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### ANNUAL REPORT

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YEAR ENDING

31st DECEMBER, 1960.

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1960

Madam Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

In accordance with the instructions of the Ministry of Health, we deal in this Report with matters within our responsibility regarding public health and preventive medicine:-

### GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (in acres) Registrar General's Est	imated :	Mid-Y	ear	 Hor	ne		5,699
Number of Inhabited Hous	ses .				oule		4.639
Rateable Value Sum represented by a Per							6213 019

#### VITAL STATISTICS

#### POPULATION

TABLE showing the Registrar General's estimate of the changes in population during the past ten years :-

1951	13,940	1956	14,520
1952	14,150	1957	14,860
1953	14,260	1958	14,860
1954	14,350	1959	14,870
1955	14,470	1960	15,090

					Males.	Females.	Totals.
BIRTHS.							
Live Births: Legitimate . Illegitimate .			:	:	136 4	132	268 10
					140	138	278
Still Births: Legitimate	:	:	:	:	3 -	2 -	5 -
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#### POPULATION

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Birth Rate											1960
Per 1,000 Population . For England and Wales	:		:	:	:	:	:	:	:	: :	18.1

TABLE showing the changes in the total live births and in the birth rates during the past ten years :-

	Total	Birth Ra	Birth Rates per 1,000 population									
Year	Live Births	Melton Mowbray	Leicestershire	England & Wales								
1951 1952 1953 1954 1955 1956 1957 1958 1959 1960	251 262 244 234 242 247 260 234 259 278	17.8 18.2 16.8 16.0 16.4 16.7 17.1 15.4 17.1	16.02 15.67 15.43 14.51 14.78 15.39 16.49 16.70 17.42 17.76	15.5 15.3 15.5 15.2 15.0 15.7 16.1 16.4 16.5								

Deaths				Males.	Females.	Totals.
Number of Deaths				96	109	205
Death Rate						1960
Per 1,000 Population . For England and Wales						13.6

TABLE showing changes in the total number of deaths and in death rates during the past ten years :-

ц													
ı		Total	Death Rates	Death Rates (per 1,000 population)									
	Year	Deaths	Melton Mowbray	Leicestershire	England & Wales								
	1951 1952 1953 1954 1955 1956 1957 1958 1959 1960	142 131 209 142 135 144 152 160 169 205	10.0 9.1 14.4 10.3 9.7 11.2 11.4 11.2 11.5 13.6	10.74 10.06 10.05 10.29 10.59 10.29 10.06 10.09 10.20 10.06	12.5 11.3 11.4 11.3 11.7 11.7 11.5 11.7 11.6 11.5								
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### Deaths of Infants under One Year of Age.

		Males	Females	Totals
	Legitimate	3 -	5 -	8 -
Deaths of	Infants under Four Weeks of	Age.		
	Legitimate	1 -	4 -	5 -
Deaths of	Infants under One Week of A	ge.		
	Legitimate	=	4 -	4 -

The majority of these deaths were due to prematurity.

Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 live Births 28.8
Infant Mortality Rate for England & Wales 21.7

TABLE showing deaths of infants under one year and infant mortality rates during the past ten years:-

W	Total	Infant Mortal	Infant Mortality Rates per 1,000 live births									
Year	Infant Deaths.	Melton Mowbray	Leicestershire	England & Wale								
1951	5	19.9	25.1	29.6								
1952	9	34.4	26.5	27.6								
1953	6 9	24.6	28.0	26.8								
1954	9	38.5	28.1	25.5								
1955	7	28.9	22.5	24.9								
1956	9	36.4	23.17	23.8								
1957	6	23.1	23.87	23.0								
1958	6	25.6	17.27	22.5								
1959	8	30.9	17.97	22.0								
1960	8	28.8	19.36	21.7								

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### CAUSES OF DEATH.

	Males	Females
1. Respiratory Tuborculosis 2. Other Tuberculosis 3. Syphilitic Disease 4. Diphtheria	1 -	Ē
5. Whooping Cough 6. Meningococcal Infections 7. Acute Poliomyelitis 8. Measles		=
9. Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases 10. Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach 11. Lungs & Bronchus. 12. Breast	1 6	1 - 5
13. Uterus Other sites 15. Leukaenia 17. Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	- 8 1	1 8 -
17. Vascular Lesions of Nervous System 18. Coronary Disease, Angina 19. Hypertension with Heart Disease 20. Other Heart Disease 21. Other Circulatory Disease	11 17 1 16	23 10 3 22
22. Influenza 23. Pneumonia 24. Bronchitis 25. Other Diseases of Respiratory System	5 - 1 4	11 2 3
26. Ulcers of Stomach and Duodenum 27. Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea 28. Nephritis and Nephrosis 29. Hyperplasia of Prostate	2 1 1 1	
30. Pregnancy, Childbirth and Abortion 31. Congenital Malformations 32. Other Diseases 33. Motor Vehicle Accidents	2 - 1 12	- 1 14
34. All Other Accidents 35. Suicide 36. Homicide and Operations of War	1 3 1	3 -
	96	109

# PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE AUTHORITY.

# John Young, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.(Camb) .

Medical Officer of Health for the Leicestershire and Rutland Combined Districts in which this District is included.

# H. Buxton. M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

Chief Public Health Inspector and Meat & Food Inspector.

### P.F. Raymond.

Appointed Junior Assistant (trainee) on 1st January, 1960.

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### LABORATORY FACILITIES.

The following examinations were carried out during the year at the Public Health Laboratory, Leicester:-

Nose a	nd	7	'n	ros	at	S	wal	bs						34
Faeces	a	nd		Ur	lne	9								21
Sputa														71
Milks														8
Waters														5
Misc.														1
														140

# PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during 1960

Disease								Total cases Notified
Scarlet Fe								6
Measles .								51
Dysentery								2
Puerperal	Pyre	xi	a					3
								62

### AGE GROUPS

Disease	Under 1 yr.	1	2	3	4	59	10 14	15 24	<u>25</u> 34	35 44	45 64	65 and over	TOTAL
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	-	1	-	-	-	6
Measles. Dysentery. Puerperal	1 -	1 -	6	6	4 -	33	-	-	-	-	-	-	51 2
Pyrexia.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	3
	1	1	7	6	4	38	1	1	3	-	-	-	62

There was no serious epidemic during the year.

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Poliomyelitis. No case of this disease was reported during the year.

Diphtheria. Once again it is pleasing to report the absence of diphtheria, and it is now over fourteen years since a case was notified.

Details supplied by the Local Health Authority show that during the year 1960, 308 children under five years of age were immunised against diphtheria and 174 children aged four to fifteen years were given a 'booster dose'. Comparable figures for the previous year were 206 and 85.

### Tuberculosis.

Age Groups	Pulm	New	Cases Non-Pul	lmonary
Groups	M	F	М	F
Under 5 years	-	-	_	_
5 - 14 "	-	-	-	-
.5 - 24 "	-	-	- 701 0	-
35 - 44 "	5	1	-	-
15 - 64 "	1	-	-	1
35 and over	1		- 170	-
TOTALS	7	1	_	1

### Number of cases on Register at 31st December, 1960.

		Males.	Females.
Pulmonary		43	34
Non-Pulmonary		5	12
		48	46

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### SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

#### WATER SUPPLY

The water undertaking was transferred to the City of Leicester on 1st. April, 1959.

Additional water supply was made available through the Dove Scheme, and no restriction of supplies was necessary during the year.

### SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Work commenced during the year on the sewerage scheme which includes new pumping plant and extensive improvements to the sewage disposal works.

### CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

Total number in District at end of 1960 :-

(a) Pail closets . . . . . . . . . 8 (b) Water closets . . . . . 5,390

### PUBLIC CLEANSING

The Cleansing Department is under the control of the Engineer and Surveyor.

House refuse and trade refuse is collected by direct labour for disposal at the controlled tip and destructor works.

It is anticipated that with the re-organisation of the collection system, and the provision of an additional vehicle, a regular weekly collection of house refuse will be possible early in the new year when all refuse will be dealt with at the controlled tip.

### SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

The particulars given under this heading are for all purposes including particulars given elsewhere in this Report :-

Total Number	er of	Complaints received Premises at which	147
Defects or	Nuisa	ances were dealt with	280

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### INSPECTIONS AND REVISITS

Animal Vacaina		
Animal Keeping		10
Bakehouses		12
Dairies		10
Drainage works		
Dwellinghouses		45
INTECTIONS dispose inquisi-		310
Moveeble Duelling Inquiries		25
Moveable Dwellings		12
Food premises		85
Rodent control		
Shops		210
Slaughterhouses and Wast T		35
Slaughterhouses and Meat Inspection . Smoke control		750
		9
Factories and workplaces	-10	25
Other inspections		
		45
		1
		1,583

### NOTICES

Preliminary	Housing.	Public Health.
Outstanding on 1st January	NIL 10 10 NIL	2 15 17 NIL
Statutory		
Outstanding on 1st January	6 20 10 16	NIL NIL NIL

### Shops

Action taken under the provision of the Shops Act, 1950.

Four defects were found relating to sanitary conveniences and washing facilities, and all were remedied during the year.

## FACTORIES ACT, 1937 to 1959

(a) Inspection for purposes of provision as to health:

(1) Factories in which	No. on Register.	Inspec- tions.	Written Notices	Owners Prosecuted
Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	19	3	-	-
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(II)	Factories not	No. on Register.	Inspections.	Written Notices.	Owners Prosecuted.
	included in(I) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authorities.	79	15	-	-
(III)	Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authorities.	7	7	-	-
		105	25	=	=

# (b) Cases in which Defects were found:

	Found.	Remedied.	Referred by H.M. Inspector.
Want of Cleanliness .	. 3	3	3
Sanitary Conveniences: (1) Insufficient (2) Unsuitable or	-	-	-
Defective (3) Not separate	. 3	2	2
for Sexes		-	-
	6	5	5

# (c) Outwork:

There were no instances during the year of outwork in unwholesome premises.

# SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS

### Publicly Owned.

One children's open air paddling pool, owned by the Town Estate, where the water is treated by chlorination with controlled dosage.

### THE PET ANIMALS ACT

No contraventions found.

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### RODENT CONTROL:

Minor rat infestations at the Destructor Works, Salvage Depot, Sewage Disposal Works, Cattle Market and the Refuse Tip have been dealt with, also minor rats or mice infestations which were reported or discovered at 7 business premises and 58 private premises, and surveys were carried out in conjunction with these infestations.

Two maintenance treatments of the public sewers against rat infestations were carried out. The combined treatments involved the pre-baiting of 61 manholes.

### MOVEABLE DWELLINGS:

No. of Licences renewed for 1 year . . . . 2 No. of Licences issued for 1 year . . . . 1

The Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960, brings into force, as from 29th August, 1960, a new licensing system for caravans, with conditions based on Model Standards and provides for the review of all existing site licences.

### HOUSING:

# HOUSING IN CLEARANCE AREAS AND UNFIT HOUSES ELSEWHERE.

#### A. HOUSES DE OLISHED

In Clearance Areas.	HOUSES DEMOLISHED	DISPLACED PERSONS	DURING YEAR FAMILIES
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation	19	25	6
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc.,	-	_	_
(3) Houses on land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957	-	_	_
Not in Clearance Areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17 (1) Housing Act, 1957	6	20	6
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health.		_	
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts.	-	-	
(7) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders.	-	-	-
B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED.	NIL.	-	

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# C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED.

Land to Change To Company	By Owner	By Local Authority
(11) After informal action by local authority	21	
(12) After formal notice under (a) Public Health Acts	-	
(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957.	-	
(13) Under Section 24 Housing Act, 1957.	-	-

D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (Housing Act, 1957) NII

### E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT.

(14) Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders purchased in the year.	Number of house. (1) NIL	Number of occu- pants of houses in column (1) (2) NIL
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The 12 three-bedroomed type houses, for re-housing families from sub-standard houses, were completed and occupied during the year.

All the 19 houses included in the New Street Clearance Area have been demolished and 20 flatlets are now in course of erection on the site.

A block of 25 houses in Rutland Street and Goodriche Street has been declared a Clearance Area, the sites to be purchased by agreement with the owners, and re-housing of the families has commenced.

A total of 21 Demolition Orders have been made in respect of sub-standard houses.

### Rent Act, 1957. Certificates of Disrepair.

No applications for Certificates of Disrepair, or for the cancellation of Certificates, were received during the year.

New Houses :	By Local Authority.	By Private Enterprise
Number of permanent houses completed during the year	 . 12	117
Number of houses in course of erection at the end of the year	 . 26	14
Total Number of Post-War Houses completed ,	 . 871	601

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### E. PURDINGS OF HOUSES IN SOUTHERN.

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#### Occupied Houses:

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Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958. Improvement G	rants.
(1) No. of applications for grants received during the year  (a) from owner/occupiers  (b) from owners of rented property  (2) No. of applications approved  (3) No. of applications refused	15 15 NIL 15 NIL
House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959.	
(1) No. of applications received for standard grants from :- (a) Owner/occupiers	19
(2) No. of properties improved during the year .	NIL 10

### Housing Applications:

Details of applications on the Register at 31st December, 1960.

Date of Application	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	Totals
Residing in the Urban District	20	6	1	15	44	86
Residing outside the District	29	1	10	11	22	73
	49	7	11	26	66	159

Applications for elderly peoples dwelling, small accommodation and bungalow type :-

For couples 30 For single person Total 58

In order to make the best use of available housing accommodation, including the relief of overcrowding, 23 transfers and 7 exchanges of houses by Council House tenants were approved.

### INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Milk Supply Dairies (other than Dairy Farms) and Distributors

Work commond dirty	No. on Register.	No. of Inspections
Dairies.	4	8
Distributors only.	1	2

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Milk (Special Designation) (Pasteurised & Sterilised Milk) Regulations, 1949.
Licences Issued: Dealers' Licences: Pasteurised Milk 5 Sterilised Milk 1
Supplementary Licences NIL
Milk (Special Designation) (Raw Milk) Regulations, 1949.
Licences Issued.  Dealers' Licences
Only Designated Milk is being sold since this Urban District was included in a Specified Area in 1958
Ice Cream
Number of Premises Registered:
(a) Manufacture and Retail NIL (b) Manufacture only
Inspections of the registered premises and vehicles used for to sale of ice cream were made during the year, and were found satisfactory. Most of the ice cream is now sold ready packed.
Food Poisoning
No cases of food poisoning have been notified during the year.
Meat and Other Foods
Number of Slaughterhouses in Area

Work commenced during the year on the conversion of the existing attested and T.T. building into a new abattoir.

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### Carcases Inspected and Condemned

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	Cattle excluding Cows.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep and Lambs.	Pigs.	Total.
Number killed and inspected	1,387	7	77	4,452	3,365	9,288
All Diseases  except Tuberculosis Whole carcases condemned.	1	NIL	4	21	3	Wt. in 1bs
Carcase of which some part or organ condemned.	304	5	2	14	143	3,381
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis.	22%	71%	8%	1%	4 %	5,616
Tuberculosis only Whole carcases condemned.	1	NIL	NIL	NIL	1	946
Carcases of which some part or organ condemned.	15	NIL	NIL	NIL	38	844
Percentage of number inspected with Tuberculosis.	1%	NIL	NIL	NIL	1%	1,790
Cysticercosis Carcases of which some part or organ condemned.	2	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	32

Total weight in 1bs. 7,384

<sup>3</sup> tons. 6 cwts. 46 lbs. of meat was condemned during the year, compared with 5 tons. 14 cwts. 13 lbs. last year.

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The following foods were condemned and voluntarily surrendered during the year :-

35 lbs. of fish, 18 lbs. of sausages, 14 lbs. of bacon, 27 meat pies, 652 dressed chickens and 6 lbs. of frozen pig kidneys.

384 tins and jars of various foods.

No. of certificates issued . . . . . . 98

We have the honour to be Your obedient servants,

J. YOUNG

Medical Officer of Health.

H. BUXTON

Chief Public Health Inspector.

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