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ANNUAL REPORT

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THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year 1967

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VITAL STATISTICS

Area in acres 45,670 Rateable Value at 1st April, 1967 £304,959 Sum represented by a penny rate £1,195.0.10.	No. of occupied houses 3,618 No. of houses owned by the Council 707 Population (mid 1967) 10,620
BIRTHS	DEATHS
Live Births: Legitimate Male 88 Female 75	Deaths: All causes Male 68 Female 55
Total 163	Total 123
Illegitimate Male 4	Deaths from puerperal causes Nil
Female 3 Total 7	Deaths of infants under 1 week of age Male 1
Total live	Female Nil
Births Male 92	Total 1
Female 78	,
Total 170	
STILLBIRTHS	
Male 1	
Female 2	
Total 3	
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Birthrate per 1,000 estimated population	Deathrate per 1,000 estimated population
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Registrar General's Classification		1967		
	Male	Female	Total	
1. Tuberculosis, Respiratory	_	_	_	
2. Tuberculosis, other	-	1	1	
3. Syphilitic disease	-	_	_	
4. Diphtheria	-	-	_	
5. Whooping cough	-	-	_	
6. Meningococcal Infections	-	-	_	
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	_	-	-	
8. Measles	-	-	-	
9. Other infective and parasitic diseases	-	-	-	
10. Malignant neoplasm, stomach	1	-	1	
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung bronchus	2	-	2	
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	5	5	
13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	2	2	
14. Malignant neoplasm, lymphatic & other	6	7	13	
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia	2	-	2	
16. Diabetes	-	-	-	
17. Vascular lesions of the nervous system	8	5	13	
18. Coronary disease, angina	14	6	20	
19. Hypertension with heart disease	3	2	5	
20. Other heart disease	7	16	23	
21. Other circulatory disease	3	4	7	
22. Influenza	-	-	-	
23. Pneumonia	5	1	6	
24. Bronchitis	4	2	6	
25. Other diseases of respiratory syste	m 2	-	2	
26. Ulcer of the stomach or duodenum	-	-	-	
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	1	-	1	
28. Nephritis and nephrosis	-	-	-	
29. Hyperplasia of the prostate	1	-	1	
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-	
31. Congenital malformations	-	-	-	
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases	6	2	8	
33. Motor vehicle accidents	-	2	2	
34. All other accidents	2	-	2	
35. Suicide	1	-	1	
36. Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-	
Total deaths, all causes	68	55	123	

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CONTROL AND PREVENTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

TUBERCULOSIS

There was one death recorded as due to the non-pulmonary form of the disease.

One new case of Pulmonary Tuberculosis was notified.

OTHER NOTIFIABLE DISEASE

The following cases of infectious disease were notified:-

Erysipelas	 1
Measles	 107
Whooping Cough	 2
Acute Pneumonia	 2

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS

Action was necessary during 1967 in one case as a result of which an elderly woman was persuaded to enter hospital.

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SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

For the following information I am indebted to Mr. R. W. Turner, Chief Public Health Inspector, whose work during the year under review it represents.

WATER SUPPLY

Main water supplies from the Leicester Corporation, Market Harborough Urban District Council, and the Mid Northants Water Board remain consistently good. All Parishes have a piped supply.

3,502 dwelling houses have an internal supply. 142 houses have external standpipes, whilst 54 houses still rely on wells and expose a population of 110 to some risk.

No samples of main water were taken during the year.

37 samples of well water were taken, of which 21 were found unsatisfactory.

SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The district is served by 3 privies, 35 pail closets, and 3,660 water closets, the latter discharging into some 23 publicly owned sewage works. In addition, there are 260 cesspools.

The annual free cesspool emptying service was continued.

Analysis of effluents was continued, and 47 samples of effluent were examined. The quality of effluents, with a few exceptions, conforms to requirements.

The projected new outfall works at Fleckney and the extensions to those at Kibworth should bring much needed improvements.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

House refuse is collected at fortnightly intervals by direct labour and disposed of by crude tipping at Husbands Bosworth, Hallaton, Kibworth and Holt. Discussions are proceeding with adjoining Authorities with a view to future collaboration.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

Complaints received during	the year 1	49
Premises concerned	1	57
Total visits of inspection	29	96

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	Inspections
Animal keeping	Nil
Bakehouses	2
Dairies	2
Drainage works	695
Dwelling houses	1383
Food premises	53
Food poisoning enquiries	Nil
Rodent control	102
Refuse collection and disposal	146
Schools	9
Shops	334
Slaughterhouse and meat inspection.	37
Caravans	23
Verminous premises	Nil
Water supplies	63
Workplaces	41
Other inspections	98
Smoke control	8

NOTICES SERVED DURING THE YEAR

Preliminary Housi	ng Public Health
Outstanding on 1st January, 1967 1	Nil
Issued during year46	42
Complied with during year46	41
Statutory action necessaryNil	Nil
Outstanding on 31st Dec., 1967 1	1

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Class of No. reg- premises istered.			Accidents Reported.			
premises	istereu.	tions.	Reported.	Found	Remedied.	- 0/8 31st. Dec. 1965
Offices	4	6	-	-	-	-
Retail shops	27	53	-	12	12	-
Wholesale shops warehouses	-	-		-	-	-
Catering estab- lishments open public, canteer	`to	30	_	4	4	-
Fuel storage depots	3	5	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	49	94	-	16	16	-

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

Treatment of sewers and tips was carried out by a Contractor assisted by Council workmen under the supervision of the Public Health Inspectors. 28 infestations were dealt with, necessitating 102 visits. Refuse Tips were disinfested four times.

VERMINOUS PREMISES

No case of infestation was reported.

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1961

One licence was issued.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951, and RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT, 1951

There are no premises affected by the operation of these Acts.

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

Three premises are licensed. Twelve inspections were carried out.

SHOPS ACT, 1950

No defects were found during the year.

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

No formal action was taken during the year.

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

Two complaints were received during the year. Sound level recordings have been carried out on many occasions without substantial grounds for nuisance being established.

FACTORIES ACTS

Factories concerned in the operation of these Acts	61
Other premises	19
Inspections made	231
Contraventions found	Nil
Number of outworkers	58

THE INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1960

Premises inspected	 120
Visits made for this purpose	 340
Informal Notices served	 15
Informal Notices complied with	 15

FOOD HYGIENE (MARKETS, STALLS AND DELIVERY VEHICLES) REGULATIONS, 1966

Stallhold	lers comp	lying v	with	Regulations	12
Delivery	vehicles	comply	ying	with	
		Re	egula	ations	 21

ICE CREAM

43 premises are registered for the sale of ice cream. The pre-packed variety is the only product sold. No sampling was carried out.

MILK: DAIRIES AND DISTRIBUTORS

	Distributors		
Number on Register		8	
Inspections made	3	2	

MILK SAMPLING

Routine samples of milk were taken by the Public Health Inspector. Brucellosis was discovered to affect one sample. The cow concerned was identified and disposed of.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

There is one licensed slaughterhouse in the area.

Animals slaughtered during 1967..... 218

Animals examined at time of slaughter 218

Inspections of meat shops 33

Inspections of places where food other than meat is kept or prepared for sale 142

The results of examinations are shown in the following table:-

	Pigs	Cattle excluding cows		Calves	Sheep and Lambs
Number killed (if known)	-	4	Nil	Nil	214
Number inspected	-	4	Nil	Nil	214

No disease was found.

HOUSING

1.	New Houses	
	Number of applications for council houses at the end of the year	64
	Applications received during the year	92
	Programme of new council houses: Erected during the year N	il
	Under construction at end of year	26
	Number of houses erected during the year by private enterprise	93
	Number of houses in course of construction at the end of the year by private enterprise 1	10
	Total number of post-war houses completed by	
	a) Local Authority 4	72
	b) Private enterprise 6	24
2.	Inspection of dwelling houses during the year	
	a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects 1	73
	Number of inspections made for the purpose 4	97
	b) Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	10
3.	Repairs	
	Houses rendered fit after informal action	52
4.	Housing Act, 1957	
	No. of Persons houses displaced	
	Houses demolished 6 Nil	
5.	Housing Act, 1949	
	Applications for Improvement Grant are accepted and dealt with on merit.	
	16 applications were received in 1967. All of these were approved at 50% of the approved cost of works. 12 of the applications approved relatorented property.	ted
6.	House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959	
	37 owner/occupiers applied for Standard Grants. A further 4 owners of rented property were similarly accommodated. 47 affected properties were improved during the year, this total including others for which grants were approved in the previous year.	
	No application for Standard Grant was refused.	



