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#### HAYDOCK URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

#### 1970

Chairman of the Council:

Councillor R. Finney, J.P., C.C.

Vice-Chairman of the Council:

Councillor H. Hunt.

Clerk of the Council:

Clifford Ledger, F.C.C.S., (Acting) (Died 19/9/70).
H.J.Pye, F.I.A.C., M.I.L.G.A. (From 1/10/70)

Engineer and Surveyor:

S.H. Richardson, A.R.I.C.S., M.I., Mun.E.

#### HEALTH COMMITTEE

Chairman :

Councillor H. Hunt.

Vice-Chairman:

Councillor Mrs. S. Pimblett, M.B.E., C.A.

#### Councillors :

J. Caunce, J.P.

W.J. Cotton.

R. Finney, J.P., C.C.

H. Foster.

H. Littler.

F. Morris.

J.H. Roberts.

R.M. Shaw.

R. Silver.

W. Taylor.

#### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Medical Officer of Health:

R. Ellis Jones, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. (To September 1970) J.M.V. Packer, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. (From September 1970)

Public Health Inspector:

R.V. Watkin, Cert.S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I. Qualified Meat and Other Foods Inspector (R.S.I.)

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#### TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE: HAYDOCK URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

I have the honour of presenting for your consideration the Annual Report on the Health and Sanitary conditions of the Urban District Council of Haydock for the year ending 31st December, 1970. My predecessor Dr.R.Ellis Jones was in office until September, when he left to take up an appointment as Consultant Psychiatrist at Newchurch Hospital, Culcheth.

The number of births in 1970 was 242 an increase of one on the figure for 1969, giving an adjusted birth rate of 17.4 per thousand population; the figure for England and Wales was 16.0. Illegitamate births numbered 11, being 6% of the total live births, a rate which compares favourably with the rate of 8% for England and Wales. There were three deaths of infants under one year of age, the same number as in the previous year. Once again there were no maternal deaths. Total deaths numbered 145, 16 fewer than in 1969. The three main causes of death were: - diseases of the heart 54. of which ischaemic heart disease (coronary disease) accounted for 29; cancer, including leukaemia, 27; cerebral vascular disease (strokes) 25. Lung cancer accounted for four of the cancer deaths, three male and one female. Of the total number of deaths 31 occurred in persons between the ages of 65 and 74 and 65 at 75 and over. The adjusted death rate for Haydock was 13.4 per thousand population. The rate for the Lancashire administrative county was 13.6 and the rate for England and Wales 11.7.

Infectious disease cases notified numbered 238 and of these 179 were of measles. Now that an effective and safe vaccine is available to give protection against this disease it is to be hoped that the parents of young children who have not already suffered from measles will avail their children of this, and if this is done, the number of cases recorded in future years should fall very markedly.

It gives me pleasure to record my thanks to all members of the Council for their interest in matters relating to the public health of the district and also to Mr. R.V.Watkin, the Public Health Inspector, and the other officials of the Council for their helpful and friendly co-operation.

I am Your obedient servant,

J.M. PACKER

Medical Officer of Health.

#### SECTION 1

#### GENERAL STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

Area (acres)	2,395
Population (Census 1961)	12,074
Population (Registrar General's estimate for mid 1970)	13,250
Number of inhabited houses (Census 1961)	3,700
Number of inhabited houses at end of 1970 according to Rate books	4,732
Rateable Value	518,554
Sum represented by 1d rate	£ 4,958

The Township of Haydock extends from St. Helens C.B. in the west to the Urban District of Golborne in the east, a distance of approximately 34 miles. It is bounded on the north side by the Urban District of Ashton-in-Makerfield and on the south side by the Urban District of Newton-le-Willows.

The district is without any marked undulation of surface, the height above mean sea-level varying from 65 feet at the bottom of West End Road to 200 feet at the top of Millfield Lane.

The sub-soil consists of clay and marl with occasional beds of sand. Surface water gravitates via the various brooks and streams in the district to Sankey Brook.

The occupations of the working population are principally coal mining, engineering in connection with the Collieries and general light engineering.

#### SECTION 2

#### VITAL STATISTICS

#### LIVE BIRTHS :

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	1 227 1 · 15 242
Crude Birth Rate per 1,000 population Adjusted Birth Rate per 1,000 population Illegitimate live births per cent of total live births	18.3 17.4 6%
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1 Male: 4 Female: Total Rate per 1,000 TOTAL Births	1 5 20
DE THS:	0230 70
70 Male: 75 Female: Tota:	1 145
Crude Death Rate per 1,000 population Adjusted Death Rate per 1,000 population	10.9
Maternal Mortality:	
Rate per 1,000 TOTAL Births	NIL
Deaths of Infants under One Year of Age:	3
Rate per 1,000 LIVE Births	12
Neo-Natal Mortality:	
Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age Mortality Rate per 1,000 LIVE Births	1 4
Early Neo-Natal Mortality:	2 .2
Rate per 1,000 LIVE Births	4
POPULATION: At the Census in 1961 the population en	numerate

POPULATION: At the Census in 1961 the population enumerated was 12,074. The Registrar General's estimate for mid-1970 was 13,250 and this figure has been used in calculations of statistics in this report.

BIRTHS: During the year there were registered 242 live births, being 133 males and 109 females, to Haydock parents, representing a crude birth rate of 18.3 per 1,000 of the population and an adjusted birth rate of 17.4, the birth rate for England and Wales was 16.0

There were 5 stillbirths giving a rate per thousand TOTAL Births of 20; the rate for England and Wales was 13.

DEATHS: The total number of deaths of Haydock residents whether within or without the district was 145 comprising 70 males and 75 females. The crude death-rate for 1970 was therefore 10.9 per 1,000 of the population and the adjusted rate 13.4 compared with a death rate of 11.7 per 1,000 for England and Wales as a whole.

It will be noticed that the increase of births over deaths - the "natural increase" - for Haydock during the year was 97.

INFANT MORTALITY: Deaths of infants under one year of age numbered 3 giving a rate per 1,000 LIVE Births of 12. The rate for England and Wales was 18.

There were no deaths from Measles or Whooping Cough.

MATERNAL MORTALITY: There was no "Maternal death" i.e. death due to or associated with pregnancy or parturition.

COMPARABILITY OF CRUDE LIVE BIRTH AND DEATH RATES: If the populations of all areas were similarly constituted as regards the proportions of their sex and age groups, their crude rates for live births and deaths (per 1,000 population) could be accepted as valid for purposes of comparison with other areas and with the country as a whole.

As the population of the areas are not thus similarly constituted the Registrar General supplies "comparability factors" to each area, by which the crude live birth and death rates of the area are "weighted" to give the "adjusted" rates, which are truly comparable with the adjusted rates of other areas.

For this area the Live Birth rate comparability factor is 0.95 and the adjusted Live Birth-rate becomes 17.4 per 1,000. The Death-rate comparability factor is 1.23 and the adjusted Death-rate is therefore 13.4 per 1,000.

COMPARISONS OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, MTC: The tables on the following pages give comparisons of the Births, Deaths, etc., for the year 1970 and for the preceding 5 years; also the causes of death in Haydock Urban District for the year 1970.

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VITAL STATISTICS - COMPANATIVE TABLE

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10.0	7	Rate per 1,000 live births	4	4	47	19	10.1	13.0	10.0
TTI	Neo-Natal	No:of deaths regis- tered	7	1	1	4	2	3	1
IN ANT MOKTALITY		Rate per 1,000 live births	12	12	13	19	25.1	13.0	16.4
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lal ty		Rate per 1,000 total births	Nil	Nil	Lin	Nil	Lin	LiN	Final Li
Maternal		No: of deaths regis- tered	Lin	Nil	Lin	LiN	LiN	Nil	n2 600 q/6 (63)
rths		Rate per 1,000 total births	20	00	8	14	14.9	17.0	11.8
Stillbirths		No: regis- tered	5	2	2	3	3	4	(8)
ses)		Rate per 1,000 pop'n	*10.9	12.4	11.2	13.7	13.9	1.21.	12.7
Deaths (all causes)		No: regis- tered	145	161	143	172	174	150	l I
irths		Rate per 1,000 pop'n	*18.3	18.5	18.4	17.1	15.9	18.6	17.7
Live Births		No: regis-	242	241	235	215	199	231	ı
		HAYDOCK U.D.C.	Year 1970	Year 1969	Year 1968	Year 1967	Year 1966	Year 1965	Average 5 years 1965-1969
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\* Adjusted live-birth rate comparability factor - 0.95 = 17.4 per 1,000 Death-rate comparability factor - 1.25 = 15.4 per 1,000

# COMPARATIVE TABLES GENERAL VITAL STATISTICS

	Haydock Urban District	England and Wales
Live Births adjusted	17.4	16.0
Stillbirth Rate	20 (a)	13 (a)
Infant Mortality (Deaths under 1 year of age)	12 (b)	18 (b)
Neonatal Mortality (Deaths under 4 weeks of age)	4 (b)	12 (b)
Early Neonatal Mortality (Deaths under 1 week of age)	4 (b)	11 (b)
Perinatal Mortality (Stillbirths and Deaths under l week of age)	24 (a)	23 (a)
Total Death Rate adjusted	13.4	11.7
(a) Per 1,000 TOTAL BIRTHS	(b) Per 1,	,000 LIVE BIRTHS

## NOTIFICATION RATES & DEATH RATES OF THE PRINCIPAL NOTIFIABLE - AND OTHER IMPORTANT DISEASES AND CONDITIONS

All rates are shown per 1,000 population

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	Notific- ations	Deaths	Notific- ations	Deaths
Measles Dysentery Scarlet Fever Whooping cough Infective jaundice Diphtheria Tetanus Acute meningitis Acute encephalitis Infective Post infectious Ophthalmia neonatorum Acute poliomyelitis Paralytic Non -paralytic Leptospirosis Paratyphoid fever Typhoid fever Typhoid fever Food poisoning Anthrax Smallpox Plague Cholera Typhus fever Relapsing fever Yellow fever Tuberculosis (all forms) Respiratory Meninges and C.N.S. Other forms	13.566 Nil 0.302 Nil 3.849 Nil	Nil	0.194	0.033 0.019 0.000 0.014
CANCER: (all forms) Lung and bronchus Other cancer		1.81 0.30 1.51		2.39 0.62 1.77

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	Cause of Death	Anaemias  Analignant Neoplasm, Buccal cavity etc

#### SECTION 3

#### INFLCTIOUS DISEASES - PREVENTION AND CONTROL.

238 cases of Infectious disease were notified in 1970 an increase of 172 on the figure for the previous year. 179 cases of measles were notified, mainly in the first six months of the year, compared with 6 in 1969.

Notifications of Infective Jaundice showed an increase of 19 over the previous year; 38 of the 51 cases recorded occurred in children between the ages of 5 and 14 years.

For the first year on record there were no cases of Whooping Cough.

#### ISOLATION & DISINFECTION.

The Infectious Diseases Hospital at Peasley Cross, St. Helens, is available for the treatment of Haydock cases.

The use of the steam disinfector at the hospital is also available for the disinfection of bedding and clothing as and when required.

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NOTIFIABLE DISLASES DURING 1970 IN THE HAYDOCK URBAN DESTRICT

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Total	at all	179	4		17	4	1	1	238===
Notifiable Disease		Measles	Scarlet Fever		Infective Jaundice	Tuberculosis - Respiratory	Tuberculosis - Other	Whooping Cough	TOTAL :====================================

NOTIFIABLE DISLASES - CONFARATIVE TABLES

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	nnial 1969	Deaths	1			1	i	9.0	0.2	0.8
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	13	Cases	87	56	1	12	1	n	1	128
1	9961	Deaths	1	1	. 1	1	1	Н	1	Н
-	15	Cases	223	15	1	4	1	1	1	242
1	29	Deaths	1	1	1	1	1	П	1	Н
-	1967	Cases	28	00	1	00	1	7	1	45
	1968	Deaths	1	ı	1	1	1	1010	1	1
		Cases	127	00	1	2	00	П	1	151
T	69	Deaths	1	1	1	1	1	1	Н	П
-	1969	Cases	9	77	1	2	32	1	1	99
I	1970	Deaths	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	1
	7	Cases	179	4	and a	•	51	7	rende	238
		Disease	Measles	Scarlet Fever	Meningococcal Infections	Whooping Cough	Infective Jaundice	Tuberculosis-Respiratory	Tuberculosis - Non- Respiratory	TOTAL

#### SECTION 4

#### SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

#### WATER SUPPLY :

The supply of water to the district is the responsibility of the St. Helens Corporation who, by agreement with the Council, assumed control of the undertaking in April, 1958.

#### INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD SUPPLIES

The number of types of food premises in the area at the end of 1970 were as hereunder:-

Grocers and Provision Dealers					37
Greengrocers and Fruiterers					5
Meat Shops					7
Bakers and/or Confectioners					1
Fried Fish Shops					. 8
Shops, selling mainly Sweets, M	inera.	ls, Ice	-Cream	etc.	19
Licensed Premises, Clubs, Cant	eens,	Restau	rants,	Snack-	
Bars and similar Catering Est	ablish	hments			26
Others					14

Visits to food premises during the year numbered 236.

The opening of several large food warehouses on the Haydock Industrial estate in the past few years has entailed a considerable increase in the work of food inspection. This includes the necessity for regular inspections under the Imported Food Regulations, 1968, of containers arriving at the warehouses, unexamined at the port of entry.

A large increase is also evident in the annual amounts of foodstuffs surrendered for examination and condemnation.

During 1970 the amounts and types of foodstuffs condemned as unfit for human consumption were as follows:

Tons.	Cwts.	Lbs.
Canned Meat  " Fruit  " Preserve  " Vegetables  " Fruit Juice  " Frozen Egg  " Cream	13 16 4 4 5	6 39 94 49 21 70 66
Miscellaneous Canned Foods Dried Fruit Sugar Cake Mix Baking Powder Cereals	2 2 1 1	97 42 98 84 42 49
Yeast 1 Flour Miscellaneous Dried Foods Biscuits Cheese Margarine	9 1 1 5	77 52 11 22 39 24
Frozen Fish Product Frozen Meat Product Frozen Vegetables TOTAL: 4	14	29 29 29 61

31 shops and one ice-cream Storage and Distribution Depot in the district are registered under the Lancasnire County Council (Rivers Board and General Powers) Act, 1938, for the sale of ice-cream. In each shop a refrigerator is installed and the ice-cream is sold wrapped as delivered to the shop.

There are no ice-cream manufacturers in the district.

#### MEAT AND OTHER FOODS :

There are no slaughter-houses in operation in the area.

#### DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE:

With the exception of a few out-lying premises all property is connected to the public sewers.

The western part of the district is served by the Parr Sewage Works, St. Helens, which is situated partly in the Haydock district and which came into operation early in 1958.

The sewerage scheme for the eastern portion of the district, - part of the Sankey Valley Sewerage Scheme - came into operation in November, 1959.

#### SANITARY ACCOMMODATION:

The number of the various types of conservancy measures in the district at the end of 1970 are as follows:-

Privy Middins 1
Pail Closets 1
Trough Closets Nil
Waste-water closets Nil
Fresh-water closets 5205
Dry Ashpits Nil
Ashbins 4900

All the schools in the district now have reasonably satisfactory sanitary accommodation and are connected to the public mains for water supply and to the public sewers for sewage disposal.

#### PUBLIC CLEANSING AND SALVAGE :

The collection of refuse is carried out under the control of the Council's Surveyor. Three motor vehicles are in operation and the majority of dustbins are emptied weekly. Refuse is disposed of by means of tipping. Paper, cardboard, etc. is collected separately and sold as salvage.

#### RODENT CONTROL :

Although infestations of rats and mice in the district are generally of a minor nature, the sewers and refuse tips are subject to constant observation and treatment in accordance with the methods recommended by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries Infestation Control Division.

Annual contracts were entered into for rodent destruction at three farms and six business premises.

Occupiers of dwellinghouses are encouraged to report infestations of rats and mice, no charge being made for disinfestation work carried out by the local authority at this type of property.

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One rodent operative is employed.

Total inspections (including reinspections) carried out, and number of infestations found and treated were as follows:-

	N	TYPE OF on-Agricultural	PROPERTY Agricultural
(a)	No. of properties in district	5268	15
(b)	Total No. of properties inspec following notific ations.		3
(c)	No. of (b) infest by Rats Mice	138 133	3 3
(a)	Total No. of properties inspec for rats or mice reasons other than notification	for	12
(e)	No. of (d) infest Rats Mice	ed 9 7	3 5

#### DISINFESTATION :

Infestations of houses with insect pests were dealt with by the use of D.D.T. insecticide and powder, with good results.

The number and types of infestations of houses dealt with during the year were as follows:

Ants	151	houses	Woodlice	3	houses
Cockroaches	49	"	Fleas	2	11
Bluebottles &			Silverfish	3	11
flies	2	11	Spider Beetles	1	11
Bedbugs	2	11	Earwigs	2	11

Insect pests were also dealt with at 6 other premises.

#### SHOPS ACT, 1950:

The Shops Authority in this area is the Lancashire County Council, but inspectorial duties are carried out by the Public Health Inspector who, for that purpose, has been appointed Shops Inspector by the County Council.

There are 184 premises classified as shops under this Act, in the district, and inspections during the year numbered 367.

### PETROLEUM (REGULATIONS) ACT, 1928 AND 1936.

19 premises were licenced to keep petroleum spirit and four to keep petroleum mixtures. Visits of inspection to new and existing installations numbered 434

Income from licence fees amounted to £126-00.

The new Shell-B.P. Hydrocarbon Oil Terminal, claimed to be the largest of its particular type in Europe, came into operation during 1968.

#### SECTION 5

#### HOUSING

At the end of 1970, according to the Rate Books, the total number of houses in the area was 4,732.

Of these 1,683 are Council houses and some 1,300 have been built in the post-war period by private enterprise. The majority of the remainder are of terrace type, 60 years of age and upwards, whose general standard may be described as "fair". Little overcrowding exists.

During 1970, 370 traditional permanent houses were erected by private enterprise and 74 by the local authority.

#### 1. Inspection of dwelling-houses during the year :-

- (1) (a) Total No. of dwelling-houses inspected formally or informally for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) 338
  - (b) No. of inspections made for the purpose 750
  - (c) No. of dwelling-houses in (a) above found to be not in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation but capable of being rendered fit
- (2) Total No. of dwelling-houses existing at the end of the year which were unfit for human habitation and not capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit, and in respect of which:-
  - (a) Demolition, Clearance or Closing Orders have been made

(b) Demolition, Clearance or Closing Orders have not yet been made 147

#### 2. Houses Demolished :-

(1) In Clearance Areas :

Houses unfit for habitation

20

18

(2) Not in Clearance Areas:

As result of formal or informal procedure under Section 16 or Section 17 (i) Housing Act, 1957 Nil

3. Unfit Houses Closed :-

Under Section 17 (i) Housing Act, 1957

4. Unfit Houses made Fit and Houses in which Defects w	ere
(1) After informal action by Local Authority	35
(2) After formal notice under Public Health Act:	3
by owner	3
by Local Authority	NIL
5. Houses Improved :-	
By Discretionary Grant :-	
(1) Applications submitted	6
(2) Applications approved	6
(3) Amount of Grant Approved.	£2,209
(4) Work completed	2
By Standard Grant :-	
(1) Applications submitted (a) to full standard	20
(b) to reduced standard	NIL
(2) Applications approved (a) to full standard	20
(b) to reduced standard	NIL
(3) Work completed	16
Amenities provided under the Standard Grant procedure	were :-
Bath in Bathroom	13
Washbasin	14
Inside Water Closet	16
Hot & Cold Water Supply - at 3 points - at 1 or 2 points	11 3
Sink	02 20A

Grants paid during the year in respect of 18 houses improved amounted to 23,161-00

#### SECTION 6.

## INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL HYGIENE

#### FACTORIES ACT, 1961

There are 52 registered factories in the district comprising 48 factories in which mechanical power is used, and 4 without mechanical power.

The types of factory are :-

Engineering	12
Bakehouses	1
Motor Vehicle Manufacture	2
Joinery	1
Pre-cast Concrete Goods	2
Laundry	1
Hinge-Making and Electro-Plating	1
Warehousing	1
Fuel Injector Maintenance	1
Road Roller Repairs	1
Motor Vehicle Repairs	14
Agricultural Machinery Repairs	1
Concrete Mixing	1
Radio & T.V. Valve Assembly	1
Scrap Metal Recovery	2
Fork Lift Repairs	1
Compressed Air Tool Repairs	1
Heating Engineers	1
Office Machinery Repairs	1
Assembly and Packaging of Toys	1
Mineral Water Manufacture	1
Vehicle Washing	1
Tractor Repairs	1
Tyre Repairs	1
Seed Cleaning	1

Six sites of building operations were registered under Section 127 of the Factories Act, 1961

## Prescribed Particulars on the Administration

#### of the Factories Act, 1961

#### PART 1 OF THE ACT

1. INSPLCTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

	Premises	Number on Register	Nur Inspections	written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
(i)	Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority	4	8	NIL	NIL
(ii)	Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	48.	47	NIL	NIL
(iii)	Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out- workers' premises)	6	4	NIL	NIL
TOTAL	L	58	59	NIL	NIL

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found :-

	Number	of cases were	in which defound	efects	No. of cases in which
1	Found	To H.M. By H.M.		prosecutions were instit-	
(1)	(2)	(3).	·(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of Cleanliness (S.1).	1	1	-publics	L-12	-
Overcrowding (S.2) Unreasonable	shu-	THE PARTY	Man To the	74 740	-
Temperature (S.3) Inadequate	-	-	-	-	-
Ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-

Particulars	The second second	er of cas fects wer	No.of cases in which prosecu-		
Particulars	Found	Remedied			tions were instituted
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	113	10 - 100 M		ndy-sa h	o and do to an and and and and and and and and and
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)	111	Cale Mal			Deligari ) socialist
(a) Insufficient	1	1	-	00 - 7 20 5	
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1		-	10 May 13 Lumps
(c) Not separate for sexes	274	510 <u>-</u> 111	- 12	0 1000 c. 1	Continue Continue (
Other offences againts the Act.	100	100 m			Patola design
TOTAL	3	3	NIL	NIL	NIL

## OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

-1000.2	i		Class o		
	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale Shops, Ware- Houses	Catering Establish- ments open to public, Canteens.	Fuel Storage Depots
No. of registered premises at end of year.	22	38	21	8	1
No. of premises receiving a general inspection during year	3	11	15	2	-
No. of exemptions current at end of year: Space Temperature Sanitary Conveniences Washing Facilities	NIL NIL NIL	NIL NIL NIL NIL	NIL NIL NIL	NIL NIL NIL NIL	NIL NIL NIL

Visits of all kinds to registered premises numbered 54

## . · SECTION 7.

## PUBLIC HEATH INSPECTION

## SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS, VISITS, ETC.

Dwellinghouses (under Public Health and Housing Acts) Re-inspections and re-visits to above Housing conditions and overcrowding Applications for Improvement Grants (Inspections & visits) Drainage (Inspections and re-inspections) Water Supply (Inspections and re-inspections) Ditches and Water Courses (Inspections & re-inspections) Accumulations of refuse	251 7 3
Movable dwellings	. 4
Rodent Control (Inspections, re-inspections & treatments) Disinfestations of Premises	-1-
Food shops and premises	1
Other shops	
Factories	
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, (total visits)	
Interviews with Owners, Contractors, etc	The state of the s
Petroleum	
Miscellaneous	• 99
	3,700
	-
Number of Nuisances or Defects discovered	. 386
Number of Informal Notices served	
Verbal Notices and/or letters	
Number of Statutory Notices served	17
Number of Notices complied with (including Verbal Notices) Number of Nuisances or defects abated	770

## ANALYSIS OF DEFECTS

Type of Defect	No. Discovered	No. Remedied
Water Closets	24	. 23
Drains	58	59
Water Supply	4	3 .
Sinks	1	1
Waste Pipes	3	ī
Dustbins	119	117
Washboilers	a material	-
Roofs	16	10
Chimneys and Flues	2	2
Eavesgutters	32	27
Downspouts	5	5
Brickwork/Pointing	17	11
Plastering	8	4
Floors	4	8
Windows	20	14
Doors	13	5
Firegrates	1.	MANUEL COLUMN
Dampness	20	21
Yard Paving	4	3
Miscellaneous	35	16
TOTAL:	386	330

#### SECTION 8

## PROVISION OF GENERAL HEALTH AND ANCILLARY SERVICES IN THE DISTRICT

#### (1) LABORATORY ARRANGEMENTS :

#### (Public Health Laboratory Service and County Analyst's Department)

Pathological specimens, samples of milk, foodstuffs, "swabs" etc. for bacteriological investigation are dealt with by the Public Health Laboratory Service either at the Public Health Laboratory, Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, or at the Public Health Laboratory, Withington Hospital, Manchester. The chemical analysis of water samples, and of samples of food and drugs, is undertaken at the County Analyst's Department, County Offices, Preston.

#### (2) HOSPITAL SERVICES :

The Haydock Cottage Hospital is the only hospital situated in the district; it is a General Hospital with a nominal establishment of 13 beds, but in view of its small size it is not equipped to deal with major surgical cases. The district is mainly served for general cases by the St. Helens Hospital and also by the Providence Hospital, St. Helens. Maternity cases requiring hospital attention are admitted to the Cowley Hill Maternity Hospital, St. Helens, Whiston Hospital, Billinge Hospital or Warrington General Hospital. Cases requiring isolation on account of infectious disease are normally admitted to the Peasley Cross Isolation Hospital, St. Helens. In-patients' treatment for patients suffering from tuberculosis is provided at Eccleston Hall; out-patient sessions are held by the Chest Physician at St. Helens.

Facilities for the treatment of psychiatric illnesses are centred on Winwick Hospital, and for mental subnormality at Newchurch Hospital, Culcheth.

#### (3) EXECUTIVE COUNCIL SERVICES :

The family doctor service and the general dental, pharmaceutical and ophthalmic services are the responsibility of the Lancashire Executive Council, 42, West Cliff, Preston.

#### (4) COUNTY COUNCIL SERVICES:

The Lancashire County Council is the Local Health Authority, and the day to day administration of the wide range of services which it provides in this area is in the hands of Divisional Health Committee No. 10.

#### (5) AMBULANCE SERVICE:

All vehicles in the Lancashire County Council ambulance service are under radio control, and all services in the Division are controlled by staff at the area ambulance headquarters at Whiston. Vehicles from other stations can be brought in easily because of the radio contact when necessary.

This service deals with all types of cases where such transport is required by reason of illness (including mental illness or mental subnormality), whether accident, other emergency, general illness or infectious disease. In cases of emergency, any person having reason to do so may summon an ambulance, and the emergency service number '999' should be used. In other cases the calls for this service are made either by a doctor, dentist, midwife, nurse or other duly qualified person, who can call Whiston headquarters, telephone number 051-426-5222.

Five stretcher-carrying ambulance vehicles, and three "sitting case" cars are stationed at the Ambulance Station, Silverdale Road, Newton-le-Willows and manned by an appropriate staff, all qualified in First Aid.

#### (6) CLINIC SERVICES:

The Urban District is served by the Clinic, Station Road, Haydock, where the following sessions are held:-

Child Health Clinics - each Wednesday morning and afternoon.

Ante-natal Clinic - alternate Thursday afternoons.

Ante-natal Relaxation Class - alternate Thursday afternoons.

Dental, ophthalmic, orthopaedic and chiropody sessions by appointment.

## (7) HEALTH VISITING :

A Health Visitor is a State Registered Nurse who has received at least a course of training in midwifery and undertaken a year of special training in preventive medicine (especially early detection of handicaps), health education, and social work. Although in much of her work she is concerned with mothers and children, her duties are by no means confined to these members of the family. In recent years the Health Visitor has worked increasingly with adults, particularly the elderly.

A substantial part of the Health Visitor's time is spent in connection with the School Health Service

undertaking the duties of a School Nurse. If a Health Visitor has the aptitude she may undertake teaching of classes in health education and mothercraft subjects which are included in the school curriculum.

Hitherto each Health Visitor has worked in a defined geographical area, but the current trend is to make the Health Visitor's caseload the patients registered with one or more family doctors and to arrange for the Health Visitor to have frequent contact with the doctors.

The Health Visitors employed in this District are based at The Clinic, Station Road, Haydock.

#### (8) DISTRICT NURSING:

An "attachment" scheme is now in operation by which district nursing sisters take their patients according to the medical practice to which they are attached and not according to a geographical district as before. District nurses of the S.E.N. grade and nursing auxiliaries are also employed to work under the supervision of the nursing sisters; in this scheme nursing sisters and general medical practitioners work closely together with full consultation so that the skill of the specially trained nurse can be properly employed.

Miss V.M. Dunn who had been the district nursing sister in Haydock for many years retired soon after the end of the year and was replaced by Mrs. O.J.Wilkinson, 30, Chestnut Drive, Pennington - Tel. No: Leigh 29100.

## (9) MIDWIFERY:

Whole-time domiciliary midwives are engaged on this work within the Urban District in the employ of the County Council, which is both the Local Health Authority and Supervising Authority under the Midwives Act. These nurses normally accept responsibility for cases residing within reasonable proximity of their homes, but the principle of the expectant mother's free choice of midwife (as of doctor), is well established. Each has a car at her disposal to enable her to respond quickly to urgent calls and to carry apparatus for analgesia.

The names, addresses and telephone numbers of the midwives are:-

Mrs. W. Burns, 2, Folds Road, Haydock - Tel No. St. Helens 27135

Mrs. M.A.McGhee, 31, Pimblett Road, Haydock - Tel No:
Ashton-in-Makerfield 77477.

#### (10) VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION:

Facilities are provided both by the County Council and by family doctors for giving protection against smallpox, poliomyelitis, diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, measles, and german measles. Certain other immunisations, e.g. against typhoid fever, may be given by family doctors when required. The B.C.G. injection against tuberculosis is given by the School Health Service and by the staff of Chest Clinics.

## (11) HOME HELP SERVICE :

This service is available under the Lancashire County Council Divisional Health Scheme (No.10.Health Division), to homes requiring such assistance by reason of the presence in the household of a case of sickness (including mental illness and deficiency), advanced pregnancy, a parturient woman, an aged person or a child under school leaving age.

The service is not a free one; contributions must be made by the applicants towards the cost of provision in accordance with scales adopted by the County Council, Many applicants are, however, old age pensioners in straitened circumstances, whose incomes are below the minimum prescribed by the scales, who therefore receive this help free of cost.

#### (12) MENTAL HEALTH

Social work help and statutory action under the provisions of the Mental Health Act, 1959 for persons suffering from mental illness or subnormality is provided by a team of four Mental welfare Officers based at the Divisional Health Office, Winwick (Telephone No: Warrington 37444). Any request for the services of a Mental Welfare Officer outside normal office hours should be made through the Ambulance Control Centre at Whiston (Telephone No: 051-426-5222) which will contact the duty officer on call.

A Junior Training Centre for 120 mentally handicapped childre and an adjacent hostel for 25 children are situated at Mill Lane, Newton-le-Willows, and an Adult Training Centre for 45 subnormal men and women and a hostel accommodating 27 residents are located at Grange Road, Haydock. Another Adult Training Centre and Hostel are in course of erection in Golborne.

#### (13) WELFARE SERVICES:

The County Council is the Authority responsible for implementing Parts III and IV of the National Assistance Act, 1948 and related legislation. Broadly speaking, these services provide for the elderly, the handicapped, and the homeless. As is the case with the services already mentioned, the day to day administration of the Welfare Services is in the hands of Divisional Health Committee No.10. The Divisional Medical Officer has on his staff a Divisional Welfare Organiser who leads a team of four Social Welfare Officers and two Welfare Assistants.

The County Council's scheme utilises very fully the various voluntary agencies, including the Old People's Welfare Committee which provide an excellent means of fostering liaison between the statutory and voluntary bodies concerned with the care of the aged. Either directly or through the voluntary agencies the County Council makes provision to meet a wide range of needs of aged and handicapped persons, including provision of counselling, social club, luncheon clubs and 'meals on wheels', training facilities, home and workshop employment, occupational therapy and holidays.

Accommodation is provided for those of the aged population no longer able to live an independent existence in their own homes, even with the maximum helf from the domiciliary services. The Homes in this Division are Golborne House, Golborne (which accommodate 50 residents), Heathside, Penketh (50 residents), Heyescrott, Haydock, (51 residents), and Larchfield, Newton-le-Willows, (51 residents). Day care and short term care are also provided at each of these Homes. Residential accommodation, including short term care, for the handicapped is provided elswhere in the County (at Swinton and Fleetwood).

One of the most useful developments in recent years has been that of warden - supervised bungalows or flatlets for elderly persons and, when necessary, the handicapped. These afford the privacy and the stimulus associated with a person having his or her own home, whilst at the same time providing the security deriving from the presence of a responsible person who "keeps an eye" on the resident and can send for help if it should be required

Temporary accommodation is provided at Farnworth and Trafford Park for families who become homeless for reasons which could not reasonably have been foreseen.

#### (14) PREVENTION OF ILLNESS, CARE AND AFTER-CARE:

The scope of these arrangements is very wide and includes health education, health visiting in the homes including those persons suffering from tuber-culosis, the provision of ancillary nursing equipment, the after-care of patients who have suffered from illness either at home or in hospital, and the provision of convalescent accommodation. It also includes the provision of a chiropody service available to the elderly (aged 65 or over), registered handicapped persons, and expectant mothers.

Further information about all the foregoing services may be obtained from the Divisional Medical Officer, Divisional Health Office, Winwick.

(Telephone No: Warrington 37444)

#### (15) CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT:

The responsibilities of the County Council under the Children Act and Children and Young Persons Acts are carried out by the Children's Committee through the Children's Officer. Locally, Area Children's Committee No. 11 is responsible for the day to day operation of the service. The Area Children's Officer is Mr.W.Ritchie, Williams Deacon's Bank Chambers, Market Street, Leigh. (Telephone No: Leigh 74121)



