...	3
(e) Number of persons concerned in (d)	...	...	...	9½

IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATIONS

Discretionary Improvement Grants under Housing Acts 1959 and 1969

Conversions

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	4
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year:-	
(a) owner-occupied	1
(b) other	Nil
Amount of grant which the Council has decided to pay this year	
after completion of conversion	£1,000

Improvements

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	17
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year:-	
(a) owner-occupied	3
(b) other	Nil
Amount of grant which the Council has decided to pay on	
applications approved this year	1,459

Improvements to Council-owned dwellings

Number of dwellings concerned this year	53
Amount of Annual Grant received from Ministry of Housing and	
Local Government for period of twenty years	£755

Standard Improvement Grants under Housing Acts, 1959 and 1969

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	53
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year:-	
(a) owner-occupied	45
(b) other	7
Grants paid this year (i.e. after completion of improvements):-	
Number of dwellings concerned	39
Amount paid	£5,838-10-0

Total Number of Amenities Provided

A fixed bath or shower in a bathroom	35
A fixed bath or shower elsewhere in the dwelling	Nil
A hot and cold water supply at a fixed bath or shower	35
A wash hand basin	33
A hot and cold water supply at a wash hand basin	35
A sink	14
A hot and cold water supply at a sink	27
A water closet in and accessible from within the dwelling	35
A water closet within the curtilage of the dwelling	
and readily accessible from the dwelling	Nil
Satisfactory facilities for the storage of food	5

HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION

1. Total number of houses known to be in multiple occupation ... 47
2. Number of houses estimated to need attention under Housing Act, 1961 ... 11
3. Number of houses on which notices of intention have been served for
 - (a) Management orders (Sec. 12) ... Nil
 - (b) Directions on overcrowding (Sec.19) ... Nil
4. Number of houses on which have been made
 - (a) Management orders ... Nil
 - (b) Directions on overcrowding ... Nil
5. Number of notices served
 - (a) To make good neglect of proper standard of management ... Nil
 - (b) To require additional services of facilities ... Nil
 - (c) Where work has been carried out in default ... Nil
6. Number of prosecutions since passing of Housing Act, 1961, in respect of
 - (a) Management ... Nil
 - (b) Directions ... Nil
 - (c) Overcrowding (Sec. 90 Housing Act, 1957) ... Nil
7. Number of control orders made (Housing Act, 1964) ... Nil
8. Number of control orders terminated ... Nil
9. Details regarding separate occupancies in houses in multiple occupation

Number of houses with following number of occupancies	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Over 12
	12	25	6	1			1		1			1

- Landlord/Tenant Act Number of houses without Rent Books ... 6
- Number of proceedings taken ... Nil

CARAVANS AND CAMPING - CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960

1. Total number of visits made to all sites ... 30
2. Number of site licences operating as at 31st December, 1968
 - (a) Residential ... 1
 - (b) Holiday ... 1
3. Total number of caravans ... 150
4. Tented camping sites licensed as at 31st December, 1968
 - (a) Private ... 1
 - (b) Local Authority ... Nil
5. Average number of tents pitched at any one time ... 12
6. Adequate and satisfactory sanitary arrangements are available at the caravan sites and camping site.

SALVAGE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Salvageable Material	1968		1969		1970	
	Weight T. C. Q.	Income £: s: d.	Weight T. C. Q.	Income £: s: d.	Weight T. C. Q.	Income £: s: d.
Mixed Waste Paper	117 15 0	994 14 6	134 8 0	1,261 2 6	145 12 0	1,528 16 0
Container Waste	171 12 0	2,140 9 6	213 1 0	2,477 19 0	227 1 0	2,776 13 9
Newsprint	19 14 0	192 1 6	43 13 0	480 12 3	27 11 0	351 5 3
Mixed Rags	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scrap	Various Amounts	11 11 0	Various Amounts	9 15 0	Various Amounts	110 0 0
TOTAL	309 1 0	3,338 16 6	391 2 0	4,229 8 9	400 4 0	4,766 15 0

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL -
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE COSTS

Cumulative figures from 1st April, 1970 to 31st March, 1971

Vehicle	Repairs and Maintenance		Fuel, oil, tyres and licences		Total Expenditure	
	Labour Charges	Replacements				
	£: s: d.	£: s: d.	£: s: d.	£: s: d.	£: s: d.	£: s: d.
GNU 727B Nov. 1964	349 15 3	400 10 5	656 3 4		1406 9 0	
PRA 287E Apr. 1967	536 0 2	423 5 7	891 5 5		1850 11 2	
ARA 984G Nov. 1968	173 7 0	56 4 1	472 18 11		702 10 0	
GRB 998C Sep. 1965	271 8 8	259 1 9	795 18 4		1326 8 9	
GNU 149H Jan. 1970	177 10 3	178 6 3	107 8 10		463 5 4	
MANU 550J Jan. 1971	33 2 4	3 12 2	381 12 8		418 7 2	

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

The following Conveniences are controlled by the Public Health Department:-

Ladies: Ashwood Park, Boarstones Lane, Bridge Street, Burbage, Burlington Road, Cote Heath, Fairfield, Market Place, Harpur Hill and Water Street

Gentlemen: Ashwood Park, Boarstones Lane, Bridge Street, Burbage, Burlington Road, Cote Heath, Fairfield, Market Place, Harpur Hill Terrace Road and Water Street

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS

- (a) Public swimming pools and baths - Natural baths owned by Local Authority
- (b) Privately owned swimming pools or baths open to the public - Palace Hotel Swimming Bath
- (c) Hospital treatment pools - Devonshire Royal Hospital Pool
- (d) Action taken to ensure the satisfactory condition of the water - Routine Sampling

SLAUGHTERHOUSES - MEAT INSPECTION

Details of the animals inspected are set out in the following tables:-

No. of carcasses inspected	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,894
Cattle excluding cows	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	341
Cows	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	870
Calves	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	78
Sheep and lambs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,864
Pigs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,741

CARCASSES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED IN WHOLE OR IN PART

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	341	870	78	2,864	1,741
Number inspected	341	870	78	2,864	1,741
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	Nil	20	14	4	1
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	67	300	Nil	51	39
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	19.65	36.78	17.95	1.92	2.29
<u>Tuberculosis only:</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
<u>Cysticercosis:</u>					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Generalised and totally condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

UN SOUND FOOD

The following is a detailed list of the diseased or unsound meat and other food examined by your Inspectors in slaughterhouses and shops and subsequently destroyed:-

Bovine

Carcase and Organs	Septicaemia and Fevered Condition	10
Carcase and Organs	Johnes with emaciation	10
Livers	Distomatosis	83
Livers	Abscess	58
Livers	Telangiectasis	56
Livers	Bacillary Necrosis	18
Lungs	Pleurisy	20
Lungs	Congestion	20
Lungs	Abscess	22
Hindquarter Beef	Bruising	12 cwt. 5 qrs.
Forequarter Beef	Bruising	4 qrs.
Kidneys	Hydronephritis	18
Udder	Mastitis	25
Heart	Pericarditis	5
Spleen	Peritonitis	32

Calves

Carcase and Organs	Immaturity	7
Carcase and Organs	Dropsy and Emaciation	4
Carcase and Organs	Septicaemia and Fevered Condition	3

Sheep

Carcase and Organs	Dropsy and Emaciation	4
Livers	Fascioliasis	38
Livers	Cysticercus Tenuicollis	9
Livers	Abscess	4

Pigs

Carcase and Organs	Pyæmia	1
Leg	Abscess	4
Livers	Ascaris Lumbricodes	16
Plucks	Pneumonia and Pericarditis	19

The undermentioned items of foodstuff were voluntarily surrendered for destruction, the retailers having first consulted the Public Health Department as to the food's fitness for sale for human consumption.

Meat, Poultry, Fish and Miscellaneous Foods

	cwts.	lbs.	ozs.
687 Miscellaneous articles of frozen food due to cabinet breakdown	Weight not known		
Salami		13	0
Salmon Spread			8
Beef Spread			8
Sausage		1	6
32 cartons Biscuits	1	99	8
Butter	1	87	0
Chuck Steak	1	78	0
16 Chickens		28	0
240 Miscellaneous articles of frozen food due to cabinet breakdown		109	0
Pig carcase meat	1	68	0
Hindquarter and Forequarter Cow beef	7	36	0

UN SOUND FOOD (Continued)

Tinned Meats

	cwts.	lbs.	ozs.
1 tin Ham		11	8
1 tin Ox Tongue		6	0
1 tin Cooked Mutton		6	0
1 tin Pork Shoulder		11	0
13 tins Corned Beef		9	12

Tinned Food other than Meats

11 tins Raspberries	9	15½
19 tins Crab	7	11½

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

The milk supply of Buxton is derived from 32 sources as follows:-

Producer/retailer : within the Borough	4
Producer/wholesalers : within the Borough	7
Producer/retailer : from without the Borough	-
Producer/wholesaler : from without the Borough	21
	<u>32</u>

Several of the producers within the Borough sell their surplus milk wholesale to dairies in Manchester, and in addition there are about 6 producers who sell all their milk wholesale in Manchester.

The number of registered premises in the Borough and visits made during the year are as follows:-

Number of Registered Dairies	...	...	...	...	...	8
Number of Registered Milk Distributors	...	...	...	...	...	34
Number of Inspections made	...	...	...	...	...	72
Number of visits - Milk Sampling	...	...	...	...	...	54

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF MILK SAMPLING

Designation	No. of Samples	Brucella Abortus		Methylene Blue			
		Neg.	Pos.	Satis.	Unsatis.	Void.	Not done
Tuberculin Tested	175	<u>Ring Test</u>					
		120	55	67	31	23	54
		<u>Culture*</u>					
		47	7				
		<u>Guinea Pig</u>					
		<u>Innoculation+o</u>					
		19	33				

*1 Culture not done +3 Guinea Pigs died of Guinea Pig Innoculation not done

The sampling of pasteurised milk is carried out by the County Council Officials.

MILK SAMPLES TAKEN BY COUNTY COUNCIL

Untreated Milk			
<u>Methylene Blue</u>		<u>Biological</u>	
<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
7	4	4	4

Pasteurised Milk			
Methylene Blue		Phosphatase	
Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory*	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
27	3	33	3

*6 not done

Ultra Heat Treated Milk			
Colony Count Test			
Satisfactory		Unsatisfactory	
1		-	

Total number of samples 49

Pasteurising Plant - Buxton Spa Dairies Limited, Green Lane, Buxton

Pasteurised Milk			
Methylene Blue		Phosphatase	
Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
21*	-	24	-

*3 not done

Total number of Pasteurising Plant samples 24

Where two successive samples of milk from any one supplier fail to pass the methylene blue reduction test, notification is sent to the County Milk Production Officer with a request for him to visit the farm.

ICE-CREAM - SAMPLING

Number of samples submitted for bacteriological examination	Satisfactory Provisional Grade 1	Unsatisfactory under Provisional Grades
4	4	Nil

FOOD PREMISES - Food Premises within the Borough

Butchers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Pork Butchers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Grocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	47
Dairy Produce and Grocery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Bread and Flour Confectionery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Sugar Confectionery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Fried Fish and Chips	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Greengrocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Restaurants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21
General Stores	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Cheese factors	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Wine and Spirits Merchants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Licensed Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	54
Market Stalls for Food	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21
Wholesale Warehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Hotels, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
Works Canteens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13
Shops Canteens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
School Kitchens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Chicken Spits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

Food Premises registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955

Ice Cream Dealers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	102
Manufacturers of Sausage and Preserved Foods	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	44

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Report of County Analyst

Ninety-four samples, including forty-one milks, were taken under the above Act in the area of the Borough of Buxton during the year 1970.

Three samples of pasteurised milk and two samples of untreated milk all contained traces of added water. Further samples will be taken from each of the dealers concerned.

The fat of a sample of lemon curd was rancid. No further stock was available for a formal sample. Two cornish pasties were slightly deficient in meat and further samples will be taken. A soup powder paste did not carry a list of ingredients. The matter was taken up with the manufacturers.

The remaining samples were satisfactory.

Following consumer complaints received by the Borough of Buxton, several samples were examined. A jar of malted milk had an unusual taste; rum was found to contain salt, and milk was alleged to contain dirt.

POULTRY INSPECTION

There are no poultry processing premises within the Borough of Buxton.

WATER SUPPLY - Sampling

Number of houses connected to mains	...	...	...	...	...	6,428
Number of houses supplied from stand pipes on mains	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Number of houses on private supplies	...	...	...	...	...	23

Samples are taken once per month from the town mains water supply.

The bacteriological examinations are carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Derby. The chemical examinations are carried out by the County Analyst at Matlock. The following is a summary of the results of samples taken during the year:-

	Town Mains No. of Samples		Other Sources No. of Samples		Swimming Baths No. of Samples	
	Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.
For bacteriological examination	23	-	5	-	41	1
For chemical examination	-	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

TABLE A - Registrations and General
Inspections

Class of premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Total number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	2	86	2
Retail shops	-	167	8
Wholesale shops, warehouses	-	7	-
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	1	40	1
Fuel storage depots	-	2	-
TOTALS	3	302	11

TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITS OF ALL KINDS BY INSPECTORS TO REGISTERED PREMISES
UNDER THE ACT - 96

TABLE B - Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Number of Contraventions found	Section	Number of Contraventions found
4	Cleanliness 1	13	Sitting facilities 4
5	Overcrowding -	14	Seats (Sedentary Workers) -
6	Temperature 4	15	Eating facilities 3
7	Ventilation 4	16	Floors, passage and stairs 3
8	Lighting 4	17	Fencing exposed parts machinery 1
9	Sanitary conveniences -	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery -
10	Washing facilities 8	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery -
11	Supply of drinking water 2	23	Prohibition of heavy work -
12	Clothing accommodation 11	24	First aid 6
			Other matters -
			TOTAL 51

TABLE C - Reported Accidents

Workplace	Number Reported		Total No. Investigated	Action Recommended			
	Fatal	Non Fatal		Prosecution	Formal warning	Informal advice	No action
Offices	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Retail shops	Nil	2	2	Nil	Nil	2	Nil
Wholesale shops warehouses	Nil	1	1	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Nil	1	1	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
Fuel storage depots	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTALS	Nil	4	4	Nil	Nil	4	Nil

Analysis of reported accidents

	Offices	Retail shops	Wholesale warehouses	Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel storage depots
Machinery	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
Transport	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Falls of persons	Nil	1	1	Nil	Nil
Stepping on or striking against object or person	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Handling goods	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil
Struck by falling object	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Fires and explosions	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Electricity	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Use of hand tools	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Not otherwise specified	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

TABLE D - Analysis of Persons employed
in Registered Premises by
Workplace

Class of workplace	Number of persons employed
Offices	584
Retail shops	841
Wholesale departments, warehouses	31
Catering establishments open to the public	345
Canteens	5
Fuel storage depots	7
Total	1,813
Total Males	714
Total Females	1,099

No. of inspectors appointed under
Section 52 (1) or (5) of the Act ... 3

No. of other staff employed for
most of their time on work in
connection with the Act ... Nil

FACTORIES

The provision of the Factories Act, 1961, which your Council has to administer chiefly relates to the following matters:-

- (1) Factories where mechanical power is used.
 - (a) Provision and maintenance of sanitary conveniences for both sexes.
- (2) Factories where mechanical power is not used.
 - (a) Cleanliness.
 - (b) Overcrowding.
 - (c) Temperature and ventilation.
 - (d) Drainage of floors.
 - (e) Provision and maintenance of sanitary conveniences for both sexes.
- (3) Basement bakehouses.
- (4) Home Work.

The following table shows the list of factories on the Register:-

Abrasive Compound Manufacturers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Agricultural Engineers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Bicycle Repairs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Blacksmiths	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Boot Repairing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Brake Lining Manufacturers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Builders Merchants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Builders and Plumbers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Corset Manufacturers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dairies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Dry Cleaners	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Dress Makers and Milliners	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Electrical Engineers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Firewood Dealers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
General Engineers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Joinery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Laundries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Local Authority	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Milk Pasteurization	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Nationalised Industries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Monumental Stone Mason	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Motor Engineer Body Builders	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Motor Car Body Sprayers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Motor Repairs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26
Oatcake Manufacturers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Painters Workshops	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Photographic	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Printers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Sausage, Pie and Cooked Meat Manufacturers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Site Operations	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Tailoring	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Thermostat Manufacturer	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Undertakers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Upholsterers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Watch Repairers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Welding	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Wines and Mineral Waters	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Wireless and T.V. Repairs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5

The number of inspections made of factories by your Public Health Inspectors and action taken is given in the following table:-

Premises	Inspections	Number of Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
Factories (Mechanical power)	68	Nil	Nil
Factories (Non-mechanical power)	67	Nil	Nil
Factories (Other premises)	94	Nil	Nil

Defects found in Factories are as follows:-

Particulars	Number of Defects		
	Found	Remedied	Referred by H.M. Inspector
Want of cleanliness	4	4	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	17	17	-
Inadequate ventilation	8	8	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	16	16	-
Sanitary Conveniences:			
(a) Insufficient	3	3	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	11	11	-
(c) Separate for sexes	1	1	-
Other offences against the Act	-	-	-

There were no offences in respect of which prosecutions were instituted.

OUTWORK

Number of outworkers in register	...	...	...	...	...	16
Lists of outworkers received from other employers	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Lists of outworkers received from other local authorities	...	...	...	...	...	2
Lists of outworkers sent to other authorities	...	...	...	...	...	1
Inspection of outworkers premises	...	...	...	...	...	24

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Outwork
(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing) Making apparel) etc., (Wire) Cleaning and Washing Badge) Embroidery	15	-	-	-	-	-
Textile weaving	1	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	16	-	-	-	-	-

SHOPS ACT

Number of shops entered in register	...	...	...	...	...	415
Number of inspections of shops made during 1970	...	...	...	...	...	533

The following is a summary of the improvements and repairs carried out at shop premises during the year:-

Improved	...	...	...	...	...	...	63
Cleaned	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Defects remedied	...	...	...	...	...	...	39
Washing facilities provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Additional sanitary accommodation	...	...	...	...	...	...	4

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956 - 1968

Seventeen smoke observations were carried out during the year and advice was given on methods to be adopted for the emission of dark or black smoke.

SECTION 3 CLEAN AIR ACT 1956

Prior approvals granted	4
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NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

Total number of complaints received 13
Total number investigated 13

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960, SECTION 1

	Industrial	Commercial	Domestic	Total
Number of nuisances confirmed	8	2	3	13
Number of nuisances remedied	8	2	3	13
Number of Abatement notices under Section 1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Number of Nuisance orders made under Section 1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

The most common causes of complaint were, noise from cooling fans, lime burning kilns, air compressors, motors, oil fired installations, quarry operations.

THEATRES, MUSIC HALLS, ETC.

There are four places of entertainment in the Borough, viz:-

The Opera House, The Pavilion Gardens, The Spa Cinema and the Playhouse.

All the establishments were inspected and found to be well managed.

OFFENSIVE TRADES

There are no offensive trade establishments in the Borough.

CIVIC AMENITIES ACT, 1967

Notices Served	Removal of Refuse	Removal of Abandoned Vehicles
Informal	5	5
Statutory	Nil	23
Notices complied with		
Informal	5	5
Statutory	Nil	23

Number of vehicles voluntary disposed of by owners
at Controlled Tip 19

Costs recovered for disposal of refuse and vehicles under
Civic Amenities Act £15.50

ANNUAL REPORT ON RATS AND MICE

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

Year ended 31st December, 1970

Properties other than Sewers

1. Number of properties in district
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification
- (b) Number infested by
 - (i) Rats
 - (ii) Mice
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification
- (b) Number infested by
 - (i) Rats
 - (ii) Mice

Type of Property	
Non-Agricultural	Agricultural
7,918	33
725	Nil
245	Nil
27	Nil
170	18
91	13
2	Nil

RODENT CONTROL

Summary of Test-baiting of sewers for rats

Total number of manholes in foul and connected systems	...	1,150
Number of manholes baited	...	176
Date on which bait was laid	...	March, 1970
Bait used	...	Fluoracetamide

RECORDINGS OF ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION WITHIN THE BOROUGH

Site: Buxton 1 Situation: Town Hall, Buxton

MONTH	SMOKE			SULPHUR DIOXIDE		
	Results expressed in microgrammes per cubic metre					
	Average Concentra- tion	Highest Concentra- tion	Lowest Concentra- tion	Average Concentra- tion	Highest Concentra- tion	Lowest Concentra- tion
January		SAMPLING			SAMPLING	
February		APPARATUS			APPARATUS	
March		DEFECTIVE			DEFECTIVE	
April	36	115	5	63	172	24
May	31	78	5	46	89	18
June	36	133	11	68	208	24
July	47	78	27	67	125	30
August	100	161	19	124	178	54
September	72	177	27	78	155	42
October	81	203	18	113	250	30
November	82	244	29	111	214	36
December	86	233	2	142	297	48

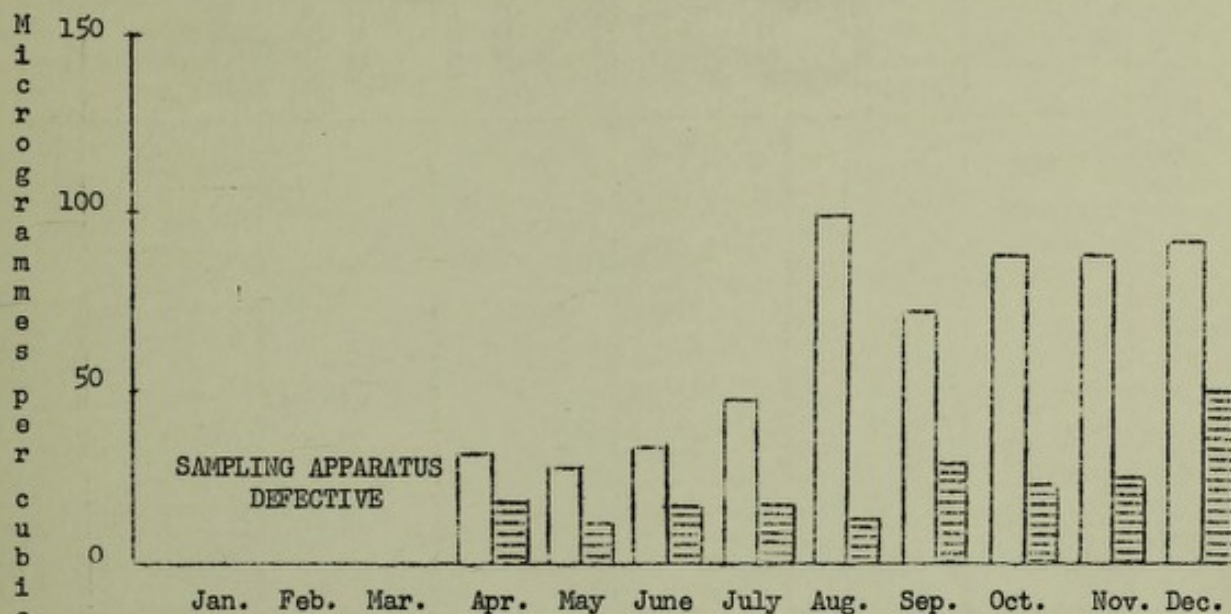
Site: Buxton 2
Situation: Queen's Road Primary School, Fairfield, Buxton

MONTH	SMOKE			SULPHUR DIOXIDE		
	Results expressed in microgrammes per cubic metre					
	Average Concentra- tion	Highest Concentra- tion	Lowest Concentra- tion	Average Concentra- tion	Highest Concentra- tion	Lowest Concentra- tion
January		SAMPLING			SAMPLING	
February		APPARATUS			APPARATUS	
March		DEFECTIVE			DEFECTIVE	
April	19	33	11	36	65	18
May	11	23	4	27	42	12
June	15	35	3	40	71	24
July	16	31	5	27	42	12
August	10	21	2	15	24	6
September	27	100	9	21	42	18
October	18	70	3	22	48	12
November	26	82	1	30	71	12
December	48	244	1	70	357	12

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION 1970

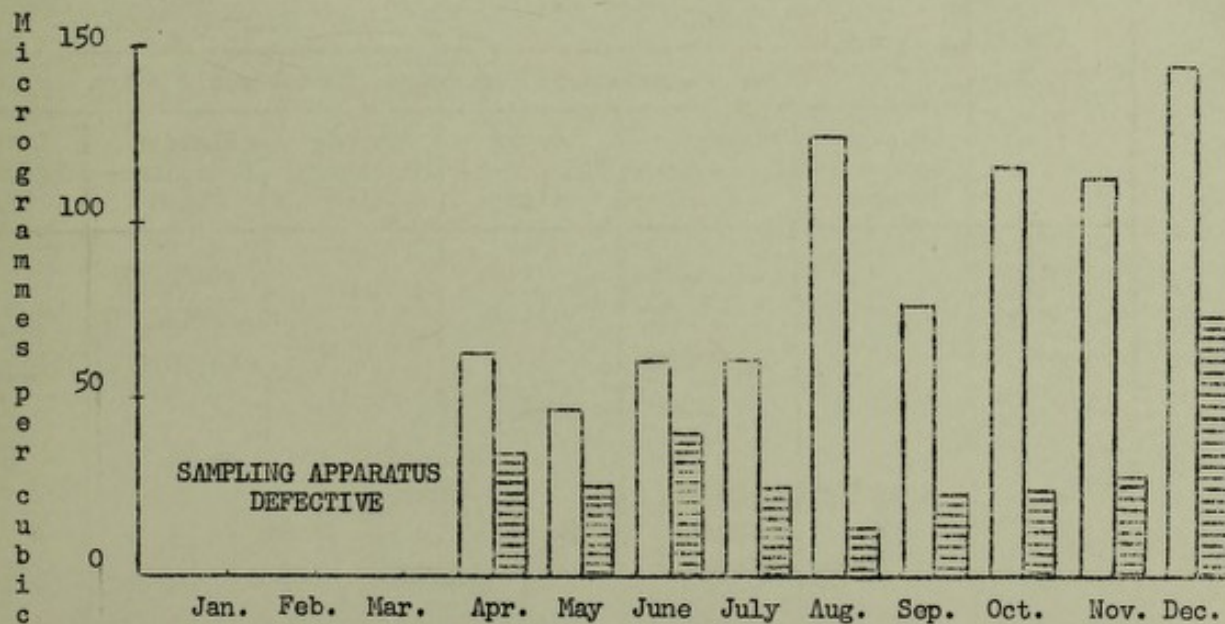
SMOKE CONCENTRATIONS

MONTHLY AVERAGES



SULPHUR DIOXIDE CONCENTRATIONS

MONTHLY AVERAGES



BUXTON 1

Town Hall,
Buxton

BUXTON 2

Queen's Road
Primary School,
Fairfield,
Buxton

TABLE 1. MONTHLY AVERAGE SULPHUR DIOXIDE CONCENTRATIONS

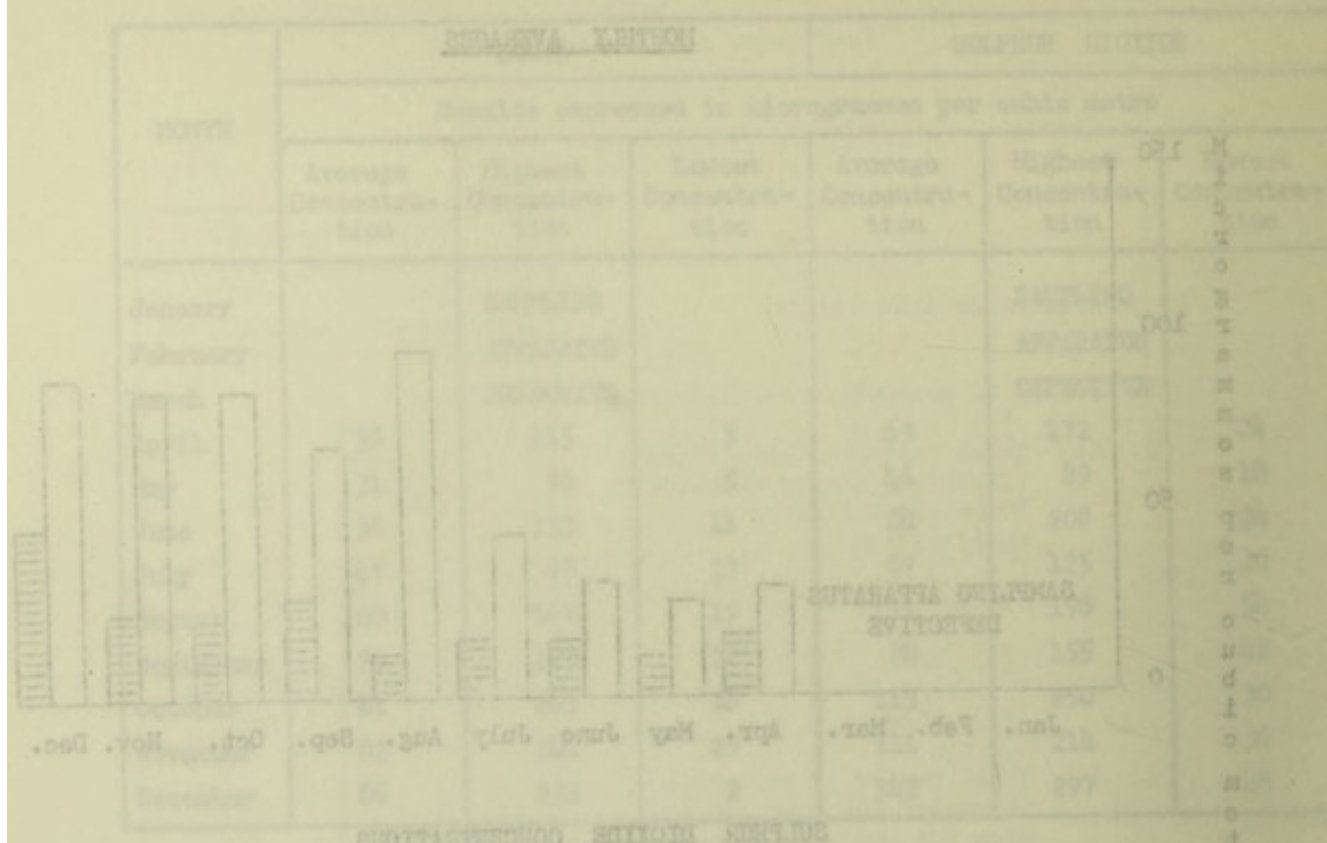


TABLE 2. MONTHLY AVERAGE SULPHUR DIOXIDE CONCENTRATIONS

