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Clevedon.

To the Chairman and Members of the  
Clevedon Urban District Council

I have the honour to present the Annual Report for 1964.

You will find some change in the presentation and comments are mainly confined to this introduction.

Clevedon has a population with many more aged persons than England and Wales and this is shewn in the area comparability factors for births 1.26, and deaths, 0.63. 65% of deaths occurred in persons over the age of 75.

Immunisation against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus, and anterior poliomyelitis, continues at a high level in infants. Smallpox vaccination, now usually performed for the first time between the ages of 1 and 2, attains a fair level.

One of the most important events of the year has been the forwarding of the Yeo Valley Main Drainage scheme.

18 old people's dwellings are in the course of erection, but no other council dwellings have been built. Improvements grants were made for 46 dwellings. A survey of basement flats was commenced late in 1964 and should be completed by the beginning of 1966.

The Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963, came into force in August 1964. This Act should accomplish for these premises, what has been achieved in the factories by the Factories Acts.

I would like to thank the Members and Officers for their courtesy and help and in particular the Public Health Inspectors.

I beg to remain,

Your obedient servant,

V.N. BAKER

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH



# STATISTICAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

## General Statistics - 1964

Area	3,467 acres
Population (mid year estimate)	11,670
Area comparability factors	Births - 1.26 Deaths - 0.63
Rateable Value, 1st April 1964	£16,417
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£1,648

## Vital Statistics for 1964

<u>Live Births</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Rate per 1,000</u> of the estimated resident population
Legitimate	92	94	186	= 16.5
Illegitimate	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	
	98	95	193	
<u>Stillbirths</u>				<u>Rate per 1,000</u>
All legitimate	1	1	2	(live and still) births
				= 10.2
<u>Deaths</u>	86	112	198	<u>Death rate per 1,000 of the</u> estimated resident population
				= 16.8

### Illegitimate live births

Rate per cent of total live births = 3.6

Deaths from pregnancy, childbirth and abortion - Nil

### Death rate of Infants under one year of age

All infants per 1,000 live births	(total = 1)	- 5.2
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	(total = 1)	- 5.4
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	(total = nil)	- -
Neonatal mortality rate, deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births	(total = 1)	- 5.2
Early neonatal mortality rate, deaths under one week per 1,000 total live births	(total = 1)	- 5.2
Perinatal mortality rate, stillbirths and deaths under one week per 1,000 total live and stillbirths	(total = 3)	- 15.4

# Vital Statistics 1962 - 64

## Live Births

Year	Legitimate		Illegitimate		Total	Rate per 1,000 of the Estimated Resident Population		
	Male	Female	Male	Female		Clevedon Crude	Adjusted	England & Wales
1962	81	85	7	7	180	15.0	16.2	18.0
1963	97	87	4	-	188	16.3	20.5	18.2
1964	92	94	6	1	193	16.5	20.8	18.4

The adjusted birth rate, is the crude rate multiplied by the area comparability factor, which adjusts the age and sex distribution of the population to correspond with those of England and Wales. The same applies to the adjusted death rate.

## Stillbirths

Year	Male	Female	Total	Rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths	
				Clevedon	England & Wales
1962	2	1	3	17.75	18.1
1963	-	1	1	5.4	17.3
1964	1	1	2	10.2	16.4

## Deaths

Year	Male	Female	Total	Rate per 1,000 of the Estimated Resident Population		
				Clevedon Crude	Adjusted	England & Wales
1962	88	108	196	15.9	11.1	11.9
1963	78	102	180	15.9	10.0	12.2
1964	86	112	198	16.8	10.6	11.3

	Death Rate of all infants per 1,000 live births		Death Rate under 4 weeks of age per 1,000 total live births		Death Rate of Infants under one week of age & stillbirths per 1,000 total live & still births	
	Clevedon	England & Wales	Clevedon	England & Wales	Clevedon	England & Wales
1962	24.1	21.6	12.05	15.1	23.7	30.8
1963	27.2	20.9	10.9	14.2	10.9	12.1
1964	5.2	20.0	5.2	13.8	5.2	28.2



## CAUSES OF DEATH

CLEVEDON - 1964

		Sex	Total	Under 4 weeks 4 wks & under 1 year	1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75+
Tuberculosis, respiratory		M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Infective & Parasitic diseases		M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm, stomach		M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
		F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung		M	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	2	1
Bronchus		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast		F	4	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus		F	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Other Malignant & Lymphatic Neoplasms		M	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3
		F	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	3
Leukaemia, Aleukaemia		M	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diabetes		M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System		M	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	6	
		F	21	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	4	14	
Coronary Disease, Angina		M	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	11	6	
		F	25	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	4	18	
Hypertension with heart Disease		M	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	
		F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	
Other Heart Disease		M	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	
		F	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	
Other Circulatory Disease		M	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	8
		F	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Pneumonia		M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
		F	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	6
Bronchitis		M	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	3
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum		M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea		M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other defined & ill-defined Diseases		M	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
		F	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	7
Motor vehicle accidents		M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
All other accidents		M	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total all causes		M	86	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	12	25	45
		F	112	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	6	17	84

### NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Total Cases Notified</u>
Measles	5
Scarlatina (Scarlet Fever)	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	1
Dysentery	6
Whooping cough	5
Acute Primary Pneumonia	1
Tuberculosis - Respiratory	4
Non-respiratory	2

### WATER SUPPLY

All houses in Clevedon are supplied by mains water from the Bristol Waterworks Company. The water has been satisfactory in quality and quantity and no form of contamination has been detected.

### SEWAGE DISPOSAL

In 1964, work was started on the repair and enlargement of a length of trunk sewer.

#### Yeo Valley Main Drainage Scheme

It is proposed that Clevedon be served by this scheme, to prevent the discharge of untreated sewage into the Bristol Channel. The Long Ashton Rural District Council and Clevedon Urban District Council have agreed that full treatment works be built, probably in the parish of Kingston Seymour, close to the coast. Alteration of various sewers in Clevedon leading to the works, will be necessary.

### PUBLIC CLEANSING

House refuse is removed weekly, in two vehicles and tipped at Clapton Wick. Trade refuse from shops is collected weekly at a charge of 24/- per annum. A large proportion of business premises use this service.

### CESSPOOL EMPTYING

Cesspools are emptied free of charge twice per year. If additional visits are necessary, then the owner is charged in accordance with the time involved.



PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

	<u>Type of Property</u>				<u>Agricultural</u> (5)
	<u>Non-Agricultural</u> (1)	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	
	Local Authority	Dwelling Houses (inc. council houses)	All other (including business premises)	Total of Cols. (1) (2) & (3)	
Number of properties in Local Authority's District	14	3640	525	4179	39
Total number of properties inspected as a result of notification	4	67	6	77	-
Number of such properties found to be infested by					
Common rat					
Major	-	-	-	-	-
Minor	3	63	4	70	-
Ship rat					
Major	-	-	-	-	-
Minor	-	-	-	-	-
House mouse					
Major	-	-	-	-	-
Minor	1	4	2	7	-
Total number of properties inspected in the course of survey under the Act	Nil				
Total number of properties otherwise inspected (e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose)	Nil				
Number of infested properties (in sections II, III & IV) treated.	4	67	6	77	

Routine inspections were made of the foreshore, river banks and parks.



## HOUSING

Number of houses demolished or closed	
(a) under Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1957 (individual unfits)	11
(b) for other purposes (road improvements) etc.	Nil

Number of houses made fit during year	43
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Houses in multiple occupation (Housing Act, 1961) :

Owners of these properties are encouraged to convert to self-contained flats with the help of improvement grants. This is proceeding satisfactorily and several schemes are in hand at the moment.

	Houses erected during year		Houses in course of erection		Gained from conversion of large houses or buildings into flats or dwellings	Lost from conversion of two or more houses to one
	For Slum Clearance	For other purposes	For Slum Clearance	For other purposes		
Local Authority	Nil	Nil	Nil	19	-	-
Private Enterprise	Nil	153	Nil	130	5	-
				estimated		

Number of Post-War Houses erected from 1st April 1945 to 31st December 1964		Housing Programme 1965
By Local Authority	By Private Enterprise	Not yet fixed by the Council
333	694	

- (a) Number of temporary housing units occupied - (i) Prefabs - 22  
(ii) Huts - Nil
- (b) Number of houses found overcrowded - Nil

### Houses required:

- (i) To replace houses scheduled for demolition - nil
- (ii) To abate overcrowding - nil
- (iii) For other purposes - it is intended to provide a further 20 units of old persons' accommodation during the coming year.
- (iv) Applications for council houses at end of year -

(a) Urgent bona fide cases	- 98
(b) Applications for Old People's Dwellings	- 119
(c) Others - nil	
	<u>217</u>

- (v) Total number of council houses sold during the year - nil.

	No. of permanent dwellings in District as at 31.12.63	Gained from conversions and erected during 1964	Total (a) & (b)	Less houses demolished, closed etc. during year.	No. of permanent dwellings in District as at 31.12.64
L.A.	470	-	470	-	470
P.E.	3249	158	3407	11	3396
Totals	3719	158	3877	11	3866

#### OLD PEOPLE'S DWELLINGS

Number erected to 31.12.64		Number in course of erection	
With County Council Aid	Without County Council Aid	With County Council Aid	Without County Council Aid
20 plus wardens' bungalows	--	18 plus warden's flat and communal lounge	--

#### IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

##### A. Discretionary

Number of applications and houses dealt with by Local Authority during year:

Received		Approved	
Applications	No. of Dwellings	Applications	No. of Dwellings
14	33	14	33

Number of applications approved in respect of owner/occupiers during year - 7  
Average cost per dwelling approved during year - £878  
Amount of grant payable by local authority - £10,983

Included in the above figures are two applications relating to five dwellings which were approved but the work was not proceeded with.

##### B. Standard

1. Number of applications (a) Received - 13  
(b) Approved - 13

2. Number of houses where Standard Amenities have been provided - 9

Number of applications approved in respect of owner/occupiers during year - 8

#### CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960

	<u>Permanent</u>	<u>Seasonal</u>
(a) Number of single caravans licensed	-	-
(b) Number of site licences issued in respect of more than one caravan	9	-
(c) Estimated maximum number of occupants resident during year	80	-
(d) Number of sites closed as a result of above Act	-	-
(e) Camping sites - number of unlicensed sites in use	Nil	-



## FOOD

### Milk

- (a) Number of Registered Distributors - 22
- (b) Number of Registered Dairy Premises (other than Dairy Farms) - 4

### Ice-cream

Number of premises registered for retail only - 37

### Food Hygiene (General) Regulations

Routine inspection of food premises has continued through the year. No legal proceedings were taken.

### The Slaughter of Animals (Prevention of Cruelty) Regulations:

The premises comply with regulations. Pre-mortem inspection of animals and lairage is carried out regularly.

### The Slaughterhouses (Hygiene) Regulations

Premises are inspected nearly every day during visits for meat inspection. Contraventions are dealt with informally.

### Slaughterhouses Act

	<u>Licensed</u>	<u>Operating</u>
(a) Slaughterhouses owned or leased by L.A.	1	1
(b) Private slaughterhouses	Nil	Nil
(c) Number of private slaughterhouses brought up to standard required.	Nil	Nil
(d) Bacon Factories	Nil	Nil

### The Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963

Qualified staff employed, part-time - 2

Total carcasses inspected	1962	9,148
	1963	11,112
	1964	7,877



Carcasses and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part during year:

	Cattle		Sheep		
	excluding	Cows	Calves	and	Pigs Horses
	cows			Lambs	
Number killed	499	164	1227	2078	3909
Number inspected	499	164	1227	2078	3909

All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci

Whole carcasses condemned	-	17	18	11	10
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	21	17	2	12	119
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	4.25	20.75	1.66	1.75	3.4

Tuberculosis only

Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-

Cysticercosis

Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-

Weight of Meat condemned (in lbs.) for :

(a) Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Cysticercosis	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Other	304	7844	768	449	1668
Total (in lbs.) condemned)	304	7844	768	449	1668

#### PREMISES WHERE FOOD IS PREPARED

Number registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, (Ice-cream, manufactured meat products, etc.) - 1

#### AGRICULTURAL (SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE PROVISIONS) ACT, 1956

A complete survey of premises was made in 1962. Five re-visits have been made during the year. No formal action was taken.

#### OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Number of premises registered under Act - 170

Inspection of premises has commenced and is proceeding slowly.

#### ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS

Number licensed - 2

Inspections are carried out by local authority staff with the assistance of a veterinary surgeon if thought necessary.

#### PUBLIC SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS

The marine lake is owned by the council and is filled with sea water. No form of water purification is used.

# FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Prescribed particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1961

## 1. Part I of the Act

<u>Premises</u>	Number on Register	Inspections	Number of Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by local authorities	-	-	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (1) in which Sec.7 is enforced by local authority	48	37	1	-
(iii) Other Premises in which Sec.7 is enforced by the local authority (excluding out-workers premises)	17	287	-	-
Total	65	324	1	-

2. No defects of cleanliness, overcrowding, unreasonable temperature or inadequate ventilation were found.

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1	-	1	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1	1	-	1	-

## Part VIII of the Act

Outwork (Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of work - Wearing apparel (making etc.) Number of Outworkers in August list - 1





