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AND THE

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR

1969



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STATISTICS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS IN THE AREA

Area of land and inland water	7,834 acres
Registrar General's estimate of resident population	22,870
Number of dwelling houses	
Total number of assessments	
Notable cases of ...	

The Council House,
Malvern.

November, 1970.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present our Annual Report for the year 1969. This year was notable for the extremely low incidence of Infectious Disease until the Autumn. The notifications received were less than in any year since 1960. During the Autumn the so called Asian 'Flu became prevalent in the district, but again proved far less widespread than had been in fact expected and failed to disrupt the community life as it was feared might have been the case. It would not be appropriate for me to comment further upon the health of the community than to say that it was satisfactory during the year.

This is the last report that Mr. Hugh L. Whitwham will have written for you, and I just have to repeat how much everyone has valued his work over the past thirty-eight years.

Live Births (per 1,000 total population)	16.2
Still Births	7.0
Death Rate (per 1,000 total population)	11.2
Infantile Mortality (per 1,000 live births)	16.0

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

H. F. GREEN.

<u>Causes of Death - All Ages</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Enteritis and other diarrhoeal diseases	1	1	-
Respiratory (Influenza)	1	1	-
Other infectious and parasitic diseases	1	1	-
Cancer	64	35	29
Cancer (of cervix and prostate)	17	2	15
Ischaemic	1	1	-
Arterial	1	-	1
Disease of heart and arteries	100	72	28
Respiratory diseases (including tuberculosis and asthma)	47	29	18
Pneumonia	1	1	-
Diseases of liver	1	-	1
Other diseases of digestive system	5	1	4
Septicæmia and septicaemia	1	1	-
Other diseases, genito-urinary system	4	2	2
Diseases of nervous-system	1	1	-
Birth injury, difficult labour etc.	1	1	-
Other causes of Perinatal Mortality	1	1	-
Suicide and all defined conditions	1	-	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	4	4	-
All other Accidents	1	-	1
Suicide and self-inflicted injury	1	1	-
All other external causes	1	1	-

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS IN THE AREA

Area of land and inland water	7,400 acres
Registrar General's estimate of resident population	29,810
Number of dwelling houses	9,477
Total number of assessments	11,153
Rateable value at 31.3.70	£1,105,585
Sum represented by a penny rate at 31.3.70	£4,420

EXTRACT FROM THE VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR

Live Birth Rate (per 1,000 estimated resident population)	14.4
Still Birth Rate (per 1,000 live and still births)	16.0
Still Birth Rate (per 1,000 estimate resident population)	0.2
Death Rate (per 1,000 estimate resident population)	10.1
Infantile Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	8.0

COMPARABLE DATA FOR ENGLAND AND WALES 1969

Live Births (per 1,000 total population)	16.3
Still Birth Rate (per 1,000 live and still births)	13.0
Death Rate (per 1,000 home population)	11.9
Infantile Mortality (per 1,000 live births)	18.0

DEATHS

<u>Causes of Death - All Ages</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal diseases	1	1	-
Tuberculosis (respiratory)	1	1	-
Other infective and parasitic diseases	1	-	1
Cancer (all forms)	64	31	33
Cancer (of lung and bronchus)	11	9	2
Leukaemia	6	1	5
Anaemia	1	-	1
Disease of Heart and Arteries	180	72	108
Respiratory Diseases (Excluding Tuberculosis and Cancer)	47	19	28
Peptic Ulcer	2	2	-
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	-	1
Other Diseases of Digestive system	5	1	4
Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	1	-
Other Diseases, Genito-urinary system	4	2	2
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal system	3	-	3
Birth injury, difficult labour etc.	1	1	-
Other causes of Perinatal Mortality	1	1	-
Symptoms and ill defined conditions	3	-	3
Motor Vehicle Accidents	4	4	-
All other Accidents	5	-	5
Suicide and Self-inflicted injuries	5	3	2
All other external causes	2	2	-

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE AREA

Water Supplies

There are two main sources of Malvern Water. First a deep borehole at Bromsberrow which has been sunk in new red sandstone. It provides an abundant and good water supply showing an average total hardness of 21. It is not contaminated in any way. The second is water collected from the hills around the British Camp, the reservoir lying in a hollow in these hills. This supply is more in the nature of a standby than a main supply, and the analysis is typical of hill water that it, contains few "Solids in Solution" and having a low total hardness.

The monthly bacteriological examination of water taken from taps at various points in the town mains supply was uniformly satisfactory showing the absence of faecal coli on each occasion.

MALVERN WATER

Physical Characters

25th February, 1969.

Colour	Colourless
Odour	None
Deposit	None
pH	7.4

Chemical Examination (Results expressed in parts per million)

Solids in Solution (Dried at 180°C)	295
" After Ignition	175
Chlorine present as Chlorine	23
Hardness Non-Carbonate	36
" Carbonate	180
" Total	216
Ammoniacal Nitrogen	0.01
Albuminoid Nitrogen	0.01
Nitrate Nitrogen	6.7
Nitrite Nitrogen	Nil
Permanganate Value (4 hours at 27°C)	0.28
Toxic Metals	None detected
Total Residual Chlorine	Nil

Water Supply from Wells

Only a few houses are supplied with water obtained from shallow wells. Samples are submitted from time to time to the Laboratory for analysis.

Public Cleansing

This work is carried out under the direction of the Engineer and Surveyor. The disposal of household refuse is undertaken at the Guarnford Sewerage Works by means of tipping. Street sweeping in central area daily, elsewhere once weekly. Cesspool emptying by mechanical means as required.

Swimming Baths and Pools

- (a) Public Swimming Pool - Public Pool owned by Local Authority
- (b) Privately owned Pools open to the Public - None
- (c) Action taken to ensure the satisfactory condition of water - Frequent visits and bacteriological and chemical analysis

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

Laboratory Services

Chemical analysis is carried out, as before, by arrangement with the County Laboratory at the County Buildings. Bacteriological examinations are carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Worcester Royal Infirmary.

Clinics

There are none provided by this Authority.

The following clinics are provided by the Worcestershire County Council:-

Infant Welfare Centres

The Clinic, Victoria Park Road	Wednesdays	2.00	-	4.00 p.m.
Sydenham Villa Newtown Road	Tuesdays	2.00	-	4.00 p.m.
Methodist Church School Room Lansdowne Crescent	1st Friday in the month	2.00	-	4.00 p.m.
Wyche Institute, Lower Wyche	1st Tuesday in the month	2.00	-	4.00 p.m.
St. Mary's Church Hall, Sherrards Green	Fridays	2.00	-	4.00 p.m.
Parish Hall, West Malvern	1st Monday in the month	2.00	-	4.00 p.m.
Wood Farm Camp, Malvern Wells	4th Monday in the month	2.00	-	4.00 p.m.

School Clinic

The Clinic, Victoria Park Road	Fridays (by appointment only)	9.30	-	12.00 noon
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Chiropody

The Clinic, Victoria Park Road	Mondays	9.00	-	1.00 p.m.
		2.00	-	5.00 p.m.
	Tuesdays	9.00	-	12.30 p.m.
		1.30	-	4.30 p.m.
	Wednesdays	9.00	-	12.30 p.m.
	Fridays	2.00	-	5.00 p.m.

Applications from Old Age Pensioners, Expectant Mothers and Handicapped People should be made to the County Medical Officer, Worcester.

Dental

The Grove School, Pickersleigh Grove	(by appointment only)	Applications made to Principal Dental Officer, Worcester
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Occulist

The Clinic, Victoria Park Road	As required (by appointment only)	Applications made to County Medical Officer, Worcester
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Hearing

The Clinic, Victoria Park Road	(by appointment only)	Applications made to County Medical Officer, Worcester
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RelaxationThe Clinic,
Victoria Park Road1st, 3rd and 5th
Thursdays (by
appointment only) 2.00 - 4.30 p.m.Speech TherapyThe Clinic,
Victoria Park RoadMondays and
Fridays (cases
referred by School
Health Service) 9.30 - 12.00 noonPREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

The following table shows the number of infectious diseases notified during 1969.

<u>Disease</u>	<u>All Ages</u>	<u>0-</u>	<u>1-</u>	<u>2-</u>	<u>3-</u>	<u>4-</u>	<u>5-9</u>	<u>10-14</u>	<u>15-24</u>	<u>25+</u>	<u>N.K.</u>
Measles	21	-	5	3	1	3	5	1	1	1	1
Scarlet Fever	4	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	1
Tuberculosis (respiratory)	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-

PROPHYLAXISDiphtheria Immunisation Ages 0 - 4 years Ages 5 - 16 years Total

Children who received a full course of primary immunisation 267 18 285

Children who received a re-inforcing injection 173 452 625

Whooping Cough Immunisation

Children who completed a primary course of immunisation 259 6 265

Children who received a re-inforcing injection - - -

Tetanus Immunisation

Children who completed a primary course of immunisation 268 79 347

Children who received a re-inforcing injection 182 618 800

Smallpox VaccinationUnder 1 year 1 - 2 years 2 - 4 years 5 - 12 years Total

11 193 37 21 262

The Department of Health and Social Security recommends that routine primary vaccination is not advisable during the first few weeks of life. It should be carried out at some time before the age of two years, preferably during the second year.

Measles Vaccination

<u>Year of Birth</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1962 - 1965</u>	<u>1953 - 1961</u>	<u>Total</u>
	-	37	63	46	66	1	213

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 SECTION 47

One person was removed to hospital under the 1951 amending Act of the National Assistance Act.

The Council House,
Malvern.

January, 1970.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I had the honour to present my first Annual Report for the year 1932. This report, dealing with the duties and responsibilities of your Public Health Inspectors during the year 1969 will be my last, since I am due to retire in the early part of 1970.

I consider that I have been very privileged to serve the townspeople of Malvern all those years, and witness the many changes that have taken place, along with the expansion of the town, by the extension of its boundaries, and the growth of the population to almost double that of 1932.

The town has thrived during the past four decades, and the economic prosperity contrasts with the depression of the early thirties. Since that time, there have been tremendous changes affecting the wider aspects of Public Health, partly brought about by the inventiveness and persistence of pioneers and the requirements of new legislation, resulting in the improvement of standards in our environment, with which the Public Health Service is involved to a greater extent than is generally appreciated. There is no doubt, however, the community these days with modern comforts, enjoys the benefits of better conditions not only in their homes, but at places of work, school, factory, office, shop or place of public resort and recreation.

The sphere of interest and the responsibilities of this department have increased very considerably. Every endeavour has been made to keep constantly abreast with the ever widening trends towards higher standards, and on frequent occasions, cope with other extraneous duties.

I have mentioned in previous reports, that a review of the staff should be considered. I feel this is now overdue, extra clerical assistance is much needed to ensure that technical staff are at no time held up in their work. Emphasis should be brought to bear on this point, when the Committee make their deliberations.

It is understood, I believe, that these annual reports are written and compiled in retrospect. It is essential to maintain statistical data, and a record of work undertaken as demanded by statute. However, we are never able to assess the success or failure of our endeavours, by the amount of time taken on any aspect of our work, or the number of visits or interviews made; this is not the yardstick by which our work can be measured. We find that it is only by looking down the years can we reveal the progress we are making. Here is the incentive, which provides the propelling force, and keeps us going sometimes during many weeks or months of frustration.

I am thankful that the Chairman and Members of the Committee have always taken a full interest in the work of the department which has been appreciated. I wish to conclude expressing my warm and heartfelt thanks to loyal and conscientious staff and to Dr. Green. Their friendship and co-operation at all times, I acknowledge with gratitude.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

HUGH L. WHITWHAM.

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Inspection of Movable Dwellings	4
" " Shops	246
" " Factories	204
" " Offices, Shops and Railway Premises	215
" " Bakehouses	14
" " Restaurant Kitchens	63
" " Outworkers Premises	1
" " Butchers Shops, P.H. Meat Regs.	160
" " Stables and Piggeries	5
" " Dairies	75
" " Food Shops	460
" " Fish Friers	25
" " Places of Public Entertainment	16
" " Schools	12
" " Licensed Premises	14
" " Public Conveniences	8
Special Visits, Advisory Interviews et cetera	2,712
Visits re:- Infectious Disease	12
Rat Infestations	280
Atmospheric Pollution	104
Noise Abatement	81
Miscellaneous	257
National Assistance Act	16
Housing including Inspections of Dwelling Houses	1,119
Petroleum Storage Installation	278
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	6,379

COMPLAINTS

The Register shows that 642 complaints were received during the year under review, these having reference to the following matters:-

Blocked and Defective Drainage	46
Defective Closet Accommodation	6
Defective Conditions in Dwelling Houses	43
Offensive Odours from Drains	10
Non-collection of House Refuse	20

Verminous Premises	9
Wasps Nests	78
Infestations of Rats and Mice	249
Food and Drugs Act	29
Clean Air Act	12
Noise Abatement Act	22
Miscellaneous	118

RENT ACT 1957

No action taken during 1969.

LAND CHARGES ACT 1925

Request for information concerning properties on which a Search for Local Land Charges is made to the Clerk of the Council are dealt with by this department where applicable; 614 enquiries were investigated during the year.

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, 1958
 as amended by
 HOUSE PURCHASE AND HOUSING ACT, 1959
 HOUSING ACT, 1961 & HOUSING ACT, 1964
 HOUSING ACT 1969

DISCRETIONARY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Applications concerning the improvement of nine dwellings were received during the year 1969. During this period eight Grants were approved. The applicants are owner-occupiers.

STANDARD IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Forty-one applications were received during the year, all of which were investigated. Forty-one applications were approved.

Twenty-eight of the houses are owner-occupied and thirteen occupied by a tenant. The amenities to be provided were as follows:-

36	baths
37	wash-hand basins
39	domestic hot water supplies
34	water closets
18	ventilated food stores
2	sinks

When Standard Improvement Grants were introduced in 1959 it was anticipated there would be a speeding up in the progress rate of modernisation of dwellings. The following table shows comparative figures over the past nine years:-

	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
Discretionary Grants approved	20	11	20	15	12	13	24	8	8
Standard Grants approved	23	21	41	26	23	30	39	34	41
	43	32	61	41	35	43	63	42	49

HOUSING ACT 1957

Eight dwelling houses were demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders.

32 Newtown Road

23, 25 & 27 Lower Road

Edith Cottage, Back Lane

11, 13 & 15 Greenfields Road

Eight dwellings were demolished as the result of informal action:-

319, 321, 323, 325, 327 & 329 Worcester Road

17 Assarts Road

1 Graham Place, Back Lane

2 Graham Place, Back Lane (subject to Closing Order) was also demolished

Demolition Orders were made in respect of the following properties:-

150, 152, 154, 156, 158, 160, 162 & 164 West Malvern Road

63, 65 & 67 West Malvern Road

32 Newtown Road

11, 13 & 15 Greenfields Road

25, 27 & 29 Belmont Road

Chapel Cottage, Park Road

1 & 2 Holly Cottages, Holywell Road

65, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79 & 81 Hanley Road

Closing Orders were made in respect of Holywell Cottages, Holywell Road and 48 West Malvern Road.

OVERCROWDING IN DWELLING HOUSES

Twenty-one new cases of overcrowding were reported or discovered during 1969. This increased the number of cases on our records to twenty-eight.

The cases mainly refer to overcrowding of rooms normally used for sleeping purposes in excess of the statutory "permitted" number.

During the year eighteen cases were abated, thus, leaving ten on record. Eighteen families were rehoused by the Council. The cases of overcrowding are placed in the following categories:-

- | | |
|--|----------|
| (a) Increase where one family are sole occupants | 6 cases |
| (b) Increase where family is in lodgings | 10 cases |
| (c) Married son or daughter making home with the in-laws | 2 cases |

INFECTIOUS DISEASE, DISINFECTION AND DISINFESTATION

In accordance with usual practice, and where necessary, investigations relating to infectious diseases are made, on notification to the Medical Officer of Health.

Four loads of bedding were steam disinfected and one load of bedding destroyed. Twelve rooms were fumigated. Infestations of cockroaches, silver fish, ants, flies and fleas were dealt with at various premises.

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT 1963

Application for renewal of a licence in respect of premises, already used in a small way for the boarding of cats and dogs, was received during 1969.

An inspection was made and a licence was subsequently issued.

SCRAP METAL DEALERS ACT 1964

This Act came into operation on the 1st July, 1965 and provides among other requirements that no person may carry on the business as a scrap metal dealer unless he is registered by the Council.

Nine persons are registered.

FACTORIES ACT 1961

The provision of the Factories Act, 1961, which your Council has to administer, chiefly relate to the following matters:-

1. Factories where mechanical power is used
 - (a) Provision and maintenance of sanitary conveniences for both sexes.
2. Factories where mechanical power is not used
 - (a) Cleanliness
 - (b) Overcrowding
 - (c) Ventilation
 - (d) Drainage
 - (e) Provision and maintenance of sanitary conveniences for both sexes
 - (f) Temperature control
3. Sanitary Regulations for Bakehouses
4. Homework

The following table shows the list of factories on the Register:-

Agriculture Engineers	2
Automatic Packing and Weighing Machine Manufacturers	1
Bakehouses	5
Bread Slicing and Wrapping	1
Blacksmiths	3
Bicycle Repairs	1
Boot Repairs	3
Breeze Block Manufacturers	1
Builders	2
Clothing Manufacturers	1

Coal Gas	1
Concrete Slabs	2
Construction Engineers	1
Coppersmiths and Engineers	1
Dairies	2
Dairy Engineers	1
Dental Laboratory	1
Diesel Engine Repairs	1
Dressmaking, Millinery et cetera	4
Dry Cleaners	1
Electrical Instrument Manufacturers	1
Electrical Switchgear Assembly	1
Fabricated Steel Products	1
Fireplace Manufacturers	1
Flexible Plastic Ventilating Tubes	1
Fruit Cannery	1
General Engineering	8
Glass Syringes	1
Glove Making	1
Hemp Drying and Processing	1
Joinery	19
Laundry	1
Light Engineering	1
Machinery Repairs	1
Machine Tool Manufacturers	1
Marine Dealer	1
Metal Turning	1
Motor Cycle Repairs	1
Motor Cycle Cables	1
Motor Manufacturers	1
Motor Vehicle Body Repairs and Spraying	5
Motor Repairs	27
Organ Building	2
Photographic	2
Piano Repairs	1
Plant Repairs	2

Plastic Mouldings et cetera	3
Polishes and Dressings	1
Precision Engineers	2
Printers	3
Road Tanker Manufacturers	1
Roofing Contractors	1
Sausage Making	10
Saw Mills	1
Sheet Metal Work	1
Spectacle Manufacturers	1
Stonemasons	2
Tailoring	2
Transformers	1
Tinsmiths	2
Tools and Dies	1
Toy Distributors	1
Tyre Repairs	1
Upholsterers	7
Water Works	1
Watch Repairs	3
Wireless, Television and Electrical Repairs	10

The number of inspections made of factories are as follows, the table being in accordance with the requirements of the Home Office:-

Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Number of Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	46	80	18	-
Factories not included above which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	128	124	-	-
Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	Nil	-	-	-
TOTAL	174	204	18	-

Cases in which Defects were found:

	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instigated
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			to H.M. Inspector	by H.M. Inspector	
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	6	6	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	1	1	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	2	2	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	2	2	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	7	7	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	18	18	-	-	-

OUTWORK - Part V111 of the Act (Sections 110 and 111)

Section 110			Section 111		
No. of out-workers in August list reqd. by Section 110 (1)(C)	No. of cases of default in sending list to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel Making etc. 1	-	-	-	-	-
Cleaning and Washing -	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL 1	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT 1963

At the 31st December, 1969, the number of registered premises was two-hundred and forty-two, as under:-

Offices

70

Retail Shops	155
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	2
Catering Establishments open to the Public	13
Fuel Storage Depots	2

Section 60 of this Act requires that annual reports are made to the Minister in a specified form. A statistical report on procedure in-1969, was duly sent to the appropriate office early in the year.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

The Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations 1959

The number of retail dairymen or milk purveyors is now fourteen. Distribution of milk is kept under observation. Vehicles used for this purpose are frequently inspected.

Seventy-five visits were made to dairy premises for the purpose of inspection or to collect samples of milk on arrival from the place of production.

The Milk (Special Designation) Regulations 1963

Samples of milk are taken to the Public Health Laboratory, Worcester for statutory and phosphatase examination, details are as follows:-

Statutory examinations were carried out on forty-seven samples of milk. Forty-one conformed to the required standard and six were void.

Forty-seven samples of pasteurised milk were subjected to the phosphatase test with satisfactory results.

ICE CREAM

Ninety-four premises are now registered for the sale of ice-cream. Most of the ice-cream is sold prepacked. Inspections are made as to the means of storage and the methods of dispensing this commodity.

FOOD HYGIENE

The following table which has been brought up to date, required by the Department of Health and Social Security, sets out the various types of businesses embraced in the general term food premises, which call for supervision to maintain the standards required by the provisions of the Food Hygiene Regulations:-

List of Food Premises	No.	Compliance with Reg. 16	Compliance with Reg. 19
Baker and Confectioners	12	12	7
Canteens	12	12	12
Dairies	2	2	2
General Stores	12	12	4
Grocers	45	45	33
Hotels (Licensed)	8	8	8
Licensed Premises	53	53	49
Butchers	22	22	22
Confectioners and Sweets	20	20	-
Fishmongers	6	6	6
Fish Friers	3	3	3
Greengrocers	14	14	10
Hotels (Private)	14	14	14
Restaurants and Refreshment Rooms	18	18	16
TOTAL	241	260	186

The number of premises which are required to comply with Regulation 19 is one hundred and ninety-four.

UNSOOUND FOOD

The following is a list of unsound meat and other foods examined by your Inspectors at food premises and subsequently destroyed. Disposal of unsound food by incineration being no longer possible it has become necessary to bury all condemned foodstuffs. Every precaution is taken and the work is undertaken by our Disinfection Operator:

Meat, Poultry, Fish and Miscellaneous Foods

Beef	59 lbs.
Fish	80 lbs.
French Cheese	40 lbs.

Tinned Meats

17 tins Ham	30 lbs.
5 tins Spam	3 lbs. 12 oz.
8 tins Chopped Pork	32 lbs.
3 tins Pork Shoulder	29 lbs.
13 tins Corned Beef	21 lbs.
5 tins Stewed Steak	5 lbs.

Tinned Food other than Meat

10 tins Fish	4 lbs. 10 oz.
160 tins Fruit	191 lbs.
2 tins Vegetables	4 lbs. 6 oz.
1 tin Miscellaneous Foods	3 lbs.

RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT 1951

This Act prescribes certain standards of cleanliness in the manufacturers use and storage of rag flock and other filling materials, and provides for the registration of upholsterers and certain other businesses, such as toymakers and the licensing of manufacturers of rag flock et cetera.

Two premises are registered under the provision of this Act.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT 1949

The routine work in the treatment of the sewers periodically, constant vigilance in making surveys and treatments, at refuse tips, streams and ditches bordering the town has been maintained with satisfactory results. This work, combined with prompt attention to complaints received, is of paramount importance in keeping the rodent population down to the absolute minimum.

Reconstruction of parts of a brick barrel sewer at Link Top and the removal of a section of this type of sewer from Osborne Road to Malvern Link Railway Station, will greatly assist in effective rodent control, which has been a source of difficulty in the past.

I have again pleasure in stating that we are fortunate in having a most conscientious Operative to undertake the necessary duties required by the above enactment.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

It was not necessary to institute legal proceedings during the year under review.



