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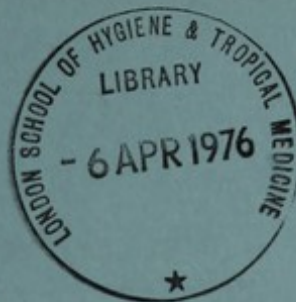
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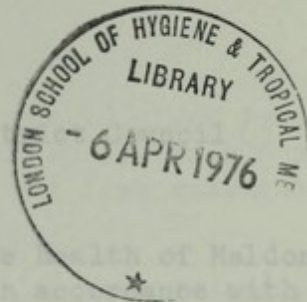
RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALDON

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

1971



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To the Chairman and Members of the Maldon Rural District Council

Mr Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in presenting the report on the health of Maldon Rural District for 1971. This has been compiled in accordance with the Public Health Officers Regulations, 1959 and circular 1/72 of the Department of Health and Social Security.

I must first apologise for the extreme lateness of this document. As you know 1971 was a census year and from the information gathered then I hoped to give a more informative report on populations and housing conditions of the individual parishes. I intended this to be a model for the 1972 reports of the other districts I serve. Unfortunately even now the information I required has not been available, and the report must go out as in previous years.

The estimated mid-year population of the district based on the Census figure was 22,080, an increase over the previous year's estimate of 1,980 or 9.9%. The excess of births over deaths for 1971 was 166 which leaves the rather unlikely figure of 1,814 new residents having moved into the district. It is, in fact, probable that under-estimates of population increase have been made in several previous years, and this probability should be kept in mind when the rest of the statistics are considered.

Live births were only slightly increased and as a result the crude birth rate was considerably reduced and the rate adjusted to take into account the age and sex distribution of the population fell from 22.9 in 1970 to 21.1 in 1971. This slightly suspect figure (as explained in the previous paragraph) is nevertheless well above the national birth rate of 16.0. Of the total live births 4% were illegitimate. There were four stillbirths giving a rate per thousand total births of 10 compared to the national figure of 12.

There was a total of 235 deaths at all ages, 11 fewer than in 1970. Crude and adjusted death rates were, as a result, considerably lower and the adjusted rate (9.2) compared most favourably with the figure for England and Wales (11.6). Infant deaths were fewer than last year and here again the rate for the district was well below the England and Wales figure. No woman died in the district as a result of pregnancy or delivery (including abortion).

A table of causes of death is included, and the study of this discloses that almost half the total deaths (49%) were the result of diseases of the heart and circulation (including strokes); and exactly one in five of these deaths was a person under the age of 65. Malignant disease caused a total of 51 deaths (22%) and more than a quarter of these were cancers of the lung or bronchus. There was a great reduction in the number of deaths due to accidents which totalled only 6 in 1971 compared to 15 in 1970, and only 2 of these involved motor vehicles compared to 7 in the previous year.

A short table of sex and ages at death is reproduced below. It shows that 47% of all deaths occurred in persons aged 75 or over; and it also illustrates well the relative longevity of women.

Sex	All ages	Age in years				
		Under 25	25 - 44	45 - 64	65 - 74	75 & over
Male	125	4	7	29	44	41
Female	110	1	3	9	28	69

Of the communicable diseases measles showed a rise compared to 1970 but only to the sort of figure which would have been expected previously in a non-epidemic year. Eradication is still the goal, but it is obvious that, as yet, not enough babies are being given the protection offered by immunisation.

My thanks go as usual to all the Officers of the Council, and in particular to the Senior Public Health Inspector and his staff, for their unfailing help and co-operation during the year. The assistance of my personal secretary has been invaluable in compiling and producing this report.

I remain, Mr Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen

Yours faithfully

B V HASSAN M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health

STATISTICS

(Figures in brackets refer to 1970)

General Data

Area (in acres).....	78,505	(78,505)
Number of houses (mid year).....	8,160	(7,740)
Number of houses per acre (average).....	.103	(.095)
Number of persons per house (average).....	2.7	(2.6)
Rateable Value.....	£860,665	(£820,969)
Product of a penny rate.....	£ 8,566	(£3,557)
Rate in the pound (financial year 1971/72).....	78½P	(14/11d)

Population

Resident population (Registrar General's mid year estimate)	22,080	(20,100)
Increase over the previous year.....	1,980	(520)
Percentage increase	9.9	(2.7)
Live Births	401	(395)
Deaths	235	(246)
Natural increase (excess of births over deaths).....	166	(149)
Increase due to immigration.....	1,814	(371)

BIRTHS

(a) Live Births

	<u>M</u>		<u>F</u>		<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	198	(201)	187	(174)	385 (375)
Illegitimate	8	(13)	8	(7)	16 (20)
Total	206	(214)	195	(181)	401 (395)

Crude birth rate per 1,000 population	18.2	(19.7)
Adjusted birth rate per 1,000 population	21.1	(22.9)
Birth rate England and Wales	16.0	(16.0)
Ratio of adjusted birth rate to national rate	1.32	(1.43)
Illegitimate live births % of total live births	4	(5)

(b) Stillbirths

Legitimate	-	(2)	4	(-)	4	(2)
Illegitimate	-	(-)	-	(1)	-	(1)
Total	-	(2)	4	(1)	4	(3)

Stillbirth rate per 1,000 total births	10	(8)
" " " " " " England & Wales	12	(13)

(c) Total Births

Legitimate	198	(203)	191	(174)	389	(377)
Illegitimate	8	(13)	8	(8)	16	(21)
Total	206	(216)	199	(182)	405	(398)

DEATHS

(a) All Ages

	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>
125	(130)	110 (116)
Total 235 (246)		

Crude death rate per 1,000 population	10.6	(12.2)
Adjusted " " " "	9.2	(10.6)
England & Wales " " "	11.6	(11.7)

(b) Deaths of Infants

(i) Under one year of age (Infant deaths)

	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	2 (-)	1 (4)	3 (4)
Illegitimate	- (1)	- (-)	- (1)
Total	2 (1)	1 (4)	3 (5)

Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births	7	(13)
" " " England & Wales	18	(18)

(ii) Under four weeks of age (Neonatal deaths)

Legitimate	2 (-)	1 (3)	3 (3)
Illegitimate	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
Total	2 (-)	1 (3)	3 (3)

Neonatal mortality rate per 1,000 live births	7	(8)
" " " England & Wales	12	(12)

(iii) Under one week of age (early neonatal deaths)

Legitimate	2 (-)	1 (1)	3 (1)
Illegitimate	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
Total	2 (-)	1 (1)	3 (1)

Early neonatal mortality rate per		
1,000 live births	7	(3)
" " " England & Wales	10	(11)

DEATHS (CONTINUED)

(iv) Perinatal Mortality (Stillbirths and deaths under one week of age combined)

Perinatal Mortality rate per 1,000

live and stillbirths	17	(10)
" " " England & Wales	22	(23)

(c) Maternal Mortality (Deaths of women ascribed to pregnancy or childbirth including abortion)

Maternal Mortality rate per 1,000

live and stillbirths	-	(-)
" " " England & Wales *	0.17	(0.18)

* Calculated from the last four available quarters

CAUSES OF DEATH

		Male	Female	Total
B19(2)	Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus	1 (-)	1 (-)	2 (-)
B19(3)	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	3 (5)	3 (3)	6 (8)
B19(4)	Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	5 (6)	3 (5)	8 (11)
B19(6)	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	12 (12)	2 (3)	14 (15)
B19(7)	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	- (-)	4 (2)	4 (2)
B19(8)	Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	- (-)	1 (3)	1 (3)
B19(9)	Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	1 (2)	- (-)	1 (2)
B19(10)	Leukaemia	- (-)	1 (1)	1 (1)
B19(11)	Other Malignant Neoplasms	4 (5)	10 (8)	14 (13)
B21	Diabetes Mellitus	1 (1)	2 (-)	3 (1)
B46(1)	Other Endocrine etc. Diseases	- (-)	1 (-)	1 (-)
B46(3)	Mental Disorders	- (-)	1 (1)	1 (1)
B46(5)	Other Diseases of Nervous System	1 (2)	- (1)	1 (3)
B26	Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	1 (2)	1 (2)	2 (4)
B27	Hypertensive Disease	3 (2)	3 (-)	6 (2)
B28	Ischaemic Heart Disease	36 (35)	25 (22)	61 (57)
B29	Other Forms of Heart Disease	5 (2)	2 (4)	7 (6)
B30	Cerebrovascular Disease	14 (16)	19 (23)	33 (39)
B46(6)	Other Diseases of Circulatory System	4 (-)	4 (4)	8 (4)
B32	Pneumonia	10 (11)	10 (7)	20 (18)
B33(1)	Bronchitis and Emphysema	7 (8)	1 (3)	8 (11)
B46(7)	Other Diseases of Respiratory System	- (-)	2 (-)	2 (-)
B34	Peptic Ulcer	1 (-)	2 (-)	3 (-)
B37	Cirrhosis of Liver	- (-)	1 (1)	1 (1)
B46(8)	Other Diseases of Digestive System	2 (2)	- (1)	2 (3)
B39	Hyperplasia of Prostate	1 (1)	- (-)	1 (1)
B46(9)	Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	2 (2)	2 (-)	4 (2)
B46(11)	Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	- (-)	2 (2)	2 (2)
B42	Congenital Anomalies	1 (-)	2 (4)	3 (4)
B43	Birth Injury, Difficult Labour etc.	2 (-)	- (-)	2 (-)
B45	Symptoms and ill defined conditions	2 (-)	2 (2)	4 (2)
BE47	Motor Vehicle Accidents	2 (5)	- (2)	2 (7)
BE48	All Other Accidents	2 (4)	2 (4)	4 (8)
BE49	Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	1 (-)	1 (-)	2 (-)
BE50	All Other External Causes	1 (-)	- (-)	1 (-)
TOTAL ALL CAUSES		125 (130)	110 (116)	235 (246)

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

	Notifications according to age groups							Incidence rate per 10,000 population	
	Under 1	1 - 4	5 - 9	10-14	15-24	25 & over	Total	Maldon R.D.C.	England & Wales
Measles	4	55	77	1	-	1	138	62.5	27.7
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2
Scarlet Fever	-	1	3	-	-	-	4	1.8	2.6
Whooping Cough	4	15	11	-	-	3	34	15.6	3.4
Infective Jaundice	-	-	-	2	1	4	7	3.2	2.9
Tuberculosis (Respiratory)	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	0.9	1.9
Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0014
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.02
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.03
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

	<u>Description of Work</u>	<u>No. of Visits</u>
Housing:	Disrepair and sanitary defects	63
	Recondition or demolition	24
	Overcrowding	13
	Council House applications	26
	Houses surveyed and recorded	90
	Qualification certificates	13
	Miscellaneous	7
Improvement Grants:	Initial Visits	149
Discretionary	Visits of works in progress	636
Improvement or	Visits upon completion	45
Conversion		
Standard Grants:	Initial Visits	36
	Visits of works in progress	254
	Visits upon completion	13
Public Health Acts:	Public Health Nuisances	84
	Smoke Nuisances	9
	Noise Nuisances	15
Sewerage and Drainage:	Surveys re proposed sewage schemes	11
	Drainage nuisances	156
	Drainage advisory visits	60
	Drain tests and inspections	145
	Closet conversions	23
Public cleansing	Refuse Collection	32
supervision	Refuse Disposal	70
	Nightsoil Collection	1
	Cesspool Emptying	6
	Cesspool contents disposal	-
	Civic Amenities Act	17
Water Supply:		
Samples taken from:	Public Mains Supply	5
	Private Wells	2
Other Visits		93
	Carried Forward	2098

Description of WorkNo. of Visits

	Brought Forward	2098
Caravan Sites:	Seasonal holiday	5
	Individual Sites	17
	Permanent residential	2
Food:	Bakehouses	1
	Fish Shops and Fish Fryers	2
	General Provision shops	23
	Ice Cream Premises (Rgd.)	5
	Meat Products Premises (Rgd.)	1
	Meat Shops	2
Food Premises	Poultry Dressing premises	1
Inspections:	Public Houses and Inns	1
	Restaurants and Cafes	4
	Slaughterhouses and meat inspection	236
	Street Vendors	9
	School kitchens and sculleries	7
	Work Canteens	1
	Dairies	1
	Food Factory	1
Rodent and Other	Treatment of Domestic Premises	6
Pests Control:	Treatment of Agriculture and business premises	3
Inspections re:	Other pests	15
	Premises Disinfected	3
Factories and Workshops:	Factories with mechanical power	9
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act:	Shops	1
	Carried forward	2454

Description of Work

No. of Visits

Brought Forward 2454

Miscellaneous Animal Boarding Establishments Act 2
Boiling of Waste Foods 8

Inspections re: Notifiable Disease Investigations 6
Swimming Pools 1
Stables and Piggeries 3
Miscellaneous Visits 130

TOTAL NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH 2604

Council House Maintenance 88
Management: Modernisation 518
Applications 26
Inspections re: Revision of waiting lists 11
Other Visits 51

TOTAL NUMBER OF ALL INSPECTIONS MADE 3298

NOTICES SERVED AND COMPLIED WITH

NATURE OF WORK

Public Health and Housing Acts

	<u>Formal</u>	<u>Informal</u>	<u>Complied with</u>
Cesspool Nuisances	-	-	-
Dampness	-	1	-
Drainage Nuisances	1	18	7
Housing Defects	-	11	4
Fly Infestations	-	2	1
Noxious Effluvia	-	3	2
Inadequate Dustbins	-	-	-
Defective or Unsatisfactory Drains and Sewers	14	2	2
Refuse Accumulation	-	4	2
Abandoned Vehicles	8	2	11
Noise Nuisance	-	2	2

WORK CARRIED OUT BY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT

1. Beckingham Road, Tolleshunt D'Arcy

A short extension of the 6" sewer was carried out along Beckingham Road, Tolleshunt D'Arcy to enable 4 Council houses to be connected.

2. Pumping Station, Catchpole Lane and Alterations to Sewage Works, Gt. Totham

Work on a new pumping station and provision of garage facilities at the sewage works was put in hand during the year.

3. Broad Street Green, Gt. Totham

Work commenced on the extension of the sewer in Broad Street Green, Gt. Totham to enable the properties along this road to be connected to main sewerage. The sewer drains into the Maldon Borough Sewer and thence to their works.

4. Maylandsea Sewer Extension

A scheme has been prepared to provide a pumping station and short length of sewer to complete the sewerage of the Maylandsea Area and it is hoped to put this work in hand early in the new year.

5. Great Totham Sewage Works

A scheme has been prepared to provide extra facilities at the above works. The scheme consists of a Pasveer Ditch and alteration to the existing layout of the works to give increased capacity at these works which at the present time are heavily overloaded.

6. North Fambridge Sewerage Scheme

Work is in hand on the preparation of detailed plans and quantities for this scheme.

7. Cock Clarks Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Scheme

A start has been made on the preliminary survey for a small scheme to deal with this village.

SCHEMES PREPARED BY YOUR CONSULTANTS

Work has commenced on the extensions to these works.

WORK CARRIED OUT BY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT

DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS AND PAIL CLOSET CONVERSIONS

During the year the following work has been carried out under the supervision of the Public Health Department.

Sewer Connections

Althorne	10
Bradwell-on-Sea	1
Cold Norton	20
Latchingdon	12
Mayland	13
Mundon	1
Steeple	4
Stow Maries	5
Tolleshunt Knights	7
Tolleshunt Major	39
Little Totham	22
50 per cent contribution to the cost of closet conversion (Section 47 of the Public Health Act, 1936)	9
Premises drained to Cesspools or Septic Tanks	28
Conversion of pail closets to water closets	61
Drains Reconstructed	16

RECORD OF HABITABLE HOUSES AND WATER
SUPPLY AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 1971

PARISH	Habitable Houses (not including Huts or Vans)	No. of Houses on Domestic Water Supply	Within 100 yds of main water but not supplied	Where piped water supply is not available
Althorne	283	283	-	-
Asheldham	53	53	-	-
Bradwell-on-Sea	272	271	-	1
Braxted, Great	132	110	2	20
Braxted, Little	54	54	-	-
Cold Norton	243	243	-	-
Dengie	53	47	-	6
Fambridge, North	179	179	-	-
Goldhanger	210	206	-	4
Hazeleigh	42	42	-	-
Langford	62	57	1	4
Latchingdon	515	515	-	-
Mayland	314	314	-	-
Mundon	109	109	-	-
Purleigh	402	400	-	2
St Lawrence	187	187	-	-
Southminster	1012	996	1	15
Steeple	172	170	-	2
Stow Maries	85	85	-	-
Tillingham	379	366	6	7
Tollesbury	722	721	-	1
Tolleshunt D'Arcy	371	354	6	11
Tolleshunt Knights	224	224	-	-
Tolleshunt Major	158	157	-	1
Totham, Great	803	799	-	4
Totham, Little	113	108	3	2
Ulting	53	45	-	8
Wickham Bishops	509	479	2	28
Woodham Mortimer	171	169	1	1
Woodham Walter	210	198	1	11
TOTALS	8092	7941	23	128

WATER SUPPLY

The water supply of the district was taken over completely on 1st April 1971 by the Essex Water Company and I am indebted to the General Manager for the following information.

The supply during the year has been generally satisfactory in quantity and very satisfactory in quality. This is ensured by regular sampling of the water at all stages of treatment and at different points in the supply. Additionally, of course, the public health staff of the Council collects samples for independent analysis and these proved consistently good.

Standpipe supplies were given only to 28 dwelling houses. The total population supplied by standpipe was 84.

ESSEX WATER COMPANY

AVERAGE ANALYSES OF PURIFIED WATER PASSING TO SUPPLY 1971

(Milligrammes per litre, except where stated)

	<u>Langham Works</u>	<u>Hanningfield Works</u>	<u>Langford Works</u>
Electrical Conductivity, us/cm	741	-	780
pH value	7.7	8.6	8.8
Chlorides Cl	56	70	78
Total Oxidised Nitrogen	6.4	4.3	9.5
Hardness, non-carb.	131	82	96
Hardness, carbonate	216	59	49
Hardness, total	347	141	145
Free ammonia (N)	0.17	0.12	0.16
Albuminoid Nitrogen	0.12	0.16	0.16
Permanganate Value (4h/27°)	1.26	1.18	1.39
Iron, Fe	0.02	-	0.08
Fluoride, F	0.38	0.18	0.22

Bacteriological Examinations

No. of Testings during year	316	314	365
% of samples free from E.coli (Type 1) in 100 ml.	100.0	100.0	98.9
% of samples free from Coliform bacteria in 100 ml.	100.0	100.0	97.8
Maximum count of Coliform bacteria per 100 ml.	0	0	3

Swimming Baths and Pools

There is a small open air salt water pool at Tollesbury and small open air pools at Bradwell-on-Sea, Latchingdon and Purleigh County Primary Schools. Tests of the school pools in connection with efficiency of chlorination and pH value of the water are carried out at regular intervals.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

Household Refuse

A weekly collection is carried out by Contractors in all Parishes of the District. From the more outlying properties this collection is done by direct labour.

Arrangements for the collection of more bulky items of household refuse may be made on application to the Public Health Department and this service is provided by Direct Labour.

Collection of Nightsoil

Until the Council's programme of main drainage is completed the number of properties without water closets must unfortunately remain high and is currently estimated at 432.

A weekly pail closet collection from those parts of Parishes where main drainage is not available is carried out by private contractors.

Emptying of Cesspools

The Council commenced a scheme for the emptying of cesspools throughout the district in April, 1961. The scheme allows for a once yearly free clearance of a load not exceeding 1,000 gallons.

Derelict Cars

The Council has arranged for the removal of 8 car bodies during the year. This work is being carried out for the Council by a firm of Car Breakers.

Oil Pollution of Beaches

The district has been fortunate in this respect in that no pollution has occurred. The Essex County Council have an emergency plan for the coastal district of the County including the Maldon Rural District.

HOUSING

Statistics for the Year 1971

Number of new houses erected during the year:

Total	289
(i) By the Local Authority	8
(ii) By other bodies and persons	281

The following table classifies the properties erected and owned by the District Council.

PARISH

	4 Bed- room	3 Bed- room	2 Bed- room	1 Bed- room	Total
Althorne	-	-	-	-	-
Asheldham	-	5	2	-	7
Bradwell-on-Sea	2	20	7	7	36
Braxted, Great	-	18	2	-	20
Braxted, Little	-	4	-	-	4
Cold Norton	-	10	-	-	10
Dengie	-	8	-	-	8
Fambridge, North	-	-	-	-	-
Goldhanger	-	80	4	8	92
Hazeleigh	-	6	-	-	6
Langford	-	-	-	-	-
Latchingdon	2	55	23	-	80
Mayland	-	12	-	-	12
Mundon	-	22	-	-	22
Purleigh	2	66	13	-	81
St. Lawrence	-	-	-	-	-
Southminster	13	177	23	12	225
Steeple	1	18	3	-	22
Stow Maries	-	18	-	-	18
Tillingham	-	51	6	7	64
Tollesbury	-	66	8	-	74
Tolleshunt D'Arcy	-	60	14	8	82
Tolleshunt Knights	-	10	-	-	10
Tolleshunt Major	2	13	2	-	17
Totham, Great	1	94	27	4	126
Totham, Little	-	11	-	-	11
Ulting	-	-	-	-	-
Wickham Bishops	2	51	8	-	61
Woodham Mortimer	-	18	-	-	18
Woodham Walter	-	24	14	-	38
Totals	25	917	156	46	1144

The total includes six Coastguard Cottages (parlour) re-erected on a new site in Bradwell-on-Sea and buildings at Asheldham and Southminster converted into six dwellings, nine cottages (non-parlour) purchased by the Council at Wickham Bishops, and 18 agricultural cottages (parlour) at Asheldham (4), Southminster (4), Steeple (6), Tolleshunt D'Arcy (4), 26 houses at Tillingham, 20 houses at Latchingdon and 104 houses at Southminster (built for occupation by employees of the Central Electricity Generating Board employed at Bradwell Generating Station. 44 of these - Tillingham 6, Latchingdon 6, Southminster 32 - have now reverted to the Council for general letting purposes).

Housing Act, 1957

Houses repairable at reasonable cost

No. of houses rendered fit after service of notices under Housing Act, 1957:

Ss. 9, 10 and 16	<u>Formal</u>	<u>Informal</u>
By owner:	4	92
By local authority:	1	Nil

No. of houses rendered fit after service of notices under Public Health Act:

By owner:	Nil	Nil
By local authority	Nil	Nil

Totals:

By owner:	4	92
By local authority	1	Nil

Houses Not repairable at a reasonable cost

No. of Undertakings accepted (S.16).....	5
No. of Closing Orders made (S.17)	2
No. of Demolition Orders made (S.17)	3
No. of Houses Demolished	7
No. of Persons Displaced	
(a) Individuals	7
(b) Families	7
No. of Clearance Areas represented during the Year	Nil

Housing Act 1969

Improvement Grants

(1) Standard

1. No. of Applications

Owner/Occupiers Standard

Tenanted Standard

5 Point

3 Point

5 Point

3 Point

Received

30

-

-

-

Approved

22

-

14

-

Refused

-

-

-

-

2. No. of dwellings improved

42

3. Amount paid in grants ...

£6967.87

4. Average grant per house ...

£165.90

5. No. of amenities provided:

(a) Fixed bath

25

(b) Shower ...

-

(c) Wash hand basin ...

25

(d) Hot water supply (to any fittings) ...

31

(e) Water closet

(i) Within dwelling ...

25

(ii) Accessible from dwelling ...

-

(f) Food store ...

-

(2) Discretionary

Owner/Occupier

Tenanted

1. No. of applications received

74

-

2. No. of applications approved

57

37

3. No. of applications refused

-

-

4. No. of dwellings improved

50

-

5. Amount paid in grants ...

£22,969

6. Average grant per house ...

£ 459.38

Housing Act

The following table gives an analysis of the number of houses modernised since the improvement grant scheme was introduced in 1949:

<u>PARISH</u>	<u>Improvement Grants</u>	<u>Standard Grants</u>	<u>Council Houses</u>	<u>Total Modernised</u>
Althorne	28	10	-	38
Asheldham	4	6	-	10
Bradwell-on-Sea	21	15	18	54
Braxted, Great	17	3	6	26
Braxted, Little	10	2	-	12
Cold Norton	29	3	-	32
Dengie	6	-	8	14
Fambridge, North	22	4	-	26
Goldhanger	21	6	28	55
Hazeleigh	4	2	-	6
Langford	10	-	-	10
Latchingdon	13	4	-	17
Mayland	14	6	12	32
Mundon	10	5	24	39
Purleigh	20	12	18	50
St. Lawrence	7	2	-	9
Southminster	23	19	38	80
Steeple	14	4	-	18
Stow Maries	10	2	6	18
Tillingham	31	14	6	61
Tollesbury	112	30	30	172
Tolleshunt D ^o Arcy	27	8	6	51
Tolleshunt Knights	23	17	10	50
Tolleshunt Major	28	4	-	32
Totham, Great	66	17	26	109
Totham, Little	18	5	-	23
Ulting	13	4	-	17
Wickham Bishops	28	18	21	67
Woodham Mortimer	16	2	6	24
Woodham Walter	29	2	12	43
	<u>674</u>	<u>226</u>	<u>275</u>	<u>1175</u>

Total number of houses in district at end of 1939 - 5,052

Housing Act, 1964

No. of Improvement Areas ...	NIL
No. of representations made by tenants outside Improvement Areas	1

Housing Act, 1969

No. of General Improvement Areas ...	NIL
No. of applications for Qualification Certificates ...	6
No. of Qualification Certificates granted ...	6
No. of Qualification Certificates refused ...	NIL

Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960

No. of Site Licences operating as at 31st December 1971:

(a) Individual	21 residential 59 holiday
(b) Multiple	1 residential situated at Riverview Caravan Park, Althorne, which is licensed for 100 caravans.

7 holiday sites as follows:-

<u>Sites</u>	<u>No. of Licensed Caravan Sites</u>
Green Man Camping Site, Bradwell-on-Sea	30
St. Cedd's Caravan Park, East End Road, Bradwell-on-Sea	70
Everitts Caravan Park, Maylandsea, Latchingdon	30
Lawlinge Caravans, Maylandsea, Latchingdon	100
St. Lawrence Caravan Club, St. Lawrence Bay	400
Wick Farm Caravan Site, St. Lawrence Bay	100
Steeple Bay Caravan Park, Steeple	388

Total No. of Caravans:

Residential	121
Holiday	1177

Tented Camping Sites

There are three tented camping sites in regular use during the year. One of these sites is licensed and in the case of the other two the period of use is not sufficient to require formal licensing. Conditions at these sites are satisfactory.

Gypsies and other Travellers

To date the Essex County Council has not established any official sites for gypsies in the County. Although travellers visit the district periodically to do seasonal work on farms they do not constitute a serious problem in the Maldon Rural District. It has been the policy of this Council to give sympathetic consideration to the rehousing of caravan dwellers including such travellers as show desire to settle in the district.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Meat Inspection

Carcases Inspected and Condemned:-

	<u>Cattle excluding Cows</u>	<u>Cows</u>	<u>Calves</u>	<u>Sheep</u>	<u>Pigs</u>
Number killed	1,887	327	71	1,966	3,686
Number not inspected	-	-	-	-	-
All diseases except Tuberculosis & Cysticerci:					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	1	7	1	17
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	111	50	2	34	183
Tuberculosis Only:					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	42
Cysticerci:					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to Refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-

Meat Specimens Examined .. Nil

Meat Inspection (Amendment) Regulations 1966

No orders have been made specifying days and times of slaughtering.

Poultry Inspection

There are two poultry slaughter establishments in the district with an estimated total average through-put of 15,000. A general oversight over the inspection of poultry carried out by the trade in accordance with the Ministry of Health Circular 261/2 is maintained.

Slaughterhouses

Prevention of Cruelty Regulations:

Contraventions: NIL

Hygiene Regulations - Equipment

Contraventions: NIL

Hygiene Regulations - Hygiene Practices

Contraventions: NIL

Unsound Food Surrendered or Condemned

	Tons	Cwts	lbs
Meat at Slaughterhouses	1	14	38
Meat at Wholesale Premises	-	-	14
Meat at retail shops	-	-	-
Cooked Meat and Meat Products	-	-	-
Canned Meats	-	-	30
Other Foods (Canned)	9	-	34
Fish (Fresh)	-	-	14
Fruit and Vegetables	-	-	-
Frozen Foods due to cabinet breakdown	2	6	76
Other Foods	-	-	-
Total	13	1	94

Foreign Bodies in Food

Commodity

Milk	2
Meat Pies	-
Vegetables	-
Confectionery	-
Bread	2
Other food	1

Bakehouses

There are four bakehouses in the district situated in the following parishes:

Tillingham	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Tollesbury	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Wickham Bishops	..	..	..	..	..	..	1

Regular inspections are carried out and conditions are satisfactory.

Milk Supply

There are 29 licensed distributors of milk in the district

ADMINISTRATION OF THE FACTORIES ACT

1961

Inspections for the purposes of provisions as to Health, including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors.

	<u>Number</u> <u>on</u> <u>Register</u>	<u>Inspections</u>	<u>Written</u> <u>Notices</u>	<u>Occupiers</u> <u>Prosecuted</u>
(a) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	2	-	-	-
(b) Factories not included in (a) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	57	-	-	-
(c) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	9	-	-	-
Total	68	-	-	-

OFFICES SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Regulations and General Inspections

<u>Class of Premises</u>	<u>No. of premises registered during the year</u>	<u>No. of registered premises at end of year</u>	<u>No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year</u>
Offices	1	22	2
Retail Shops	2	51	4
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	-	-
Catering establishments open to the public, Canteens	-	-	-
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-
Totals	3	73	6

Total No. of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to Registered Premises under the Act

10

No. of Contraventions Found

NIL

Exemptions

No. of applications received

NIL

No. of applications granted

NIL

Prosecutions

NIL

Reported Accidents

NIL

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

There are ten animal boarding establishments licensed under the above Act situated in the following parishes:

1	Althorne
1	Latchingdon
1	Mundon
1	Purleigh
1	Southminster
1	Tolleshunt Major
2	Little Totham
1	Ulting
1	Woodham Mortimer

Regular inspections have been carried out and conditions were found to be satisfactory.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

There is one licensed pet shop situated at Latchingdon.

SCRAP METAL DEALERS ACT, 1964

There are sixteen scrap metal dealers registered under the above Act.

Three Exemption Certificates have been issued under Section 3 (1) of the Act.

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

Industrial

No. of contraventions	Nil
No. of plans submitted showing height of new chimneys	Nil
No. approved	Nil

Domestic

No. of Smoke Control Areas	Nil
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NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960 - S.1.

No. of complaints received	3
No. investigated	3
Total No. of visits	3
No. of complaints received under Section II (Loudspeakers)	NIL

ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL ACT, 1952 P.7.

Houseboats

During the year five written consents to moor or place houseboats were issued. These houseboats are situated in the parishes of Althorne, Latchingdon and Tollesbury.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

The Council operates a rat destruction scheme and employs two full-time rat catchers. Work is carried out on farms, domestic premises and local authority undertakings, including refuse tips, sewage works and sewers throughout the whole of the rural district.

The following is an analysis of the work carried out by the rat catchers during the year:

	<u>Non- Agricultural</u>	<u>Agricultural</u>
No. of Properties in district	8,904	309
Total No. of properties inspected as a result of notification	245	-
No. infested by rats	157	-
No. infested by mice	88	-
Total No. of Properties inspected for reasons other than notification	647	432
No. infested by rats	405	432
No. infested by mice	221	56

Table showing Census Population 1971, 1961 and 1951
by Parishes

PARISH	1971	1961	1951
Althorne	730	483	451
Asheldham	165	180	170
Bradwell-on-Sea	565	1116	680
Braxted, Great	320	322	363
Braxted, Little	130	131	162
Cold Norton	655	416	401
Dengie	115	117	165
Fambridge, North	460	240	278
Goldhanger	605	506	462
Hazeleigh	100	100	114
Langford	165	182	153
Latchingdon	1365	843	595
Mayland	870	484	426
Mundon	260	290	324
Purleigh	1175	914	886
St. Lawrence	280	248	151
Southminster	3210	1897	1444
Steeple	375	338	330
Stow Maries	210	182	182
Tillingham	865	764	683
Tollesbury	1760	1577	1594
Tolleshunt D'Arcy	1030	864	758
Tolleshunt Knights	595	326	405
Tolleshunt Major	425	341	403
Totham, Great	2250	1291	1221
Totham, Little	335	237	292
Ulting	135	108	132
Wickham Bishops	1680	911	866
Woodham Mortimer	445	434	341
Woodham Walter	585	499	531
TOTALS	21855	16341	14963

