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TO THE CORPORATION OF THE BOROUGH OF DROITWICH.

Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Report upon the public health of the borough during the year 1943.

This Report is prepared in accordance with Circular 10/44 issued by the Ministry of Health. It is of necessity brief and many particulars are omitted until the present emergency is ended.

SECTION A.STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF AREA.

Area (in acres)	1735 acres
Number of inhabited houses (end of 1943)	1473
Rateable Value	£37.786
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£159. 12. 9d.

The following are extracts from the vital statistics for the year:

Live Births.

	<u>Total.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
Legitimate	68	33	35
Illegitimate	5	1	4

The Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated population is 13.5.
The Birth Rate for England and Wales for the same period is 16.5.

Still-Births.

	<u>Total.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
Legitimate	2	2	-
Illegitimate	-	-	-

The still-birth rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births - 26.6

Deaths.

	<u>Total.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
	72	35	37

The Death Rate per 1,000 estimated population is 13.15.
The Death Rate for England and Wales for the same period is 12.1.

There were no deaths of mothers associated with child-birth.

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age:

	<u>Total.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
Legitimate	3	-	3
Illegitimate	1	1	-

This gives an infantile mortality rate of 41.

Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	12.
" " Measles (all ages)	---
" " Whooping Cough (all ages)	---
" " Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	---

SECTION B.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

1. There have been no changes in the personnel of the public health department during the year.
2. a. Laboratory facilities are still provided by the County Council at their laboratory in Worcester and continue to be highly satisfactory and efficient.
- b. Ambulance facilities are unchanged and continue to meet the needs of the district in a most satisfactory manner.
- c. Nursing in the Home. The local nursing association is being sorely taxed in the present emergency to meet the demands made upon their one and only nurse. Her area extends beyond the precincts of the borough and the increased population is adding to her already all sufficient duties.
- d. Treatment Centres and Clinics. The County Council have now opened an ante-natal clinic in Droitwich - a morning session is held on the first and third Wednesdays in each month. It is a great boon to expectant mothers who wish to take advantage of this service, particularly in these days of difficult travel.
- e. Hospitals. The ordinary hospital services available to the people of Droitwich are as before.

Towards the end of the year the Mayor initiated a hospital scheme - this has now slightly changed as the result of frequent discussions but as the members of the Council are aware of its object, any statement at this stage would be premature, until the decisions of the Ministry of Health and other interested bodies are available.

SECTION C.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

1. a. Water.

The Water supply has continued to be satisfactory, both for quantity and quality.

b. Drainage, Sewerage and Sewage Disposal.

There have been no changes of note in these services. The disposal works have operated satisfactorily and effluent samples have complied with the required standards.

2. Rivers and Streams.

No serious pollution has occurred, either of the River Salwarpe or the canal.

3. a. Closet Accommodation.

Five additional W.C.s have been put in during the course of the year.

b. Public Cleansing.

Collection and disposal of refuse have continued as in recent years and the service is quite satisfactory.

c. Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

Details of this will be found in the attached Tabular Statement prepared by the Sanitary Inspector.

SECTION 1

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

1. There have been no changes in the personnel of the health department during the year.

2. Laboratory facilities are still provided by the County Council at their laboratory in Worcester and continue to be satisfactory and efficient.

3. All health facilities are maintained and continue to meet the needs of the public in a most satisfactory manner.

4. There is no change in the health department's policy as regards the health of the public. The health department is still the same and the same policy is being followed as in the past. The health department is still the same and the same policy is being followed as in the past.

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SECTION 2

SANITARY CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

1. Water.

The water supply has continued to be satisfactory in quantity and quality.

2. Sewage, garbage and refuse disposal.

There have been no changes of note in these services. The health department is still the same and the same policy is being followed as in the past.

3. Rivers and streams.

No serious pollution has occurred, either of the river or the canal.

4. Road construction.

Five additional W.C.s have been put in during the course of the year.

5. Public cleaning.

Collecting and disposal of refuse have continued as in the past. The health department is still the same and the same policy is being followed as in the past.

6. Sanitary inspection of the area.

Details of this will be found in the annual report. The health department is still the same and the same policy is being followed as in the past.

d. Shops.

Inspections have been carried out and any necessary alterations have been done.

e. Smoke Abatement.

No action has been necessary in this matter.

4. Schools.

Regular medical inspection of school children has been continued throughout the year and necessary action has been taken where cases of infectious disease were concerned.

SECTION D.

HOUSING.

1. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year.

(a) Total number of Dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	266
and number of inspection made for the purpose . . .	293
(b) Number of dwelling houses (included above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing (Consolidated) Regulations, 1925 and 1932	4
and number of inspections made for the purpose . . .	4
(c) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	None
(d) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	194

2. Remedy of defects without service of formal Notices.

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers	191
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3. Action under Statutory Powers.

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act 1936.

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs (or defects remedied)	3
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices	
(a) By owners	1
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	2

(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts.

(1) Number of Dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	None
(2) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices	
(a) By the owner	None
(b) Local Authority in default of owner	None

Inspection has been carried out and any necessary alterations have been made.

3. Book of Inspection

No action has been necessary in this matter.

4. Remarks

Regular medical inspection of school children has been continued throughout the year and necessary action has been taken where cases of infectious disease were concerned.

SECTION 5.

INSPECTION

Inspection of Dwelling-Houses during the year

(a) Total number of Dwelling-Houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) and number of inspections made for the purpose

(b) Number of Dwelling-Houses (including those which were inspected and recorded under the Housing (Consolidated) Regulations, 1925 and 1932 and number of inspections made for the purpose

(c) Number of Dwelling-Houses found to be in a state of disrepair or otherwise to require to be repaired or otherwise improved

(d) Number of Dwelling-Houses (exclusive of those referred to under the Housing (Consolidated) Regulations, 1925 and 1932) which were found to be in a state of disrepair or otherwise to require to be repaired or otherwise improved

Number of Notices without service of Formal Notices

Number of defective Dwelling-Houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers

Number of Notices without service of Formal Notices

(a) Total number of Notices without service of Formal Notices

(1) Number of Dwelling-Houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs (or defects remedied)

(2) Number of Dwelling-Houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices

(3) By owner
(4) By Local Authority in default of owner

(b) Inspectors under Public Health Acts

(1) Number of Dwelling-Houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs (or defects remedied)

(2) Number of Dwelling-Houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices

(3) By the owner
(4) By Local Authority in default of owner

(c) Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of Housing Act 1936.

- | | |
|---|------|
| (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made | None |
| (2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders | None |

(d) Proceedings under Section 12 of Housing Act 1936.

- | | |
|---|------|
| (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made | None |
| (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit | None |

4. Housing Act 1936, Part IV. Overcrowding.

- | | |
|--|-------------------|
| (a) (1) Number of dwelling-houses overcrowded at the end of the year | } None available. |
| (11) Number of families dwelling therein | |
| (111) Number of persons dwelling therein | |
| (b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year | None |
| (c) (1) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year | 1 |
| (11) Number of persons concerned in such | 7 |
| (d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the local authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding
No records have yet been obtained concerning many premises now overcrowded owing to war-time conditions | None available |
| (e) No records are available regarding the state of overcrowding but it is felt on the whole that the general position, brought about by war-time conditions, has not deteriorated during the year although there are still numbers of evacuees, both official and unofficial, resident in the area. One case of overcrowding has been abated. | |

SECTION E.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

(a) Milk.

All Premises used in connection with the production or sale of milk were inspected regularly by the Sanitary Inspector during the year.

46 tins of milk were condemned as unfit for food.

(b) Meat.

Meat inspection has been confined to that in butcher's shops and stores as no slaughtering now takes place in the local slaughter-houses.

During the year 180 lbs. of meat and fish were condemned as unfit for human consumption.

(c) Adulteration.

No action was taken during the year.

(1) Proceedings under Section 12 of Housing Act 1936.

(2) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made.

(3) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders.

(4) Proceedings under Section 12 of Housing Act 1936.

(1) Number of separate tenements or sub-tenement rooms in respect of which Disrepair Orders were made.

(2) Number of separate tenements or sub-tenement rooms in respect of which Disrepair Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit.

Housing Act 1936, Part II, Overcrowding.

(a) (i) Number of dwelling-houses overcrowded at the end of the year.
(ii) Number of families dwelling therein.
(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein.

(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year.

(c) (1) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year.
(2) Number of persons concerned in such cases.

(d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the local authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding.
No records have yet been obtained concerning many houses now overcrowded owing to war-time conditions.

(e) No records are available regarding the state of overcrowding but it is felt on the whole that the general position remains about the same. Conditions have not deteriorated during the year although there are still reports of overcrowding in some districts and residential areas. One case of overcrowding has been noted.

SECTION I.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF MILK.

(a) MILK.

All premises used in connection with the production or sale of milk were inspected regularly by the Sanitary Inspector during the year.
No case of milk was condemned as unfit for food.

(b) MEAT.

Meat inspection has been confined to that in butcher's shops and stores as no slaughtering now takes place in the local slaughterhouse.
During the year 150 lbs. of meat and fish were condemned as unfit for human consumption.

(c) ADMINISTRATION.

No action was taken during the year.

(d) Chemical and Bacteriological Examination of Food.

This work is carried out by the County Analyst and Bacteriologist at the County Buildings, Worcester.

SECTION F.

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Diphtheria Immunisation.

During the year further propaganda was carried out and 260 children completed their course of injections. This is practically four times the number immunised in the previous year and is made up as follows:-

(a) Pre-school children	126
(b) School children	134
	<u>260</u>

At the end of the year the percentage of children estimated to be immunised in the age groups 0 - 5 and 5 - 15 years was 80.2% and 89% in the respective groups. This compares very favourably with the figures for the previous year of 27.6 and 67.66.

Every assistance has again been received from the general practitioners, school teachers, health visitors and district nurse in connection with this campaign.

Notifiable Diseases during the year 1943.

Figures showing the incidence of notifiable diseases during the year are given in the attached table. From this it will be seen that the only disease to approach epidemic proportions was measles, and that disease at that period was epidemic throughout the whole country. There was also a minor outbreak of that troublesome disease, Whooping Cough.

Particulars of cases of infectious diseases which occurred during the year are shown in the following table:-

Diseases	Total Cases Confirmed	Total Cases Notified	Cases Admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths.
Scarlet Fever	5	5	5	Nil
Diphtheria	5	6	6	Nil
Measles	62	62	Nil	Nil
Primary Pneumonia	3	3	Nil	1
Whooping Cough	25	25	Nil	Nil
Erysipelas	2	2	Nil	Nil
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	1	Nil	Nil
Acute Bacillary Dysentery	1	1	Nil	1

(d) Chemical and Bacteriological Examination of Food.
This work is carried out by the County Analyst and
Bacteriologist at the County Buildings, Waterford.

SECTION 3. PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Notifiable Diseases.

During the year finished, 1934, 1,185 children completed their course of injections. This is practically four times the number vaccinated in the previous year and is made up as follows:-

(a) Pre-school children	185
(b) School children	1,000
	<hr/> 1,185

At the end of the year the percentage of children entitled to be vaccinated in the age groups 2-5 and 5-15 years was 80.25 and 93.4 in the respective groups. This compares very favourably with the figures for the previous year of 57.5 and 87.5.

Every assistance has again been received from the General Practitioners, school teachers, health visitors and district nurses in connection with this campaign.

Notifiable Diseases during the year 1934.

Figures showing the incidence of notifiable diseases during the year are given in the attached table. From this it will be seen that the only disease to which epidemic proportions was attained, and that disease at that period was epidemic throughout the whole country. There was also a minor outbreak of that infectious disease, Whooping Cough.

Particulars of cases of notifiable diseases which occurred during the year are given in the following table:-

Disease	Total Cases Confirmed	Total Cases Notified	Cases Admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Couplet Fever	5	5	5	Nil
Diphtheria	5	5	5	Nil
Measles	62	62	Nil	Nil
Primary Pneumonia	7	7	Nil	1
Whooping Cough	25	25	Nil	Nil
Erysipelas	5	5	Nil	Nil
Cephalitis Neonatorum	1	1	Nil	Nil
Acute Bacillary Dysentery	4	4	Nil	4

An analysis of the total notified cases are tabulated below according to age groups:-

Age Group	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	S. Fever	Measles	Diphtheria	Erysipelas	Primary Pneumonia	Dysentry	Whooping Cough
Under 1 yr	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
1 -	-	-	15	-	-	-	-	2
2 -	-	-	7	1	-	-	-	5
3 -	-	1	3	1	-	-	-	1
4 -	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	3
5 -	-	3	17	-	-	-	-	12
10 -	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
15 -	-	-	2	1	-	1	-	-
20 -	-	1	4	2	1	-	-	-
35 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 -	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
65 & over	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-

TUBERCULOSIS.

During the year there were five deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis.

Particulars of new cases are as follows:-

Age Periods.	NEW CASES.				DEATHS.			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 -	3	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
25 -	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
45 -	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
55 -	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
65 & over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	7	2	-	1	5	-	-	-

An analysis of the total notified cases are tabulated below according to age groups:-

Age Group	Scarlatina	Dysentery	Shigellosis	Cholera	Typhoid	Paratyphoid	Dysentery	Shigellosis	Cholera	Typhoid	Paratyphoid	Scarlatina
Under 1 yr	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
1 - 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
2 - 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
3 - 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
4 - 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
5 - 6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
6 - 7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7 - 8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8 - 9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9 - 10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11 - 12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12 & over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

DEATHS

During the year there were five deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis. Particulars of new cases are as follows:-

Age Group	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 - 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3 - 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4 - 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6 - 7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7 - 8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8 - 9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9 - 10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11 - 12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12 & over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	7	2	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-

Figures at the beginning of year and end of year on register.

The number of cases of tuberculosis on the register at the end of December 1942 and 1943 were as follows:-

	Pulmonary Cases		Non-Pulmonary Cases	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
1942 ---	13	11	2	3
1943 ---	11	10	1	3

No action was taken in 1943 under the Public Health (Prevention) of Tuberculosis) Regulations 1925, (relating to persons suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis employed in the milk trade) or under Section 172 of the Public Health Act 1936, (relating to the compulsory removal to hospital of persons suffering from tuberculosis).

My renewed thanks are again due to Mr. R. E. Hulse and his staff for the help they have given in the compilation of this report, and also for the valued assistance so freely given during the course of the year.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

J. A. STOBBS.

Medical Officer of Health.

The number of cases of tuberculosis on the register at the end of December 1942 and 1943 were as follows:-

	Tuberculous Cases		Non-Tuberculous Cases	
	F.		M.	
1942	17	11	8	3
1943	11	10	1	3

No action was taken in 1943 under the Public Health (Prevention) of Tuberculosis Regulations 1925, (relating to persons suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis employed in the milk trade) or under Section 1 of the Public Health Act 1926, (relating to the compulsory removal to hospital of persons suffering from tuberculosis).

My renewed thanks are again due to Mr. R. E. Hulse and his staff for the help they have given in the compilation of this report, and also for the valued assistance so freely given during the course of the year.

I am, Gentlemen,

Yours obedient servant,

J. A. STORER.

Medical Officer of Health.

SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT
of the Sanitary Work completed in the year ended
31st December, 1943.

Infectious Diseases, etc.

Visits to houses on account of notifiable disease	10
Houses disinfected after notifiable disease	10
Other houses disinfected	6

Housing.

Houses Erected: (a) By Local Authority	Nil
(b) By private enterprise or subsidy	-
1. (a) Total number of houses inspected for housing effects	293
(b) Number (included above) inspected and recorded under the Housing (Consolidated Regulations, 1925	
(c) Number of houses found unfit for habitation	Nil
(d) Number of houses (excluding c.) not in all respects fit for habitation	194
2. Number of defective houses rendered fit after informal action.	191
3. <u>Housing Act, 1936, Sections 9, 10 and 16.</u>	
(a) Number of dwellings in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs of defects remedied	3
(b) Number of dwellings subsequently rendered fit after notice by:-	
(a) The Owner	1
(b) Local Authority in default of owner	2
4. <u>Public Health Acts.</u>	
(a) Number of dwellings in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs of defects remedied.	Nil
(b) Number of dwellings subsequently rendered fit after notice by:-	
(a) The Owner	"
(b) Local Authority in default of owner	"
5. <u>Housing Act, 1936, Sections 11 and 13.</u>	
(a) Number of houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	Nil
(b) Number of houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	"
6. <u>Housing Act, 1936, Section 12.</u>	
(a) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made	Nil
(b) Number of Closing Orders determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit	"
7. <u>Housing Act, 1936 - Part IV. - Overcrowding.</u>	
(a) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	
Number of families dwelling therein	
Number of persons dwelling therein	
(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	
(c) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	1
Number of persons concerned in such cases	7

INFECTION DISEASES

Visits to houses on account of notifiable diseases
Houses disinfected after notifiable diseases
Other houses disinfected

10
12
1

Housing

Houses erected: (a) by Local Authority
(b) by private enterprise or company

111

(a) Total number of houses reported for housing effects
(b) Number of houses reported for housing effects
(c) Number of houses reported for housing effects
(d) Number of houses reported for housing effects

122

111

124

Number of defective houses reported for housing effects

121

Housing Act, 1915, Sections 1, 2, and 3

(a) Number of dwellings in respect of which notices were
served requiring repairs of defects reported
(b) Number of dwellings subsequently reported for after
notice served

3

12

(a) Local Authority in default of repairs
(b) Local Authority in default of repairs

Public Health Act

(a) Number of dwellings in respect of which notices were
served requiring repairs of defects reported
(b) Number of dwellings subsequently reported for after
notice served

111

1

(a) Local Authority in default of repairs
(b) Local Authority in default of repairs

Housing Act, 1915, Sections 11 and 12

(a) Number of houses in respect of which demolition
Orders were made
(b) Number of houses demolished in pursuance of
Demolition Orders

111

Housing Act, 1915, Section 13

(a) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in
respect of which Closing Orders were made
(b) Number of Closing Orders obtained, the tenement
or room having been reported for

111

Housing Act, 1915 - Part IV - Overcrowding

(a) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the
year
(b) Number of families dwelling therein
(c) Number of persons dwelling therein
(d) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during
the year
(e) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during
the year
(f) Number of persons concerned in such cases

1

7

- (d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding
- (e) Any other particulars with respect to overcrowding conditions upon which the Medical Officer of Health may consider it desirable to report

Many
Premises
now over-
crowded
owing to
war time
condition,
but no
records
have been
obtained.

Dirty Houses dealt with
Yards paved or repaved

1
46

Moveable Dwellings, Caravans etc.

Number observed
Number dealt with, as insanitary

Nil
"

House Drainage, etc.

Number laid or relaid
Number trapped, ventilated and repaired
Number of obstructed drains dealt with
Number of house-drains tested
Number of insanitary lavatories, sinks and urinals rectified
In what parishes, if any, is there need for a sewerage scheme,
or improvements in sewage disposal
Number of privy middens in use at end of year in rural
parts of Borough
Number of earth or pail closets in use at end of year in
rural parts of Borough

Nil
4
51
Nil
14
None
3
37

Water Closets.

No. of privy or pail conversions including additional
W.C.'s.
Number of defective W.C.'s. remedied
Number of Slop Closets, converted to W.C.'s. with fresh
water flush
Number of additional W.C.'s put in

None
20
None
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Scavenging.

Number of houses from which refuse was removed
Number of privies cleansed
Number of ashpits cleansed
Number of portable receptacles cleansed
Number of ashpits removed and ash bins provided
How often is house refuse removed

1399
None
10
1400
None
Weekly

Smoke Nuisances.

Number under observation
Number abated

None
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Offensive Trades.

Number under observation
Number improperly conducted
Number newly established, with consent of Council

None
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Water Supply.

Number of wells sunk
Number of wells cleansed and repaired
Number of wells closed as polluted
Number of houses supplied from waterworks during year
Number of samples of water sent for analysis

None
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(3) Portionnaire of any census in which the following items are included shall be considered as having been furnished after the latest date of reporting.

(4) Any other portionnaire with reference to the following items shall be considered as having been furnished after the latest date of reporting.

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Number of houses with contaminated or deficient water-supplies dealt with
 Is there a deficiency in any parish or part of the District?
 If so, please give name of parish or part.

None
 None

Slaughter Houses.

Public Slaughter houses
 Number registered (private)
 Number licensed (private)
 Number of contraventions of bye-laws or defects found
 Cases of slaughtering on unlicensed premises reported
 Number of inspections

None
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 None
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 Premises not in use owing to Food Control.

Milk.

Number of registered dairy farms in the area
 Total number of Retailers in district
 Number of Licences under Milk (Special Designations Order:

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	Pasteurised	Accredited	Tuberculin Tested.
Bottlers	nil	1	nil
Retailers	2	5	1
Producers	nil	2	nil

Approximate number of milking cows in the district

95

Canal Boats.

There are no Canal Boats registered.

Lodging Houses.

Number on Register.
 Number of inspections
 Number of contraventions of bye-laws or defects found

None
 "
 "

Houses Let in Lodgings.

Number on Register
 Number of Inspections
 Number of contraventions of bye-laws or defects found

None
 "
 "

Food.

Number of seizures as unfit for consumption
 Amount voluntarily surrendered as unfit for consumption
 Amount destroyed as unfit for consumption: Meat -
 Other Food-stuffs

23
 The whole
 124 lbs. 5oz.
 6 doz. Fish Cakes 56
 lbs. Fish, 46 tins Milk
 51 pkts. Lentils etc.
 4 eggs.

Cases of animals affected with Tuberculosis: Oxen
 Pigs

None
 "

Food & Drugs' Act.

Samples taken for analysis
 Number of samples certified genuine
 Number of samples certified adulterated

None
 "
 "

Other Matters.

Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, Cases dealt with
 Verminous Persons Cases dealt with

None
 "

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Vermineous Houses Cases dealt with
Stagnant Water do.
Nuisances arising from domestic animals

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None

Legal Proceedings.

Convictions obtained with regard to insanitary conditions
Convictions obtained with regard to unsound food

None

Outbreaks of Infectious Diseases.

Measles prevalent in early part of year 62 cases notified.
25 cases of whooping cough reported.

Sanitary Improvements.

None.

Chief Sanitary Requirements.

None.

Fever.

None.

General Remarks.

The Town Council are proceeding with the preparation of a scheme for post-war housing and have acquired Stalls Farm, area approximately 40 acres, situate between Ombersley Road and Old Coach Road on the west side of the town.

The scheme provides for the construction of 232 houses, 6 shops and an area of 5½ acres adjacent to the railway will be retained as an open space for recreation purposes. In addition, sites have been reserved for the construction of a community centre and other social amenities. Considerable progress has been made with regard to surveying and contouring the site and the preparation of the necessary plans for the construction of roads, sewers, storm water drains, etc., in accordance with the Ministry of Health's scheme for the advance preparation of housing sites. The Town Council have joined the Worcestershire Group under this scheme with Worcester City as the Group Leader.

(Signed) R. E. HULSE,
Sanitary Inspector.

30th June, 1944.

