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TO THE DORE AND BREDWARDINE RURAL DIST. COUNCIL.1940.County Offices,
Ross-on-Wye.To the Chairman and Members of the Dore and Bredwardine Rural District
Council.

Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Lucas-Scudamore and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit my Annual Report on
the Health Services of the District for the year 1940.The Report appears much later than usual but the
Council will appreciate that there are many additional demands on the
Department nowadays. This Report is abbreviated and is to be regarded
only as an interim report.I have to acknowledge the support which the Council
has always afforded me in the discharge of my duties at all times. In
addition I have to thank Mr. F. Craze, Clerk to the Council, Miss Sayce,
Chief Financial Officer and Mr. D.J. Francis, Sanitary Inspector for
assistance in the preparation of this Report, and for much help given
during the year.I am, Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Lucas-Scudamore,
and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

William Hogg.
Medical Officer of Health.STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.Medical Officer of Health:

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Urishay House,
Peterchurch.SECTION A. STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA:

Area (in acres)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	86,043
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1940) according to rate books	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,138.
Rateable Value	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£20,893.
Sum represented by a penny rate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£91.

Extracts from Vital Statistics of the Year:

<u>Birth Rate</u> per 1,000 of estimated resident population	...	...	20.8.
<u>Stillbirths</u> Rate per 1,000 (live and still) Births	...	...	22.7.

SECTION D. - HOUSING:-

1. Inspection of Dwelling Houses during the Year:

- (1) (a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) ... 370
- (b) Numbers of inspections made for the purpose 381

2. Remedy of Defects during the Year without Service of Formal Notices:

Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers ... 29

3. Action under Statutory Powers during the Year:

Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of Formal Notice

(a) By Owners ... 1

(b) By Local Authority in default of Owners nil

SECTION E. - INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD:

Milk Supply:-

There are 383 premises in the District registered with the Local Authority under the Milk and Dairies Order, 1926.

Food Inspected and Condemned:

Meat 4cwt. 1qr. 4lbs.
Meat Roll 84lbs. ...
Plums 1 case.

SECTION F. - PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE:

Notifiable Disease during the Year 1940:-

Disease.	Total Cases Notified.	Cases admitted to Hospital.
Pneumonia	10	1
Measles	11	-
Scarlet Fever	19	8
Cerebro Spinal Fever	1	1
Whooping Cough	34	-
Para Typhoid Fever	2	2
Ophthalmia neonatorum	1	-
Erysipelas	2	-
Polio-myelitis	2	2
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	1
Diphtheria	5	5

Analysis of Total Cases According to Age:-

Disease	Age Groups.												Total
	Under 1	1+	2+	3+	4+	5+	10+	15+	20+	35+	45+	65 and over	
Pneumonia	2	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	4	-	1	1	10
Measles	-	-	-	-	-	6	3	1	1	-	-	-	11
Scarlet Fever	-	-	2	-	2	6	2	-	3	2	2	-	19
Cerebro Spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Whooping Cough	6	3	3	2	3	14	3	-	-	-	-	-	34
Para Typhoid Fever	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2
Polio-myelitis	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	2	-	-	5
Totals	9	4	6	2	6	30	8	2	10	6	4	1	88

TUBERCULOSIS:-

At the end of 1939 there were 20 cases of tuberculosis on the register, 10 pulmonary and 10 non-pulmonary. During the year 1940, 9 cases were added to the register, 6 pulmonary and 3 non-pulmonary. Five cases, all pulmonary, were removed from the register during the year, and on the 31st. December, 1940, 24 cases remained on the register, 11 pulmonary and 13 non-pulmonary.

New Cases and Mortality during Year 1940:-

Age Periods.	NEW CASES.				DEATHS.			
	Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.		Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1+	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
5+	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
15+	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
25+	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
35+	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
45+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55+	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
65 & Over.	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

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