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REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year

1947.

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Medical Officer of Health for the Rural District of Cosford in the County of West Suffolk for the year ending 31st December, 1947.

Public Health Offices, 8, Whiting Street, Bury St. Edmunds.

September 1948.

To:-

The Chairman and Members of the Rural District Council of Cosford.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Herewith I beg to submit for your favourable consideration my twelfth Annual Report as Medical Officer of Health, being that for the year ended 31st December, 1947.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT H. CLAMTON.

Medical Officer of Health.

Public Health Officers of the Authority.

(a) Medical - One part-time Medical Officer of Health,

Robert H. Clayton, M.B., B.S., B.Hy., D.P.H. (Durham), Cert. Mental Deficiency and Alliec Subjects (London), appointed 1st February, 1937.

This Officer does not engage in private practice but holds in addition the following appointments:-

Medical Officer of Health, Newmarket U.D.C. Appointed July 1st,1936
Mildenhall R.D.C. " " " "
Thingoe R.D.C. " " " " 1938

(b) Others - One Sanitary Inspector,

W. M. Maylor, Cert.R.S.I., Meat and Other Foods Certificate, R.S.I., appointed 4th September, 1939, retired 11th May, 1947.

G. H. Hine, M.I.MUN.E., M.S.I.A., Meat and Other Foods Certificate. Appointed 1st May, 1947.

One additional Sanitary Inspector,

E. A. Panks, M.S.I.A., Meat and Other Foods Certificate. Appointed 17th July, 1947.

This officer does not excell in private practice but Effect of courts, Same to realist de la constant de Legalous of the control of the contr

SECTION A.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

1.	GENERAL STATISTICS.	Area			48,	530 acres.	
	Registrar General's est population	imate of	the resid	ent <u>1</u>	947• 121	(1946.) (9,065)	
	Number of inhabited hou according to Rate Book	ses at en	of yea	r 3,	163	(3,111)	
	Rateable Value			£28,	239	(£26,749)	
	Sum represented by a Per	nny Rate		£	126	(£116)	
2.	EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STA	TISTICS F	OR THE YE	AR.			
	Live Births.		tal.		le.	Female.	-
	Legitimate Illegitimate	1947• 199 11	(1946) (156) (8)	1947。 107 7	(<u>1946)</u> (75) (4)	1947• (1946 92 (81 4 (4	2
	Stillbirths.						
	Legitimate Illegitimate	4	(4) (Nil)	2 Nil	(4) (Nil)	2 (Nil 1 (Nil	
	Deaths.	120	(136)	61	(62)	59 (74)
	Deaths Under 1 Year.	1	(4)	1	(2)	Nil (2)
	19	36 to 194	Cosfor 5	<u>d</u> .	Engla	nd & Wales.	
	Binth Data (Time	Decade Average.	1947.	(1.946)	1947.	(1946)	
	Birth Rate (Live births per 1000 civilian						
	population)	15.1	23.0	(18.1)	20.5	(19.1)	
	Rate of Illegitimate births per 1000 legitimate births.		-	(53)			
		54	55	(51)	-	(-)	
	Stillbirth Rate per 1000 total (live & stillbirths).	27.9	23.3	(23.8)	-	(-)	
	Death Rate per 1000 resident population.	14.7	13.2	(15.0)	12.0	(11.5)	
	Death Rate of Infants under 1 year. All infants per 1000 live births.	77.0	1. 0	(a), I.\	1.2	(1.7)	
		33.0	4.8	(24.4)	41	(43)	
	Legitimate Infants per 1000 legitimate births.	33.3	5.0	(25.6)	-	(-)	
	Illegitimate Infants per 1000 illegitimate birth	s.27.4	Nil	(Nil)	_	(-)	

The total number of Live Births to Cosford Residents during 1947 was 210 of which 117 were born in Cosford and 93 elsewhere.

The number of Stillbirths in 1947 was 5 and in 1946 the corresponding figure was 4.

Illegitimate Births declined from 24 in 1945, to 8 in 1946 and rose to 11 in 1947.

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120 deaths (136 in 1946) occurred during 1947 including one death from Maternal Causes (Heading 30), 9 deaths from Cancer, no deaths from Measles, Whooping Cough or Diarrhoea (under 2 years).

As opposed to 1946 in which there were 4 deaths under one year of age, there was only one in 1947 - a male legitimate infant of 3 days who succumbed to Prematurity following a Caesarean birth. No child of pre-school age or elementary school age died during 1947 - there was one of each in 1946.

The only other deaths in the nonage were of a 16 year old mentally defective youth due to fits and a maiden of 20 years who died from Pulmonary Tuberculesis. Three other ladies aged 24, 30 and 34 years succumbed to Pulmorary Tuberculesis (as did a male aged 43 years). These, together with a purperal death (aged 34) and a blood disease (aged 37) were the only female deaths before 40 years of age. Two other males died beford 40 years of age - one aged 30 years a Road Traffic Accident victim and the other aged 37 years from Thrombosis.

The age and sex distribution of deaths is indicated in the table below

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							1947. M	1946.	1947.13	1946.	Me	tal Te & male	
65 & over.(80 in 1947.((98 in 1946).	1 5 15 25 45 65 70 75 85 90	year years	ôc	Under	1 5 5 5 5 5 6 5 7 7 5 8 5 9 5 9 5	year years """"""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""	1 5 10 7 5 14	(2) (1) (3) (5) (6) (1) (1) (1)	- 276 750 138 1	(2) (-) (1) (4) (19) (8) (4) (10) (12) (9) (3) (74)	1 - 3 12 16 14 10 24 23 16 1		73% in 1947. 72% in 1946.

Comment was made in my Arnual Report for 1946 on the increase in Cerebral Haemorrhage deaths - a similar table is given below, for the five Districts for which I am Medical Officer of Health, to illustrate this trend.

	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.	1947.
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			34	40	89	83.	86	71	73	72	93	87

NR. The figures for these years were not recorded locally.

On page 5 is a table giving statistics for 1947 and for the previous year, 1946, as also for the decade from 1936 to 1945. From this table have been prepared the decade figures which allow comparison with this period and the year 1947.

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Below is a table giving the causes and number of deaths in 1947 occurring at the various age groups. The totals correspond with the Registrar-General's figures.

The deaths are classified under the headings given in the New Abridged List of Causes, as used in England & Wales & Northern Ireland, as set out on Page XXXIX of the Manual of the International List of Causes of Deaths - 1938.

	CAUSES OF DEATHS.	Dea	nth	s a	t ti	he arr	sub	-jo	ine	d a	ges	of id t	"F	ZESI Dia	DEN	TS"	
HEADING.	M = Male F = Female	Inder year.		1 and under 5		5 end under 15		15 and under 25			25 and mader 45		45 and under 65		es and upwards		General's figures.
	Tuberculosis of Respiratory system.	м.	F.	M. -	F.	M.	F.	м.	F.	M.	F.	м.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F. 4
A STANSON PORTON PROPERTY.	Cancer of buccal cavity & oesophagus (M) uterus (F).	-	-	_	-	_	-	-	-	_	_	_	1	1	2	1	3
	Cancer of stomach and duodenum.	_	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	1	-	_	-	-	_	1	_
	Cancer of all other sites	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	4	-	4	-
18.	Intra-cranial vascular lesions.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	8	3	9	5
19.	Heart Disease.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	1	1.8	21	22	22
20.	Other Diseases of circulatory system.	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	1	_		_	1	3	2	3
21. 1	Bronchitis.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	3	3	3
22. 1	Pneumonia.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	3	3	4
23.	Other respiratory diseases.	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
27.	Other digestive diseases.	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	2
28. 1	Nephritis.	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	=	-	5	1	5	2
30.	Other maternal causes.	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
31.	Premature Birth.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
33.	Suicide.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1
34.	Road Traffic Accidents.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
35.	Other violent causes.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
36.	All other causes.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	4	7	5	8
	Total: Males.	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	10	-	44	-	61	-
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£105 2,707 £107 2,923	inhabited General's	Deaths.	one year.	Deaths under one year.	B1)	C/ .	Still	Stillbirths.
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3,096	294,6 99	145	5	1	159	15	5	1
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1	-	1,392	45	2	1,353	73	38	2
3,014	14 9,459	139	4.5	0.2	135	7.3	3.8	0.3
3,111	11 9,065	136	4	Nil	156	8	4	Nil
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SECTION B. GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

(a) LABORATORY FACILITIES. For some years these facilities have been provided, on payment of a fixed annual sum, by the Emergency Public Health Laboratory Service, use being made of their Laboratory at Cambridge. The Government, however, as part of their nationalisation scheme, decided that these facilities should be provided free as from 31st March, 1947, by the same Service.

The arrangement to use the Laboratory at Cambridge really arose out of the fact that Cosford is part of West Suffolk and the remainder of the County were making use of that Laboratory. It was found, however, that for the Hadleigh doctors who practised in Cosford, the Ipswich Laboratory was much more accessable. The Emergency Public Health Laboratory Service readily agreed that specimens from Cosford could go either to the Ipswich or Cambridge Laboratory, whichever was the more convenient to the person taking the specimen. This new arrangement was of great convenience in the last week of the year when Paratyphoid cases occurred in the Cosford villages around Hadleigh. cases occurred in the Cosford villages around Hadleigh.

- (b) AMBULANCE FACILITIES. As in previous years, reliance for the transport of general and maternity cases was made upon the Red Cross Society Ambulances and for infectious disease cases upon the Ipswich County Borough Ambulance or the Ambulance at the hospital to which the patient was admitted.
- (c) NURSING IN THE HOME. This work was carried on as in previous years by the Local Nursing Associations. The residents of Cosford are greatly indebted to the voluntary administrators of these Nursing Associations and to the Nurses who they employ. The Council have endeavourer to show their appreciation by offering a high degree of priority to building licenses required for the improvement of District Nurses' houses.
- (d) CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES. These continued as in previous years.
- (e) HOSPITALS. The hospitals used by Cosford residents are indicated by stating that of the 120 deaths recorded locally 85 tock place at the residents' home in Cosford, 4 at homes of relatives or friends beyond the District and 31 at hospitals as follows:-

15 Walnuttree Hospital, Sudbury.
4 St. Audry's Hospital, Melton.
4 St. Mary's Hospital, Bury St. Edmunds.
5 East Suffolk & Ipswich Hospital, Ipswich.
2 West Suffolk General Hospital, Bury St. Edmunds.

1 Essex County Hospital. 1 Colchester Military Hospital.

1 Nelson Hospital, Merton.

The Ipswich Isolation Hospital usually dealt with our infectious disease cases but, owing to limited staff, it was not always possible to have cases admitted to this Hospital. When admission to Ipswich was not possible a series of telephone calls to hospitals at Colchester, Stowmarket, Newmarket, Bury St. Lamunds and Lowestoft usually revealed that they also, due to shortage of staff, were reluctant to admit a "Foreigner" from Cosford.

Infectious Diseases hospitals have now been nationalised and it is hoped that the making of nursing staff interchangeable between hospitals will avoid long journeys for ill cases of infectious disease.

117 of the 210 births to Cosford residents during 1947 took place at their homes. Most of the remaining 93 took place either at Walnuttree (P.A.C.) Hospital, Sudbury, or St. Mary's (P.A.C) Hospital, Bury St. Edmunds, but if complicated they usually were dealt with at the West Suffolk General Hospital, Bury St. Edmunds.

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SECTION C.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

1. (i) WATER. The Cosford Rural District Council own 7 main piped water supplies, as indicated below.

			Estima	ated Number
	Numb	er of Houses	of per	rsons served.
	Supplied	Within 200 ft.	Supplied	Within 200 ft.
	Direct.	of standpipes.	Direct.	of standpipes.
1. Bildeston	105	72	300	210
Nedging	45	30	130	90
2. Boxford	146	49	420	150
Edwardstone	11	7	30	20
3. Brettenham	67	2	200	10
4. Hitcham	59	514	170	160
5. Lavenham	208	287	600	830
6. Lindsey	8	8	20	20
7. Whatfield	32	25	90	70
	681	534	1,960	1,560

These totals represent 22% of the total number of houses in the District as served direct with a piped water supply and 17% supplied by standpipe from the Council's seven main supplies. There were 53 more houses supplied direct during 1947 than in 1946 and 12 fewer by standpipe, but there were no major extensions during 1946.

In addition to the 7 council owned main piped water supplies, the Council have laid down bores and a pumping apparatus for their council house estates at Elmsett, Kersey and Monks Eleigh which supply respectively 10, 6 and 8 houses.

The private piped water supplies are so few as to be almost negligible.

The scope of the Council's supplies can also be assessed by recording that the daily output from the seven pumping stations was as follows:-

	Gallons.	Average Daily Pumping Time.
Bildeston	15,000	9 hours
Boxford	15,000	8 "
Brettenham	5,000	10 "
Hitcham	8,000	22 to 24 hours
Lavenham	28,000	14 hours
Lindsey	300	11/2 "
Whatfield	2,500	7 "

The above pumping times are average - at peak times of demand much longer hours were required, so that, for example, at Lavenham the pumping apparatus was fully extended whilst at Hitcham (averages 22 hours in each 24 hours) in the summer months the supply was often insufficient. None of the waters from these bores are thought to have plumbo-solvent action.

Despite the fact that the Council has provided seven piped water supplies (thereby ensuring a considerable percentage of the population have obtained a pure water supply), the conditions in the remainder of the District have been of great concern. 33 water samples for bacteriological examination were taken during 1947, on which the reports were 8 satisfactory, 8 suspicious and 17 unsatisfactory - warning notices were issued where required. In order to remedy these conditions the Council instructed Mr. Blizzard of the firm of Lemon & Blizzard to prepare a Comprehensive Water Supply Scheme. This Scheme which is to be the subject of a Public Inquiry in 1948 will bring much needed improvement to the remainder of the District.

Despite the factor of the construction of the percentage of the population of the construct of the population of the destination of the construct of the constr

(ii) <u>DRAINAGE & SEWERAGE</u>. The Council have long realised that the introduction of piped water supplies is but a preliminary to the provision of suitable sewerage schemes. The Rural Water & Sewage Supplies Act, 1945, offered financial assistance in the provision of sewerage schemes so the Council employed Mr. Blizzard to draft proposals for the parishes of Bildeston, Boxford and Lavenham. A Public Inquiry into these proposed schemes was held on the 5th March, 1947, when the evidence given by the Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector, and the Medical Officer of Health pointed out that such schemes would allow:-

The provision of houses with suitable amenities to preserve, to the District, agricultural workers who are indispensable assets.

Redress of the pollution caused by the (limited) use of the piped water supply in the absence of satisfactory sewage systems.

Relief of insanitary conditions.

Greater comfort and conveniences to the inhabitants.

For the safety of the piped water supply.

For the fuller use of the piped water supply.

The Clerk to the Council presented estimates which showed that the estimated cost of the Bildeston Scheme was £17,875.

Bildeston on the 26th February, 1947, had a population of 625 persons occupying 192 houses. The sanitary accommodation at these 192 houses was 9 vaults, 165 pails, 11 W.C's.

The estimated cost of the Boxford Scheme was £24,742.

Boxford (including 55 persons and 19 houses in Sherburn Street,
Edwardstone) on the 26th February, 1947, had a population of 643
persons occupying 243 houses. The sanitary accommodation at these
243 houses was 61 vaults, 141 pails and 38 W.C's.

The estimated cost of the Lavenham Scheme was £34,638.
Lavenham on the 26th February, 1947, had a population of 1,364 persons occupying 504 houses. The sanitary accommodation of these 504 houses was 30 vaults, 374 pails and 76 W.C.'s.

30 new drains were inspected and 35 cesspools emptied during the year. Three defective vault closets were converted to pail closets and one new pail closet installed.

- 2. RIVERS AND STREAMS. The Council's provision of piped water supplies caused many to install water closets prior to the provision of sewage works. This resulted in gross pollution of rivers and streams throughout the district and numerous bitter complaints from the other inhabitants. The Council, as recorded in the previous section on Drainage and Sewerage, intend to remedy this position by the expenditure of £77,255 in the provision of sewerage schemes in the three villages of Bildeston, Boxford and Lavenham.
- 3. (1) CLOSET ACCOMMODATION. A twice weekly collection of night soil is provided at Lavenham, Bildeston and Boxford, where the type of sanitary convenience has already been indicated in the Drainage and Sewerage Section. There is no competition for the work of carrying out night soil collection so during 1947 the Council was threatened with a breakdown in this work. The provision of sewerage systems will remove the necessity to employ persons doing this work, but until such schemes come into operation the Council have decided, as soon as possible, to rely upon direct labour. To this end a Dennis Cosspool Emptier with a pail closet emptying attachment has been ordered.

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- (ii) <u>PUBLIC CLEANSING</u>. The semi-urbanised parishes of Lavenham, Boxford and Bildeston have a weekly refuse collection and the remaining parishes in the District a monthly one, carried out by the Council's employees.
- (iii) SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA. The following particulars of sanitary work during 1947 have been supplied to me by Mr. Hine:-

Number of Inspections or Visits.

Number of houses und	er the	Publi	c Heal	th		
and Housing Acts			00			1,043
Tents, vans and sheds						3
Factories						3 3
Shops			0.0		0.0	12
Cowsheds and Dairies			0.0			62
Butchers Premises						12
Water Supply	0 1	0 0	0.0		0.0	97
Refuse Collection						30
Scavenging						8
Infectious Diseases						22
Salvage		0.0				8
Food Premises		00				16
Slaughter-houses and			tions			7
Defective Drains on &	Sewers					22
Bakehouses ,.						4
Schools						26

Factory Act, 1937. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health.

	Number	Nun	ber of	
Premises.	on Register.	Inspections.		Occupiers Prosecuted.
(1) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 &				
6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	24	12	Nil	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	12	Nil	Nil	Nil
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority				
* (excluding out-workers' premises).	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total:	36	12	Nil	Nil

* i.e. Electrical Stations (Section 103 (1)), Institutions.
(Section 104) and sites of Building Operations and Works of Engineering Construction (Sections 107 and 108).

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		Number of cases in which defects were found.							
Particulars.	Found.	Remedied.	Refer To H.M. Inspector	By H.M.	prosecutions were instituted.				
Unreasonable temperature.	1	Nil	Nil	1	Nil				
Sanitary conveniences:									
Insufficient	1	Nil	Nil	1	Nil				
Unsuitable or defective	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil				
Not separate for sexes.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil				
TOTAL:	2	Nil	Nil	2	Nil				

Part VIII of the Act. OUTWORK.

(Sections 110 and 111)

Nature of work.	M/C line No.	No. of out-workers in August list required by Sect.110 (1) (c).
Wearing apparel. } Making, etc.	13	2

- (iv) SHOPS & OFFICES. During the year 12 inspections were made. Arising from these inspections it was found necessary to issue 3 informal notices for the provision of washing facilities. All three were complied with during the year.
 - (v) CAMPING SITES. Three visits were made to camping sites.
 - (vi) SMOKE ABATEMENT.) No change. (vii) SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS.
- (viii) ERADICATION OF BED BUGS. There were no houses infested with bed bugs.
- 4. SCHOOLS. 26 visits were made to schools in connection with the water, washing, and sanitary, arrangements.

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SECTION D.

HOUSING.

1.	(1)	(a)	Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	691
		(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	781
	(2)	(a)	Number of dwellinghouses (included under Sub- head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925.	65
		(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	72
	(3)	dang	per of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so gerous or injurious to health as to be unfit human habitation	97
	(4)	refe	per of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those erred to under the preceding sub-head) found to be in all respects reasonably fit for human itation.	313
2.			of Defects during the year without Service of Notice.	
	Numb	er o	of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in ence of informal action by the Local Authority or fficers.	35
3.		eed:	ings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing	
	(1)	Numi	ber of dwellinghouses in respect of which	
			Demolition Orders were made Undertakings accepted not to relet for human	32
			habitation	31
	(2)		ber of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of colition Orders	Nil
4.	Hous	sing	Act, 1936 - Part IV - Overcrowding.	
	((ii)	Number of dwellinghouses overcrowded at the end of the year Number of families dwelling therein Number of persons dwelling therein ber of cases of overcrowding reported during the year Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the	14 21 95 6
	. ((ii) Paraga:	year Number of persons concerned in such cases ticulars of any cases in which dwellinghouses have in become overcrowded after the Local Authority ing taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding.	21 Nil
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In 1947 the Council completed the building of 62 houses which included 30 temporary houses. A further 10 houses were built in the District during the year by private enterprise.

At 31st December, 1947, the Council had 26 houses under construction and a further 5 houses were under construction by private

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Of the 25 parishes in the District the "Hobhouse" Survey has been completed in 18 parishes, as indicated in the following table:-

	CATEGORY									
Parish.	Total.	One.	Two.	Three.	Four.	Five.				
Aldham.	53	5	24	12		12				
Brent Eleigh.	61	19	2	21	5	14				
Chelsworth.	55	11	8	25	9	2				
Edwardstone.	106	18	69	13	_	6				
Elmsett.	88	6	54	12		16				
Hitcham,	202	38	28	114	2	20				
Kersey.	149	35	13	57	28	16				
Kettlebaston.	30	8	-	11	5	6				
Layhar	119	33	14	65	4	3				
Lindsey.	61	15	5	15	16	10				
Milden.	41	8	17	5	-	11				
Monks Eleigh.	158	29	16	79	18	16				
Polstead.	173	35	36	83	1	18				
Preston.	77	20	27	21		9				
Semer.	54	13	-	21	15	5				
Thorpe Morieux.	92	2	54	3	11	22				
Wattisham.	Lil	-	19	3	_	19				
Whatfield.	74	6	43	6	4	15				
	1,634	301	429	566	118	220				

SECTION E. INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

- (a) MILK SUPPLY. The number of Registered Cowkeepers and Dairymen in the District at the end of 1947 was 117. 62 visits were paid to Cowsheds and Dairies. Suggestions as to improvements in structures were made in 11 instances.
- (b) MEAT AND OTH R FOODS. Centralised slaughtering has taken regular killings out of the District.

 Small quantities of canned foods and fish were condemned as unfit for human consumption.
- (c) ADULTERATION, ETC.

 (d) CHEMICAL & BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION.

 No change.
- (e) NUTRITION. No significant change in the nutrition of the inhabitants of Cosford was discernable during 1947.
- (f) SHELL-FISH (Molluscan).)
 No change.

SECTION E.

PREVALENCE OF & CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

The table on the following page shows the number of Infectious Diseases among the civilian population during the year. These are the final numbers after corrections subsequently made either by the Notifying Medical Practitioner or by the Medical Superintendent of

Accomplete it of own one compacts Description of the state of the to one of equatio sees the first of sections of the section of the the Infectious Diseases Hospital. It will be noted that the total number is 221 - the corresponding figure for 1946 was 186.

The five Para-Typhoid cases were inhabitants of our District infected through the medium of cream buns infected at Ipswich where several cases occurred.

ALL NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (other than Tuberculosis) DURING 1947.

	Puerperal Pyrexia.								let	ь.	Whooping	p.	00000		Pneumonia.		Erysipelas.		Infective	Hepatitis.
				Puer	Pyrexia	Pera-Typhoid		Scarlet	Fever	Whod	Cough.	Tools.	3	Pneı		Ery		Inf	нер	
		I	otal 221	:	H	F.	M. 1	F.	M. 2	F.	M.	F.	M. 90	F. 90	M. 4	F.	M. 3	F.	M. 8	F.
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143 children (128 age 0-4 years and 15 age 5-14) completed Diphtheria Immunisation during 1947. 137 children previously immunised were given a Secondary or Reinforcing Injection. At the end of the year it was estimated that 60% of the children under 5 years of age and 96% of children between 5 and 15 years had completed the Diphtheria Immunisation Course. The percentages for previous years follow.

Under School Age 1941. 1942. 1943. 1944. 1945. 1946. 1947. 1946. 1947. 1946. 1947. 1948. 1949. 1

TUBERCULOSIS.

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING 1947.

		New			Deaths.						
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5-14	-	-	1		- 1	-	-	-		-	
15-24	3	-	-		- 1	-	2			-	
25-34	-	1	-		- 1	-	2	-		-	
35-44		-	-		- 1	1	-	-		-	
45-54		1	-		3 -	-	-	-		-	
55-64	Total Total		-		-	-	-	-		-	
65 & over.	-	-	-			-	-	-		-	
	3	2	1	-	-	1	- 4	-		-	

40 cases remained on the Tuberculosis Register at the end of the year, Respiratory Male 14, Female 9, and Non-Respiratory Male 11, Female 6.