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FOR THE YEAR 1967



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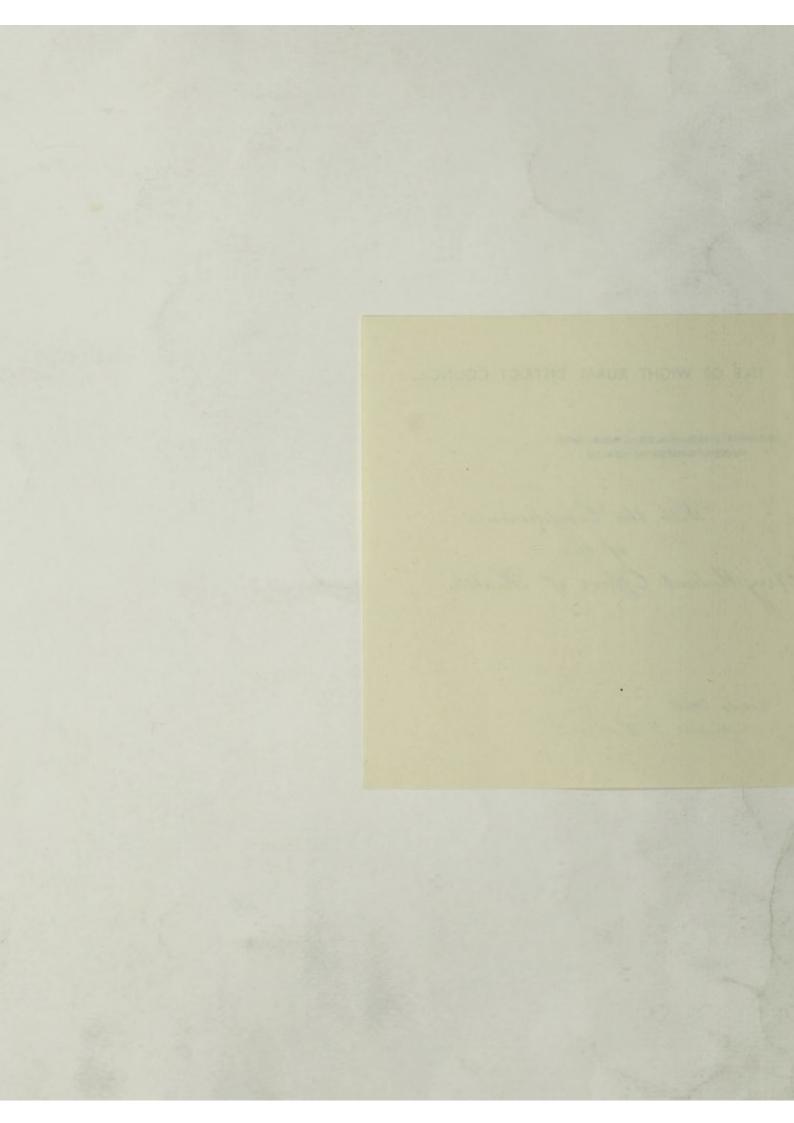


ISLE OF WIGHT RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

OHN MILLS, M.D., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H. MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

With the Compliments of the Acting Medical Officer of Health.

County Hall, Newport, J. W.



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ANNUAL REPORT

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HEALTH OF THE RURAL SANITARY DISTRICT

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ISLE OF WIGHT

County Hall, Newport, Isle of Wight.

Tel: Newport 2261

To the Members of the Isle of Wight Rural District Council

Mr. Chairman and Councillors,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report on the health of the District for the year 1967.

The vital statistics do not reveal any significant changes apart from a fall in the infantile mortality rate from 42.6 to 3.9.

The illegitimacy rate continued to be high (12.3%) compared with the rate for the whole of the Island (9.9%) and for England and Wales (8.6%).

Major causes of death

Disease of the *coronary* arteries of the heart and vascular accidents within the skull again accounted for a high proportion of the deaths. The cause or causes of these conditions is not exactly known but associated factors are lack of exercise, obesity and smoking. Smoking is also a factor in the cause of bronchitis and cancer of the lung. The Ministry of Health and many other concerns have been trying to discourage smoking for '. number of years. The results have been disappointing. No government, however, is prepared to increase the duty on tobacco to such an extent that cigarettes are almost priced out of existence.

Infectious diseases

Infectious diseases did not present any unusual problem during the year. There were 171 cases of measles notified but no serious complications were reported. A scheme for vaccination against measles was introduced but I am not convinced that this is a worthwhile procedure for all children, in view of the mildness of the infection now prevalent and in view of the slight risk involved in all immunisation procedures.

Staff

As in previous years two Public Health Inspectors covered the entire district, which in view of the size of the area, the population and increasing responsibilities, was hardly adequate. Furthermore these two officers combined their duties with those of district surveyors and could only devote a limited amount of time to health matters. It was not surprising therefore that many premises such as hotel kitchens, food shops and cafes went uninspected.

Mr. L.J. Lewis, Public Health Inspector and Surveyor for the East Wight retired in July, 1967, after eighteen years service. He commenced his duties in 1949 as an experienced officer and he was responsible for many large scale improvements in sanitation and the promotion of public health and hygiene in his district.

His desire to help and serve the public and a quiet determination to get things done was evident in all his work for the Council.

Mr. R.J. Nichols, FI.A.S., A.M.I.P.H.E., M.R.S.H., was appointed Public Health Inspector and Surveyor for the East Wight and commenced his duties 1st March, 1967.

The Shops, Offices and Railway Premises Act

This important act came into force in 1964, with the object of ensuring healthier and safer working conditions for office workers. Under this act 229 premises have been registered but there is no record of any of these premises having been inspected during the year. Presumably thi is because of lack of time and is a further indication for reconsidering the staff establishment.

Water supplies

The water supplies in the Rural District have been satisfactory in quality and quantity. The results of bacteriological examination of water supplies were:-

Satisfactory	Suspicious	Unsatisfactory
160	Nil	8

It is probable that at least some of the unsatisfactory samples were occasioned by sampling errors since in all cases check samples taken a few days later were satisfactory.

The water is not liable to be plumbo-solvent and no contamination occurred.

There are a few properties in the District, possibly about twenty, which have not a main water supply.

Offensive smells

In a rural area complaints regarding smell from animal and poultry manure are inevitable, but generally speaking no effective action can be taken by a council to deal with such alleged nuisances. Those who complain to the council would probably be more successful if they discussed the matter with the farmer concerned. On the whole farmers are considerate people and respond to a reasonable approach. On the other hand they can become very stubborn if antagonised by wild threats of legal action.

Exhaust fumes from traffic

Several complaints were made regarding excessive diesel fumes from road vehicles. When, however, the owners or managers concerned were contacted they were most helpful and co-operative.

Removal of persons in need of care and attention

No action was required this year under Section 47 of the National Assistance Act, 1948. A few old people, however, still continue to live in the most deplorable conditions and strangely enough they appear to thrive on it, and refuse all offers of assistance from the various forms of welfare available. Providing, however, such people are not in any way harmful to others it is kinder not to remove them from their squalor. To take them away from their homes can cause them considerable distress and if they are old, rapid deterioration and death may result.

Acknowledgements

I write this report in the capacity of your acting Medical Officer of Health. During the year and on a number of other occasions I have taken on this additional responsibility I shouldlike to place on record my appreciation of the support and consideration always given to me by the Council.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Councillors,

Your obedient servant,

D. W. QUANTRILL

Acting Medical Officer of Health.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS, 1967

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH :

John Mills, M.D., Ch.B., M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.P.H.

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS :

R.J.	Nichola	s. F.I.A.S.	A.M.I.P.H.E	-		"	(commenced 1.3.67.)
L.J.	Lewis,	A.R.S.H.,	M.P.H.I.A.	-	East	Wight	(retired 31.7.67.)
C.V.	Smith,	M.R.S.H.,	M.A.R.D.C.S.	-	West	Wight	

CLERK :

Miss R. Harding

M.R.S.H.

TEMPORARY TECHNICAL ASSISTANT :

G. Woodcock.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Population (Registrar General's figures)	 	19,140
Area (in acres)	 	58,127
Number of habitable dwellings end of 1967	 	7,913
Rateable Value, as at 1st April, 1967	 	£685,506
Sum represented by a penny rate (1966/67)	 	£2,676

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR

Live birth rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident popula	tion	13.2
Comparative factor		1.31
Comparative Birth Rate		17.3
Stillbirth Rate per 1,000 total (live and still)births		11.8
Crude Death Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident popul	ation	16.9
Comparative factor		0.70
Comparative Death Rate		11.8
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 (live and still) births		Nil
Death Rate of infants under one year of age: -		
All infants per 1,000 live births		3.9
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births		4.5
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live birt		Nil
Deaths from Measles (all ages)		Nil
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)		Nil
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)		55

The total number of live births was 252 of which 221 were legitimate and 31 illegitimate. The livebirth rate was 13.2 per 1,000 living; the birth rate for England and Wales being 17.2.

INFANTILE MORTALITY

The Infant Mortality rate was 3.9 per 1,000 registered live births; the rate for England and Wales generally was 18.3.

DEATHS

The total number of deathr was 325 which gives a comparative death rate of 11.8 per 1,000 of the estimated resident population; the death rate for England and Wales being 11.2.

CAUSES OF DEATH

	Male	Female
Tuberculosis, Respiratory	1	-
Tuberculosis, other	-	1
Other infective and parasitic diseases	-	1
Cancer of stomach	2	1
Cancer of lung and bronchus	6	2
Cancer of breast	-	2
Cancer of uterus	-	2
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasmus	21	19
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	2	-
Diabetes	2	1
Vascular lesions of nervous system	30	42
Coronary disease - angina	45	21
Other heart diseases	32	23
Other disease of circulatory system	4	2
Pneumonia	4	7
Bronchitis	5	2
Other disease of respiratory system	2	-
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	1	-
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	1	-
Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	3
Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	12	13
Motor Vehicle accidents	2	1
All other accidents	4	4
Suicide ··· ··· ··· ···	Ó	0
Total all cases	178	147

Total all cases

178

BIRTHS

Age	Dysentery	Food Poisoning	Scarlet Fever	Whooping Cough	Measles	Erysipelas	Non- Pulmonary Tuberculo- sis	Puerperal Pyrexia
Under 1 year 1 and under 2 years 2 " " 3 years 3 " " 4 4 " " 5 5 " " 10 10 " " 15 15 " " 25 25 " " 35 35 " " 45 45 " " 65 65 years and over		1		132387332221	5 10 11 28 14 79 12 10 1 - 1 -	111		
Total :	2	1	3	57	171	2	1	1

All other notifisble diseases

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Nil

EAST WIGHT

WATER SUPPLIES

Public water supplies over the whole area are provided by the Isle of Wight River and Water Authority, an authority which is responsible for supplies to the whole Island. During the year no complaints were received by the Public Health Department of the Rural District Council.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Public conveniences are provided at Bembridge (3), Brading, Niton and Godshill.

All conveniences are fairly small and in no case is a full-time attendant employed. Maintenance is carried out by two men who undertake this work and carry out other duties in connection with sewer and pumping station maintenance. During the holiday season this necessitates a considerable amount of overtime as the Bembridge conveniences have to be visited morning and mid-evening. The conveniences have at times been subject to some abuse but no complaints regarding unsatisfactory conditions were received during the year. In addition to conveniences owned by the Council, arrangements have been made for the public to have the use of the coveniences at the Buddle Inn, Niton, and Castlehaven Caravan Site, Niton.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

Main sewerage systems are provided at Apse Heath, Brading, Bembridge, Blackgang, Chillerton, Godshill, Niton and Whitwell.

Disposal of sewage

Apse Heath: To small sewage purification works.

Bembridge: Since the new scheme came into operation in 1959 all sewage from the village has discharged by way of the sea outfall at Ethel Point.

> The Council's consultants, Messrs. Lemon and Blizard, have been instructed to prepare a scheme comprising storage of sewage by way of additional holder storage tanks and treatment of sewage by comminutor before discharge into an improved sea outfall. It is also proposed to pick up sewage from properties which at the present time by-pass the holder storage tanks, so that no further allegations can be made that raw sewage pollutes the beach at Lane End. This scheme has been prepared and is awaiting Ministry approval.

Further extensions of public sewers have been laid by the developers at Stone Farm Estate, Hayes Estate, and the Grange Estate, Bembridge, and will in due course be taken over by the Council.

- Brading: Work has commenced on the improvement and enlargement of the sewage disposal works and this should be completed by the Autumn of 1968.
- Blackgang: Sewage discharges into a tank at the head of the Chine from where it is pumped to a disposal works at some distance from the inhabited area.

Chillerton: To settlement tanks and land irrigation system. This functions without trouble but cannot be considered as meeting the demands set by modern standards.

Godshill: To sewage disposal works.

Niton and Whitwell:

To disposal works.

Further plans for the development of housing estates in this area were pproved and the number of houses, when completed, will result in a considerable overload on the sewage disposal works.

Small sewage disposal plants are provided for a number of the Council Housing Estates at :-

Langbridge, Newchurch Northview, Newchurch The Bower, Newchurch Milestone Crescent, Newchurch West View, Chale South View, Chale Green Lea Bank, Chale Green Dovecotes, Merstone Newlands, Merstone Hazely Combe, Arreton Pagham Place, Rookley.

A system of drainage serving a few cottages in Highwood Lane, Rookley, discharges into a settlement tank and thence by means of an effluent drain into a watercourse.

A scheme for the sewering of the Winford area has been prepared by the Council's Consulting Engineers.

REFUSE COLLECTION

The refuse collection service continues to function in a satisfactory manner.

Bleakdown Tip has continued to operate with one full-time attendant. The tip receives a very large amount of trade and other waste. The small Schmiedag has been replaced by a Track Marshall special purpose vehicle which is used for the control of refuse disposal far more efficiently now that the whole of the Rural District area refuse is deposited at Bleakdown, with the exception of the small tip at Brading serving the ^Brading and Bembridge area.

An additional 20 cub. yard refuse vehicle was added to the Council's fleet of vehicles which enables the Council to now carry out a weekly collection of refuse throughout the whole of the area.

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Number of Vehicles	Mileage	Disposal
1 S &D 35 cub. yd. Pakamatic (Bembridge and Brading)	4,015	Wall Lane Tip, Brading.
1 S & D 20 cub. yd. Pakamatic 1 do. (Aug Dec. 1967) (Arreton, Newchurch, Godshill, Niton, Chale & Gatcombe)	9,020 3,612	Bleakdown Tip, Godshill.

LITTER BASKETS

Additional baskets have been installed during the year and the regular emptying of these is carried out by the Council's staff.

CESSPOOL EMPTYING SERVICE

This has continued on the same basis as referred to in last year's report but a decision was made by the Council to purchase their own vehicle owing to the problems and increasing demands for the service. This new vehicle will be in operation during 1968.

Total number of cesspools emptied ... 499

HOSTELS

W.H.A. Hostel, Whitwell.

Mains water, drainage to cesspool. Public refuse collection.

HOUSING

New dwellings erected - see West Wight Report.

Slum Clearance (East and West Wight)

No. of unfit houses demol	ished	 	Nil
No. of unfit houses close	d	 	3
No. of families rehoused	from these		
unfit houses		 	2

Improvement Grants

The Rural District Council continued their policy of making Improvement Grants and during the year 49 properties were improved under this scheme. Assisted House Purchase and Loans to carry out Repairs (East and West Wight)

During 1967 loans were made in respect of the purchase, construction, repair, improvements or alteration of 63 properties. The total amount paid in this respect was £125,340.

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CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960

No. of licensed caravan sites ...

Some further progress has been achieved in getting the work of tree planting at Taylor's site at Whitecliff ^Bay under way although there is a lot more to be done in subsequent phases.

The summer holiday season showed a continued increase in tented camping. There are two fairly large licensed sites in the area but quite a number of smaller sites are used within the exemption under Section 269 of the Public Health Act. 1936.

REGISTRATION OF PREMISES FOR THE SALE OF ICE CREAM

No. of premises registered (East and West Wight) ... 147

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

No. of licensed premises

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT

	No. of premises registered	No. of person employed
Offices	22	88
Retail shops	53	168
Wholesale shops, warehouses		
Catering establishments	21	144
Fuel storage derots		

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WORK OF PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF

Total number of visits of inspection made	 1,939
Houses inspected	 48
Houses reinspected	 32
Cowstables and dairies	 -
Food preparing premises	 35
Meat and other foods inspection	 61
Drains and sewers	 322
Water supplies	 8
Refuse collection	 87
Various	 298
New buildings and alterations	 1,048
In addition, visits made by Mr. Jefferies, Clerk of Works, acting as Asst. Building	
Inspector	 547

FACTORIES ACT, 1957

Particulars of the administration of the Factories Act, 1957 -Parts I and VIII administered by the District Council :-

Inspections

For purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors

		Inspections	No. of written Notices	Occupiers prosec- uted
(i)	Factories in which sections 1,2, 3,4 and 6 are to be enforced			
	by Local Authorities	20	-	-
(ii)	Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by	1		
	the Local Authority	32	-	-
(iii)	Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding			
	outworkers premises)	-	-	-

Cases in which defects were found

(If defects are discovered on the premises on two, three or more separate occasions, they are reckoned as two, three or more cases.)

	Found	Remedied
Want of cleanliness (Section 1)	1	1
Sanitary conveniences unsuitable or		

PART VIII of the Act (Outwork)

defective:

Sections 110 and 111 Nil.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Unsound food dealt with during the year :-

Packet of mouldy sweets One veal and ham pie Contaminated ice lolly

The Council issued strong warnings in each of these cases but no prosecutions were instituted.

WEST WIGHT

WATER SUPPLIES

The rainfall for the year was 34.08 inches and the average water consumption for the West Wight was 674,000 gallons per day. 168 samples of water supplies were examined for bacteriological analysis, of which 8 were classified as unsatisfactory.

The extension or improvement of 5,600 lin. yards of mains was carried out during the year.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Public conveniences are provided at Freshwater Bay, Freshwater (2), Totland, Totland Bay, Colwell and Alum Bay (by arrangement with the Needles Hotel). All the conveniences are maintained by one full-time attendant.

Public Conveniences (chemical disposal type) are provided at Compton Bay. These are maintained by a part-time attendant.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

Main sewerage ystems are provided at Freshwater, Totland, Colwell Bay, Yarmouth, Shorwell, Brighstone and Calbourne

Disposal of sewage

Freshwater -	18" dia. sea outfall at Norton, extending 700 feet out from shore. (Including Monks area)
Yarmouth -	Sea outfall discharging 500 feet from shore near end of Yarmouth Pier.
	6" diameter sea outfall taking the drainage of 4 dwellings at top of High Street.
Totland -	· 12" diameter sea outfall extending 1,400 feet out from shore.
Shorwell -	• To sewage disposal works with purification by settlement tanks and aeration beds.
Brighstone -	· ditto.
Calbourne -	ditto.
Bouldnor are (Shalfleet r	

Brook - By settlement tank (anaerobic treatment) (former Estate sewer)

Newtown - To sewage disposal works with purification by (old settlement tanks and aeration beds. Vicarage Estate)

Small sewage purification plants

There is a small sewage purification plant in Shalfleet Village taking the drainage of some 20 Council houses and private properties.

Small sewage purification plants are provided at Porchfield, Thorley and Newbridge Housing Estates, and there is a small sewage purification plant at Alum Bay dealing with the drainage of the Public Conveniences, the Needles Hotel and Tea Rooms.

A revised scheme for the sewering of the villages of Newbridge and Shalfleet is under active consideration.

A private drain connecting one new property in Warlands Lane, Shalfleet has been taken over by the Council and now serves as a public sever.

The Council has considered the Consulting Engineers' report on the modernisation of the sewerage **sy**stems in the parishes of Freshwater and Totland. The main recommendations are:-

The closing down of the obsolete and costly sea outfall at Totland Bay and the erection of a pumping station in the vicinity of Totland Pier which will pump the sewage in an easterly direction to the crest of the land at Amos Hill and thence by gravity sewer to Station Road, Freshwater, and connection with the Freshwater sewage system in a new main pumping station on the site of the existing pumping station at Freshwater.

The combined flow will then be pumped to the top of Hooke Hill and thence by gravity along the line of the existing main sewer through the land belonging to Kings Manor Farm and the old Gas Works at Norton to a pumping station sited near the existing sea outfall at Norton, where the sewage will be raised into a large sewage holding tank from which the flow through a new submarine sea-outfall can be regulated to discharge the sewage into deep water on the ebb tide.

Alternative proposals for re-routing the sewage system to a new submarine sea outfall at Freshwater Bay and also a scheme for an inland sewage treatment works situated near Redlake Creek on the River Yar were submitted. The Council decided that a special Committee be appointed to go carefully into the merits of the three proposals from the public health and financial aspects and the influence on the West Wight as a holiday resort with a very long and popular coast-line and an ever increasing residential population.

The Consulting Engineers were instructed to carry out a hydrographic survey to determine the most suitable site for an outfall in the Solent.

All these proposals are being carefully examined.

REFUSE COLLECTION

The weekly collection of refuse now covers all parishes in the West Wight including Shorwell, Calbourne and Shalfleet where there was formerly a fortnightly collection.

The centralised refuse tip at Bleakdown is fifteen miles distant from the parishes of Freshwater and Totland and Yarmouth where the bulk of refuse is collected and the increased haulage time has resulted in higher costs for the service but eliminates any cause for complaint as to unsightliness and occasional nuisance from the old tips.

Vehicles

Mileage

Disposal of refuse

Bleakdown

Freshwater, Totland and Yarmouth

S	8:	D	25	cub.	yd.	Pakamatic	7,515
S	&	D	35	cub.	yd.	Pakamatic	9,168

Agricultural Parishes

S & D 20 cub. Jd. Pakamatic 11,500 (Estimated)

Churchills Shalfleet.

Bleakdown and Churchills Quarry,

CESSPOOL EMPTYING SERVICE

Premises are served by a cesspool emptying lorry on hire from Ryde Borough and Ventnor Urban District Council.

Total number of cesspools or septic tanks cleansed

345

HOSTELS

Weston Manor, Totland:

Mains water supply. Main drainage. Weekly collection of refuse.

HOUSING

East and West Wight

No. of new dwellings erected by the Council during the year:

No. of private houses erected

17

174

No. of plans deposited and reported upon by the Council:

734

The increasing popularity of the rural district for residential development is shown in the number of houses erected by private enterprise but the number of new dwellings erected by the Council has decreased.

The pattern of development is changing. Whereas in the past the majority of new dwellings were erected singly for a particular owner, estate development of between twenty and fifty dwellings is now being carried out by builders, hoping to attract buyers. The appearance of some of the larger villages is changing with this new growth and whilst some regret may be felt in the change taking place in the rural landscape, many older persons retiring from their busy life in the mainland towns and cities are fulfilling their hopes of living in a "cottage by the sea" or in the country.

This build-up in our rural villages raises the problem of the adequacy of exisiting sewage disposal systems and the absence of main sewers in village hamlets. It is regrettable that under present legislation and financial restrictions the Council cannot provide new sewers and sewage disposal works in the smaller villages and hamlets in anticipation of a planned growth in the next twenty-five years. The cost of installing a septic tank for each house is expensive, its efficiency is often doubtful, and owners are reluctant to pay for alterations to connect to a main sewage system when the expansion which has taken place in the village makes it essential for the Council to provide a main sewer.

Slum Clearance

See East Wight report.

Assisted house purchase and loans to carry out repairs

See East Wight report.

Improvement Grants

See East Wight report.

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960

No. of caravan sites licensed in the West Wight:

8

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

No. of licensed premises

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT

	No. of premises	No. of persons
	registered	employed
Offices	30	112
Retail shops	71	277
Wholesale shops, warehouses	-	theithe
Catering establishments	31	235
Fuel storage depots	et bebe 1	4

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WORK OF PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF

Total number of visits of inspection made -	1,745
Houses inspected	75
Houses reinspected	60
Cowstables and dairies	4
Food preparation premises	18
Meat and other foods	
inspection	22
Drains and sewers	400
Water supplies	6
Refuse collection	260
Various	300
New buildings & alterations	600
In addition, visits made by Mr. Jefferies, Clerk of Works,	
acting as Asst. Building Inspector	625

FACTORIES ACT

Particulars of the administration of the Factories Act, 1937, Parts I and VIII administered by the District Council:-

Inspections (Part I of the Act)

For purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Daneg Daneg		<u>No. on</u> Register	Inspections	No. of written notices <u>Occupiers</u> prosecuted
(i)	Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by local authorities:	46	4	Constants
(ii)	Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by local authority:	20	1	
(iii)	Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by local authority (excluding out-workers premises)	-		a - 100 - 100 - 10
	Cases in which defects were (If defects are discovered more separate occasions, t more cases.)	on the pre		
				cases in which ts were found
			Found	Remedied
-	Want of cleanliness (Sect.	1)	1	1
	Ineffective drainage of floors (Sect. 6)		-	-
	Sanitary conveniences unsuitable or defective (Sect. 7)		3	3

RODENT CONTROL

East and West Wight

1,360 premises were treated during the year, the Rodent Operator making 4,000 visits. The annual testing and treatment of the Council's sewers was carried out and the spraying of refuse tips.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Amount of unsound food dealt with during the year:-

Canned meat - 16 lbs. Steak & kidney pies - 8 Sausages - 1 lb.

