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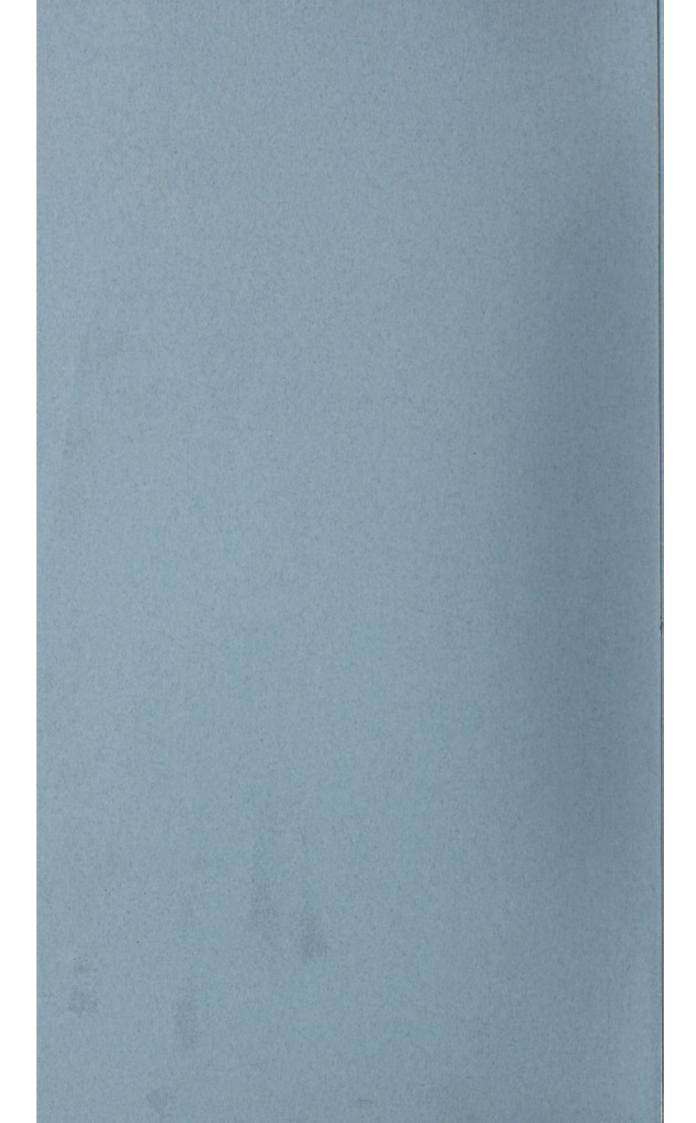
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR 1972

Incorporating a report on the sanitary circumstances of the District prepared by

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### VITAL STATISTICS

Area i	n acres	4,878	Number o	of occupied houses	
Rateab	le Valu	e at April 1st, 1972	CONTRACTOR STATEMENT		5,420
Cum mo	nwa aan b	.0626 ,307	Number o	of Council Houses	
Dom 16	presence	ed bý a penny rate	-		944
***		£5,970	Populati	on (Mid 1972 Estimate	) 14,920
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BIRTHS			DE COLO		
			DEATHS		
Live b	irths:	Legitimate	Deaths:	All causes	
	Male	124		Male	88
	Female	122		Female	96
	Total	246		Total	184
		Illegitimate			
	Male	6			
	Female	2			
	Total	8			
All li	ve birth	ns	Deaths o	f infants under 1 year	of age
	Male	130		Hale	2
	Female	124		Pemale	2
,	Total	254		Total	4
Still 1	births				
1	Male	Nil			
1	Female	1			
	Total	1			
n	rate per	1,000 estimated		e per 1,000 estimated	
popula	tion		populati		

#### CAUSES OF DEATH

		1972	
International Classification	Male	Female	Total
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus	1	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	2	1	3
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	5	14	9
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	8	1	9
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	6	6
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	3	-	3
Leukaemia	_	2	2
Other Malignant Neoplasms	3	3	6
Diabetes Mellitus	-	1	1
Anaemias	1	-	1
Multiple Sclerosis	-	1	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System	3	1	4
Hypertensive Disease	1	2	3
Ischaemic Heart Disease	16	15	31
Other Forms of Heart Disease	8	8	16
Cerebrovascular Disease	8	24	32
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	6	8	14
Influenza	1	-	1
Pneumonia	7	9	16
Bronchitis and Emphysema	12	_	12
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	2	-	2
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	1	-	1
Cirrhosis of Liver	_	2	2
Other Diseases of Digestive System	_	1	1
Nephritis and Nephrosis	_	2	2
Symptoms and Ill Defined Conditions	-	2	2
All Other Accidents	-	2	2
Total deaths All causes	88	96	184

#### CONTROL AND PREVENTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

### Tuberculosis.

There were no deaths from tuberculosis during the year.

No new case of pulmonary tuberculosis was notified.

#### Other infectious disease

The following cases were notified :-

Measles			 	3
Food poiso	ning		 	4
Infective	hepat	titis	 	2
Meningitis				1
				-
				10

#### NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS

No formal action was necessary during 1972.

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#### SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

#### Water Supply

The water supply continues to be satisfactory in quality and quantity. Nine samples of drinking water were taken from the mains supply for bacteriological examination. All were satisfactory.

There is one occupied house in the district dependent on a shallow well for its domestic water supply. This water was also sampled and found to be bacteriologically satisfactory.

Only minor extensions were made during the year to water services, for the purposes of new development.

#### Sewerage and Sewage Disposal

The only extensions to public sewers were minor ones for new housing development. At present no scheme is in hand for extensions or alterations at the Sewage Disposal Works.

## Public Cleansing

This service is administered by the Engineer and Surveyor. House refuse is collected by direct labour and disposed of by controlled tipping. The controlled tip is outside the District and is shared with a neighbouring Authority.

The trade refuse collection scheme is administered by the Health Department. A weekly collection is made of trade refuse equivalent to 340 bins from 144 business premises. This is charged for at the rate of £3 per bin per annum. A certain amount of bulk refuse is collected from certain factories on a cost-recovery basis.

### Inspection of the Area

Number of complaints received	-	794
Premises at which defects or		
nuisances were dealt with	-	876

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## INSPECTIONS MADE, 1972.

	Number of Inspections
Animal Keeping	23
Bakehouses	3
Dairies	6
Drainage Works	223
Dwelling-houses (all purposes)	3,488
Infectious Disease Enquiries	27
Food Poisoning Enquiries	41
Food Premises	791
Offensive Trades	19
Refuse Collection and Disposal	980
Schools	6
Shops and Offices	186
Slaughterhouses and Meat Inspection	857
Smoke Control	204
Caravans etc., Verminous and Dirty Premises	37 2
Water Supplies	14
Factories and Workshops	119
Rodent Control (excluding visits by Rodent Officer)	12
Other Inspections.	555
	Total7,593

INFORMAL	HOUSING	PUBLIC HEALTH
Outstanding on 1st January	13	3
Issued during year	35	14
Complied with during year	41	11
Outstanding 31st December	7	6

STATUTORY	HOUSING	PUBLIC HEALTH
Outstanding on 1st January	8	-
Issued during year	-	-
Complied with during year	2	-
Outstanding 31st December	6	-

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#### Pet Animals Act, 1951

Licences renewed/issued 3
Visits to premises 9
Contraventions found Nil

### Special Classes of premises and Occupations subject to control

Written consent to establishment of trade of Fat Extractor, Fat Melter and Glue Maker in operation.

Nineteen inspections were made of these premises and informal action taken to ensure that progress was continued by the Company in taking steps to reduce level of smell emission.

#### Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.

Routine inspection of the District is carried out by the Rodent Officer and his assistant. 1,528 visits and inspections were made in survey and treatment of rodent infestations. 305 infestations were dealt with. Rodent infestations on domestic premises are treated free, a charge being made for work done at business or agricultural premises. Regular inspections and treatments as required are carried out at all Council properties. A number of permanent baiting points are installed around the urban area.

#### Swimming Baths.

Inspections of the Public Swimming Baths were made and regular spot checks carried out on the swimming water. 4 samples which were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for bacteriological examination were sterile.

## Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960.

There are 3 licences operative in respect of single caravan sites, and 1 licence for a site for 40 residential caravans. No new licences were issued this year.

## Noise Abatement Act, 1960.

Nine complaints were received in respect of noise from seven premises; six industrial, one commercial and two domestic. All were investigated and two cases of industrial noise nuisance confirmed. These were remedied informally. the same of the sa

## THE INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

## Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960.

Premises inspect	d	89
Inspections made		396
Informal Notices	served	9
Informal Notices	complied with	8

## Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

12 complaints of unsound food or food containing foreign bodies were received and investigated fully. There were no prosecutions under the Act in 1972.

# Food Hygiene (Markets, Stalls and Delivery Vehicles) Regulations, 1966.

25 stalls and 12 delivery vehicles, were inspected. All complied with the Regulations. No exemption certificates have been issued.

## Ice Cream.

Sixty-seven premises in the district are Registered for the sale of ice-cream.

## Milk : Dairies and Distributors

	Dairies registered	2
	Distributors registered	12
	Inspections made	22
Unsound F	ood Surrendered or Condemned	lbs
119	Meat at Retail Shops	135
	Meat at Wholesale premises	1,420
To be	Canned foods	548
(	Other foods	614
	Total	2.717

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### Meat and other Foods

The Council owns the abattoir and provides the facilities for a public slaughterhouse. 53,746 animals were slaughtered during 1972, all of which were examined before leaving the abattoir.

Carcases Inspected and condemned :-

Munkan 2022	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	6,525	16	21	6,385	40,799
Number Inspected	6,525	16	21	6,385	40,799
ALL Diseases except					The Ball
Tuberculosis	2 - 1	4	22	132	
Whole carcases condemned					1,72
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	2,103	6	5	125	2,857
Porcentage of number affected with disease other than tuberculosis	32.26%	31.2%	42.85%	2.30%	7.32%
Tuberculosis only					
Whole carcases condemned	_	_	_	_	
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	_		_	_	57
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	SPECONO.	i givete	-	-	0.13%

One carcase was found to be infested with cysticercus bovis and was subjected to refrigeration, the affected organs being condemned.

Total weight of meat and offal condemned - 63,393 lbs.

(28 tons. 6 cwts. 0 qrs. 1 lb).

Meat Stalls.

Number of Inspections - 135

Meat Shops, Meat Stores, etc.,

Number of Inspections - 50

Places where food (other than meat) is kept or prepared for sale.

Number of Inspections - 330

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### HOUSING.

#### INSPECTION OF DUELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR 1972. Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts). 289 Number of inspections made for the purpose 543 Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so longerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation. Nil HOUSES DEMOLISHED OR CLOSED. Houses Number of Persons HOUSING ACT, 1957. Displaced (a) Demolished 2 (b) Closed as a result of closing orders or undertakings UNFIT HOUSES RENDERED FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED. Number of Houses. (i) as a result of informal action by the Local Authority under the Housing or Public Health Acts. 144 (ii) as a result of formal notices under Public Health Acts. HOUSING ACTS, 1949 - 1969 Number of applications for improvement grants Number of applications approved 16 (c) Number of applications refused 1 (d) Number of applications received for standard grants 20 (e) Number of properties improved during year 34 NEW HOUSES. Houses completed during the year :-By Local Authority By Private enterprise 169 Houses under construction at the close of the year :-By Local Authority By Private enterprise TOTAL number of Post War houses completed by :-Local Authority 651 (b) Private enterprise 2,068 Total number of applicants for Council houses at end of year 332 Number of applications received during the year 157 Number of Council houses in the district prior to 1939 319

NOTESTICE.

## OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

The total numbers of registered premises at the end of 1972 were :-

Offices	55
Retail Shops	110
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	5
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	21
Fuel storage depots	2
	193

186 visits and inspections were made, 70 registered premises received a general inspection.

Contraventions were as follows :-

	Found	Remedied
Offices	4	-
Retail Shops	8	4
Wholesale premises		2
Catering establishments	4	1
Fuel storage depots	-	-
	*****	***
	- 16	5
	*****	NAME OF THE PERSON

10 accident reports were received, only one of which called for investigation. In this case a workman was employed at a warehouse, in removing one end of each of a quantity of old 50. gallon oil drums, which were then used for packaging metal parts. He simplified the task by borrowing an oxy-acetylene torch from an adjoining factory. Unfortunately a consignment of drums contained one which had previously held inflammable paint. The resultant explosion and blow-back of the torch flame, caused burns to the workmans face and hands. This labour-saving practice has now been forbidden by the Company.

#### CLEAN AIR ACTS, 1956 & 1968.

204 observations and inspections were carried out. 10 contraventions were dealt with informally. 2 notifications were received under Section 3 of the Act regarding installation of plant.

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## PRESCRIBED PARTICULARS ON THE ADMINISTRATION

# OF THE FACTORIES ACT, 1961.

## PART I OF THE ACT.

-	1. INSPECTIONS :-	Number of			
	Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	"ritten Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
1)	Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	15	11		_
2)	Factories not included in (1) in which Sect. 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	114	108	_	_
3)	Other premises in which Sect. 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers premises)	4		_	
	Total	133	119	-	_

2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND :-

	Number	Number of			
Particulars	Found	Remodied	Referred to H.H. Inspector	by H.M. Inspector	cases in which prose- cutions were instituted
nt of cleanliness ercrowding	-	-	-	-	-
reasonable mperature	-	-	_		
dequate ventilation offective drainage	-	-	-	-	-
of floors mitary conveniences :	-	-	-	-	-
Insufficient Unsuitable or	-	-	-	-	-
defective Not separate for	-	-	-	-	-
sexes ner offences	-	_	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	

PART VIII OF THE ACT Outwork (Sections 133 and 134)

ture of work	No. of Outworkers on List
aring apparel, making etc.,	10

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