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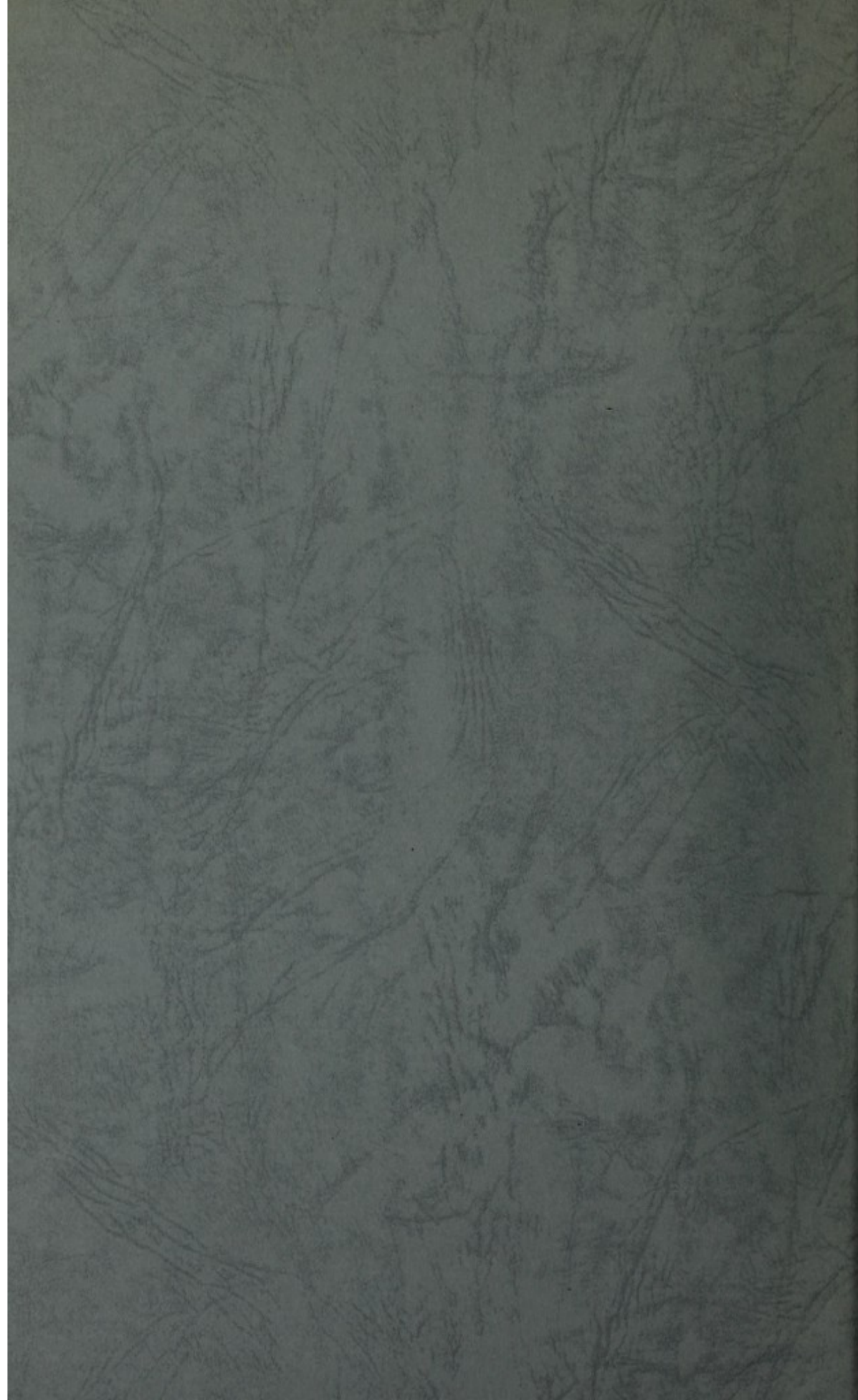
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DROITWICH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT ON THE HEALTH  
OF THE DISTRICT, 1958



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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE  
HOUSING AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

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Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Statistical Report on the health of the Rural District for the year ended 31st December, 1958.

Consideration of the Vital Statistics shown under Sections A & R leads one to the conclusion that the health of the population remains good. The death rate remains quite low, the birth rate fairly high and infant deaths comparatively few. With the exception of Measles there were remarkably few cases of Infectious disease notified. There were only ten cases of Whooping Cough and no cases of Diptheria, Food Poisoning or Poliomyelitis. This does seem to indicate the success of the Immunisation and Vaccination campaigns. Certainly I have spent very much more of my time on this work than previously and this would appear to be paying dividends. Perhaps it will soon be possible to provide adequate protection against Measles; meanwhile the General Practitioners exercise constant vigilance and by the appropriate use of antibiotics are able to reduce complications to a minimum. Deaths are rare, but this does not mean that efforts should not be made to avoid spread to pre-school children as the disease can be fatal in young children.

The year has been one of change with such topics as the review of Local Government boundaries (Local Government Act 1958) under consideration, and the formation of Joint Water Boards responsible for consultations with other Authorities. It would appear that the statutory duties with regard to Water Supply are likely to be handed over to the East Worcestershire Waterworks Company.

Territorial demands have been made by the City of Worcester who wish to extend their boundary but it is too early to make predictions. The disbandment by the Ministry of Agriculture of their Rodent Control Service also gave rise to concern, but it has been possible for the Council to operate a scheme for the benefit of the farmers with few changes in the present organisation.

The Council may claim to have had a record year for Housing with the completion of sixty-two dwellings most of which were started before the high interest rates made building so expensive. Good progress has been made with Slum Clearance although quite a number of the properties have not yet been demolished. The closure of the Hutted Camp, Elmly Lovett was a step forward, and a small Clearance Area in Wychbold has opened the way for some old peoples bungalows. Flatlet Schemes are also being considered at Ombersley and Fernhill Heath. Priority should be given to these schemes.

Once again may I thank the Surveyor and Public Health Inspectors for their co-operation without which this report could not be completed. I also wish to express my appreciation of the consideration you, Mr. Chairman have shown to me during the year.

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

L. Spencer Stephens.



# SECTION A.

## STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area in acres .. .. .	51,453		
Number of inhabited houses (31st March 1958) according to Rate Books .. .. .	4,217		
Rateable Value (31st March, 1958) .. .. .	£169,853		
Sum presented by one penny rate (31st March, 1958) .. .. .	£683		
Registrar General's estimate of resident population (mid 1958) .. .. .	13,690		
Live Births	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate .. .. .	103	110	213
Illegitimate .. .. .	5	3	8
Illegitimate live births as percentage of total live births .. .. .	3.7%		
Standardised birth-rate per 1,000 estimated population	17.9%		
Birth-rate for England and Wales .. .. .	16.4%		
Still Births	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate .. .. .	4	2	6
Illegitimate .. .. .	1	2	3
Still birth-rate per 1,000 - Total live and still births	39.1		
Still birth-rate for England and Wales .. .. .	21.6		
Deaths	Males	Females	Total
From all causes .. .. .	73	63	136
Standardised death-rate per 1,000 estimated population	9.9		
Death rate for England and Wales .. .. .	11.7		
Deaths of Infants under one year of age	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate .. .. .	-	1	1
Illegitimate .. .. .	1	-	1
Infantile Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births .. .. .	9.0		
Infantile Mortality Rate for England and Wales .. .. .	22.5		
Infantile Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births			
legitimate .. .. .	4.7		
illegitimate .. .. .	125.0		
Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate .. .. .	-	1	1
Illegitimate .. .. .	1	-	1
Neonatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births .. .. .	9.0		
Neonatal Mortality Rate for England and Wales .. .. .	16.3		
Maternal Deaths (including abortion) .. .. .	Nil		
Maternal Mortality rate per 1,000 live and still-births	Nil		



CAUSES OF DEATH							Males	Females
Tuberculosis, respiratory	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	1
Tuberculosis, other	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Syphilitic Disease	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Diphtheria	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Whooping Cough	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Meningococcal Infections	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Measles	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Other infective and parasitic diseases					..		1	-
Malignant neoplasms, stomach		..	..	..	..		-	1
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus		..	..	..	..		5	-
Malignant neoplasm, breast		..	..	..	..		-	1
Malignant neoplasm, uterus		..	..	..	..		-	1
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms					..		9	6
Leukemia, aleukaemia	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	-
Diabetes	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	-
Vascular lesions of nervous system		..	..	..	..		7	8
Coronary Disease, Angina	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	6
Hypertension with heart disease	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2
Other heart disease	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	15
Other circulatory disease	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2
Influenza	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Pneumonia	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3
Bronchitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1
Other diseases of respiratory system	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2
Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum		..	..	..	..		5	1
Gastritis, enteritis	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Nephritis and Nephrosis	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	-
Hyperplasia of prostate	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Pregnancy, childbirth, abort on	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Congenital malformations	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-
Other defined and classified accidents					..		7	10
Motor vehicle accidents	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
All other accidents	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
Suicide	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	1
Homicide and operations of war	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-



## SECTION B.

### GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH

#### SERVICES FOR THE AREA

##### (a) Ambulance Service

This service is provided by the County Council. Ambulance stations which serve the Droitwich Rural District are situated at Worcester, Kidderminster, Bromsgrove and Redditch. The list below shows the parishes covered by each ambulance station for non-emergency cases. In all cases of emergency the ambulance should be summoned in the usual way - that is, by asking the telephone operator for "Ambulance" or by dialling "999".

##### Bromsgrove Ambulance Station

Upton Warren

Northern part of Parish of  
Dodderhill

##### Kidderminster Ambulance Station

Hartlebury

##### Redditch Ambulance Station

Stock & Bradley

##### Worcester Ambulance Station

Elmley Lovett	Hanbury	Salwarpe
Elmbridge	Mimbleton	Tibberton
Hampton Lovett	Hindlip	Warndon
Doverdale	Huddington	Westwood
North Claines	Martin Hussingtree	
Crowle	Oddingley	
Hadzor	Ombersley	

Patients suffering from infectious diseases are conveyed to hospitals in special ambulances which are stationed at the isolation hospitals. The hospital car service, manned in most cases by volunteers is used to supplement the Ambulance Service.

##### (b) Hospitals

The district is served by general hospitals situated in Worcester, Bromsgrove, Kidderminster and Birmingham.

The isolation hospital, which serves the area is situated at Newtown Worcester.

Maternity hospitals which serve the district are situated at Stourport, Bromsgrove and Worcester.

Sanatoria for the treatment of cases of Tuberculosis are situated at Malvern, Knightwick and Worcester.



(c) Home Nursing and Health Visiting

This service is provided by the County Council, and in most instances in the Rural District this work is done by the District Nurse/Midwife, who is also the Health Visitor. The following nurses are working in the Rural District.

Nurse Nash, Nurse's House, Fernhill Heath. Telephone No. Fernhill Heath 304

Nurse Coles, The Bungalow, Courts Close, Hanbury. Telephone No. Hanbury 209.

Nurse Cracklow, Old Turnpike Road, Crowle. Telephone No. Upton Snodsbury 259

Nurse Adler, Rose Cottage, Cutnall Green. Telephone No. Cutnall Green 233.

Nurse Powell, 14 Appletree Walk, Ombersley. Telephone No. Ombersley 341.

Nurse Dudley, 27, Waresley Court Road, Hartlebury. Telephone No. Hartlebury 200.

(d) Care of Expectant and Nursing Mothers and Young Children

The district is served by the following Clinics:-

Ante-Natal Clinics

Shirehall, Worcester. Open 1st and 3rd Saturday at 10.0 a.m.

Baptist Church Hall, Droitwich, Open on 2nd and 4th Thursday in each month at 2.0 p.m.

Recreation Road, Bromsgrove. Open every Monday at 2.0 p.m.

Lucy Baldwin Maternity Hospital, Stourport. Open every Tuesday at 1.30 p.m.

Coventry Street, Kidderminster. Open every Monday at 2.0 p.m.

Infant Welfare Clinics.

Shirehall, Worcester. Open 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 10.0 a.m.

Baptist Church Hall, Droitwich, Open every Tuesday at 2.0 p.m.

Memorial Hall, Ombersley. Open on 1st and 3rd Fridays in the month at 2.30 p.m.

Parish Hall, Hartlebury. Open on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in the month at 2.30 p.m.

Lucy Baldwin Maternity Hospital, Stourport. Open on 1st and 3rd Fridays in the month at 2.0 p.m.

Parish Hall, Hanbury. Open on 3rd Thursday in the month at 2.30 p.m.

Village Hall, Crowle. Open on 4th Wednesday in the month at 2.0 p.m.

The Memorial Hall, Fernhill Heath. Open on 2nd and 4th Fridays in the month at 2.0 p.m.

Village Hall, Wychbold. Open on 2nd and 4th Mondays in the month at 2.30 p.m.



(e) Vaccination and Immunisation

Vaccination against smallpox and immunisation against diphtheria and whooping cough is carried out free of charge at any of the County Council's Clinics or by the patient's own doctor.

During 1958 the following inoculations were completed:-

Diphtheria Immunisation (including Whooping Cough)

Number of children who received the full course of immunisation during the year	(144)	199
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Number of children who received reinforcing doses during the year	(94)	124
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Vaccination

Number of persons who received a primary vaccination during the year	(128)	152
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Number of persons who were re-vaccinated during the year	(4)	12
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\* Figure in brackets relate to previous year.

(f) Public Health Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory Service situated at Worcester Royal Infirmary is under the general direction of Lieut. Col. R. J. Henderson. Specimens for any type of bacteriological or virological examination are accepted. Samples of Water and Sewage are however normally submitted to the County Analyst for chemical examination as well.

(g) Care of the Aged

The Supervision of aged persons living alone in need is the responsibility of the County Welfare Officer who is able to provide Residential Accommodation. On occasions it is necessary for the Council to use their special powers under Sect 47 of the National Assistance Act 1948, to ensure admission. This was not necessary during 1958.



## SECTION C.

### SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

#### 1. Water Supply

Careful consideration was given to the various possibilities which had arisen as the result of the Circular issued by the Ministry on the Regrouping of Water Undertakings. It was eventually decided that it would not be in the interests of the Rural District to participate in the formation of a joint Board as proposed by Worcester City but that the Southern area of the District would be best served by the transfer of the area of supply to the East Worcestershire Waterworks Company. This had the advantage that there would be one water authority for the whole of the Rural District, together with the Borough of Droitwich who were already within the Company's statutory area of supply. There was an 8" Main available in Droitwich which could be extended to afford a supply to those parishes already supplied from Worcester City, and in addition any "Overspill" accommodation which might be provided on the fringe of the town could be catered for.

Under the terms of the proposal transfer the following provisions were made. That the Company would:-

1. Provide a water supply for the parishes of North Claines, Hindlip, Martin Hussingtree, and Salwarpe in due course.
2. Implement a scheme to supply the Southern parishes of Crowle, Himbleton, Huddington, Oddingley and Tibberton.
3. Lay mains to supply the parish of Hadzor subject to the usual revenue guarantee.
4. Carry out the proposed scheme for extension of mains in the parish of Ombersley to serve Oldfield, Holt Fleet and Uphampton.
5. Take over the whole of the Council's mains and works including those in the parishes of Hartlebury and Ombersley.

At the end of the year negotiations had virtually reached a successful conclusion but there was some doubt as to whether the Minister would approve the transfer of Hartlebury parish or North Claines. Hartlebury lies in the catchment area of the proposed North West Worcestershire Joint Water Board.

The Water supplied by the Company is drawn from boreholes situated at the Washingsstocks Catshill, Burcot, and Brockhill. Chemical analysis of a sample is submitted overleaf.



## 3.

Colourless: pH. 7.8

## PARTS PER MILLION

### Bacteriological Examination

(a) In two days at 37° C. 2 per one ml.  
(b) In three days at 22° C. 3 per one ml.

Nil per 100 ml.

Signed: M. M. Love.  
County Analyst.

The major work in progress during 1958 was the completion of the Dodderhill Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme. A fairly comprehensive layout of sewers in Wychbold and Rashwood has catered for most of the existing development in the parish, and made provision for additional Council house and Private buildings in the future. The Sewerage Disposal Works is of the most up to date design incorporating twin detritus channels, a pair of Dortmund Sedimentation Tanks, two percolating filters, and settlement in small Humus tanks before discharge of the final effluent into the brook. There are adequate Sludge Drying facilities and provisions for the treatment of Storm Water.

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### 3. Public Health Inspections

The following routine inspections were carried out by the Public Health Inspectors during the year.

<u>Housing Act 1957</u>	
Section 9 (Repairs)	56
Section 16 (Unfit Premises)	91
Section 42 (Clearance Areas)	1
Section 76 (Overcrowding)	1
<u>Public Health Acts 1936</u>	
Nuisances from Premises	52
Nuisances from Animals	12
Nuisances from Refuse	2
Nuisances from Dust or Effluvia	21
Nuisances from Workplaces	1
Other	7
<u>Drainage Problems</u>	
Obstructions	9
Cesspools and Septic Tanks	8
Ditches	10
Tests	128
Water. Wells and Samples	39
<u>Food and Drugs Act 1955</u>	
Slaughter house	143
Other Food Premises	10
Bakehouses	-
Shops	1
Cafes	1
Dairies	1
Other Public Health Inspections	40
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Total	634
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### 4. Refuse Collection and Disposal

A Scheme to provide for an overall improvement in the Refuse Collection Service was approved in November 1958, and is now being brought into operation. A weekly collection service has always been operated in the larger villages but this should incorporate some of the smaller villages and provide a fortnightly service to the more outlying parts of the District. With four vehicles in service it should be possible to reduce the amount of overtime worked but additional demands are always being made. A scheme for the provision and clearance of litter bins from suitable points is also being put into operation. Controlled Tipping of all the refuse collected from the whole District is carried out at Westwood Coppice which will provide adequate space for a number of years when all the trees are felled.

### 5. Rodent Control

Following the receipt of information from the Divisional Office of the Ministry of Agriculture concerning the termination of their Rodent Control Service it was decided that the Council must provide facilities for the farmers as and when their Contracts expired. There was a duty under the "Prevention of Damage by Pests Act 1949" to inspect Agricultural premises and arrange for the treatment of any infestations found. It was considered that not a great deal of extra work would be involved in running a Contract Service, but that the Rodent Operator would be fully employed and additional supervision would be necessary by the Public Health Inspectors. Details of the work carried out by the Rodent Operator is shown opposite.



PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

REPORT FOR 12 MONTHS ENDED 31st MARCH, 1959

	(1) Local Authority	(2) Dwelling Houses (Including Council Houses	(3) All Other (including business premises	(4) Total Cols. (1) (2) & (3)	(5) Agricultur
Number of Properties in Local Authority's District Notes 1 & 2	13	4141	209	4363	353
Number of Properties inspected as a result of:					
(a) Notification	NIL	29	NIL	29	NIL
(b) Survey under the Act	13	781	141	935	92
(c) Otherwise (e. g. when visited primarily for some other purpose)	NIL	15	NIL	15	12
Total inspections carried out including re- inspections (to be completed only if figures are readily available)	85	1203	152	1440	137
Number of properties inspected in Sect. 11 which were found to be infested by					
(a) Rats (Major	2	NIL	NIL	2	NIL
(Minor	6	346	14	366	50
(b) Mice (Major	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
(Minor	NIL	27	NIL	27	6
Number of infested properties (in Sect. 1V) treated by the L. A. (Figures should <u>NOT</u> exceed those given at Sect. 1V)	8	373	14	395	50
Total treatments carried out including re-treatments (To be completed only if figures are readily available)	55	385	14	454	90
Number of notices served under Section 4 of the Act					
(a) Treatment	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
(b) Structural Work	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Number of cases in which default action was taken following the issue of a notice under Sect. 4 of the Act.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

Number of "Block" control  
schemes carried out

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## SECTION D.

### Housing

(a) Number of new dwellings completed by the Council during 1958.

Wychbold	Houses	14
Crowle	Houses	4
Ombersley	Houses	38
Tibberton	Bungalows	2
Hartlebury	Bungalows	4
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	Total	62
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Number of Private dwellings completed in the district during the year 33

(b) Number of new dwellings under construction by the Council at 31st December 1958 Nil

Plans are now being prepared for Old Peoples Flats at Ombersley, Wychbold and Fernhill Heath.

(c) Improvement Grants

Applications pending from last year	Nil
Applications received	34
Applications approved	31
No. of Dwellings involved	46
Applications withdrawn or refused	1
Total amount of grant-aided work	£38,417.17.5
Total amount of grant approved	£11,974
Average amount per dwelling	£260.5.0

### SLUM CLEARANCE

Position at 31st December 1958

	Up to 1957	1958	Total
Notices of Time and Place Served	61	24	85
Undertakings accepted from Owners	12	3	15
Deferred (or no action taken)	9	-	9
Demolition orders served	40	21	61
Demolished	10	9	19
Houses in Clearance Areas confirmed by Minister	7	-	7
Demolished	-	-	-
Total Houses dealt with	68		92
Total Houses demolished	10		19

### Hutted Camp, Elmley Lovett.

It was possible to close the requisitioned Hutted Camp at Elmley Lovett by the date recommended by the Ministry (December). Four families were found Council house accommodation and one remained in occupation although the land has been handed back to the Owner, and an agreement made with him.



#### 4. Housing Needs of the District

Consideration has been given to future building proposals in relation to the total housing needs of the District. As good progress has been made in the last two years with houses at Wychbold and Ombersley it has been decided that sites should be sought at Hartlebury and Fernhill Heath, for the future. Immediate attention is however being given to the provision of old peoples bungalows or flats at Ombersley, Wychbold and Fernhill Heath. A House Purchase Scheme has been approved and buildings of sixteen houses for sale will commence as soon as possible on an approved site at Ombersley. The Table shown opposite indicates the position of Housing Applicants at October 1958, when the last review took place.

#### 5. Permitted Sites for genuine Trailer Caravans

The following is a list of the Caravan Sites for which approval has been granted by the County Planning Authority within Droitwich Rural District.

MUTTON HALL, BORELEY, on the east bank of the Severn, opposite the Lenchford Hotel. No permanent occupation, Operator Mr. Stone.	12	(ER)
MILL HOUSE, HAWFORD, 4 miles north of Worcester on Ombersley Road. Operator: Mr. Walker No permanent occupation	12	(EBR)
WINNAL FARM, east bank of Severn near Stourport. Operator: Mr. Butler No permanent occupation	32	(CR)
DUNHAMPTON, rear of Roberts' Garage on main Kidderminster Road. Operator: Mr. H. Roberts 10 Residential - 10 Temporary	20	(BELRC)
EAGLE & SUN P.H., HANBURY WHARF, near Droitwich. Operator: Mr. Hedley Residential Site	17	(BERC)
BRICKS FARM, HOLT FLEET, Operator: Mrs. Brick No permanent occupation	97	(BRE)
CHATEAU IMPNEY, on main Birmingham-Worcester Road, 3/4 mile north of Droitwich Operators: Chateau Impney Residential Site	32	(BCDRLW)
WHARF HOTEL, HOLT FLEET, on left side of main road approaching bridge from Ombersley Operators: Messrs. Flower & Sons Stratford-on-Avon. No permanent occupation	38	(DL)
	Total	---
		260
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#### FACILITIES:-

- B. Convenient Bus Service
- C. Car Parking arrangements on Site.
- D. Sewage disposal facilities on Site.
- E. Electricity on Site.
- L. Sanitary block on Site
- P. Residential caretaker/owner on Site
- S. Shop on Site
- W. Mains water on Site.



**DROITWICH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**POSITION OF HOUSING APPLICATIONS AND HOUSING NEEDS**

PARISHES	Total No. of Applicants on Register			Bedroom group for Local Applicants					Slum Clearance Needs	Total Local General Needs and Slum Clearance	Interested in House Purchase Scheme			Site Position
	Outside District	Local	Total	1	2	3	4	5			Outside District	Local	Total	
Dodderhill	12	27	39	4	16	7	-	-	-	27	8	6	14	site for 16 houses
Owersley	4	43	47	8	20	13	1	1	-	43	3	15	18	site for 70 houses
Hartlebury	5	32	37	2	17	12	1	-	43	75	7	7	14	No site
Salwarpe	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	site for 2 houses
Crowle	2	3	5	-	1	2	-	-	-	3	1	3	4	No site
Tibberton	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	3	-	-	-	No site
Upton Warren	2	2	4	-	1	1	-	-	-	2	2	2	4	No site
North Claines														
Hindlip														
Martin Hussington	20	34	54	6	15	13	-	-	14	48	15	16	31	No site
Warndon														
Harbury	2	5	8	-	5	1	-	-	23	29	-	5	5	No site
Stock Green														
Himbleton														
Huddington	-	5	5	-	1	4	-	-	6	11	2	2	4	site for 16 houses
Oddingley														
Cutnall Green														
Elmbridge														
Elmley Lovett	-	7	7	-	4	3	-	-	4	11	-	6	6	site for 26 houses
Hampton Lovett														
<b>TOTALS</b>	48	160	208	20	81	56	2	1	92	252	39	62	101	
Old Person's Bungalow	9	33	42	32	1	-	-	-						



FACTORIES ACT, 1937 AND 1948

The following table shows the work carried out in factories in the Rural District during the year.

PART 1 OF THE ACT

1. Inspection for purposes of provision as to health.

Premises (1)	M/c line No. (2)	Number of Register (3)	Number of		Occupiers Prosecuted (6)
			Inspection (4)	Written Notices (5)	
1. Factories in which Sections, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	1	-	-	-	-
2. Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the local Authority	2	40	31	-	-
3. Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the local Authority. (including out-workers premises)	3	44	40	-	-
Total		84	71	-	-

2. Cases in which Defects were found.

Particulars (1)	M/c line (2)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecution instituted (7)
		Found (3)	Remed'd (4)	H.M. Inspect (5)	H.M. Inspect (6)	
Want of cleanliness (S1)	4					
Overcrowding (S2)	5					
Unreasonable temperature (S3)	6					
Inadequate ventilation (S4)	7					
Ineffective drainage of floors (S6)						
Sanitary conveniences (S7)						
(a) Insufficient	9					
(b) Unsuitable or defective	10	1	1	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes						
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	12					
Total	60	1	1	-	-	-



## SECTION E.

### Inspection and Supervision of Food

#### Food Premises.

Routine inspection of Food Premises was carried out by the Public Health Inspectors during the year. Generally sneaking conditions were found to be fairly satisfactory, but there was a need for education in hygienic practises. A number of leaflets and posters on Food Hygiene were therefore distributed during the year.

#### Milk

Milk Production is the responsibility of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. The County Council also control the licencing of Pasteurising Plants of which there are three in the District. Samples taken are made known to this Authority whose Officials are called in on occasions for consultation.

The following Principal and Supplementary Licenses were issued during the year:-

Number of Retailers .. ..	20
Designation "Pasteurised" .. ..	17
"Sterilised" .. ..	4
"T.T. Pasteurised" .. ..	4
"T.T.-(Raw Milk) .. ..	18

#### Ice-cream

Thirty-nine premises are registered for the sale of Ice-cream under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act 1956. There are no large scale producers and all premises sell the pre-packed product only.

#### Meat Inspection

There is only one licensed slaughter house within the District. These premises are at Ombersley where 100% meat inspection was carried out. Improvements have recently been made to the retail premises and additional refrigeration space provided adjacent to the slaughterhouse. The meat Inspectors experience little difficulty in carrying out their duties effectively. The amount of Meat inspected is shown in the Table opposite.



# CARCASSES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle Including Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed (if known)	91	5	704	222
Number inspected	91	5	704	222
All diseases except Tuberculosis. Whole carcasses condemned	NIL	NIL	NIL	1
Carcasses of which some part of organ was condemned	3	NIL	10	2
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	3.3	NIL	0.6%	0.90
Tuberculosis only Whole carcasses condemned	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	3	NIL	NIL	6
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	3.3%	NIL	NIL	2.7%
Cysticercosis	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

# SECTION F.

## Incidence of Infectious Disease

The following two tables show the incidence of infectious disease in relation to age and distribution in the Parishes of the Rural District.

The Incidence of Cases of Notifiable Disease during 1958

Age Groups	Under one year	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	35	45	65	Total
1. Scarlatina .. ..	-	1	-	3	4	5	2	1	-	-	-	-	16
2. Measles.. ..	6	6	8	8	12	54	5	1	1	1	-	-	102
3. Whooping Cough ..	-	1	2	1	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
4. Food Poisoning; ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5. Acute Primary Pneumonia	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2
6. Dysentery .. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7. Poliomyelitis ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-





# Tuberculosis

Particulars of new cases and deaths from Tuberculosis are shown below.

Age Groups	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Respiratory		Non Respiratory		Respiratory		Non Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 - 15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 25	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 35	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
5 - 45	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
5 and over	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	2	1	-	2	-	1	-	-

The number of cases on the Tuberculosis Register are as follows:-

Cases on Register	Respiratory		Non Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
Cases on the Register at 1st Jan. 1958	44	31	1	6
Additions to the Register during the year	6	6	-	-
Reductions from the Register during the year	9	8	-	-
Cases on the Register at 31st Dec. 1958	41	29	1	6
Totals	70		7	



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- 15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- 25	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- 35	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
- 45	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
and over	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	2	1	-	2	1	-	-	-

The number of cases on the Tuberculosis Register are as follows:-

Cases on Register				Non Respiratory	
				M.	F.
Cases on the Register at 1st Jan. 1958				44	31
Additions to the Register during the year				6	8
Deductions from the Register during the year				9	8
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Totals				70	7





