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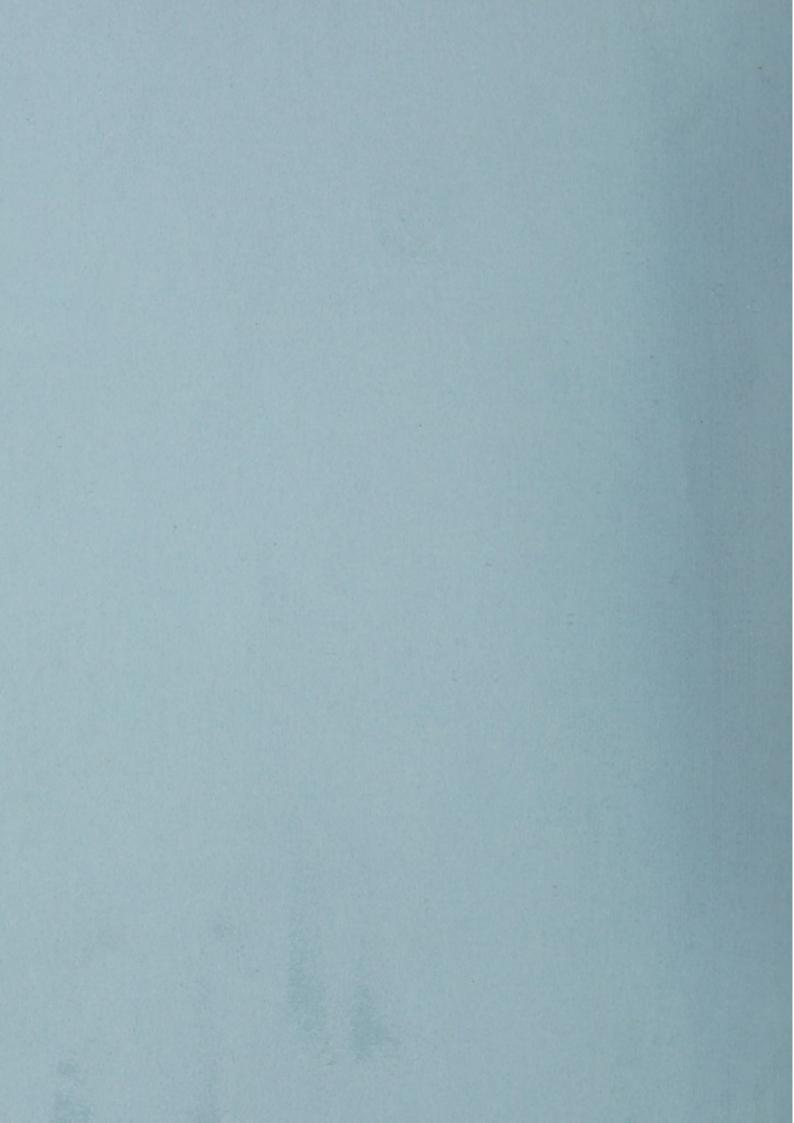


MELTON MOWBRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR

1966



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Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

It gives me pleasure to present to you my Annual Report on the health of the District for the year 1966. This has been compiled in accordance with the instructions of the Minister of Health.

Generally, there exists a satisfactory state of health in the District and the statistics compare favourably with those for the County as a whole.

The population has increased by 410 since the previous year and is now 17,750. The Birth Rate has slightly increased to 21.4 and compares with 17.7 for England and Wales. I have to report one maternal death during the year.

The Death Rate was 8.8 and compares very favourably with 11.7 for England and Wales. The chief causes of death were cardio-vascular lesions or diseases, cancer, pneumonia and bronchitis. Deaths from accidents (including motor vehicle accidents) increased from 1 in the previous year to 5. Deaths due to bronchitis were almost doubled, during the same period, all over the age of 55 years and there were twice as many male as female deaths. This latter ratio also applied in regard to lung cancer deaths.

There was a marked reduction in the notification of infectious diseases. Measles again heads the list, although this was not an epidemic year, followed by scarlet fever. I am pleased to note a decrease in notifications of Tuberculosis. The presence of Tuberculosis, at a low level in the community, is likely to continue in the foreseeable future if a high level of (B.C.G.) vaccination and control of Tuberculosis amongst immigrants can be maintained, then, its complete eradication in this country is possible in the not so distant future.

The latter part of my report deals mainly, with environmental hygiene and I am thankful to Mr. Buxton, your Chief Public Health Inspector for his contribution.

I have enjoyed the full co-operation of Mr. H. Buxton and I express my thanks both to him and the other members of the staff for their willing and efficient assistance. May I also express my gratitude to the staff of the other departments and to the Council Members for their help and encouragement during the year.

I am, Lady and Gentlemen,

J.V. Loughlin

District Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (in acres) 5,699
Registrar General's Estimate of Population (Mid. 1966) 17,750
Number of inhabited houses 5,902
Rateable value £723,739
Product of a penny rate £2,834

Population

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

195714,860	196215,980
195814,860	196316,310
195914,870	196416,850
196015,090	196517,340
1961	196617,750

BIRTHS

ingroun elect		Rate for District	Rate for England and Wales
Number of live births	388	21.4	17.7
Number of still births	6	15.2	15.4
DEATHS	(all ages)		
Number	195	8.8	11.7
DEATHS	(Infants under 1 y	rear)	a something the total of di
Number	6	15.5	19.0

VITAL STATISTICS

Relating to Mothers and Infants

Live Births	
Number Rate per 1,000 population	388 21.4
Race per 1,000 population	-1.4
Illegitimate live births (per cent of total live births)	5.9%
Still Births	
Number Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	15.2
Total live and still births	394
Infant deaths (deaths under one year)	6
Infant Mortality Rates	
Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live	15.46
births	87.0
Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births	12.9
Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births	12.9
Perinatal Mortality Rate (still births and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and still births)	27.9
Maternal Mortality (including abortion)	
Number of deaths	2.8

Total live births and birth rates for the past ten years:-

***************************************	Total	Birth Rates per	1,000 population
Year	Live Births	Melton Mowbray	England & Wales
1957	260	17.1	16.1
1958	234	15.4	16.4
1959	259	17.1	16.5
1960	278	18.1	17.1
1961	296	17.9	17.4
1962	302	18.1	18.0
1963	331	19.9	18.2
1964	387	22.5	18.4
1965	373	21.1	18.1
1966	388	21.4	17.7

DEATHS

Total number of deaths and death rates for the past ten years:-

Year	Total Deaths	Death Rates (per Melton Mowbray	1,000 population) England & Wales
1957	152	11.4	11.5
1958	160	11.2	11.7
1959	169	11.5	11.6
1960	205	13.6	11.5
1961	178	10.2	12.0
1962	182	10.9	11.9
1963	195	10.0	12.2
1964	215	10.8	11.3
1965	176	8.6	11.5
1966	195	8.8	11.7

Deaths of infants under one year and infant mortality for the past ten years:

Year	Total Infant	Infant Mortality Rates per 1,000 live births						
rear	Deaths	Melton Mowbray	England & Wales					
1957	6	23.1	23.0					
1959	8	30.9	22.5 22.0					
1960	8	28.8 33.8	21.7					
1962	7	23.2	20.7					
1963	9	27.2	20.9					
1965	7	16.0	19.0					
1966	6	15.5	19.0					

CAUSES OF DEATH

	Star Tuber outen (also Loriedul mett	Males	Females	Total
10.	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	3	2	5
11.	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	4	2	6
12.	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	3	3
14.	Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	3 10	4	14
16.	Diabetes	1	4	5
17.	Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	10	17	27
18.	Coronary Disease, Angina	19	11	30
20.	Other Heart Disease	8	12	20
21.	Other Circulatory Disease	5	8	13
22.	Influenza	1	3	4
23.	Pneumonia	4	5	9
24.	Bronchitis	6	3	9
25.	Other Diseases of Respiratory System	-	3	3
28.	Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	-	1
30.	Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion		1	1
32.	Other Defined and Ill-Defined Diseases	17	22	39
33.	Motor Vehicle Accidents	-	1	1
34.	All Other Accidents	3	_2	_5_
	Total All Causes	92	103	195

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

Notifiable Disease (other than Tuberculosis) during 1966:-

Disease		Total cases notified
Measles		27
Scarlet Fever Erysipelas		1
Acute Primary	Pneumonia	
		37

ANALYSIS OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

I h			-	-		Maria Maria	Market Market				
Disease	Under 1	1 2	3 4	5 9	10 14	15 24	25 34	35 44	4 5 64	65 & over	
Measles	1	13	5	7	1	-	-	- 10		.47	27
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	4	-	2	-		-	-	6
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-		_	-	1		1
Acute Primary			139		da 4	1-165	Chill	may,	Pregn		
Pneumonia	-	-	-	1-	-	-	-	-	2	-1	. 3
	1	13	5	11	1	2	-		3	-1	37

TUBERCULOSIS

Age Groups	New Cases						
Age Groups		Pulmonary					
	M	F	М	F			
Under 5 years 5 - 14 " 15 - 24 " 25 - 44 " 45 - 64 " 65 and over		1		- 1			
TOTAL	-	1	-	1			

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION PROCEDURES

The following immunisation/vaccination procedures were carried out during the year by Medical Practitioners:-

Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus, Poliomyelitis and Smallpox.

In my capacity as School Medical Officer I carried out B.C.G. vaccination (against Tuberculosis) of 12 and 13 year old school children. The following are the related figures available:-

No. of children eligable		No. who consented	No. skin tested	No. positive	No. negative	No. vaccinated
Melton Mowbray Grammar School		26	26	9	15	15
Ferneley High School	185	180	170	16	154	154
Sarson High School	382	365	342	55	281	281

Cases found to be strongly positive are given a Chest Xray.

B.C.G. vaccination, for other age groups, is available at the Chest Clinics in the County, at the discretion of the Consultant Chest Physician.

Ambulance Facilities: House Nursing Service: Home Help Service: Maternity and Child Welfare: School Health Servies: Child Life Protection:

The Leicestershire County Council is the responsible authority for administration of these services.

LABORATORY FACILITIES

The following examinations have been carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Leicester:-

Nose & Throat Swabs	34
Faeces	11
Water	12
Ice-Cream	8
	65
	-

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

I am indebted to Mr. H. Buxton, Chief Public Health Inspector, for the following information:

WATER SUPPLY

The water undertaking is under the control of the City of Leicester, and the supply has been satisfactory as regards quantity and quality.

Eight samples of mains water supplies taken for bacteriological

examination were reported as satisfactory.

There is no indication of any tendancy to plumbo-solvent action in the piped supplies.

Except for a small number of isolated premises the dwellinghouses

have an internal mains water supply.

SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The sewer system within the area is satisfactory, but in view of the town extension that is now taking place, a ten year programme for this service has been instituted. At the present time there are two major outfalls in the design list in respect of sanitary sewers and one in respect of storm sewers.

The design of the sewage disposal works has been approved by the Ministry and detailed design and calculations are being prepared by the Council's Consultants.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

House and trade refuse is collected weekly by direct labour for disposal at the controlled tip. This operation is progressing well and it is hoped to reinstate to pasture some of the area which has been successfully reclaimed. The salvage of paper continues to show a return to the Council.

All these operations are under the control of the Engineer &

Surveyor's Department.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Total :	numbe	er of	compla	aints	rece	eived.	 	205
Number	of p	premis	ses at	which	h def	ects		
	or i	nuisar	ices we	ere de	ealt	with.	 	250

VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

	Animal Keeping		8	
	Bakehouses		6	
	Dairies		10	
	Drainage works		65	
	Dwellinghouses (all purposes)		350	
	Infectious disease inquiries		10	
	Food poisoning inquiries		12	
	Food premises		85	
	Rodent control		. 4.83	
	Shops and Offices			
	Abattoir and meat inspection			
	Caravans		5	
	Factories and workplaces		20	
	Other inspections			
			1,870	
otices		TT	D-1-74 - 11 - 741	
т.		Housing	Public Health	
	nformal	7		
- U1	utstanding on 1st January	3	-	
1:	ssued during year	12	0	
00	omplied with during year	13	8	
UI	utstanding 31st December	2	-	
0.1	1 1 1			

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS

Statutory

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

Outstanding on 1st January...... Issued during year.....

Complied with during year.....

Outstanding 31st December.....

Four samples of water taken for bacteriological examination from the Waterfield Swimming Bath were reported as satisfactory.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

Two premises are licensed under the Act.

The conditions are satisfactory and no contraventions were found.

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RODENT CONTROL

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177 minor rats or mice infestations, reported or discovered, have been dealt with and surveys carried out in conjunction with these infestations.

MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

Caravan Sites & Control of Development Act, 1960

No new site licenses were issued during the year.

There is one privately owned licensed site for a maximum of 20 vans, and 2 individual vans which are subject to temporary permission.

Several vans have had to be moved from unlicensed sites.

OFFICES, SHOPS and RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Class of Premises	Number	Number of premises		Contraventions			
	registered	inspected	Found	Outstanding 31:12:66			
Offices	51	34	18	7	11		
Retail Shops	116	53	31	15	16		
Wholesale Shops,	5	1		-	-		
Catering estabs. open to the Public, canteens	22	14	5	2	3		
Fuel Storage depots	2		-	-	-		
TOTALS	196	102	54	24	30		

Total number of visits......156

Three accidents reported, at two retail shops, and one office, were all of a minor nature.

The majority of the outstanding contraventions are concerned with the provision of thermometers and suitable first aid equipment.

Analysis of persons employed in registered premises by workplace

Class of workplace	No. of persons employed
Offices	1,002
Retail shops	713
Wholesale department, warehouses	118
Catering establishments open to the public	165
Canteens Can	4
Fuel storage depots	15
Total	2,017
Total Males Total Females	1,027 990

HOUSING

HOUSING IN CLEARANCE AREAS AND UNFIT HOUSES ELSEWHERE A. HOUSES DEMOLISHED

THE THE PARTY OF T			
In Clearance Areas Houses unfit for human habitation	Houses Demolished	Displaced Persons 26	During Year Families
Houses included by reason of bad arrangement etc.	Two and	to bou od	Munium of he
Houses on land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957.	2000001	mo-dang to	Total number
Not in Clearance Areas			
As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17 (1) Housing Act, 1957.	6	ocond Elono	in discript,
Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health.			(1)
Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts.	20 20000 B	ere (d)	the property
Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders.	town to tree	for at organic	(1)
B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED	Number 6	24	7
C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT & HOUSES			
After informal action by local authority.	13	Molfmalla.	cal Authority
After formal notice under (a) Public Health Act (b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957.	10. 22		nr sethines property or published a
Under Section 24 Housing Act, 1957.			-
D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (Housing Act,	1957)	NIL
E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT Houses in Clearance Areas other those included in Confirmed Cle Orders or Compulsory Purchase Opurchased in the year.	than Num	CONTRACTOR AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY OF THE P	ber of upants

Rent Act, 1957. Certificates of Disropair.

No application for Certificates of Disrepair were received during the year.

New Houses:	By Loca	al Auth	nority	By Prix	vate Enterprise
Number of houses completed during the year		_			191
7930					the state of the s
Number of houses in course erection at the end of the		49			52
Total number of post-war l		097			1,800
Occupied Houses:					
Total number of occupied h					
in district Number of council houses					5,902 1,326
					Charles and and
Improvement Grants. Hous:	THE PARTY COLUMN TO THE REAL PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF THE				1958
(1) No. of applications during the year					NTL
(a) from	owner/occ	upiers			-
(b) from	owners of	rente	d prop	erty	- con common
House Purchase and Housing	Act. 195	9			
(1) No. of applica	ations rec	eived i	for st	andard	
grants from:-	(a) Owner	r/Occuj	piers.		16
(2) No. of applica	ations app	roved.	· · · · · · ·	brobere	7 23
(3) No. of proper	ties impro	ved du	ring t	he year.	22
Housing Applications					
Details of applications or	n the Regi	ster a	t 31st	December	1966
Date of Application 19					a to a second segment
Residing in the					
Urban District	10 22	4.3	76	151	
Residing outside					
the District	20 19	44	70	153	
100 mg /cunh -	30 41	87	146	304	

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

For couples 46

For single persons 88 Total 134

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Milk Supply

Dairies (other than I	Dairy Farms) and	Distributors
		No. of Inspections
Dairies	4	6
Distributors only	7	4

No contraventions found.

Ice-Cream

Number of premises registered:

- (c) Retail only..... 58

Inspections of the registered premises and vehicles used for the sale of ice-cream were made during the year, and were found satisfactory.

Most of the ico-cream is now sold ready packed.

8 samples of ice-cream were all satisfactory.

Food Poisoning

No cases of food poisoning have been notified during the year.

Meat and Other Foods

All animals slaughtered at the abattoir have been inspected and marked in accordance with the provisions of the Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963.

Number of slaughterhouses in area Number of animals slaughtered and inspected Number of visits to slaughterhouse	15,258
Number of knackers yards in area Number of visits to knackers yard	1 6
Number of licensed slaughtermen	. 13
(a) new licenses	1 12

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

13 lbs of imported liver; 104 lbs of fish; 90 x 4 oz. packets of imported cheese; 74 packets of frozen foods, and 396 tins of various foods.

No. of certificates issued 39

Carcases Inspected and Condemned

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Total
Number killed and inspected	1,613	74	43	6,350	7,178	15,258
All Diseases except Tuberculosis			1507002			Weight in 1bs
Whole carcases condemned	-	1	4	9	13	3,350
Carcase of						
which some part cr organ condemned	313	26	2	133	623	6,484
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	19.4%	36.5%	14.0%	2.2%	8.9%	
Tuberculosis only						
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-6/6/
Carcases of which some part or organ condemned	-	-		-	42	533
Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	500 5 00 500 5 - 50		0.6%	
Cysticercosis Carcases of which some part or organ condemned	3	-	-	-	-	41

Total weight in 1bs, 10,408

⁴ tons. 12 cwt. 104 lbs of meat was condemned during the year, compared with 4 tons. 1 cwt. 27 lbs last year.

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960

The following table shows the number of food premises grouped in categories of trade carried on and includes information regarding compliance with Regulations 16 and 19 concerning washing facilities.

Trade	No.	No. complying with Reg.16	No. to which Reg.19 applies	No. complying with Reg.19
Grocer	4.0	40	11	11
Greengrocer	10	10	10	10
Fried fish	- 6	6	6	6
Wet fish	3	3	3	3
Butcher	15	15	15	15
Confectioner	22	22	4	4
Cafes and canteens	14	124	14	14
Licensed premises and restaurants	31	31	31	31

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1961

1. Inspection for purposes of provisions as to health:

		No. on Register	Inspec- tions	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i)	Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	20	6	- N	sheet a
((11)	Factories not included in (i) in which section 7 is enforced by Local Authorities.	87	16	0,1	TOO TO TOO TO
(iii)	Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authorities.	9 115	<u>8</u> <u>30</u>		1621 Self.

2. Cases in which defects were found:

			Refe	Referred	
	Found	Remedied	to H.M. Inspector	by H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	-	-	- 240	nonland .	
Overcrowding	-	-	16- 39	CHARTETE DEL	
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	
Sanitary Conveniences (a) insufficient			_		
(b) unsuitable or defective	45.5	-			
(c) not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	
Other offences against the Act	-	-	-	-	

Outwork

No. of outworkers...... 22 Nature of work...... Making etc. of wearing apparel.

There were no instances of outwork in unwholesome premises.

