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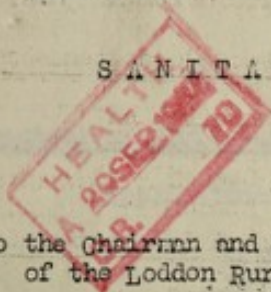
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SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT

for the year 1946.



To the Chairman and Members of the Loddon Rural District Council.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit, as your sanitary Inspector, the Annual Report for the year ending 31st. December, 1946.

Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936.

	<u>Samples Taken</u>	<u>Passed.</u>	<u>Failed</u>	<u>Positive.</u>	<u>Negative.</u>
Accredited	56	51	5		
Bulk samples for biological examination	11				11

Bakehouses

There are three in the district and they are kept satisfactorily.

Slaughter-Houses etc.

No killing has taken place in slaughter houses since the Government established central killing, other than the killing of pigs for owners own consumption under Licence from the Food Office.

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933.

Licensed slaughtermen number 14

Disinfection

Purification was carried out in 12 houses - 6 in respect of verminous houses.

Water supply.

With the exception of Brooke, the majority of houses are supplied from wells. A 4" main has been laid to the new Council House site at Brooke.

Drainage and Sewerage.

A temporary scheme for Council Houses has been laid at Brooke; this will be extended to cover the built up area of the parish.

Scavenging, as in previous years, is carried out by contract in the parishes of Loddon, Chadgrave and part of Ditchingham. These schemes are working satisfactorily.

Condemnation of Food.

The following were condemned as unfit for human consumption :-

	lbs.	ozs.	lbs.	ozs.
Corned Beef	327		salmon	17 -
Corned Mutton	18		Beef	12 8
Stewed steak	1			
Meat and Vegetables	15			
Bacon	15			
Sugar	6			
Flour	6			
Butter				
Peas Tins	5	4		
Beans "	30			
Milk "	22			
Pilchards "	7			
Sardines				

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Summary of work done and registrations.

Milk and Dairies Order, 1926.
Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936.

Cowkeepers Producers and Retailers	173
Butter makers	5
Accredited Producers	75
Milkshops	1
T. T. Producers.	

Bakehouses - 3

Housing Inspections - Rural Housing Survey

Houses inspected	1,306
Houses found overcrowded	30
Visits for infectious disease	6
Houses fumigated	12
Complaints investigated	103
Nuisances detected	353
Nuisances abated	110
Letters sent to owners to abate nuisances	239

Inspections.

Cowsheds	168
Dairies	86
Bake-houses	6
Knackers.	10

Building Byelaws.

Plans submitted	88
approved	86
Dwellings in course of erection at 31.12.46	9
Drains tested and found satisfactory.	27

Housing and Town Planning.

Plans submitted	67
Approved	66
Refused	1

Cowsheds and dairies.

Cowsheds built or re-constructed	6
standings shortened	7
Channels altered	6
Ventilation in sheds approved.	8

Use of hayracks discontinued

Approach to sheds concreted	6
Accumulation of manure removed	3

Diphtheria Immunisation

Since the commencement of this campaign, immunisation has been carried out as follows :-

Under 5 years of age	715
Over 5 years of age	1,605
150	83

Of this number, under 5 years of age and over 5 years were immunised during the year 1946.

Control of Civil Building.

Applications for building licences received in connection with:-

New premises	19
Conversions	3
Repairs - Housing	287
Non-Housing	99
Total =	<u>408</u>

No. of licences issued. 408.

Rats and Lice - Infestation Order, 1943.

During the year house to house inspections were carried out and treatment given where necessary.

Dwelling Houses etc.

Water supply	90
Foul Privy bins	28
Cesspools full	2
Drains, defective.	10
Drains, choked.	2
Absence of sinks.	993
Walls, plaster, brickwork defective	600
Walls damp	800
Walls pointing defective.	315
Windows defective, insufficient area and/or opening space.	900
Stoves defective.	108
copper defective.	80
stairs defective.	97
Ceiling defective.	719
Ovens, defective.	52
Food stores unventilated	20
Roofs defective.	456
Closets defective.	180
Chimney defective.	90
Eaves gutters, rain water pipes defective	60
Floors defective and/or damp	917

Water samples taken --- 26.

My thanks are again due to the Council and Committee for such interest and support as have been given during the year to further the cause of Public Health.

I am, Ladies & Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

K.S. STARLING.
C.R.S.I., M.I.H., M.S.I.A.

Sanitary Inspector.
Building Surveyor.

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The Annual Report
For the Year 1946 of, The Medical
Officer of Health to the Loddon Rural District
Council.

July, 1947.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report for 1946. As I was not your Medical Officer of Health for the period under review, the report is necessarily somewhat shorter than it would otherwise have been.

In accordance with the instructions from the Ministry of Health, this report is on the lines of that for 1945.

The estimated population is 300 less than it was in 1938. The birth rate per 1000 of the estimated population is 18.22 which is 3.35 more than the figure for 1939 but 0.88 less than that for England and Wales as a whole in 1946. In 1938 2.91% of births in the Loddon District were illegitimate but in the year under review the figure was 10.01%.

The still Birth Rate was 25.64 per 1000 total births.

The Death Rate for the year per 1000 estimated population 11.63 which is considerably less than the birth rate and almost the same as that for England and Wales for the same period.

The mortality rate for infants under one year per 1000 live births was 8.77 which is quite satisfactory.

Deaths as result of pregnancy continue to be low. One woman died from maternal causes during the year.

No serious epidemic of infectious disease occurred during the year. The number of deaths due to infectious disease were small. Measles was by far the most common infectious disease among children with a total of 58 cases as apposed to Whooping Cough and Diptheria of which there were 6 and 4 cases respectively. There were 3 deaths due to Tuberculosis and 13 new cases of Tupererculosis added to the register in 1946. As tuberculosis is a preventable disease these figures can be regarded as too high.

The area of your District is 60,000 acres.

Population: (Registrar General's Estimate) 11,860.
 Number of inhabited Houses, 1931 Census 3154. 1946 - 3160 (estimated)
 Rateable Value - £29,392. Product of a penny rate - £129.

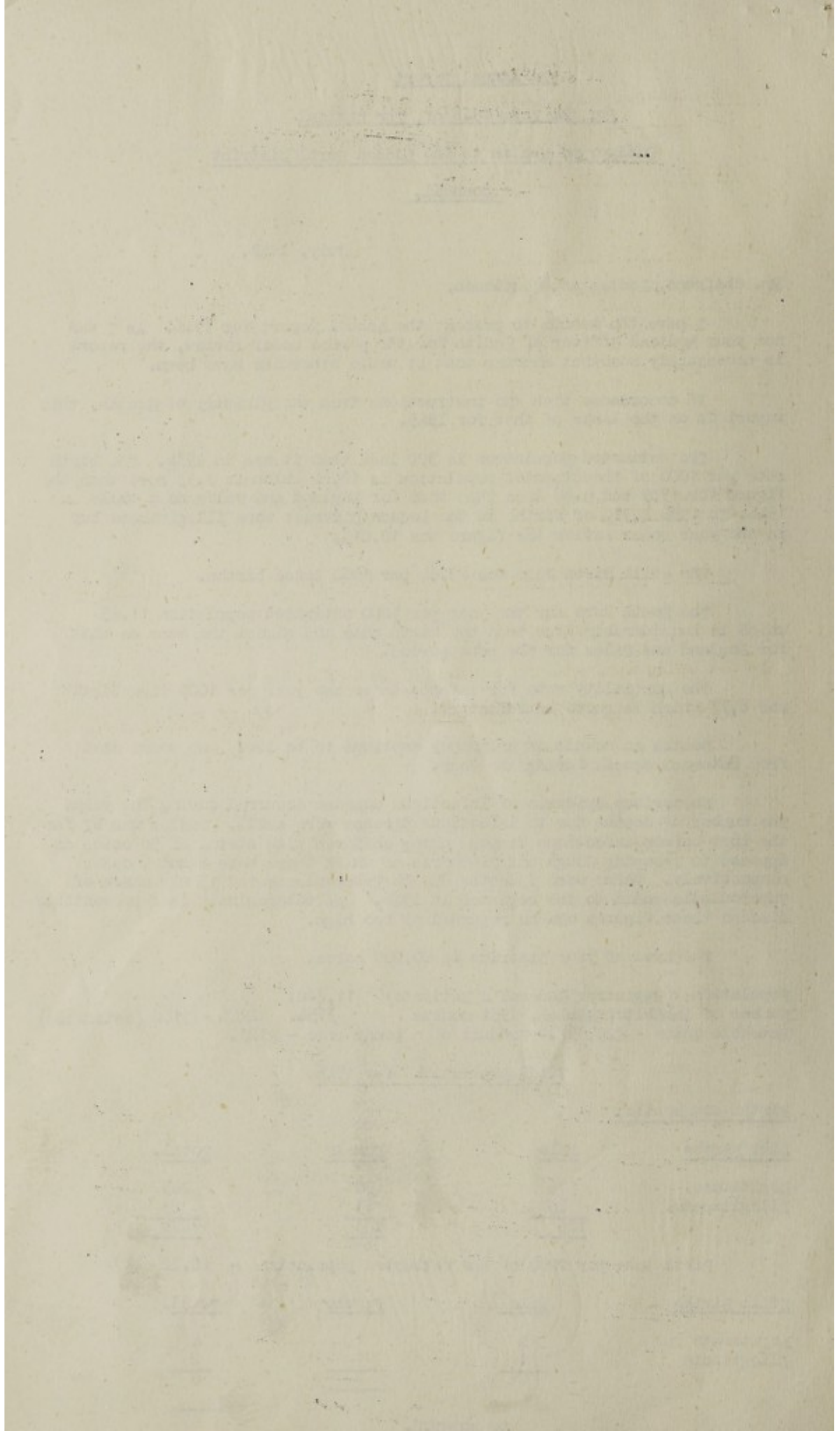
vital statistics for 1946.

Births and Deaths;

<u>Live Births</u>	<u>male</u>	<u>female</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Legitimate.	115	90	205
Illegitimate.	10	13	23
	<u>125</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>228</u>

Birth Rate per 1000 of the estimated population - 18.22

<u>Still Births</u>	<u>male</u>	<u>female</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Legitimate	3	1	4
Illegitimate	1	1	2
	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>



Rate per 1000 total births ----- 25.64

Deaths: Number - 138 (Male-74 Female-64)

Death Rate per 1000 estimated population - 11.63.

Deaths from Puerperal Causes :

On woman died as a result of pregnancy during the year.

Death of Infants under 1 year:

Legitimate - 2 females
 Illegitimate Nil.

Deaths of infants under 1 year per 1000 live births - 8.77

Deaths from measles (all ages) - Nil.
 " " Whooping Cough. Nil.
 " " Diarrhoea under 2yrs. Nil.
 " " Diphtheria Nil
 " " Cancer. 33.

The following table shows a comparison of live births registered in Loddon District in 1938 and 1946 and the figures for England and Wales for the same years.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Birth Rate per 1000 Loddon.</u>	<u>Birth Rate/1000 England & Wales.</u>
1938	14.87	15.1
1946	18.22	19.1

The following table gives a comparison of death rates for the same period.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Death Rate/1000 Loddon</u>	<u>Death Rate/1000 England & Wales.</u>
1938	12.71	11.6
1946	11.63	11.5

The following table gives the causes of death in the Loddon District during 1946.

<u>Cause of Death.</u>	<u>Total (all ages).</u>
Cerebrospinal Fever.	2
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	3
" Other forms.	0
Influenza	2
Cancer of Buccal Cavity Oesophagus and uterus	4
Cancer of the Breast	2
Cancer of all other sites.	26
Diabetes	4
Intracranial Vascular Lesions	9
Heart Disease	45
Other diseases of Circulatory System	5
Bronchitis	4
Pneumonia	1
Appendicitis	2
Other Digestive System Diseases	4
Maternal Causes	1
Premature Birth	2
Con.Mal.Birth Inj.Infant Dis.	2
Suicide	4
Road Traffic Accidents	2
All other Causes.	13
	138

Prevalence of Infectious Diseases During 1946 the following notifiable infectious diseases occurred in the Loddon District.

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Measles	58
Whooping Cough	6
Scarlet fever	2
Diphtheria	4
Pneumonia	4
Infective Hepatitis	6
Flexner Dysentery	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	2
Respiratory Tuberculosis	5
Tuberculosis Other Sites	3
Erysipelas	1

Signed W.W. SINCLAIR.
Medical Officer of Health.

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