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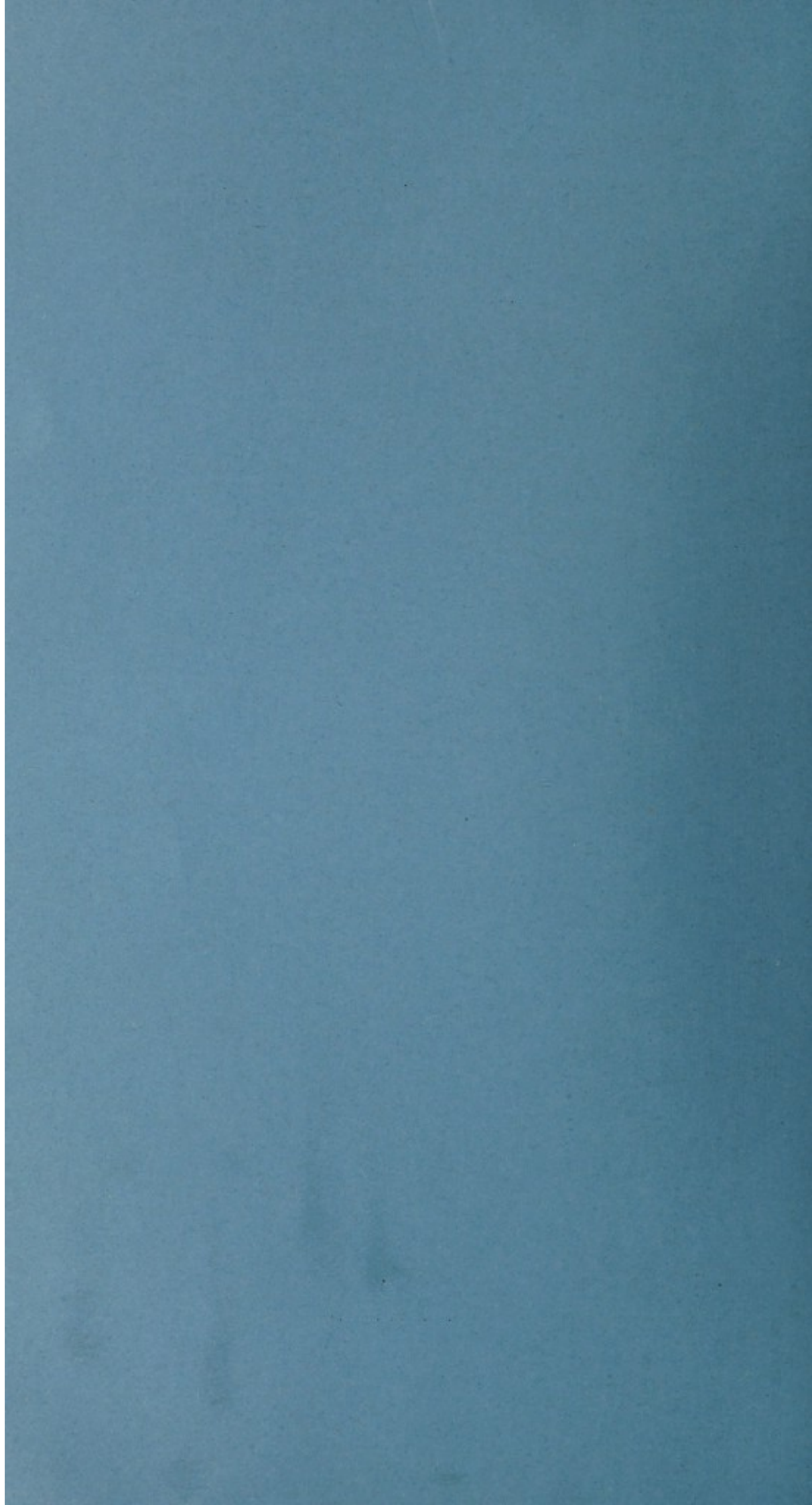
ANNUAL REPORT

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THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year 1972

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VITAL STATISTICS

Area in acres	45,670	No. of occupied houses	4,265
Rateable Value at 1st April, 1972	£409,782	No. of houses owned by the Council	708
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£3,950.24	Population (mid 1972)	12,010.
<u>Births</u>		<u>Deaths</u>	
Live births: Legitimate:		Deaths: All causes:	
	Male: 78		Male: 82
	Female: 78		Female: 74
	Total: 156		Total: 156
Illegitimate:		Deaths of infants under 1 year of age:	
	Male: 4		Male: 1
	Female: 5		Female: -
	Total: 9		Total: 1
Total live births:		Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births: 6	
	Male: 82		
	Female: 83		
	Total: 165		
Stillbirths:	Nil		
Birth rate per 1,000 estimated population 14.8		Death rate per 1,000 estimated population 13.0.	

1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906	1907	1908	1909	1910
100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

Year	Population	Area	Density	Notes
1900	1,000,000	100,000	10	
1901	1,050,000	100,000	10.5	
1902	1,100,000	100,000	11	
1903	1,150,000	100,000	11.5	
1904	1,200,000	100,000	12	
1905	1,250,000	100,000	12.5	
1906	1,300,000	100,000	13	
1907	1,350,000	100,000	13.5	
1908	1,400,000	100,000	14	
1909	1,450,000	100,000	14.5	
1910	1,500,000	100,000	15	

Cause of Death	1972		
	Male	Female	Total
Malignant Neoplasm, buccal cavity	1	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm, stomach	1	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm, intestine	1	5	6
Malignant Neoplasm, lung bronchus	5	2	7
Malignant Neoplasm, breast	-	3	3
Malignant Neoplasm, uterus	-	3	3
Malignant Neoplasm, prostate	4	-	4
Other Malignant Neoplasms	2	3	5
Diabetes Mellitus	-	2	2
Avitaminoses	-	1	1
Mental Disorders	-	1	1
Other diseases of Nervous System	1	1	2
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	1	-	1
Hypertensive Disease	-	1	1
Ischaemic Heart Disease	28	10	38
Other forms of Heart Disease	3	10	13
Cerebrovascular Disease	9	12	21
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	4	5	9
Influenza	-	1	1
Pneumonia	6	2	8
Bronchitis and Emphysema	5	1	6
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	-	1	1
Peptic Ulcer	3	2	5
Other diseases of Digestive System	1	-	1
Nephritis and Nephrosis	-	1	1
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	-	1	1
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour	1	-	1
Symptoms and ill-defined conditions	1	2	3
Motor Vehicle Accidents	-	1	1
All other accidents	3	2	5
All other external causes	1	1	2
Total deaths, all causes	81	74	155

CONTROL AND PREVENTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

TUBERCULOSIS

There were no deaths recorded as due to this disease.

No new case of tuberculosis was notified.

OTHER NOTIFIABLE DISEASE

The following cases of infectious disease were notified:-

Measles	.....	43
Meningitis	.....	1
Scarlet fever	.....	4
Infective Hepatitis	.....	6
Food poisoning	.....	2

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS

No formal action was taken during the year.

Three elderly persons were admitted to hospital by informal action.

CONTROL AND PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS DISEASE

TUBERCULOSIS

There were no deaths reported as due to this disease.

No new cases of tuberculosis were notified.

OTHER NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

The following cases of infectious diseases were notified:-

45	.....	Dysentery
1	.....	Hepatitis
4	.....	Scarlet fever
4	.....	Infective Mononucleosis
3	.....	Food poisoning

NATIONAL ARBITRAGE ACTS

No formal action was taken during the year.

There were no persons who applied to the National Arbitration Board.

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 remain consistently good. All parishes have a piped supply, although in Kibworth Beauchamp pressure is sometimes low.

4282 dwelling houses have an internal supply. 20 houses have external standpipes, whilst 28 houses still rely on wells and expose a population of 52 to some risk.

One well was closed during the year.

SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The district is served by 15 pail closets and 4350 water closets, the latter discharging into some 24 publicly owned sewage works. In addition there are 283 cesspools.

18 samples of effluent were examined. The quality of most effluents conforms approximately to requirements.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

House refuse is collected at fortnightly intervals by direct labour and disposed of by crude tipping at Husbands Bosworth, Kibworth and Holt. The Kibworth Tip has been specified for the dumping of cars and other refuse as required by the Civic Amenities Act of 1967, and continues to be extensively used for this purpose, although its life is likely to be short.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

Complaints received during the year	120
Premises concerned	152
Total visits of inspection	1699

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WATER SUPPLY

Main water supplies remain consistently good. All water has a good supply, although in Kibworth the supply is somewhat low.

1232 dwelling houses have an internal supply. 20 houses have external supplies, while 25 houses still rely on wells and expose a population of 22 to some risk.

One well was closed during the year.

SEWERAGE

The district is served by 15 public sewers and 4500 feet of sewer, the latter discharging into the River Nidd. In addition there are 25 feet of private sewer.

18 houses of different sizes were examined. The quality of most of the sewage was satisfactory.

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The Kibworth is now being used for the purpose of drainage and the sewage is treated by the City of Leicester at 1907 and continues to be used for the purpose, although the life is likely to be short.

SAFETY INVESTIGATION OF THE AREA

Continued during the year 1922

Leicester Corporation

Yokel, Chief of Inspection

TOTAL NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS MADE

	<u>Inspections</u>
Animal keeping	15
Bakehouses	Nil
Dairies	9
Drainage works	266
Dwelling houses	828
Food premises	211
Food poisoning enquiries	16
Infectious disease enquiries.....	26
Rodent control	65
Refuse collection and disposal...	73
Schools	4
Shops and offices	53
Slaughterhouse and meat inspection	32
Caravans	31
Water supplies	7
Workplaces	20
Other inspections	32
Smoke control	11
Verminous premises	Nil

NOTICES SERVED DURING THE YEAR

<u>Preliminary</u>	<u>Housing</u>	<u>Public Health</u>
Outstanding on 1. 1. 72.	Nil	Nil
Issued during year	21	27
Complied with during year	21	27
Statutory action necessary	Nil	Nil
Outstanding on 31. 12. 72.	Nil	Nil

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Class of premises	No. on register.	Ins-pect-ions	Acci-dents repor-ted.	Contra-ventions		
				Found	Rem-ed-ied	Outstand-ing on 31.12.72.
Offices	4	-	-	-	-	-
Retail shops	21	20	-	-	-	-
Wholesale shops &c.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Catering establishments open to the public and canteens	15	30	-	-	-	-
Fuel storage depots	2	3	1	-	-	-
Totals:	42	53	1	-	-	-

FOOD SERVICE OF THE RAILWAY BOARD

Inspection

12	.....	Animal housing
111	.....	Refrigeration
9	.....	Dairies
200	.....	Produce works
225	.....	Meat packing houses
211	.....	Food processing
20	.....	Food processing facilities
20	.....	Industrial division - equipment
22	.....	Food control
17	.....	Records - inspection and discipline
4	.....	Schools
22	.....	Stamps and stamps
12	.....	Biological services and meat inspection
21	.....	Canteens
7	.....	Water supplies
20	.....	Workshops
10	.....	Other inspections
11	.....	Food control
111	.....	Verminous diseases

NOTICE GIVEN DURING THE YEAR

111	111	Outstanding on 1. 1. 22.
27	27	Issued during year
27	27	Cancelled with expiry year
21	21	Statutory notices necessary
111	111	Outstanding on 31. 12. 22.

PERMITS GRANTED AND RAILWAY PREMISES VISIT

Class of premises	No. registered	Inspected	Contraventions	
			By-obj. 12. 12. 22.	By-obj. 12. 12. 22.
Offices	4	-	-	-
Retail shops	21	20	-	-
Wholesale shops	-	-	-	-
Catering establishments - 12 months open to the public and elsewhere	12	10	-	-
Food shops	2	2	1	-
Totals:	43	32	1	-

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

Treatment of sewers was carried out twice by a contractor assisted by Council workmen under the supervision of the Public Health Inspectors. The treatment of tips was similarly carried out on occasions.

72 infestations were dealt with, necessitating 65 visits.

VERMINOUS PREMISES

No case of infestation was reported.

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1961

No site licences were 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. Ten inspections were made.

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

Three complaints were received during the year.

FACTORIES ACTS

Factories concerned in the operation of these Acts	.....	49
Other premises	.....	14
Inspections made	.....	137
Contraventions found	.....	Nil
Number of outworkers	.....	45

THE INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1960

Premises inspected	.....	88
Visits made for this purpose	.....	211
Informal Notices served	.....	10
Informal Notices complied with	.....	10

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

Stallholders complying with Regulations	.....	15
Delivery Vehicles complying with Regulations	.....	12

ICE CREAM

46 premises are registered for the retail sale of ice cream. No sampling was carried out.

MILK: DAIRIES AND DISTRIBUTORS

	<u>Distributors</u>	
Number on Register	.....	9
Inspections made	.....	12

MILK SAMPLING

No action was necessary during 1972.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

There is one licensed slaughterhouse in the area.

Animals slaughtered during 1972	.....	55
Animals examined at time of slaughter.		55
Inspection of meat shops etc.,	.....	25
Inspection of places where food other than meat is kept or prepared for sale		36

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

	Pigs	Cattle (excluding cows)	Cows	Calves	Sheep and lambs
Number killed (if known)	-	-	-	-	55
Number inspected	-	-	-	-	55

No disease was found.

THE INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1960

Provision inspected 25
 Visits made for this purpose 21
 Informal notices served 10
 Informal notices complied with 10

FOOD HYGIENE (MILKING SHEDS AND DELIVERY VEHICLES)

Deliveries inspected with
 Regulations 12
 Delivery Vehicles complying
 with Regulations 12

ICE CREAM

Ice cream is inspected for the details of
 the order. No sampling was carried out.

MILK: MILKING AND DISTRIBUTION

Inspections 12
 Number of registers 2

MILK SELLERS

No action was necessary during 1972.

MEAT AND OTHER FOOD

There is one licensed slaughteryard in the area.
 Animals slaughtered during 1972 25
 Animals examined at time of slaughter 25
 Inspection of meat shops etc. 25
 Inspection of places where food is
 prepared for sale 25
 The results of examinations are shown in the
 following table:-

Sheep and Lamb	Calves	Cows	Cattle (excluding cows)	Pigs	Number killed (if known)
25	-	-	-	-	-
25	-	-	-	-	-

no disease was found.

H O U S I N G

1. New Houses

Number of applications for council houses at the end of the year 306
Applications received during the year.. 29
Programme of new council houses:
Erected during the year Nil
Under construction at the end of the year 4
Number of houses erected during the year by private enterprise..... 170
Number of houses in course of construction at the end of the year by private enterprise 316
Total number of post-war houses completed by:
a) Local Authority 498
b) Private enterprise 1251

2. Inspection of dwelling houses during the year

a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects.... 75
Number of inspections made for the purpose 296
b) Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation Nil

3. Repairs

Houses rendered fit after informal action Nil

4. Housing Act, 1957

	<u>No. of houses</u>	<u>Persons displaced</u>
Houses demolished	11	Nil
Houses closed	Nil	Nil

5. Housing Acts, 1949 - 1969

47 applications for Improvement Grants were received in 1972. All of these were approved at 50% of the approved cost of works. 10 of the applications approved related to rented property. 20 houses were so improved during the year.

6. House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959

23 owner/occupiers applied for Standard Grants as did a further 6 owners of rented property.
31 properties were so improved during the year.

1. New Housing

Number of applications for council houses at the end of the year 308

Applications received during the year.. 29

Programme of new council houses created during the year 211

Under construction at the end of the year 4

Number of houses created during the year by private enterprise..... 170

Number of houses in course of construction at the end of the year by private enterprise 216

Total number of post-war houses completed but

a) local authority 198

b) Private enterprise 191

2. Inspection of dwelling houses during the year

a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects... 72

Number of inspections made for the purpose 128

b) Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state of disrepair or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation 211

3. Repairs

Houses ordered for other internal works 211

4. Housing Act, 1937

	No. of houses	Persons displaced
Houses demolished	11	211
Houses closed	211	211

5. Housing Act, 1949 - 1952

42 applications for improvement grants were received in 1952. All of these were approved at 50% of the approved cost of works. 10 of the applications approved related to tenanted property. 20 houses were so improved during the year.

6. House Purchase and Housing Act, 1952

22 owners/occupiers applied for grants as did a further 6 owners of tenanted property. 11 properties were so improved during the year.

