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1968



RURAL DISTRICT OF CHICHESTER

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health
 for the Year 1968

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Map of Chichester Rural District
showing Parish Boundaries and Neighbouring Authorities



General Statistics

Area (in acres)	102,765
Number of Parishes	43
Registrar-General's Estimated Home Population:	
1931 Census	29,023
1951 Census	43,659
1961 Census	49,392
1967 Mid-year	59,240
1968 Mid-year	59,570
Number of Hereditaments	26,352
Rateable Value (31st March 1969)	£3,053,796
Product of a Penny Rate (1968/69)	£12,213

THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE 1968-69

Chairman : Lady Brundrett
Vice-Chairman : Mr. C.E. Leaman
Chairman of the Council : Lt. Col. H.G.P. Williams

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STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Medical Officer of Health	:	V.P. Geoghegan, M.D., Ch.B., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.
Public Health Inspectors :		
Chief	:	E.J. Woodward (a) (b) (f)
Deputy-Chief	:	D. Stevenson (c)
District	:	S.W. Harvey (a) (b) (e)
		G. Hall (a) (b)
		R.L. Leather (d) (e) (Resigned 31.3.68.)
		B.W. Randolph (d) (Commenced 18.11.68.)
Chief Clerk	:	J. Westbrook
Clerical Staff	:	Mrs. V.A. Taylor
		Miss S. Wooden
Pupil Public Health Inspectors	:	P. Eves (Terminated 25.5.68.)
		R. Dagwell (H.M. Forces fourth-year pupil for practical training).
Rodent Officer	:	R.T. Smith
Rodent Operators	:	R. Pullen
		W.C. Ryder
		W.E. Haines (Commenced 1.4.68.)

- (a) Certificate of Sanitary or Public Health Inspectors' Examination Joint Board
(b) The Royal Sanitary Institute Certificate of Meat and Other Foods
(c) The Inspectors' Certificate and the Meat and Other Foods Certificate of the Royal Sanitary Association of Scotland.
(d) Public Health Inspectors' Diploma
(e) Smoke Inspectors' Diploma - Royal Society of Health
(f) Diploma National Federation of Meat Traders - Member Institute of Meat.

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CHICHESTER.

September, 1969.

TO: The Chairman and Members of the
CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you the Annual Report on the health, social and sanitary conditions of the Chichester Rural District during the Year 1968.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of the Public Health Committee and Members for their support, to all Departments of the Council for information which they have supplied for inclusion herein, and to the Staff of the Public Health Department for their work during the Year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

V.P. GEOGHEGAN

Medical Officer of Health.

INTRODUCTION

For many years it has been thought useful in these annual reports to call attention to some aspect of the District Council's work and to comment on the progress (or occasionally on the lack of progress) made in a particular field.

Housing being one of the Council's most important responsibilities it has been the subject most frequently mentioned. This year the waiting list has for the second time topped the one thousand mark and a backward glance at the progress made since 1945 is possibly appropriate.

In the late 1940's and early 1950's, the housing shortage was acute and had resulted in the mild anarchy of "the squatters". Abandoned military buildings were taken over by homeless families and many Councils, including this one, were forced to accept the situation, and provide minimum amenities in temporary hutments. Eventually on many sites the situation was regularised and rent was charged for "temporary housing" until the building programme had gained sufficient momentum to allow these hutments to be dismantled.

From that point the problem seemed to be a fairly simple one. Sufficient Council houses would first be built to absorb the accumulated need of the war years when practically no new houses had been built, and from then on to provide accommodation for the young people marrying and needing housing.

The special needs of the aged came to be recognised and provision for them in small bungalows, flats and flatlets was provided in an increasing proportion over the years.

A total of more than 2,533 new Council houses has been built since the war, and some 8,761 have been built privately, while during the same period the total population of the District has increased from 34,390 to 59,570 at mid-year 1968. A great deal of improvement has been carried out on existing houses both private and Council, and the "Slum Clearance" programme which started in 1955 with a target of 400 unfit houses has virtually been completed (as far as any programme dealing with unfit houses can ever be said to be completed).

Therefore the net number of houses has increased by more than 10,000, and the standard of housing generally has greatly improved.

Why then is the waiting list greater than ever before ? Evidently because enough houses have not been provided. But this explanation, while simple and true, takes no account of the reasons underlying the deficit. In the first place the size of the demand

Introduction (Contd.)

has not only increased (and it must be remembered that the families originally needing houses in 1945 now have two or three children who are married) but houses for letting have practically disappeared apart from those belonging to the Council. Moreover, house purchase has now passed beyond the reach of young people with relatively low incomes who are unable to find substantial deposits, and simply cannot afford mortgage repayments boosted by crushing rates of interest. They can no longer turn to Local Authorities for housing loans because these have also been virtually suspended.

The present trend towards marriage at an earlier age, which socially and biologically is hard to criticise, and practically, is impossible to prevent, has simply increased these difficulties.

Old people are living longer and retaining their domestic independence to a greater age and are naturally retaining their houses and flats.

Finally, the adoption of the Parker Morris standard now ensures that those houses which a Council is permitted to build are more expensive, have to be let at higher rents and, generally, are more costly to the tenant in fuel.

Recurrent crises in the National finances have on several occasions resulted in a particular year's building programme being drastically reduced, and the total of Council houses built in the last 24 years might have been half as great again or even more if the Council had been allowed to build on the scale it considered necessary and possible.

The Chichester Rural District Council has carried out its duty to provide housing as far as it has been permitted to do so, and cannot be held to blame for the present depressing state of affairs when, while there are 1,051 families wanting houses, only 52 houses (at the moment) will be allowed to be built in 1969-70, and the time of waiting must be given for an individual applicant as 2 to 4 years.

Section I

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

The Chichester Rural District, one of the largest in the country, covers the South-Western quarter of the County of West Sussex.

Formed under the West Sussex Review Order of 1933, when the Westbourne and Westhampnett Rural Districts were combined, it lies on the sea coast with the River Arun at its Eastern boundary and the County boundary between West Sussex and Hampshire to the West. The Northern boundary lies on the South Downs.

The City of Chichester is almost in the centre of the district, and being the County Town, it houses the headquarters of the West Sussex County Council, the Chichester City Council and the Chichester Rural District Council. Bognor Regis lies towards the Eastern boundary of the coast line.

Farming, the distributive trades, and local government administration employ the bulk of the population inland, while the coastline - seventeen miles long - includes the popular resorts of Middleton-on-Sea, Pagham, Selsey, Bracklesham Bay and the Witterings, and attracts a large number of Summer visitors.

VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births

CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT							Birth Rate per 1,000 Population			
Total number (after adjustment for transfers)						Birth Rate per 1,000 population		West Sussex Districts		England and Wales
Year	Total	Sex		Illegitimate		Crude	Corr.	Rural	Urban	Wales
		M	F	Number	%					
1967	866	444	422	63	7.3	14.62	18.10	18.7	15.4	17.2
1968	837	440	397	70	8.3	14.05	17.42	18.7	15.2	16.9

Stillbirths

CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT				Rate per 1,000 total (live & still) Births	
Total number (after adjustment for transfers)				Chichester R.D.	England and Wales
Year	Total	Sex			
		M	F		
1967	4	2	2	4.6	14.8
1968	9	1	8	10.63	14.3

Vital Statistics (Contd.)

As the tables covering the last ten years on Page 12 show (allowing for random variations from year to year which are inevitable where relatively small figures are concerned) the Crude Birth Rate, about 14 per 1,000, remains steady, but the Crude Death Rate has increased this year to 12.4 per 1,000.

In a population with a high proportion of old people, the Crude Birth Rate would be expected to be less than the national figure - 16.9 per 1,000; but the Crude Death Rate would tend to be higher than the national average - 11.9 per 1,000.

Total (live and still) Births

1968 :	Male	Female	TOTAL
Live Births ..	440	397	837
Still Births ..	1	8	9
Total Births	<u>441</u>	<u>405</u>	<u>846</u>

Infant Mortality - Deaths of Infants under 1 Year

INFANT DEATHS					RATES PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS			
CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT					Chichester R.D.	West Sussex		England and Wales
Year	Total	Sex		Illegitimate		R.D's.	U.D's.	
		M	F					
1967	13	6	7	2	15.01	12.1	13.3	18.3
1968	11	5	6	2	13.14	14.5	14.1	18.3

Infant Mortality Rates - Chichester Rural District		
Year	Legitimate Infants per 1000 legitimate live births	Illegitimate Infants per 1000 illegitimate live births
1967	13.7	31.74
1968	11.7	28.5

Vital Statistics - Infant Mortality (Contd.)

	Neo-Natal Mortality (Deaths under 4 weeks)		Early Neo-natal Mortality (Deaths under 1 week)		Perinatal Mort. (Stillbirths & Deaths under 1 week combined)	
	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967
Total Deaths ..	8	12	8	9	17	13
Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births	9.55	13.8	9.55	10.4		
Mortality Rate per 1,000 total live and still births					20.3	11.9

Maternal Deaths (including Abortion).

Chichester R.D.		Maternal Mortality Rate per 1000 total births			
Year	Total Deaths	Chichester R.D.	West Sussex		England and Wales
			R.D's.	U.D's.	
1967	Nil	-	-	-	0.20
1968	Nil	-	0.4	-	0.24

DEATHS

CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT					WEST SUSSEX DISTRICTS			ENGLAND AND WALES
Total Deaths (after adjustment for transfers)				Death Rates per 1000 population		Death Rate per 1000 population		Death Rate per 1000 population
Year	Total	Sex		Crude	Corr.	Rural	Urban	
		M	F					
1967	650	343	307	10.97	8.66	9.1	10.0	11.2
1968	739	395	344	12.40	9.79	9.5	10.6	11.9

The chief causes of death were :

	1968	1967
(i) Diseases of heart and circulatory system	283(38%)	246(38%)
(ii) Neoplasms (growths) ..	154(20%)	168(26%)
(iii) Cerebrovascular disease ..	110(15%)	95(15%)
(iv) Respiratory diseases(exclud.Tuberculosis)	98(13%)	45(7%)

Of the total deaths, 564 or 76% occurred in persons aged 65 years or over, and of these, 344 or 46% of the total deaths occurred in persons aged 75 years and over.

The table on page 11 shows the age, sex distribution and causes of death during 1968.

Vital Statistics - Deaths (Contd.)

The natural increase in population, i.e., the number of births minus the number of deaths, is 98, while the Registrar-General's estimated mid-year home population shows an increase of 330 over the 1967 figure.

DEATH RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION

	1968	1967
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	0.03	Nil
Respiratory Diseases (excluding Pulmonary Tuberculosis)	1.64	0.76
Cancer	2.58	2.8
DEATHS FROM GASTRITIS, ENTERITIS AND DIARRHOEA (Children under 2 years)	Nil	Nil
Death Rate per 1,000 live births -	-	-

Year	Total	Sex		Total	Rate per 1,000 population	
		M	F		Urban	Rural
1967	650	343	307	10.97	8.66	10.0
1968	739	394	345	12.40	9.28	10.6

Year	Rate per 1,000 population	
	Urban	Rural
1967	10.0	8.66
1968	10.6	9.28

Of the total deaths, 56% or 70% occurred in persons aged 65 years or over, and of these, 34% or 46% of the total deaths occurred in persons aged 75 years and over.

The table on page 11 shows the age, sex distribution and causes of death during 1968.

Causes of Death	Sex	All Ages	Weeks							T	
			0-4	5-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64		65-74
ALL CAUSES	M	395	3	2	1	1	6	2	16	131	159
	F	344	5	1	1	1	4	20	38	89	185
Enteritis & Diarrhoeal Diseases	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Tuberculosis of respiratory system	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other Tuberculosis, incl. late effects	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Malignant neoplasm - stomach	M	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
ditto Lung, Bronchus	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
ditto Breast	F	29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
ditto Uterus	F	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Leukaemia	F	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
	M	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
	P	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Other Malignant Neoplasms	M	34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
	M	35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Benign & unspecified Neoplasms	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Diabetes Mellitus	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other Endocrine etc. Diseases	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Anaemias	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Mental Disorders	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System	M	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Hypertensive Disease	F	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Ischaemic Heart Disease	F	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
	M	107	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Other forms of Heart Disease	F	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
	M	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
Cerebrovascular disease	P	38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
	M	46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Other diseases of Circulatory System	F	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Influenza	M	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Pneumonia	F	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
	M	29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Bronchitis and Emphysema	F	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
	M	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Asthma	F	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Other diseases of Respiratory System	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Peptic Ulcer	M	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Appendicitis	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Cirrhosis of Liver	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other diseases of Digestive System	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Nephritis and Nephrosis	F	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Hyperplasia of Prostate	P	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other diseases, Genito-Urinary System	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Diseases of skin, subcut. tissue	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Diseases of Musculo-skeletal sym.	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Congenital Anomalies	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Birth Injury etc.	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other causes of Perinatal Mortality	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Symptoms & ill-defined condtns.	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Motor Vehicle Accidents	M	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
All Other Accidents	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Suicide & Self-Inflicted injuries	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
All Other External Causes	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

Table showing Vital Statistics for the Years 1959 - 1968

ENGLAND AND WALES		YEAR	Est. Population	CHICHESTER RURAL DISTRICT																
Birth Rate	Death Rate			Total Live Births			Birth Rate			Total Deaths			Death Rate			Infant Deaths			Infant Death Rate	Natural Increase
				M	F	Total	Crude	Comp. Factor	Corr. ected	M	F	Total	Crude	Comp. Factor	Corr. ected	M	F	Total		
16.5	11.6	1959	48,040	343	329	672	13.98	1.08	15.09	273	252	525	10.93	1.03	11.25	5	3	8	11.90	147
17.1	11.5	1960	48,680	369	346	715	14.68	1.05	15.41	284	247	531	10.90	1.06	11.55	9	6	15	20.97	184
17.4	12.0	1961	50,110	370	357	727	14.50	1.05	15.22	313	263	576	11.49	1.06	12.17	10	3	13	17.88	151
18.0	11.9	1962	51,520	414	351	765	14.85	1.03	15.29	324	270	594	11.53	1.09	12.56	11	9	20	26.14	171
18.2	12.2	1963	53,650	407	386	793	14.78	1.15	16.99	293	269	562	10.47	0.91	9.52	9	2	11	13.87	231
18.5	11.3	1964	54,890	440	391	831	15.14	1.15	17.41	292	300	592	10.78	0.91	9.81	10	7	17	20.46	239
18.1	11.5	1965	56,660	417	446	863	15.23	1.24	18.88	339	285	624	11.01	0.78	8.58	5	3	8	9.27	239
17.7	11.7	1966	57,900	398	379	777	13.42	1.24	16.77	336	280	616	10.63	0.78	8.29	8	4	12	15.44	161
17.2	11.2	1967	59,240	444	422	866	14.62	1.24	18.10	343	307	650	10.97	0.79	8.66	6	7	13	15.01	216
16.9	11.9	1968	59,570	440	397	837	14.05	1.24	17.42	395	344	739	12.40	0.79	9.79	5	6	11	13.14	98

SECTION II.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

Hospitals:

The hospitals providing accommodation and treatment for residents of the District are administered by the South-West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board and are as follows :

Hospital	Telephone Number	Number of Beds
<u>General Hospitals:</u>		
ROYAL WEST SUSSEX HOSPITAL :		
St. Richard's Hospital, Spitalfield Lane, Chichester	Chichester 82671	400
Broyle Road, Chichester	Chichester 82685	202
Bognor Regis War Memorial Hospital, Bersted Street, Bognor Regis	Bognor Regis 5418	32
Southlands Hospital, Shoreham-by-Sea	Shoreham 2381	411
<u>Cottage Hospitals:</u>		
Midhurst Cottage Hospital, Easebourne	Midhurst 3105	22
Petworth Cottage Hospital	Petworth 2106	13
<u>Chest Hospitals:</u>		
Aldingbourne Chest Hospital and Chest Clinic, Norton, Near Chichester	Eastergate 2229	54
Aldingbourne Chest Hospital Annexe, Hawthorn Road, Bognor Regis	Bognor Regis 23151	45
<u>Infectious Diseases Hospitals:</u>		
Royal West Sussex Hospital, ISOLATION, Spitalfield Lane, Chichester	Chichester 82126	16
<u>Maternity:</u>		
Zachary Merton Maternity Hospital, Rustington, Sussex	Rustington 4155	54
Sussex Maternity Hospital, 80 Buckingham Road, Brighton	Brighton 25741	62

Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory at St. Mary's General Hospital, Milton Road, Portsmouth, under the Director, Dr. D.J.H. Payne, maintains its prompt and efficient service. The following examinations were carried out during 1968 :

<u>Nature of Specimen</u>	<u>Number</u>
Milk ..	1
Ice Cream ..	24
Water ..	15
Drain Swabs ..	26
Faeces ..	42
Urine ..	1
Sausage ..	1
Smoked Salmon ..	1
Turkey ..	<u>2 = 113.</u>

Samples of Peppermint Crush and Canned Peaches were analysed by the Public Analyst at Lewes.

Ambulances:

The Local Health Authority (West Sussex County Council) provides an ambulance service (including the Ambulance Car Service) and ambulances operate from Bognor Regis, Chichester and Littlehampton, under radio control.

Home Nursing and Midwifery:

General District Nurses, Midwives, Health Visitors and School Nurses, are employed by the West Sussex County Council to serve in the Rural District.

Treatment Centres and Clinics:

- Ante-Natal Clinics - held at Chichester, Bognor Regis and Selsey.
- Audiology Clinic)
Child Guidance Clinic) - held at Chichester
- Eye Clinics - held at Chichester and Bognor Regis
- Infant Weighing Centres - held at Chichester, East Wittering, Funtington, Hunston, North Mundham, Sidlesham, Tangmere, Walberton and Yapton.
- Dental Clinics - held at Chichester, Bognor Regis and in a Mobile Dental Unit at some Schools.
- Infant Welfare Clinics - held at Aldingbourne, Aldwick, Bognor Regis, Bosham, Felpham, Selsey, Southbourne, Thorney Island and Westbourne.

Treatment Centres and Clinics (Contd.)

- Orthopaedic Clinic - held at Chichester
- School Children (Minor Ailments) - held at Bognor Regis
- Speech Therapy Clinics - held at Chichester, Bognor Regis, Littlehampton and in Schools.
- Chest Clinic - held at Aldingbourne Chest Hospital
- Venereal Diseases Clinics - held at Royal West Sussex Hospital St. Richard's, Chichester; St. Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth; and Worthing Hospital.

Nursing Homes

There is one Nursing Home for children in the District registered by the West Sussex County Council under Section 187 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

National Assistance Act, 1948.

- (a) Section 47 :) No action was necessary.
- (b) Section 50 :

Mass Radiography.

The Portsmouth Mobile Mass Radiography Unit visits the following centres weekly to deal with General Practitioners referrals, etc. :

Chichester	Tuesdays	10 to 10.30 a.m.
Bognor Regis	Tuesdays	11 to 11.30 a.m.
Littlehampton	Wednesdays	1.30 to 2 p.m.
Havant	Wednesdays	3.30 to 4 p.m.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES

Water Supply

The Portsmouth Water Company is the main supplier of water to the Chichester Rural District, but the North West Sussex Water Board and the Worthing Corporation supply a small number of houses in parts of Upwaltham and Tortington parishes respectively.

All water supplied by the statutory undertakings is chlorinated before distribution. The supplies are constant and generally adequate to meet the demands of the distribution areas.

The latest analysis of drinking water supplied in the District shows a fluoride content of less than 0.1 parts per million.

The appendix which follows shows the number of dwellings and means of water supply for each Parish in the Rural District. It will be seen that 98.6 houses have a piped water supply from one or other of the water undertakings, and of the remaining houses, 0.89 have a piped supply from private estates.

Madehurst is the only parish without a public mains supply in regular use, although facilities are available to enable mains water from the Portsmouth Water Company to be pumped into the private estate pipe line should the need arise.

Portsmouth Water Company.

Virtually the sole supplier of water throughout the District, this Company provides a supply to 40 out of the 42 parishes concerned, and even in Madehurst, as mentioned above, facilities are available to enable the Company's mains water to be pumped into the private estate system.

Water supplies for the district are obtained from the following bores or wells :

Fontwell Avenue Waterworks, Eastergate
Westergate Woods, Aldingbourne
Fishbourne Waterworks
Woodmancote Waterworks
Funtington Waterworks

All pumping stations are under remote surveillance from the Company's control room at Havant.

In March, the service reservoir at Woodmancote went out of use and the area previously supplied from this reservoir (the Chichester Rural District Council Water Undertaking prior to 1963) was transferred to Racton Reservoir. During the year new plant was installed at Woodmancote Pumping Station to pump directly to Racton Reservoir and the supply to the area can now be provided either from Walderton or Woodmancote Pumping Station.

A start was also made on a new trunk main between Birdham and West Wittering and it is anticipated that this will be completed during

Chichester Rural District - Water Supplies - 1968

Parish	No. of dwellings	Means of Water Supply			R.W. Tanks		No direct supply		
		Mains Inside	Mains Outside	Private Estate Mains	Wells	A		B	
						A	B	A	B
Aldingbourne	802	800	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Appledram	72	72	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barnham	280	280	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bersted	1021	1021	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Birdham	556	555	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bosham	1320	1316	2	-	2	-	-	-	-
Boxgrove	332	326	2	-	2	-	-	-	-
Chidham	326	302	12	-	6	1	1	1	1
Climping	95	94	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Compton	185	176	7	-	1	-	-	-	-
Donnington	656	656	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Earnley	71	71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eartham	37	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
East Dean	102	91	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eastergate	662	662	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
East Wittering	1140	1139	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ford	147	147	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Funtington	516	461	5	-	29	8	12	-	1
Hunston	407	406	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Lavant	468	456	1	*	8	2	-	1	-
Madehurst	49	49	-	-	46	2	-	-	-
Marden	38	29	-	*	9	-	-	-	-
Middleton-on-Sea	1441	1441	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Mundham	395	390	1	-	-	1	3	-	-
Oving	310	308	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Pagham	2067	2064	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
Selsey	2744	2743	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sidlesham	423	402	1	-	-	3	17	-	-
Singleton	201	193	-	-	2	5	-	1	-
Slindon	207	207	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Southbourne	1969	1967	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
Stoughton	281	274	3	-	-	1	1	2	1
Tangmere	107	105	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Tortington	190	190	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Upwaltham	14	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Walberton	678	674	3	-	-	1	-	1	-
Westbourne	712	694	-	-	16	2	-	-	-
West Dean	168	117	-	-	46	3	-	2	-
Westhampnett	174	147	-	*	26	1	-	-	-
West Itchenor	109	109	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Thorney	235	235	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Wittering	1060	1060	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yapton	806	806	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	23573	23236	21	210	0.89	37	56	2	8
Percentage of total dwellings		98.57	0.09	0.89	0.40	0.04	0.01		

NOTE:

- A Mains water available but premises not connected
 B No mains water available
 * Private Estate Supply supplemented by Public Mains Water when necessary.

Estimated population deriving water from :

	Population
(a) Public Mains	58,772 (98.66%)
(b) Private Estate Mains	530 (0.90%)
(c) Wells and Rainwater Tanks	260 (0.43%)
Estimated population dependent on neighbouring supplies or other sources	8 (0.01%)
Total Population	59,570

Portsmouth Water Company (Contd.)

1969. The purpose of this main is to obviate the possibility of lack of pressure in the Wittering peninsula during times of peak Summer demand.

Water storage is provided in the following service reservoirs :

<u>Situation</u>	<u>Approx. Storage Capacity</u>
Littleheath, Eartham	2 $\frac{1}{4}$ million gallons
Nore Hill, Slindon	2 million gallons
Slindon	125,000 gallons
Chalk Pit Lane, East Lavant	2,000,000 gallons
Highdown, West Dean	52,000 gallons
Nursery, West Dean	114,000 gallons
Canada, West Dean	20,000 gallons
East Dean	17,000 gallons
Wittering Water Tower	80,000 gallons
Woodmancote Waterworks	100,000 gallons
Walderton Reservoir	200,000 gallons
Appledown Reservoir	56,000 gallons
Selsey Reservoir	250,000 gallons
Selsey Water Tower	50,000 gallons

The following main extensions and new domestic services were provided during 1968 :

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Length (Yards)</u>	<u>New Services</u>
Aldingbourne	Orchard Gardens, Westergate	219	21
	Off Ivy Lane, Westergate	212	
Appledram	-	-	1
Barnham	Elm Grove North	143	72
	Barnham Lane	95	
Bersted	New Barn Estate, North Bersted	232	38
Birdham	-	-	1
Bosham	Off Salthill Road, Fishbourne	10	21
	Ratham Lane	336	
Boxgrove	-	-	7
Chidham	-	-	3
Climping	-	-	1
Compton	-	-	1
Eartham	-	-	1
Earnley	-	-	2
Eastergate	-	-	12
East Wittering	Cullimore Close	117	30
Ford	-	-	2
Funtington	-	-	11
Hunston	-	-	39
Lavant	Yarbrook Estate	443	29
Marden	-	-	2
Middleton-on-Sea	Summerley Park	413	
	Ancton Lodge Estate	61	90
	Shrubbs Field Development	594	

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New Main Extensions and Domestic Services (Contd.)

Parish	Location	Length (Yards)	New Services
North Mundham	Fisher Lane	373	4
	Fletchers Estate	48	
Pagham	The Causeway	49	176
	Hook Lane	128	
	Barton Manor Estate	155	
	Windmill Park Estate	124	
	Folded Wings Estate	400	
Salsey	The Causeway	85	98
	Marisfield Estate	330	
	Sun Vista	110	
	Clayton Road	110	
Sidlesham	Sidlesham School to Ham	3,092	8
Singleton	-	-	6
Stoughton	-	-	3
Walberton	The Street	92	8
Westbourne	Cooks Lane	229	122
	Ellesmere Nursery Development	84	
West Dean	-	-	1
Westhampnett	-	-	5
West Itchenor	-	-	2
West Wittering	-	-	16
Yapton	The Limes Development	69	26
	Bilsham Lane	50	
Birdham/West Wittering	Trunk Main - Bell Lane, Birdham to	1,552	-
	West Wittering(15" and 10")	23	

North West Sussex Water Board

This Authority supplies water to the Parish of Upwaltham by means of a private reservoir situated within the Petworth Rural District.

Only a small number of properties are supplied from this source.

Worthing Corporation

A number of properties in the Tortington Parish only of the Chichester Rural District are supplied from this source. This Undertaking took over the Arundel Borough Council supply, together with the private supply of the Duke of Norfolk in 1965.

Private Estate Supplies

Sampling of supplies operated by private estates again showed variable results.

Samples taken from various sources and submitted for bacteriological examination gave the following results :

Sampling (Contd.)

Source	No. of Samples Taken	BACTERIOLOGICAL	
		Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Portsmouth Water Company ..	5	5	-
Private Estate Supplies ..	6	2	4
Individual Bore or Well Supplies ..	4	3	1
TOTALS	15	10	5

The sampling programme of the Portsmouth Water Company covers the whole area of supply. Bacteriological samples are taken weekly after treatment, from each source, and in each major centre of population. Some raw waters are sampled weekly, but those less liable to pollution are sampled monthly.

Drainage and Sewerage

I am indebted to the Council's Engineer and Surveyor for the details recorded under this heading and under Public Cleansing.

Sewerage Schemes and Sewer Extensions

- West Walberton Lane - Extension (except for final reinstatement) completed 12. 1.68.
- Pagham and Nyetimber Sewerage Scheme - Stage II contract commenced 22. 4. 68.
- Aldingbourne and District Sewerage Scheme - Stage III - Section 1 (Woodgate Area) - contract commenced August, 1968.
- Barnham - Hill Lane (P.S., rising main & foul sewer) Contract commenced 28.11.68.

Sewage Disposal and Extensions and Improvements to S.D. Works.

- South-West Area Sewage Disposal Scheme - Contract has continued during 1968
- Aldingbourne - Lidsey Sewage Disposal Works - Extensions completed August, 1968.
- Bosham S.D. Works - Extensions completed 31st August, 1968.

Sewer Connections.

The following table gives details of the number of properties which were connected to the various sewerage systems during 1968 :

Sewer Connections (Contd.)

Parish	Properties connected to Sewer				Houses provided with cesspools	
	New Council Houses	New Private Houses	Exist- ing Houses	TOTAL	New	Existing
	Aldingbourne	-	15	-	15	2
Barnham	28	1	-	29	-	-
Bersted	-	80	-	80	-	-
Birdham	-	-	-	-	5	-
Bosham	-	12	1	13	1	-
Boxgrove	-	3	-	3	-	1
Chidham	-	2	1	3	-	1
Climping	-	-	-	-	3	-
Compton	-	2	1	3	-	1
Donnington	-	9	-	9	-	-
Earnley	-	-	-	-	1	-
East Dean	-	-	-	-	-	1
Eastergate	-	50	3	53	1	-
East Wittering	-	36	1	37	-	-
Ford	-	4	-	4	-	-
Funtington	16	-	4	20	3	1
Hunston	46	-	-	46	-	-
Lavant	-	30	3	33	1	-
Madehurst	-	-	-	-	1	2
Marden	-	-	-	-	2	1
Middleton-on-Sea	-	33	1	34	-	-
North Mundham	-	2	-	2	2	-
Oving	-	-	-	-	-	3
Pagham	6	153	3	162	2	1
Selsey	-	65	-	65	1	-
Sidlesham	-	1	1	2	-	2
Singleton	-	-	-	-	-	1
Slindon	-	1	2	3	-	-
Southbourne	37	73	-	110	-	-
Stoughton	-	-	-	-	2	5
Tortington	-	5	-	5	-	1
Walberton	-	7	67	74	-	2
Westbourne	20	26	-	46	-	1
West Dean	-	-	-	-	-	5
Westhampnett	-	1	-	1	2	4
West Itchenor	-	-	-	-	-	1
West Wittering	-	15	-	15	2	1
Yapton	20	7	-	27	-	-
TOTALS	173	633	88	894	31	35

PUBLIC CLEANSING

Refuse Collection

The weekly refuse collection service has been maintained. The quantity of refuse collected annually during the past three years is set out herewith :

Year	Number of Vehicles	Number of Loads	Tonnage	Mileage
1968	12	4,264	23,022	120,460
1967	15	4,475	22,427	129,499
1966	14½	4,835	-	120,578

Two new refuse collecting vehicles - a Karrier Musketeer and a Norba machine - were purchased in June and July respectively and both put into service. In addition, the Allis Chalmers HD6G was replaced in September with a Case 1150.

All refuse was disposed of at the three controlled tips at Slindon, Hambrook and Sidlesham.

Special collections of refuse on payment were made during the Summer months from eight commercial establishments, and regular additional weekly collections throughout the year have been provided to three further premises.

Salvage

Income increased from £8,170 in 1967, to £8,762 during the year, and details of the various items disposed of are set out herewith :

<u>Material</u>	<u>Weight</u>			<u>Value</u>		
	<u>Tons</u>	<u>Cwts.</u>	<u>Qrs.</u>	<u>£.</u>	<u>s.</u>	<u>d.</u>
Paper:						
Mixed	284	4	3	2,348.	2.	3.
News	178	17	2	1,658.	11.	6.
Fibre	304	13	3	3,135.	1.	6.
Rags	39	8	1	1,528.	7.	0.
Metal				92.	10.	3.
Totals	807	4	1	£ 8,762.	12.	6.

Cesspool Emptying

The Council continues to provide a rateborne cesspool emptying service, which allows one free emptying at intervals of three months, to premises where connection to the main sewer is not possible. Where a main sewer is available to properties, emptyings of cesspools are only undertaken upon payment of the requisite fee.

Details of work carried out during 1968, together with comparative figures for the two previous years, are set out herewith :

Cesspool Emptying (Contd.)

Year	Number of Vehicles	Total Cesspools emptied	Total Vehicle Loads	Total Gallonage	Total Mileage
1968	12	15,852	24,416	24,416,500	239,540
1967	12	15,129	22,846	22,846,000	252,170
1966	12	15,055	21,777	21,777,000	265,029

Cesspool contents are deposited into the various sewerage systems.

Bin Scheme

The Council continue to operate a local authority owned bin scheme whereby refuse bins are hired to property owners at 7/6d. per annum. 843 Bins were issued during 1968.

Pail Closets

The Council does not undertake the collection and disposal of pail closet content.

Public Conveniences

Public conveniences provided by the Council are situated at Bosham; Bracklesham Bay; Pagham Beach; East Street and Marine Hotel Site, Selsey; Off Shore Road and at Pound Road, West Wittering.

Rivers and Streams

A total of 42 inspections were made in connection with complaints of pollution of ditches or to rectify stoppages caused by neglect.

No action was necessary in connection with the prevention of pollution of any of the rivers and streams in the district.

Clean Air Act, 1956

Twelve complaints of smoke nuisance were received, nine of which were justified, resulting in the service of informal notices. Three contraventions observed also resulted in the service of informal notices. Eight-six visits were made in this connection.

Caravans and Camping

Details of caravan sites licensed during 1968, together with the numbers of sites licensed during the previous five years, are set out herewith :

Number of :	1968	1967	1966	1965	1964	1963
Licensed Sites - Holiday	175	177	180	181	183	181
Residential	36	31	28	25	23	17

Caravans and Camping (Contd.)

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1963</u>
Caravans allowed by Licence :						
Holiday ..	7300	7166	7103	7232	6790	5998
Residential	429	416	414	388	387	373
INSPECTIONS:	349	243	589	540	612	480

In addition, four sites in the District are licensed for a total of 470 tents.

Contraventions

Number observed ..	..	24
Informal Notices served	..	22
Number of complaints:	Received	10
	Justified	7
Informal Notices served	..	6

Noise Abatement Act, 1960

Seven complaints were investigated, three of which were found to be justified and resulted in the service of two informal notices. Forty-six visits were made in connection with the Act.

Swimming Baths and Pools.

There are no public swimming pools in the District, but nine holiday centres have pools available for the use of residents of the centres.

Eradication of Bed Bugs and Other Verminous Conditions

No complaints of bug infestation were received. Verminous conditions due to various other causes were dealt with at a number of premises during the year entailing 78 visits. Disinfestations were either carried out by the Department or suitable advice given.

Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951.

One factory in the district is registered under the Act.

Pet Animals Act, 1951

Two applications for renewal of licences to keep pet animals were received and approved during the year.

Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

One application for licence under this Act was received and approved during the year. Fifteen applications for renewal of licences were also granted.

Riding Establishments Act, 1964

This Act is administered by the West Sussex County Council. Eleven establishments in the Rural District were licensed in 1968.

Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Ten renewal licences were granted to Scrap Metal Dealers during the year, and two new applications for registration were also approved.

The Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957

The West Sussex County Council delegated their powers and duties under this Order to the District Council in September, 1966. Eleven pig keepers have licences to operate swill boiling equipment.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963.

A total of 193 visits of all kinds were made to registered premises during 1968, and the following table gives details of the number of premises registered and the number receiving a general inspection during the year :

Class of Premises	Premises registered during year	TOTAL REGISTERED PREMISES 31.12.68.	No. of persons employed	Premises generally inspected during the year
Offices	2	94	441	-
Retail Shops	2	230	839	6
W'sale Depts. etc.	-	1	13	-
Fuel Storage Depots	-	1	10	-
Catering Est.	4	82	520	1
Totals	8	408	1823	7
		Males	665	
		Females	1158	

Fifty contraventions of the Act were observed resulting in the service of twelve informal notices.

Factories Act, 1961 - Part I

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
1 Factories in which Secs.1,2,3, 4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	2	-	-	-
2 Factories not included in (1) above in which Sec.7 is enforced by Local Authority	203	68	9	-
3 Other Premises in which Sec.7 is enforced(excl'd.Outworkers)	4	-	-	-
TOTALS	209	68	9	-

Factories Act, 1961 (Contd.)

2. CASES in which DEFECTS were found :

	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases where prosecutions instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of Cleanliness (S.1.)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2.)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature(S.3.)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation(S.4.)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage (S.6.)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences(S.7.):					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable/Defective	4	7	-	6	-
(c) Not suitable for sexes	1	1	-	-	-
Other Offences	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	5	8	-	6	-

Part VIII - Outwork - Sections 133 and 134

Five notifications of Outworkers were received.

Registered Common Lodging Houses

There are no Common Lodging Houses in the district.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

The rat destruction service gives free advice and destruction of rats and mice on private premises, but a charge is made at commercial buildings. One Rodent Officer and three Rodent Operators are now employed.

Complaints of infestations received during 1968 numbered 1,719, an increase of 57 over the figure for the previous year. A summary of work carried out is set out herewith :

Number	Private Houses	Business Premises	Agricultural	Local Authority	TOTAL
Complaints investigated	1539	88	30	62	1719
Other premises surveyed	3874	206	116	176	4372
Visits for all purposes	9111	430	159	317	10017
Disinfestations completed	3542	92	-	87	3721

Treatment of Sewerage Systems

The annual testing of sewer manholes was carried out in April and May. The recommended 10% coverage was completed over the following Council sewerage systems :

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949 (Contd.)

System	Manholes Baited	Recorded Takes		Manholes Poison Baited		
		Complete	Partial	Number	Complete Takes	Partial Takes
Bosham	51	8	3	51	4	20
Middleton-on-Sea	62	3	3	59	5	6
Selsey	38	-	-	-	-	-
Westbourne	35	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	186	11	6	110	9	26

Area Liaison Committee on Pest Control.

This Committee meets half-yearly at the Chanctonbury Rural District Council Offices, Storrington. Mr. R.S. Hood is the Council's representative on this Committee.

Schools

No schools in the district were closed during 1968 on account of infectious disease.

The following improvements were carried out during the year :

- Chidham Parochial - Electric lighting in cloakrooms.
- East Wittering Parochial - External light
- Fishbourne C.E. - External light
- Funtington C. - Two drinking fountains and vinyl flooring in toilets
- North Bersted C. - Electric light in toilets
- Singleton C.E. - Connection to main drainage
- Slindon C.E. - Improvements to cloakroom floor
- Westbourne C. - Installation of fluorescent lighting
- West Wittering Parochial - Wash basins in kitchen staff cloakroom and tiled flooring in children's cloakroom.

Mortuary Accommodation

There are no public mortuaries situated in the Rural District, but by agreement, use is made when necessary of mortuaries owned and maintained by either the Chichester City Corporation or the Bognor Regis Urban District Council. Admissions from the Rural District numbered 45 and 24 respectively during 1968.

Petroleum (Regulation) Acts, 1928 and 1936

The following premises were licensed during 1968 to keep petroleum spirit :

(a) Garage premises for re-sale	..	..	71
(b) Commercial and agricultural consumers (not for re-sale)	..	..	115
(c) Local Authorities	..	..	<u>2 = 188.</u>

Summary of Visits and Inspections

(1) (a) Public Health Act, 1936 :				
General Nuisances	..	..	..	74
Keeping of Animals	..	..	..	68
Re Accumulations	..	..	..	40
Watercourses, ditches, etc.	..	..	..	42
Drainage	..	..	..	331
Infectious Disease	..	..	..	71
Insect Pests etc.	..	..	..	98
Caravan Sites	..	..	..	317
Public Conveniences	..	..	..	2
Refuse Tips	..	..	..	19
Tents, Vans and Sheds	..	..	..	32
(b) Clean Air Act, 1956	..	..	..	86
(c) Noise Abatement Act, 1960	..	..	..	46
(d) Housing Acts	..	..	..	774
(e) Factories Act, 1961	..	..	..	68
(f) Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963	..	..	..	9
(g) Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	..	..	..	193
(h) Food and Drugs Act, 1955 :				
Shops	..	..	..	123
Ice Cream premises	..	..	..	64
Restaurants and Cafes	..	..	..	68
Milk Distributors, Dairies and Milk Shops	..	..	..	5
Bakehouses	..	..	..	3
Food Vehicles	..	..	..	22
Slaughterhouses	..	..	..	410
General visits - condemnations, etc.	..	..	..	64
(i) Agriculture (S.H. & W.) Act, 1956	..	..	..	2
(j) Miscellaneous :				
Water Supplies	..	..	..	77
Petroleum Acts	..	..	..	105
Sewage Disposal Works	..	..	..	12
Other visits	..	..	..	177
(k) Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	..	..	..	10,017
				<u>13,419</u>
				Total Visits

(2) Notices :

Complaints received (Rodent 1,719)	..	..	..	1,883
Complaints justified and dealt with	..	..	..	1,838
Nuisances and/or contraventions observed (Excludes Rodent Services)	..	..	..	157

Number of :

Informal Notices served	..	..	..	171
Statutory Notices served	..	..	..	Nil

(3) Legal Proceedings Nil

Visits and Inspections (Contd.)

(4) Sampling:

(a) Water	..	..	..	15
(b) Milk	..	..	..	1
(c) Ice Cream	..	..	..	24
(d) Drain Swabs	..	..	..	26
(e) Faeces	..	..	..	42
(f) Urine	..	..	..	1
(g) Sausage	..	..	..	1
(h) Smoked Salmon	..	..	..	1
(i) Turkeys	..	..	..	2
(j) Peppermint Crush	..	..	..	1
(k) Canned Peaches	..	..	..	1

(5) Sanitary Improvements :

(a) Connections to main sewers :

(i) Existing houses	..	88
(ii) New Private houses	..	633
(iii) New Council houses	..	173

(b) Cesspools provided to existing houses 35

Housing Statistics (Contd.)

(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts :

- (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied .. Nil
- (2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice .. Nil

(c) Proceedings under the Housing Act, 1957 :

- (1) Number of dwelling-houses represented as unfit .. 28
- (2) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which undertakings were accepted (Sec.16(4)) .. 28
- (3) Number of dwelling-houses closed in pursuance of an undertaking and still in force .. 20
- (4) Number of dwelling-houses made fit as a result of formal action under Section 16 .. 20
- (5) Number of dwelling-houses demolished as a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 16 . 8
- (6) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which demolition orders were made (Sec.17(1)) .. Nil

(d) Proceedings under Section 18 of the Housing Act, 1957 Nil

(e) Proceedings under Section 42 of the Housing Act, 1957 :

- (1) Number of Clearance Areas declared .. Nil
- (2) Number of dwellings demolished in such Areas .. Nil

4. Housing Act, 1957 - Part IV - Overcrowding

- (a) (1) Number of dwellings known to be overcrowded at the end of 1968 .. Nil
- (2) Number of families dwelling therein .. -
- (b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported in 1968 Nil
- (c) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during 1968 1
- (d) Number of persons concerned in relieved cases .. 9
- (e) Number of dwelling-houses which have again become overcrowded .. Nil

The following most inspection charges have been in operation since the 1st October, 1964 :

Charges for Saturdays	(Cattle	2/6d.
Sundays and Bank Holidays	(Calves & Pigs	3d.
	(Sheep	6d.

Section V

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD PREMISES

Milk and Dairies

Five visits were made to milk distributors, dairies and milk shops.

One sample of milk submitted for biological examination proved negative to Brucella Abortus and Tuberculosis.

Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959

Six applications to register as Distributors of Milk were received and approved during the year. There are 79 distributors of milk now registered in the District.

The Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963

There are no egg pasteurisation plants in the district.

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

Details of food premises which are subject to Regulations 16 and 19 of the above Regulations are as follows :

Premises	Number of		Premises fitted to comply with Reg.16	Premises to which Reg.19 applies	Premises fitted to comply with Reg.19
	Premises	Inspections			
Bakehouses	8	(	8	8	8
Bread & Confectionery	10	(	10	9	9
Butchers	31	(	31	31	30
Catering Establishments	70	(	70	70	70
Greengrocers	21	(	20	18	17
Grocers	152	(285	149	133	133
Fish (Wet & Fried)	12	(	12	12	12
Licensed Premises	99	(	92	95	95
Sweets, Ice Cream, etc.	49	(	44	30	30
Chemists	13	(	13	11	11
Poultry Processing	4	(	4	4	4
TOTALS	469	285	453	421	419

Contraventions of the Regulations observed at food premises numbered 59 and resulted in the service of 18 informal notices. Fifteen complaints of unsatisfactory conditions at shops were also received, 11 of which were found to be justified and were dealt with informally. No legal proceedings were instituted.

Ice Cream

Seventeen applications for registration of premises for the storage and sale of ice cream, and one for the manufacture of preserved food, were received and approved during the year.

Slaughterhouses

The abattoir at Yapton has remained in use. All carcasses and offal from animals slaughtered are inspected by the Council's District Public Health Inspectors, and in order to ensure 100% inspection, regular week-end duty is still necessary.

Visits to the slaughterhouse totalled 474, and details of carcasses inspected during 1968 are as follows :

Number killed and inspected during 1968 :	Cattle	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
	1886	517	425	2670	3272
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned :	7	30	21	25	19
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned :	403	246	11	297	898
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and cysticerci :	21.7	53.3	7.5	12.0	28.0
<u>Tuberculosis only :</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcase of which some part or organ was condemned :	-	-	-	-	35
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis :	-	-	-	-	1.07
<u>Cysticercosis :</u>					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned :	10	5	-	2	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration :	10	5	-	2	-
Generalised and totally condemned :	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with cysticerci :	0.53	0.9	-	0.07	-

Total Carcasses Inspected - 8,770.

The Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963

The following meat inspection charges have been in operation since the 1st October, 1964 :

Charges for weekdays, other than Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays	(Cattle	2/-
	(Calves and Pigs	6d.
	(Sheep	4d.
Charges for Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays	(Cattle	2/6d.
	(Calves & Pigs	9d.
	(Sheep	6d.

Slaughterhouses (Contd.)

Meat Condemned at the Yapton Abattoir.

		<u>Lbs.</u>	<u>Reason</u>
<u>BEASTS:</u>	Parts of Carcasses and Offals	295	Cysticercus Bovis
	Whole Carcasses and Offals	17,962	Various other diseases
	Parts of Carcasses and Offals	10,040	ditto
<u>CALVES:</u>	Whole Carcasses and Offals	1,239	ditto
	Parts of Carcasses and Offals	31	ditto
<u>SHEEP:</u>	Whole Carcasses and Offals	1,038	ditto
	Parts of Carcasses and Offals	299	ditto
<u>PIGS:</u>	Whole Carcasses and Offals	2,533	ditto
	Parts of Carcasses and Offals	2,254	ditto
	Parts of Carcasses and Offals	398	Tuberculosis
<u>SHEEP:</u>	Parts of Carcasses and Offals	1	Cysticercus Bovis
	Total Weight	<u>36,090</u>	

Meat and Other Foods Condemned at Food Premises

342	Packets Frozen Vegetables	)	Due to mechanical breakdown of frozen food cabinets
365	Packets Frozen Meats)	
290	Packets Frozen Fish)	
15	Packets Frozen Fruit)	
180	Packets Frozen miscellaneous items))	
30	Lbs. Chickens	-	Faulty Refrigerator
56	Lbs. Turkeys	-	ditto
180	Lbs. Garden Peas	-	Decomposition
10	Lbs. Lamb Livers	-	ditto
12	Lbs. Corned Beef	-	ditto
28	Lbs. Hindquarter Beef	-	Bruising/Haemorrhage
90	Lbs. Hindquarter Beef	-	Bone Taint

Unsound meat is despatched to an approved manufacturing company and converted to animal feed, fertilisers, etc. while other foods are surrendered to the Department and deposited on the Council's refuse tips.

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958

Seven licences to slaughter animals were granted during 1968.

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960.

Poultry Inspection:

(i)	Number of poultry processing premises in district	5
(ii)	Number of visits to such premises	13
(iii)	Total number of birds processed during 1968	827,700 *
(iv)	Types of Birds processed	All Types
(v)	Percentage of birds rejected as unfit for human consumption	2% (Approx.)
(vi)	Weight of poultry condemned as unfit for human consumption	9,000 lbs. (Approx.)

* Includes 811,467 birds slaughtered outside the district.

Section VI

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF DISEASES

The table on page 38 summarises the infectious diseases notifications received during 1968.

There was no unusual incidence.

The Public Health (Infective Jaundice) Regulations, 1968.

These Regulations, which came into force on the 15th June, 1968, enforced the notification of cases of Infective Jaundice occurring throughout England and Wales, and revoked the Jaundice Regulations of 1943, which applied only in certain eastern counties of England.

Health Services and Public Health Act, 1968.

The Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations, 1968.

The consolidating Regulations, which came into force on the 1st October, 1968, made provision for notification of the following diseases :

Acute encephalitis	Infective jaundice	Relapsing fever
Acute meningitis	Leprosy	Scarlet fever
Acute poliomyelitis	Leptospirosis	Smallpox
Amoebic dysentery	Malaria	Tetanus
Anthrax	Measles	Tuberculosis
Bacillary dysentery	Ophthalmia	Typhoid fever
Cholera	neonatorum	Typhus
Food Poisoning	Plague	Whooping Cough
Diphtheria	Paratyphoid fever	Yellow fever

Notification of the diseases listed below is no longer required :

Acute influenzal pneumonia	Erysipelas
Acute primary pneumonia	Membranous croup
Acute rheumatism	Puerperal pyrexia

The Public Health (Fees for Notifications of Infectious Disease) Order, 1968.

This Order, in operation on the 1st October, 1968, requires the local authority to pay the medical practitioner a fee of five shillings for each certificate of notification, except a certificate sent by a medical practitioner serving in the forces.

Medical Examinations

Twenty-six medical examinations for superannuation purposes were carried out during the year. A further 166 examinations for the West Sussex County Council (including 110 candidates for Teachers' Training Colleges) were also undertaken.

Cancer

Deaths attributed to Cancer during 1968 numbered 154 (82 males, 72 females) - 168 deaths in 1967.

The following table gives details of the localisation of the disease :

Cancer (Contd.)

	Male	Female	Total
Brain	1	3	4
Alimentary Tract & Digestive Organs:			
Tongue	-	-	-
Tonsil	1	-	1
Pharynx/Larynx	-	-	-
Thyroid	-	-	-
Oesophagus	2	2	4
Stomach	12	4	16
Caecum	-	-	-
Colon	5	5	10
Rectum	6	4	10
Pancreas	2	3	5
Respiratory System:			
Lung, bronchus	29	10	39
Urinary Organs:			
Bladder/Kidneys	5	1	6
Female Genital Organs:			
Uterus	-	4	4
Ovaries	-	7	7
Breast	-	16	16
Male Genital Organs:			
Testis	1	-	1
Prostate	2	-	2
Leukaemia	7	2	9
Lymphosarcoma	2	2	4
Other sites	7	9	16
TOTALS	<u>82</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>154</u>

The Cancer Death Rate for 1968 is 2.58 per 1,000 of the population (2.8 for the previous year). The corresponding rates for the Administrative County, and the Urban and Rural Districts of West Sussex are 3.0., 3.2 and 2.7 respectively.

Diphtheria

(a) Notifications. No cases of Diphtheria were notified during 1968, nor were any deaths registered as due to this cause. No confirmed cases have occurred in the district since 1946.

(b) Immunisation. Immunisation against diphtheria and other diseases is carried out either at the Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics, or by the General Practitioners, and set out below are details of vaccinations of persons under 16 years completed and recorded by the County Health Department during 1968 :

Antigen	Completed Primary Courses	Reinforcing Doses
Diphtheria	835	1963
Whooping Cough	815	721
Poliomyelitis	889	1971
Tetanus	854	1464

Dysentery

Ten cases of Dysentery were notified (21 cases in 1967)

Food Poisoning

Two cases were notified (nil in 1967).

Measles

104 Measles notifications were received (567 in 1967).

Pneumonia

Nine cases of Pneumonia were notified (10 cases in 1967). The number of deaths registered during 1968 as due to all forms of Pneumonia was 51.

Notification of this disease is no longer required.

Poliomyelitis

No cases were notified to the Department during the year. The last recorded cases in the District occurred in 1957.

Vaccination against poliomyelitis is available to everyone up to 40 years of age. Application forms can be obtained from the County Health Department at Metropolitan House, Northgate, Chichester, and at Health Centres and Welfare Clinics.

Details of vaccinations carried out during 1968 are recorded under Diphtheria Immunisation.

Scarlet Fever

Twenty-three cases were notified (6 cases in 1967)

Tuberculosis

Seven pulmonary cases were added to the Register - three primary notifications and four cases moving into the district as transfers from other areas.

Seven cases were removed from the Register - 2 after being cured of the disease, 1 on leaving the district, and 4 who died, though Tuberculosis was not the primary cause of death in 2 cases.

The following table gives details of cases on the register and of new cases added during the year :

	Pulmonary Cases			Non-Pulmonary Cases			Total Cases (all forms)		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
1 Number on Register at 1st January, 1968 :	98	76	174	5	12	17	103	88	191
2 Primary Notifications received in 1968 :	2	1	3	-	1	1	2	2	4
3 Cases removed and returning in 1968 :	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4 Cases moving into area as transfers	2	2	4	-	-	-	2	2	4
Totals	102	79	181	5	13	18	107	92	199
5 Cases removed 1968 :	3	3	6	1	-	1	4	3	7
6 Cases on Register at 31st December, 1968 :	99	76	175	4	13	17	103	89	192

Tuberculosis (Contd.)

Four deaths were attributed to Pulmonary Tuberculosis (nil in 1967), giving a death rate per 1,000 population of 0.06. The rate for the Administrative County is 0.02.

Smallpox

Smallpox vaccinations carried out in the district in children up to fifteen years of age and recorded by the County Health Department were 768 primary vaccinations and 377 re-vaccinations.

It was again necessary to carry out a fourteen day surveillance on a number of passengers arriving in the district by sea or air either from declared smallpox endemic areas or as possible contacts of suspected smallpox cases, particularly when the traveller was not in possession of a valid international certificate of vaccination.

Whooping Cough

Seventeen cases were notified in 1968 (12 in 1967).

Year	Cases notified		Cases removed		Total
	M	F	M	F	
1967	12	0	12	0	12
1968	17	0	17	0	17
Total	29	0	29	0	29

Table showing Cases of Infectious Diseases Notified during the Year 1968

Disease	Total Cases Notified		Total Deaths	Age Distribution of Notified Cases																					
	M	F		Total	Age																				
					0-	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-								
Measles ..	59	45	104	-	14	9	23	13	39	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Dysentery ..	6	4	10	-	-	1	-	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever ..	8	15	23	-	-	4	1	1	8	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough .	7	10	17	-	4	3	1	1	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice	3	3	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis-respiratory other forms	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Meningitis	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria (C/A)	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas ..	1	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia ..	5	4	9	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	93	88	181	55	4	19	17	25	18	56	8	7	9	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

No notifications were received of the undermentioned diseases:

Acute encephalitis	Leptospirosis	Acute poliomyelitis
Anthrax	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Smallpox
Cholera	Plague	Typhus
Diphtheria	Paratyphoid fever	Tetanus
Leprosy	Relapsing fever	Typhoid fever
		Yellow fever

As from the 1st October, 1968, notification of the diseases listed below is no longer required :

Acute Influenzal pneumonia	Erysipelas
Acute Primary pneumonia	Membranous croup
	Puerperal pyrexia

Infectious Diseases

1959 - 1968

Disease	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Dysentery ..	14	1	3	10	6	8	2	22	21	10
Encephalitis ..	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning ..	7	10	3	-	1	-	15	5	-	2
Measles ..	590	51	1009	10	1060	213	421	426	567	104
Meningococcal Infections ..	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ..	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia ..	1	6	6	4	2	4	3	13	9	9
Poliomyelitis) Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
) Non-Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia ..	2	3	3	-	-	2	-	1	1	-
Scarlet Fever ..	44	16	5	6	8	6	11	11	6	23
Tuberculosis) Pulmonary	12	20	13	11	7	9	6	5	4	3
) Non-pulmonary	2	4	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	1
Whooping Cough ..	24	53	45	18	5	23	20	2	12	17
Infective Jaundice *	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

* Disease first notifiable in 1968.

