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BOROUGH OF BUXTON

ANNUAL
HEALTH REPORT
FOR THE YEAR

1972





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PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE AUTHORITY

Medical Officer of Health:

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

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

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

Additional Public Health Inspector:

D. NADEN, M.A.P.H.I.
(Cert. Inspector of Meat and Other Foods)

Pupil Public Health Inspector:

G. BARSON, M.I.P., Grad.I.D.H.E., M.R.S.H., A.P.H.I.(Student).
(Diploma in Air Pollution Control)
(Commenced as above 25.9.72 - formerly
Technical Assistant)

Technical Assistant:

J. K. FLETCHER, L.I.O.B., A.M.R.S.H.
(Commenced 4.9.72)

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HOUSE HEALTH COMMITTEE OF THE ASSEMBLY

Medical Director of Health

M. E. KUTNER, M.D., D.P.H., D.P.S., D.P.H.

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EDWARD GIBSON, M.D., D.P.H., D.P.S., D.P.H.

(Chief Inspector of Meat and Other Foods)

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D. K. KUTNER, M.D., D.P.H.

(Chief Inspector of Meat and Other Foods)

Public Health Inspector

O. HANCOCK, M.D., D.P.H., D.P.S., D.P.H.

(Inspector in Sanitation Control)

(Commenced on June 22, 1918 - formerly
Technical Assistant)

Technical Assistant

J. E. HANCOCK, M.D., D.P.H., D.P.S., D.P.H.

(Commenced June 22, 1918)

Sanitary Officer

MISS J. HANCOCK

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BOROUGH OF BUXTON

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

For the year 1972

Public Health Department,
Town Hall,
Buxton.

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

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

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I present my Annual Report on the Health of the Borough for
the year 1972.

The main causes of death were diseases of the heart and circulation
with 120 cases (39%), vascular lesions of the nervous system with 79 cases
(26%) and cancer with 50 cases (16%). These three main causes were
responsible for 81% of the total deaths.

The total number of deaths for the year was 307. Of these 156
(51%) were aged 75 and over, 245 (80%) aged 65 and over, and 278 (90%) aged
55 and over.

The number of "meals on wheels" served during the year was
5,303.

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

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 1972)	19,900
Number of dwellinghouses, end of 1972	6,566
Rateable value (31.3.73)	£715,214
Estimated product of 1p Rate (31.3.73).	£6,700

Vital Statistics

	M.	F.	T.
Live births - Total	135	117	252
Legitimate	122	109	231
Illegitimate.	13	8	21
Stillbirths - Total	2	-	2
Legitimate	1	-	1
Illegitimate.	1	-	1
Total live and still births - Total	137	117	254
Legitimate	123	109	232
Illegitimate.	14	8	22
Deaths of Infants - (under 1 year of age) - Total	1	3	4
Legitimate.	1	3	4
Illegitimate	-	-	-
(under 4 weeks of age) - Total	-	3	3
Legitimate.	-	3	3
Illegitimate	-	-	-
(under 1 week of age) - Total	-	3	3
Legitimate.	-	3	3
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Deaths - all ages	152	155	307

Live birth rates, etc.

	Buxton	England & Wales
Livebirths per 1,000 home population (crude rate)	12.7	14.8
Area comparability factor	1.07	1.00
Local adjusted rate	13.6	14.8
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate	.92	1.00
Illegitimate livebirths as percentage of all live births	8	9

Stillbirth rate

Stillbirths per 1,000 total live and still births	8	12
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Infant mortality rates

Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births	16	17
Deaths of legitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 legitimate live births	17	17
Deaths of illegitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 illegitimate live births	-	21

Neonatal mortality rate

Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births.	12	12
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Early neonatal mortality rate

Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births	12	10
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Perinatal mortality rate

Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined, per 1,000 total live and stillbirths	20	22
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Death rates, etc. - all ages	Buxton	England & Wales
Deaths per 1,000 home population (crude rate) .	15.4	12.1
Area comparability factor	.83	1.00
Local adjusted rate	12.8	12.1
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate .	1.06	1.00

Comparability Factors

Since 1954 the Registrar General has issued an "area comparability factor" for each County District and for the Country 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 1972

CAUSES OF DEATH	Males	Females	Total
All causes	152	155	307
B19(2) Malignant neoplasm, oesophagus	1	2	3
B19(3) Malignant neoplasm, stomach	6	1	7
B19(4) Malignant neoplasm, intestine	4	3	7
B19(5) Malignant neoplasm, larynx	1	-	1
B19(6) Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	9	-	9
B19(7) Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	4	4
B19(8) Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	2	2
B19(9) Malignant neoplasm, prostate.	3	-	3
B19(11) Other malignant neoplasms	7	7	14
B21 Diabetes mellitus	2	4	6
B27 Hypertensive disease	3	4	7
B28 Ischaemic heart disease.	44	46	90
B29 Other forms of heart disease	10	9	19
B30 Cerebrovascular disease.	30	49	79
B46(6) Other diseases of circulatory system	4	7	11
B31 Influenza	1	-	1
B32 Pneumonia	3	3	6
B33(1) Bronchitis and emphysema.	11	3	14
B46(7) Other diseases of respiratory system.	2	2	4
B34 Peptic Ulcer	1	1	2
B46 (8) Other diseases of digestive system	1	-	1
B38 Nephrosis and Nephrosis.	-	1	1
B39 Hyperplasia of prostate.	1	-	1
B46(9) Other diseases, genito-urinary system	1	1	2
B46(11) Diseases of musculo-skeletal system.	2	-	2
B42 Congenital anomalies	1	1	2
B43 Birth injury, difficult labour etc.	-	2	2
B44 Other causes of perinatal mortality.	-	1	1
BE47 Motor vehicle accidents.	2	-	2
BE48 All other accidents	2	2	4

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 station 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	Mondays 1.30 - 4.15	Derbys. County Council
Harpur Hill Institute, Harpur Hill	1st & 3rd Tues. ea. month 1.30 - 4.15	- do -
Special Clinic, Bath Road	Thursdays 9 - 12 noon	- do -
Child Welfare Clinic, St. Nicholas' Church Hall, Fairfield	2nd & 4th Thursdays 9.30 - 12 noon	- do -
Relaxation Class, Bath Road	Thursdays 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 1st & 3rd Weds. 1.45 - 3.15	Family Planning Assn.
Paediatric Screening, Bath Road	Wed. & Fri. a.m. by appointment	Derbys. County Council
Chest Clinic, Stepping Hill Hospital (Subsidiary Clinic held at the Buxton Hospital)	Mon. - Fri.	Regional Hosp. 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

No cases were 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 1972

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

NEW CASES DURING THE YEARS 1963 - 1972

Year	Respiratory			Non-Respiratory			Grand Total
	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	
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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1971	-	-	-	1	-	1	1
1972	-	1	1	-	-	-	1

ALL CANCER DEATHS

Year	BUXTON		ENGLAND & WALES
	No. of Deaths	Rate per 1,000 population	Rate per 1,000 population
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
1971	56	2.82	2.4
1972	50	2.51	2.427

DEATHS FROM CANCER OF LUNG & BRONCHUS

Year	BUXTON		ENGLAND & WALES
	No. of Deaths	Rate per 1,000 population	Rate per 1,000 population
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
1971	20	1.00	0.600
1972	10	0.50	0.646
Total	114	5.65	5.809
Average(10 years)		0.56	0.58

DEATHS FROM BRONCHITIS & EMPHYSEMA

Year	No. of Deaths	Rate per 1,000 population
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
1971	5	0.25
1972	14	0.70

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES FOR THE YEAR 1972

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	75	2	8	1	5	8	48	2	-	-	-	-	-	1
Tuberculosis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	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	Tetanus
Dysentery	Smallpox
Food Poisoning	Typhoid Fever
Infective Jaundice	Typhus
Leprosy	Whooping Cough
Leptospirosis	Yellow Fever
Malaria	

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 1972.

* For four months, April to July, we were without a sunshine recorder. Our recorder was damaged beyond repair by vandals.

The highest temperature recorded was 24.0°C on the 20th July. The lowest temperature recorded was -12.4°C on the 31st January. The heaviest rainfall measured was 34.6 mm on the 26th May.

January: Changeable and dull; mild spells but very cold during last few days.
February: Changeable and dull.
March: A stormy first week then more settled.
April: Very changeable during the first fortnight then more settled.
May: Very changeable; rather cool and dull.
June: Changeable; dull and very cool.
July: Changeable, but fine mid-month.
August: Dry and rather cool.
September: Dry and cold.
October: Dry; wet at the end of the month.
November: Wet and windy.
December: Warmer than average - wet and windy.

1972	Average Temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	Total Rainfall (mm)	Total Sunshine (hours)
January	3.0	141.3	19.6
February	2.37	95.1	27.7
March	4.3	170.7	130.2
April	6.4	132.0	*(not recorded)
May	8.5	129.3	*(not recorded)
June	9.8	135.1	*(not recorded)
July	13.6	97.1	*(not recorded)
August	13.2	67.3	178.0
September	9.5	40.8	93.8
October	8.5	42.8	63.0
November	5.0	170.9	42.8
December	4.2	112.1	12.3

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

I. E. BURTON
Borough Meteorologist.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1972

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Public Health Department,

Town Hall,

BUXTON,

Derbyshire,

SK17 6EL.

September, 1973.

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

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting for your consideration my Fifteenth Annual Report.

The statistical requirements of the Report are contained in the appendix and these form a record of the day to day contacts between the ratepayers and officials of the Public Health Department in helping to sort out the every day problems of an urban community particularly in relation to public health.

My policy in past Annual Reports has been to extract from the year's work matters which are considered of sufficient importance to be given particular reference and this course of action I continue to pursue.

1. Housing

There has been no necessity to deal with 'Slum Clearance Areas' during the year nor with the demolition of Individual Unfit Houses. Routine inspection of houses continued and as a result, 102 houses were made fit.

The upward trend in applications for Improvement Grants continued and an appreciable amount of your Health Inspectors' time was taken up in giving advice to would be applicants and subsequently inspecting work in progress and final inspections. This work proved very satisfying, particularly so on final inspections, when the results of improvements were much in evidence.

Additional work was carried out as a result of Section 45 of the Housing Act 1969 and the Housing Act 1972 in the inspection of houses for the purpose of issuing Qualification Certificates enabling owners of tenanted properties, having all the standard amenities and in good state of repair, to apply to the 'Rent Officer' for a fair assessment of rent.

There are 50 houses within the Borough known to be in multiple occupation and where necessary detailed inspections were made and necessary action taken where appropriate.

Eight dwelling houses which were subject to demolition orders were reconstructed and made fit and as a result the demolition orders have been determined.

2. Refuse Collection and Disposal

The introduction of the plastic bin liner and the provision of sack holders was extended to a second area of the Borough and proved satisfactory.

2. Refuse Collection and Disposal (continued)

Three compression type freighters are used for the collection of household refuse, two of the vehicles having a capacity of 35 cubic yards and one of 50 cubic yards, two of the vehicles being fitted with mechanical apparatus capable of emptying $1\frac{1}{4}$ cubic yard bulk containers.

The bulk containers are distributed throughout the town to schools, hospitals, factories, shop premises, hotels, boarding houses, nursing homes etc. There are 145 bulk containers now in use.

Every endeavour was made throughout the year to assist ratepayers compliance with the Civic Amenities Act 1967. Refuse dumping black spots were cleared at frequent intervals. The Hogshaw Controlled Tip was made available on two week-ends during the year for the depositing of refuse and this, together with the normal daily hours of tipping, was given publicity through the local paper. Twenty-eight abandoned vehicles were removed during the year. A number of special collections were arranged for the removal of excess refuse from domestic premises.

It was necessary for me to report to the Public Health Committee that the existing facilities at Hogshaw Controlled Tip would reach saturation point before April 1974 and that further land for controlled tipping would be required before that date for the continued tipping of household and other wastes.

During September I prepared a 'Memorandum on Refuse Disposal within the Borough of Buxton' and, in addition, investigated alternative methods of disposal.

Subsequently the Council agreed, in the short term, to continue refuse disposal by means of controlled tipping. The planning authority refused permission for the use of various alternative areas within the Borough, principally upon geographical and geological grounds. Subsequently, following negotiation, I was able to reach agreement with my colleagues in a neighbouring authority for the joint use of their refuse disposal facilities for a limited period following the completion of tipping at Hogshaw Controlled Tip. The facilities enabling Whaley Bridge Urban District Council to tip at Hogshaw Controlled Tip was continued without any problems.

3. Salvage

The collection of salvage continued and there was again an increase in throughput and last year's total was exceeded by 40 tonnes. The gross income increasing from £5,118.65 in 1971 to £5,560.77 for 1972.

The total of waste paper baled amounted to 459.59 tonnes the extraction of which from the annual collection of refuse extended the life of the tipping space available.

4. Pests Control

The work on rodent control increased during 1972 and a concentrated effort was made to reduce infestations by rodents. At the end of the year a treatment of the town's sewers was carried out by the use of 'Fluoroacetamide'.

A service was offered for the eradication of insect pests and 21 dangerous wasps nests were removed and destroyed by the rodent operative.

5. Noise

The problems associated with noise continued to be received and these were mainly associated with traffic and industry. Every complaint received was investigated, close liaison was maintained with my colleague in the neighbouring authority and information was exchanged on specific incidents of noise arising from industrial processes.

A joint meeting of officials and elected representatives was held with Chapel-en-le-Frith Rural District Council to discuss complaints about noise and other problems arising from the operation of quarries, adjacent to, but outside of, the Borough.

6. Atmospheric Pollution Control

The Borough of Buxton (Fairfield No. 1) Smoke Control Order was confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Environment on 11th July 1972. The Order to come into operation on 1st July 1973. As a result of this Order the Public Health Department set about the task of implementing it. This was the first Smoke Control Order within the Borough and I must congratulate the members of the Public Health Department staff engaged principally on this work for the smooth manner in which the work required for compliance with the Order is proceeding.

Monitoring of atmospheric pollution continued at two sites in Buxton and detailed results will be found in the appendix to this Report.

7. Inspection and Supervision of Food

A licenced private slaughterhouse is situated within the Borough.

Daily inspections were carried out to ensure that all animals slaughtered at the Slaughterhouse were inspected. Close liaison is maintained with the area veterinary officer of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food to ensure compliance with Acts and Regulations applicable to slaughterhouses.

Routine inspections of food premises continued and where necessary advice was given to ensure the Food and Drugs Act 1955 and Regulations made thereunder were followed. Any complaints received were attended to immediately and thoroughly investigated.

It is a policy of the Department to take regular samples of milk, for bacteriological examination.

8. Home Safety

Two elected representatives from the Public Health Committee serve on the Buxton Home Safety Committee. Your Borough Treasurer is appointed Honorary Treasurer and your Chief Public Health Inspector as Honorary Secretary. Various organisations in the Borough are also represented. The Council make an annual contribution of £150 per annum to the expenses of the Committee and the Derbyshire County Council half of the annual expenses, to a maximum of £150.

Five meetings of the Buxton Home Safety Committee were held during the year and the Committee was represented at the quarterly meetings of the Derbyshire Home Safety Liaison Committee and the East Midlands Home Safety Group Area No. 4 Committee meetings.

9. Conferences and Symposiums

The Public Health Department was represented at the following Conferences and symposiums.

The Association of Public Health Inspectors Annual Conference held at Blackpool.

One day conference London 'Future organisation and management of the environmental health service'.

Visit to Warren Springs Laboratory (Atmospheric Pollution Control Division), Stevenage, Hertfordshire.

The Week-end School of the Association of Public Health Inspectors held at Swanwick, near Alfreton.

Royal Society of Health - Manchester Conference on Housing Improvements.

National Society for Clean Air. (North West Division).

Derbyshire County Council, Working Party on Refuse Disposal.

Local Government Reorganisation, Joint Committee for the High Peak District Working Panel 'E', "Environmental Health".

10. Staff

During September Mr. G. Barson, Technical Assistant became a trainee public health inspector and Mr. John Fletcher was appointed to the vacant post of Technical Assistant with special responsibilities in connection with the Borough of Buxton (Fairfield No. 1) Smoke Control Order. There were no other changes in the staff of the Department during 1972.

I wish to place on record my appreciation for the manner in which the staff of the Department have carried out their duties. It has been a difficult year particularly in relation to the first Smoke Control Area.

Additional work associated with reorganisation was undertaken and every assistance given to the working parties in the preparation of information required for the reports to the Joint Committee of the proposed new High Peak Authority.

My thanks are extended to my colleagues in the neighbouring authorities, to the Medical Officer of Health and the Officers of other Departments of the Corporation for their co-operation throughout the year.

The employees of the Department have worked well, sometimes under the strain of frustration but nevertheless cheerfully. Among these I include the Rodent Operative, the Refuse Collection and Disposal teams, the Toilet Attendants and those employees of the Maintenance section of the Borough Surveyor's Department who readily assisted in repairs to departmental buildings, vehicles and machinery.

Finally my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their continued support and assistance.

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

RICHARD CRUDDAS,

Chief Public Health Inspector.

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
Butchers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100
Choked drains and sewers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	242
Civic Amenities Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	370
Clean Air Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,193
Complaints General	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	302
Dairies and milk distribution	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	68
Dustbins	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	280
Factories - mechanical power	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
Factories - non-mechanical power	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43
Factories - other premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
Fish shops (wet)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	42
Fish friers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33
Food shops - general	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	179
Food warehouses and stores	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	47
Food preparation premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	157
Food hawkers and vehicles	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
Food inspection	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	81
Hairdressers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
Houses inspected - housing consolidated regulations	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	177
Houses inspected - for housing defects (disrepair, etc)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	143
Houses inspected - after infectious disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Houses let in lodgings	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	78
Hotel and restaurant kitchens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	178
Ice-cream premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Improvement Grants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	263
Infectious disease visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Market	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	111
Meat inspection	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	371
Milk sampling	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	107
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	425
Moveable dwellings	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
Noise abatement	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	118
Outworkers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19
Pet animal premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13
Piggeries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Places of entertainment	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
Public conveniences	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	218
Qualification certificates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	102
Revisits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	205
Refuse and salvage	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	368
Rodent Control - refuse tips and sewage works	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	36
Rodent Control - other local authority properties	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	81
Rodent Control - business premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	72
Rodent Control - private dwellings	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	235
Rodent Control - agricultural premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Rodent Control - main sewers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	265
Schools	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Shops Act, 1950 - routine	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Shops Act, 1950 - evening	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Shops Act, 1950 - Sunday	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Shops Act, 1950 - half-day closing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	260
Water sampling	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	90
Workplaces	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19

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SUMMARY OF NUISANCES ABATED AND SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS CARRIED OUT

Accumulations or deposits removed	...	...	...	...	...	111
Baths provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	80
Bedding and clothing disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	2
Cesspools and septic tanks repaired	...	...	...	...	...	3
Ceilings repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	59
Chimney stacks repaired	...	...	...	...	...	45
Closet compartments repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	23
Closet compartments cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	6
Damp proof courses provided	...	...	...	...	...	14
Disinfestation of cockroaches, beetles, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	31
Disinfestation of wasps	...	...	...	...	...	21
Doors and other woodwork repaired	...	...	...	...	...	66
Drains repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	76
Drains unstopped or cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	162
Drains - additional provided	...	...	...	...	...	64
Drains - old drains tested	...	...	...	...	...	46
Drains - new drains tested	...	...	...	...	...	40
Eaves gutters repaired	...	...	...	...	...	50
External walls repaired	...	...	...	...	...	34
Factories cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	20
Factories - heating improved	...	...	...	...	...	16
Factories - lighting improved	...	...	...	...	...	17
Factories - ventilation improved	...	...	...	...	...	3
Factories - floors and drains repaired	...	...	...	...	...	19
Factories - sanitary conveniences improved or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	9
Factories - sanitary conveniences provided	...	...	...	...	...	5
Factories - structures repaired	...	...	...	...	...	3
Firegrates repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	34
Floors repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	42
Flushing cisterns repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	34
Food premises - repaired or improved	...	...	...	...	...	27
Food premises - sanitary accommodation provided	...	...	...	...	...	5
Food premises - cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	29
Food premises - other defects remedied	...	...	...	...	...	52
Food premises - washing facilities provided	...	...	...	...	...	22
Food stores provided or improved	...	...	...	...	...	12
Fuel stores provided or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	2
Gully traps provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	56
Improper keeping of animals discontinued	...	...	...	...	...	2
Inspection chambers provided or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	32
Lavatory basins provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	74
Lighting improved	...	...	...	...	...	42
Miscellaneous defects remedied and nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	63
Moveable dwelling nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	1
New dustbins provided	...	...	...	...	...	280
Overcrowding	...	...	...	...	...	1
Public conveniences - structures repaired or improved	...	...	...	...	...	2
Public conveniences - cleansed and redecorated	...	...	...	...	...	13
Public conveniences - fittings repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	253
Public sewers repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	16
Public sewers unstopped and cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	30
Rainwater pipes repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	45
Roofs repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	51
Shops repaired or improved	...	...	...	...	...	27
Shops - washing facilities provided	...	...	...	...	...	4
Shops - cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	2

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SUMMARY OF NUISANCES ABATED AND SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS CARRIED OUT (Continued)

	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,275
Shops - sanitary accommodation provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Shops - other defects remedied or nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Sinks provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
Smoke nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Soil pipes provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	48
Staircases repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	37
Staircase handrails provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
Steps and sills repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	28
Unfit houses made habitable	...	...	...	...	...	...	102
Ventilation improved	...	...	...	...	...	...	41
Verminous articles disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Verminous rooms disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Walls repaired internally	...	...	...	...	...	...	49
Waste pipes repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	32
Water supplies improved	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
Water fittings repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	32
Water closets - additional provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	29
Water closets - provided in lieu of pail closets	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Water closets - repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Windows repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	76
Yard and passage paving provided or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	19
							2,906

NOTICES, INTERVIEWS, ETC.

Total number of complaints received	...	...	...	...	...	...	302
Total number of requests received	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,016
Interviews with owners builders, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	156
Statutory Notices served	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Statutory Notices complied with	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Informal Notices served	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,607
Informal Notices complied with	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,238
Verbal Notices given	...	...	...	...	...	...	141
Verbal Notices complied with	...	...	...	...	...	...	87
Letters and reminders sent to owners, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	424

STATUTORY NOTICES SERVED

Civic Amenities Act, 1967 ... 3

Public Health Act, 1936 and 1961

Section 9	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Section 17	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Section 24	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Section 45	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

DISINFECTIONS FOLLOWING INFECTIOUS DISEASE

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

Number of rooms disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Number of articles of clothing, bedding, etc., disinfected							2
Library books disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	...	NIL
Number of visits made by Public Health Inspectors to premises in connection with infectious disease and disinfections							1

ERADICATION OF INSECT PESTS

Number of rooms treated	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
Wasps nests removed	...	...	...	...	...	...	21

OVERCROWDING

No new cases of statutory overcrowding were reported or discovered during 1972. One case of overcrowding was relieved by the Local Authority during the year. One case of overcrowding remained outstanding at the end of the year.

(a) Number of dwellings statutorily overcrowded	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
(b) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved by L.A.						...	1
(c) Number of persons concerned in (b)	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
(d) Number of dwellings remaining overcrowded	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
(e) Number of persons concerned in (d)	...	...	...	...	...	...	2½

Year Ended 31st December, 1972

Number of new houses erected during the year:-

(a) Local Authority	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	74
(b) Private Enterprise	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19
(c) Other Local Authorities	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	NIL
(d) Existing houses converted into flats	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
(e) New flats	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	NIL
Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	99

SEWERAGE, DRAINAGE AND SANITATION

No. of manholes in main foul sewers	...	...	...	...	...	1,236
No. of houses in the Borough connected to sewers	...	...	...	...	...	6,697
No. of houses not connected to sewers	...	...	...	...	...	27
No. of connections made during the year :-	...	...	...	...	...	
(a) Existing houses	...	...	...	...	...	NIL
(b) New houses	...	...	...	...	...	94
(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.

HOUSING SCHEMES STARTED DURING THE YEAR

Messrs. J. Crosby and Sons	-	Temple Meads	-	February 1972
Messrs. F. Allcock and Sons	-	Empire Site	-	April 1972

HOUSING SCHEMES COMPLETED DURING THE YEAR

Victoria Park Extension No. 4	-	October 1972
Messrs. F. Allcock and Sons at Foxlow Avenue	-	October 1972

SLUM CLEARANCE: REPAIR OF HOUSES

A. HOUSES DEMOLISHED			
In Clearance Areas declared under Section 42 of Housing Act, 1957	Houses Demolished	Displaced	
		Persons	Families
Unfit for human habitation	Nil	Nil	Nil
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	Nil	Nil	Nil
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

SLUM CLEARANCE: REPAIR OF HOUSES

C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED		
	By Owner	By Local Authority
After informal action by local authority	Nil	93
After formal notice under		
(a) Public Health Acts	7	Nil
(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957	1	Nil
Under Section 24 Housing Act, 1957 (Previously included in a Closing Order)	Nil	1
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 Col. 1
(a) Under Section 48	Nil	Nil
(b) Under Section 17 (2)	Nil	Nil
(c) Under Section 46	Nil	Nil
Licensed for temporary occupation under Section 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

IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATIONS - (1ST JANUARY 1972 to 31ST DECEMBER 1972)

(A) Discretionary Improvement Grants under Housing Acts 1959 and 1969

Conversions

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	21
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year:-	
(a) owner-occupied	8
(b) other	2
Amount of grant which the Council has decided to pay this year after completion of conversion	£8,241

Improvements

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	17
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year:-	
(a) owner-occupied	7
(b) other	Nil
Amount of grant which the Council has decided to pay on applications approved this year	£3,464

(B) Improvements to Council-owned dwellings

Number of dwellings concerned this year	16
Amount of Annual Grant received from Ministry of Housing and Local Government for period of twenty years	£4,507

(C) Standard Improvement Grants under Housing Acts, 1959 and 1969

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	61
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year:- ,	
(a) owner-occupied	35
(b) other	36
Grants paid this year (i.e. after completion of improvements):-	
Number of dwellings concerned	66
Amount paid	£12,667

Total Number of Amenities Provided (in (C) above)

A fixed bath or shower in a bathroom	54
A fixed bath or shower elsewhere in the dwelling	Nil
A hot and cold water supply at a fixed bath or shower	54
A wash hand basin	64
A hot and cold water supply at a wash hand basin	64
A sink	34
A hot and cold water supply at a sink	48
A water closet in and accessible from within the dwelling	50
A water closet within the curtilage of the dwelling and readily accessible from the dwelling	Nil

QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATES

	<u>HOUSING ACT 1969</u>		<u>HOUSING ACT 1972</u>	
	<u>Section 45</u>	<u>Section 46</u>	<u>Section 28</u>	<u>Section 29</u>
(a) Applications received	5	1	6	3
(b) Applications granted	7	9	3	3
(c) Applications refused	3	Nil	Nil	Nil

HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION

1. Total number of houses known to be in multiple occupation ... 50
2. Number of houses estimated to need attention under Housing Act, 1961 ... 5
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 or 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	24	6	1	3	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, 1972 :-
 - (a) Residential 1
 - (b) Holiday 1
3. Total number of caravans 150
4. Tented camping sites licensed as at 31st December, 1972 :-
 - (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.

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS

- (a) Public swimming pools and baths - New local authority swimming baths in Pavillion Gardens
- (b) Privately owned swimming pools - 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

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.

SALVAGE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Salvageable Material	1970		1971		1972	
	Weight T. C. Q.	Income £. s. d.	Weight Tonnes	Income £. p.	Weight Tonnes	Income £. p.
Mixed Waste Paper	145 12 0	1,528 16 0	163.59	1,766.21	216.81	2,391.07
Container Waste	227 1 0	2,776 13 9	227.74	2,733.54	215.44	2,696.86
Newsprint	27 11 0	351 5 3	39.13	498.90	27.34	352.84
Mixed Rags	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scrap	Various Amounts	110 0 0	Various Amounts	120.00	Various Amounts	120.00
TOTAL	400 4 0	4,766 15 0	430.46	5,118.65	459.59	5,560.77

(NOTE: Figures refer to financial years)

CARCASES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED IN WHOLE OR IN PART

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	370	878	50	1,028	2,611
Number inspected	370	878	50	1,028	2,611
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:-</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	Nil	24	9	3	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	63	437	5	22	70
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	17.00%	50.21%	28.00%	2.04%	2.06%
<u>Tuberculosis only:-</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases 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>Cysticerosis:-</u>					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Generalised and totally condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

SLAUGHTERHOUSES - MEAT INSPECTION

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

No. of carcasses inspected	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,937
Cattle excluding cows	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	370
Cows	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	878
Calves	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50
Sheep and Lambs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,028
Pigs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,611

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

Carcases and organs	Actinomycosis	1
Carcases and organs	Umbilical Pyaemia	1
Carcases and organs	Oedema	11
Carcases and organs	Bad bleeding	2
Carcases and organs	Osteomalacia	1
Carcases and organs	Septicaemia	6
Carcases and organs	Pleurisy and Peritonitis	2 (Cwt Qrs Lb)
Part carcasses	Bruising	1 (0 : 1 : 12)
Hindquarters	Bruising	28 (22 : 0 : 25)
Hindquarters	Arthritis	1 (0 : 2 : 4)
Forequarters	Bruising	1 (0 : 2 : 24)
Shoulder	Tumour	1 (0 : 0 : 25)
Shoulder	Fracture	1 (0 : 1 : 2)
Side of bovine	Oedema and abscess	1 (1 : 3 : 4)
Side of bovine	Bruising	1 (1 : 3 : 4)
Livers	Telangiectasis	65
Livers	Fluke	190
Livers	Cirrhosis	8
Livers	Abscess	33
Livers	Fatty degeneration	20
Livers	Bacterial Necrosis	13
Lungs	Hydatid Cyst	16
Lungs	Congestion	8
Lungs	Anthracosis	3
Lungs	Pneumonia	4
Lungs	Fluke	18
Lungs	Abscess	4
Kidneys	Nephritis	34
Kidneys	Petechial Haemorrhages	8
Kidneys	Cysts	4
Heads	Abscess	3
Spleen	Abscess	1
Udders	Brucellosis reaction	15
Uteri	Brucellosis reaction	15
Hearts	Xanthosis	3

UN SOUND FOOD (CONTINUED)

Calves

Carcases and organs	Immaturity	7
Carcases and organs	Oedema	1
Carcases and organs	Fevered condition	1
Hindquarters	Bruising	1 (50lb)
Kidneys	Nephritis	2
Lungs	Pneumonia	2

Sheep and Lambs

Carcases and organs	Extreme bruising	1
Carcases and organs	Oedema	2
Hindquarters	Bruising	2 (12lb)
Livers	Pleurisy	1
Livers	Fluke	6
Livers	Bacterial Necrosis	6
Livers	Hydated Cysts	2
Heart	Abscess	1
Pluck	Bacterial Necrosis	2
Lungs	Abscess	2

Pigs

Livers	Ascaris lumbricoidis	46
Lungs	Congestion	10
Lungs	Emphysema	4
Head	Corynebacterium	6
Heart	Pericarditis	1
Hock	Abscess	3

Meat, Poultry, Fish and Miscellaneous Food

The following 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.

	Cwts.	lb.	ozs.
52 packets of cereals	0	44	12
English Pork Shoulder	0	52	0
77 x 1 gallon bottles of orange juice	6	98	0
4 x 24 packets of Spanish Celery	0	10	0
70 blocks of ice-cream due to cabinet breakdown	0	35	0
Miscellaneous articles of frozen food due to cabinet breakdown	4	100	0
Miscellaneous articles of food due to flooding of shop	5	0	0

Tinned Meats

1 Tin of Pork Roll with Stuffing	0	3	4
2 Tins of Corned Beef	0	12	0
1 Tin of Prime Ham	0	13	0

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

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

Producer/retailer : within the Borough	3
Producer/wholesaler : within the Borough	8
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	...	...	...	...	...	32
Number of Inspections made	...	...	...	...	...	57
Number of visits - Milk Sampling	...	...	...	...	...	24

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF MILK SAMPLING

Designation	No. of Samples	Brucella Abortus		Methylene Blue			
		Neg.	Pos.	Satis.	Unsatis.	Void	Not Done
Tuberculin Tested	107	<u>Ring Test</u>					
		23	11	87	20	Nil	Nil
		<u>Culture</u>					
		11	Nil				

NOTE:- Sampling for Brucella Abortus was discontinued half-way through the year except where the producer is a retailer or partial retailer of his own milk.

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.

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

MILK SAMPLES TAKEN BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL

Untreated Milk			
<u>Methylene Blue</u>		<u>Biological</u>	
<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
1	Nil	Nil	Nil

Pasteurised Milk			
<u>Methylene Blue</u>		<u>Phosphatase</u>	
<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
41	4	45	Nil

Ultra Heat Treated Milk	
<u>Colony Count Test</u>	
<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
2	Nil

Total number of samples taken 48

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

Pasteurised Milk			
<u>Methylene Blue</u>		<u>Phosphatase</u>	
<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
26*	1	28	Nil

*1 not done

Total number of Pasteurising Plant samples 28

Grade 1

1997-1998

[illegible]

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

Ice-Cream Dealers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	108
Manufacturers of Sausage and Preserved Foods	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	56

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Report of County Analyst

128 samples, including 34 milks, were taken during 1972. One sample of Pasteurised Milk contained excess water. A subsequent formal sample proved to be satisfactory.

One sample of Honey 'n' Orange Spread carried an unsatisfactory label. The producer was cautioned.

The remaining samples were classed as satisfactory.

Two consumer complaints were examined during the year. These were:-

A Pikelett which contained discoloured dough
Double Cream, of which the fat content was satisfactory

POLUTRY INSPECTION

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

WATER SUPPLY - Sampling

Number of houses connected to mains	...	...	...	...	...	6,697
Number of houses supplied from stand pipes on mains	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Number of houses on private supplies	...	...	...	...	...	27

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	32	-	9	-	49	3
For chemical examination	1	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

TABLE A - Registration 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	-	88	4
Retail shops	3	176	3
Wholesale shops, warehouses	1	8	1
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	-	41	3
Fuel storage depots	-	2	-
TOTALS	4	315	11

TOTAL NUMBER OF VISITS OF ALL KINDS BY INSPECTORS TO REGISTERED PREMISES UNDER THE ABOVE ACT - 118

TABLE B - Analysis of Contraventions

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

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	1	1	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
Wholesale shops warehouses	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Fuel storage depots	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTALS	Nil	1	1	Nil	Nil	1	Nil

Analysis of Reported Accidents

	Offices	Retail shops	Wholesale warehouses	Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel storage depots
Machinery	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Transport	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Falls of persons	Nil	Nil	Nil	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	594
Retail shops	863
Wholesale departments, warehouses	34
Catering establishments open to the public	350
Canteens	5
Fuel storage depots	7
Total	1,853
Total Males	727
Total Females	1,126

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.

FACTORIES (Continued)

(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	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
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	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Laundries	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Local Authority	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Milk Pasteurisation	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	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	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6

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)	38	Nil	Nil
Factories (Non-mechanical power)	43	Nil	Nil
Factories (Other premises)	61	Nil	Nil

Defects found in Factories are as follows:-

Particulars	Number of Defects		
	Found	Remedied	Referred by H.M. Inspector
Want of cleanliness	20	20	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	16	16	-
Inadequate ventilation	7	7	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	19	19	-
Sanitary Conveniences:			
(a) Insufficient	5	5	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	9	9	-
(c) Separate for sexes	2	2	-
Other offences against the Act	20	20	-

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

OUTWORK

Number of outworkers in register	...	...	...	...	...	13
Lists of outworkers received from other employers	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Lists of outworkers received from other local authorities	...	...	...	...	...	1
Lists of outworkers sent to other authorities	...	...	...	...	...	2
Inspection of outworkers premises	...	...	...	...	...	19

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.,) Cleaning) and (Wire) Washing Badge)) Embroi-) dery	13	-	-	-	-	-
Textile weaving	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	13	-	-	-	-	-

SHOPS ACT

Number of shops entered in register	...	...	...	...	...	417
Number of inspections of shops made during 1971	...	...	...	...	...	352

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

Improved	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27
Cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Defects remedied	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Washing facilities provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Additional sanitary accommodation	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

Total number of complaints received 7
Total number investigated 7

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960, SECTION 1

	Industrial	Commercial	Domestic	Total
Number of nuisances confirmed	1	4	2	7
Number of nuisances remedied	1	4	2	5
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, and entertainment places.

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	Nil	25
Statutory	Nil	3
Notices complied with:-		
Informal	Nil	25
Statutory	Nil	3

Number of vehicles voluntarily disposed of by owners
at Controlled Tip 18

Costs recovered for disposal of refuse and vehicles under
Civic Amenities Act £9.00

ANNUAL REPORT ON RATS AND MICE

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

Year ended 31st December, 1972

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
8,076	33
617	Nil
143	Nil
18	Nil
496	3
36	3
4	Nil

RODENT CONTROL

Summary of Test-baiting of sewers for rats

Total number of manholes in foul and connected systems	...	1,236
Number of manholes baited		265
Date on which bait was laid		Nov/Dec - 1972
Bait used		Fluoroacetamide

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	20	54	5	24	59	6
February	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results
March	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results
April	15	38	3	30	54	12
May	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results
June	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results
July	10	13	9	23	30	18
August	7	11	1	15	24	6
September	14	45	5	17	36	6
October	14	40	1	16	30	0
November	26	74	1	28	95	0
December	8	43	1	10	48	0

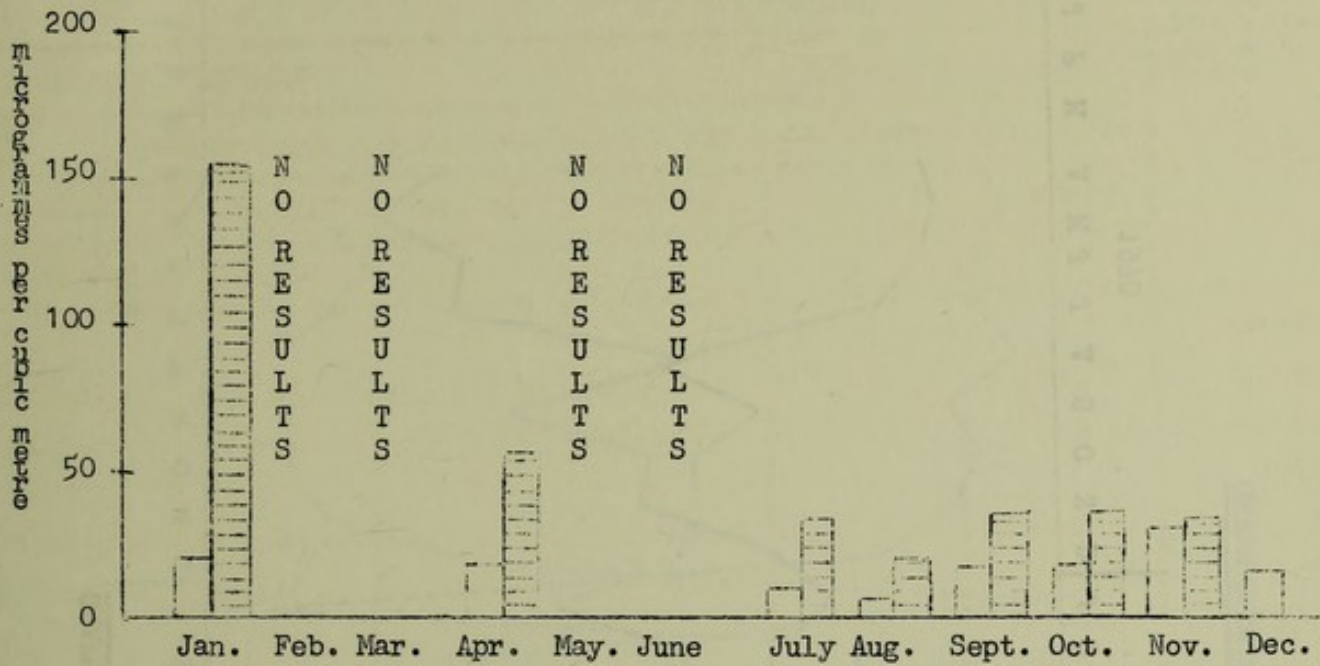
Site: Buxton 2
Situation: Queen's Road Primary School, Fairfield, Buxton

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	167	560	27	167	393	12
February	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results
March	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results
April	58	100	38	127	190	54
May	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results
June	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results
July	30	38	23	48	65	24
August	17	25	10	30	48	18
September	36	70	18	48	83	24
October	36	110	13	45	65	30
November	29	70	14	50	65	24
December	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results	No Results

ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION 1972

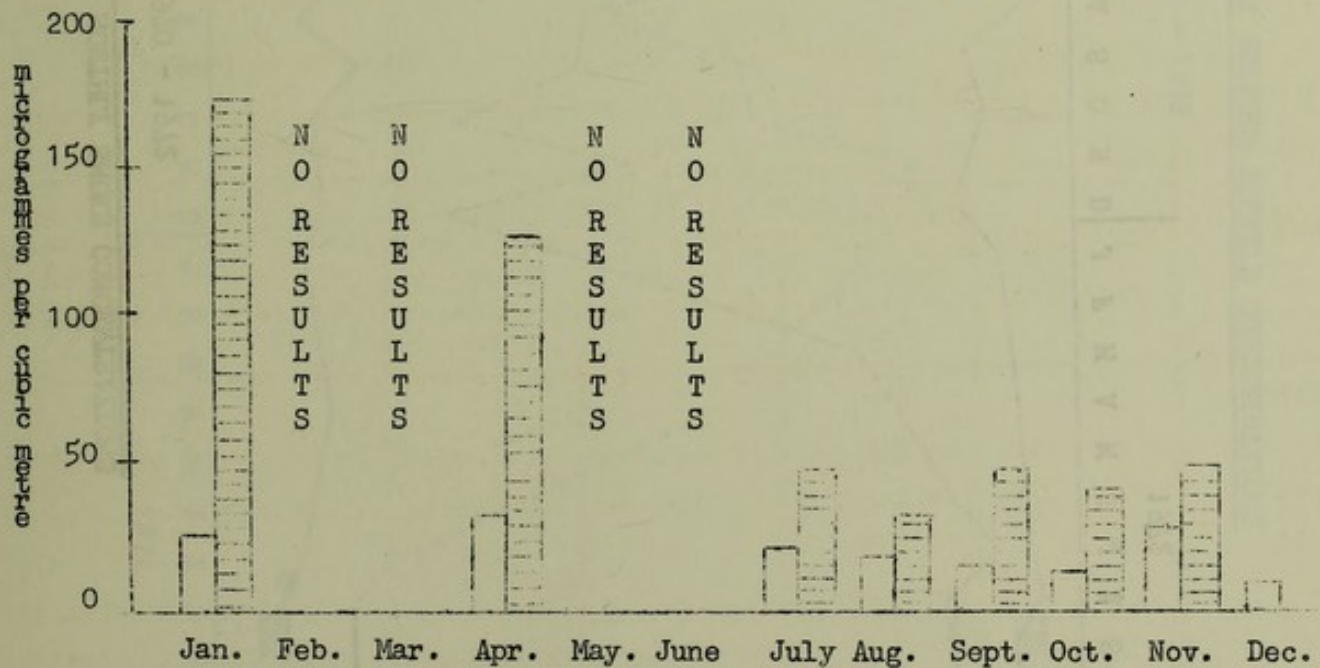
SMOKE CONCENTRATIONS

MONTHLY AVERAGES



SULPHUR DIOXIDE CONCENTRATIONS

MONTHLY AVERAGES



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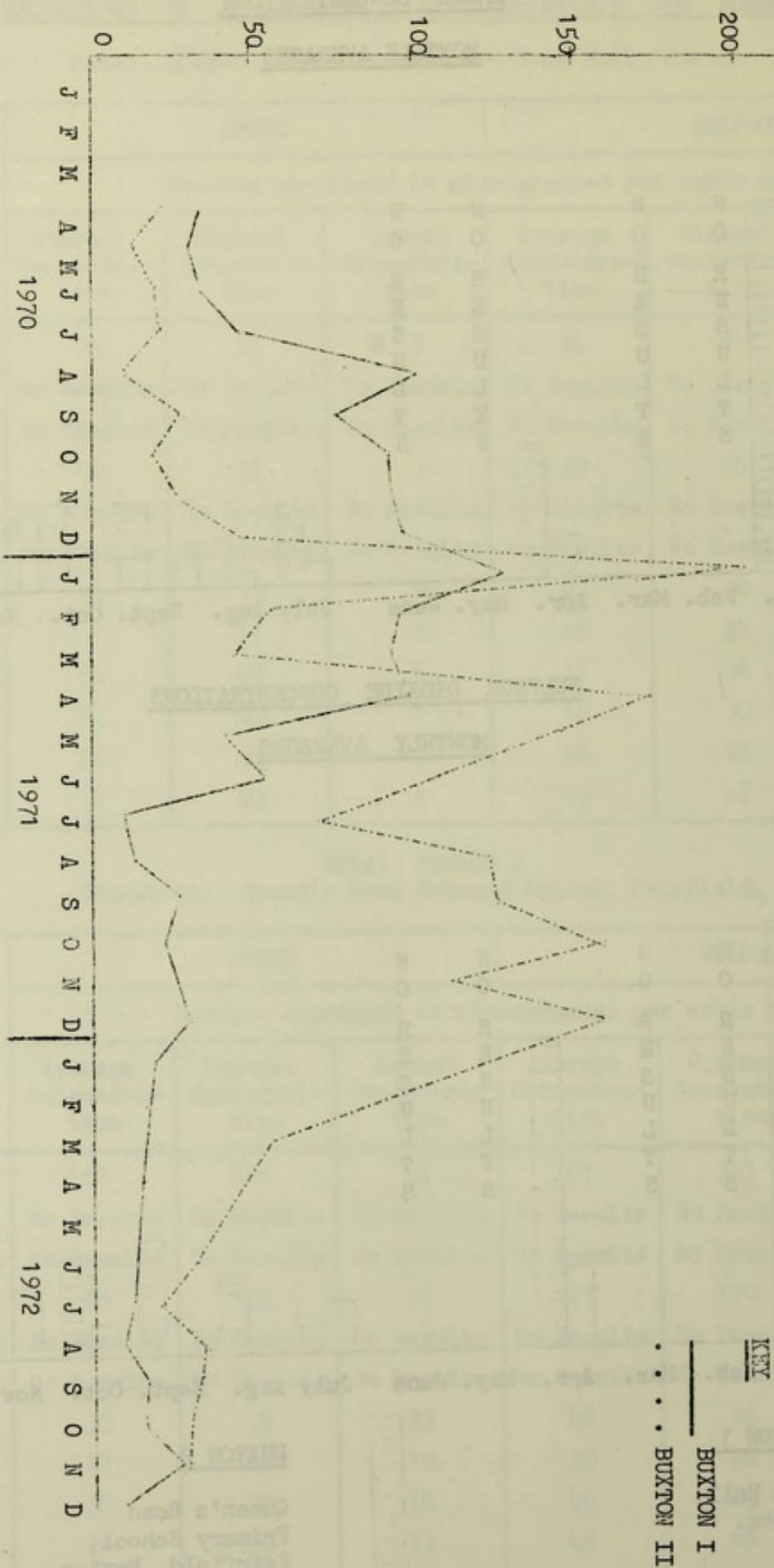
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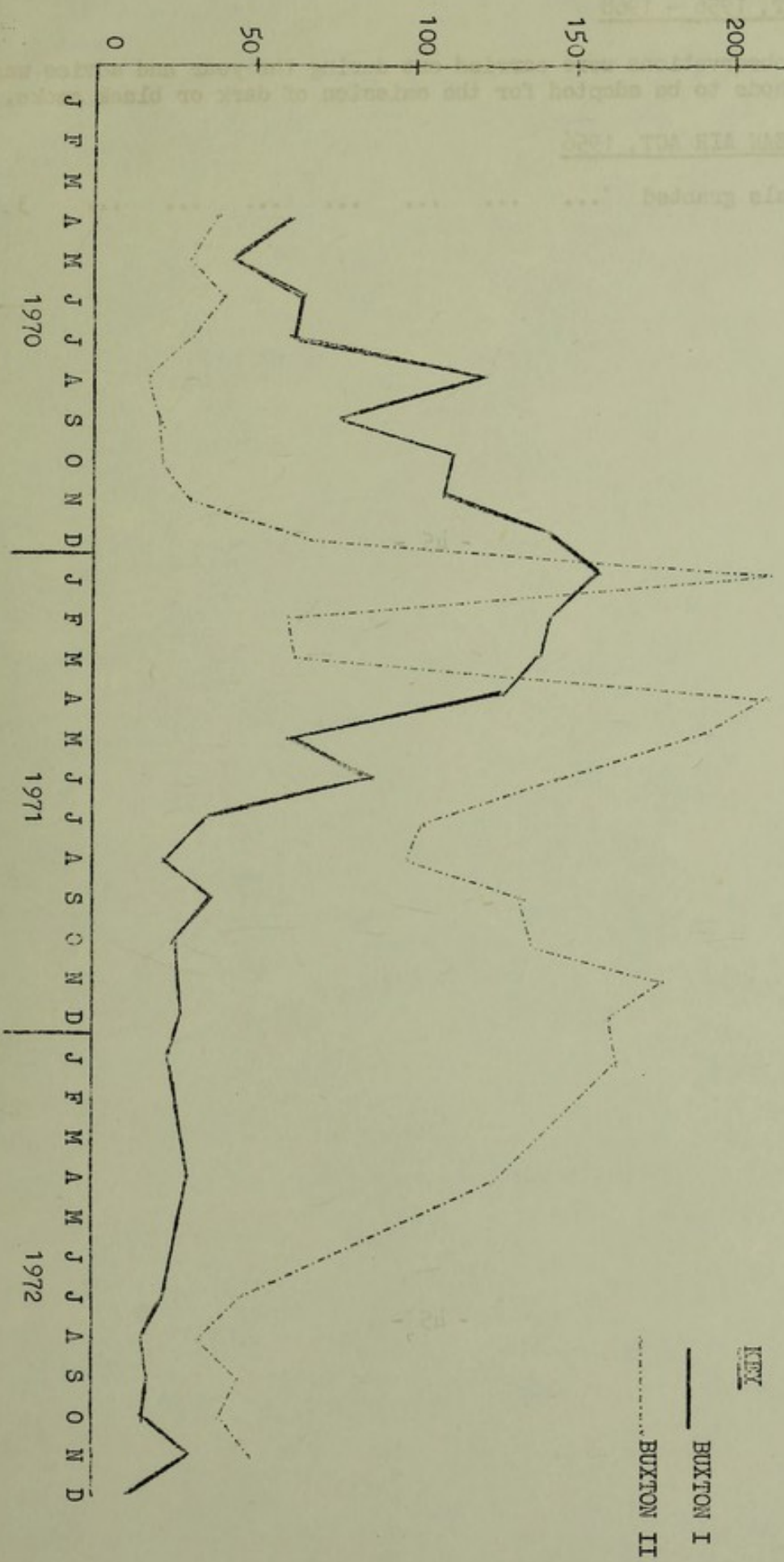
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GRAPH SHOWING AVERAGE MONTHLY SULPHUR DIOXIDE CONCENTRATIONS

1970 - 1972



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 - - - BUXTON II

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956 - 1968

Seven 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 3



