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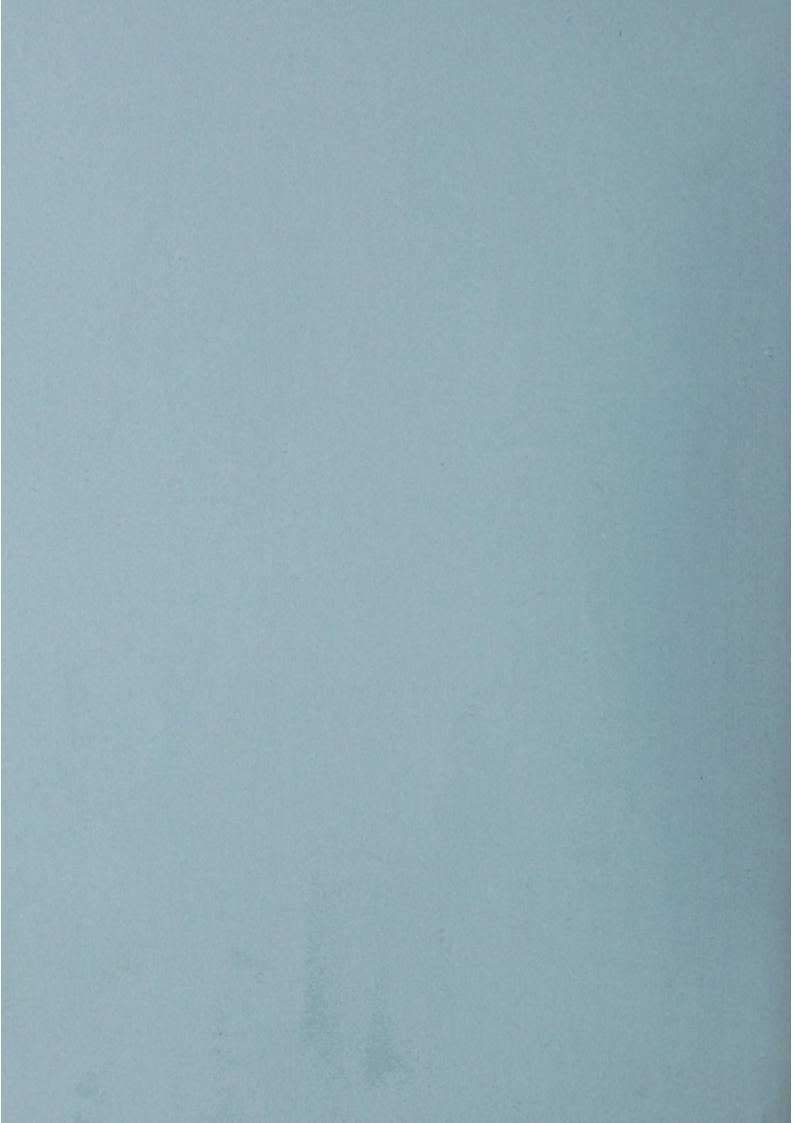




MELTON MOWBRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR
1967



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Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report for the year 1967 of the general conditions, health and vital statistics of the Melton Mowbray Urban District.

The Report is in comformity with suggestions made by the Ministry of Health and also incorporates a section compiled by the Chief Public Health Inspector.

The problem of the care of old people is increasing despite the advances of gerontology. So frequently old people at a time of diminishing activity are obliged to live alone in conditions incompatible to their well being. The Council has for some time given great consideration to these problems and one of the outstanding events of the year was the opening of Wilton Court by the Chairman of the Housing Committee in May. Wilton Court is a two-storey block of 32 one person, self-contained flats, each separately entered from a main corridor. Attached to the main building is a Warden's Bungalow and common rooms where the old people can spend their leisure time and enjoy the company of each other. Under these circumstances the independence of old people is prolonged as they can continue to shop, prepare their own food and care for themselves according to their needs and desires. They are enabled to retain their skills and abilities to a purpose and as their days are not vacant their mental and physical well being is preserved.

The Council can take great credit for the foresight in planning Wilton Court and the success of the enterprise is both encouraging and rewarding.

During the year an outbreak of infective hepatitis occurred at a residential school for handicapped children. The adult members of the staff who contracted the infection were severely affected and it was thought that, as is usually the case, the children would suffer only mild symptoms and that their recovery would be uneventful. So it would have seemed except that during the following 9 to 12 months the affected children failed to make any academic progress. Liver function tests were then evaluated on these children and the results showed that whilst there was no evidence of chronic liver damage it was clear that the infection had been of such severity that the educational progress of the children had been greatly impaired. To be wise after the event it is felt that in any such future outbreak every attempt should be made to limit the spread of infection and to have all patients carefully assessed for any possible liver damage.

It is discouraging to report that the incidence of carcinoma of the lung continues to rise. Although an increase to 8 deaths from this condition as against 6 deaths in the previous year may seem to be of little consequence, it has to be appreciated that there was only 1 death from tuberculosis a condition which a decade or so ago was a major problem. The discouragement to those interested in preventive medicine is that cancer of the lung and chronic bronchitis can very largely be prevented. It is well appreciated that there is a direct association between cigarette smoking and these conditions but smoking has nevertheless continued, and alas increased, apparently as an uncontrollable addiction. It may be that those who smoke wish to desist and the question is frequently asked whether there is an easy way to give up smoking. The answer must be that giving up smoking is like giving up sin. Either one stops or one persists. Although not competent to pronounce on the consequences of persistence in sin there is no doubt that those who persist in smoking should head the cry of the Salvationist - stop, before it is too late! If you to not live to an image out to make out to

There has not been cause to enforce Section 47 of the National Assistance Act in which powers are given for compulsory Institutional care of old people.

I am grateful to the Council for the interest shown in the work of the Public Health Department. It has been a pleasurable experience to be associated with a Council where mirth is the ally of perspective and good sense. It would be fitting to mention in the words of Shakespeare the one lady member of the Council, Mrs Shouler

"...... for when a world of men
Could not prevail with all their oratory
Yet hath a woman's kindness over-rul'd"

To the Chief Public Health Inspector, Mr. H. Buxton, and to all members of the Public Health Department I wish to express my sincere appreciation for their helpful co-operation.

J.W. HALL

(Acting) Medical Officer of Health.

I am indebted to Dr. Hall for the compilation of this report.

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J.V. LOUGHLIN

Medical Officer of Health.

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GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (in acres)	- 5,699
Registrar General's Estimate of Population (Mid. 1967) -	- 18,040
Number of inhabited house	- 6,127
Rateable value	- £747,632
Product of a penny rate	- £2,975

Population

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

1958	14,860	196316,310
1959		196416,850
1960		196517,340
1961		196617,750
1962		196718,040

VITAL STATISTICS

DEATHS					
2.51	Males	Females	Total		1966
All causes and ages	109	103	212		195
				1967	
Rate per 1,000 population				10.5	8.8
For England and Wales				11.2	11.7
LIVE BIRTHS					
Number	201	170	371		388
Rate per 1,000 population				20,2	21.4
For England and Wales				17.2	17.7

	1967	1966
<pre>[ILLEGITIMATE LIVE BIRTHS] (per cent of total live births)</pre>	4.6	5.9
STILLBIRTHS Number Rate per 1,000 total live	8	6
and still births	21.1	15.2
TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS	379	394
INFANT DEATHS (deaths under one year)	9	H (
INFANT MORTALITY RATES		
Total infant deaths per 1,000	aotralue	4
total live births	24.3	15.4
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births	25.4	11.0
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births		87.0
NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE	Carried to sally service	
Deaths under four weeks per 1,000 total live births	16.2	12.9
EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE		
Deaths under one week per 1,000 total live births	13.5	12.5
PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE		
Still births and deaths under one week combined per 1,000 total live and still births	34.3	27.9
MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE (including abortion	n)	
Number of deaths	NIL	
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	20200	2.
	ate per 1,000 population	

CAUSES OF DEATH

	AND OTHER DISEASES	Males	Females	Total
1.	Tuberculosis, Respiratory	1	-	1
3.	Syphilitic Disease	95,008.	2	2
9.	Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	1	2
10.	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	3	3	6
11.	Malignant, Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	7	1 1	8
12.	Malignant, Neoplasm, Breast	nameul?	2	2
14.	Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	6	9	15
16.	Diabetes	3	2	5
17.	Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	17	9	26
18.	Coronary Disease, Angina	16	8	24
19.	Hypertension With Heart Disease	2	2	4
20.	Other Heart Disease	13	10	23
21,	Other Circulatory Disease	3	4	7
23.	Pneumonia	5	6	11
24.	Bronchitis	4	3	7
25.	Other Diseases of Respiratory System	<u>p101</u>	3	3
26.	. Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	1	anleg	Lave 4
27	. Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	1	ensol Prov	2
29	Hyperplasia of Prostate	1	-	1
31	. Congenital Malformations	3	1	4
32	Other Defined and Ill-Defined Diseases	19	28	47
33	. Motor Vehicle Accidents	ing Pthe	3	4
34	. All Other Accidents	1 2	3	4
35	. Suicide de la seaso well	1	2	3
	Resp. Non-resp. Resp. Non-re			
	M-4-2 -22	100	107	242
	Total all causes	109	103	212

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

Disease	Total cases notified
Measles Scarlet Fever	110
Infective Hepatitis Erysipelas	, and , 19 Igos
Influenzal Pneumonia	enorth (mg/lqos
	142

AGE GROUPS TO THE TOTAL AND TH

16.

Disease	Under 1	2	3 4	5 9	10 14	15 24	25 34	35 44	45 64	65 & over	Total
Measles	4	27	33	44	-	1	1	- t	tonu		110
Scarlet Fever	-	-	2	3	-	1	-	1	2do		7
Infective Hepatitis	-	-	10351	8	11	gasī.	30 50	ano a H		G+0a	19
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TUBERCULOSIS

During the year 1967 the following cases and deaths from tuberculosis were notified:-

	New	Cases	Deaths			35.	
Age Group	Resp.		esp.	Res	Resp. Non-resp.		
	M F	M	F	M	F	M	F
0 - 14	secon- Its	fetoT-	-	-	_	-	-
15 - 24	1	-	-		10	-	-
25 - 44		-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54		-	-	1	_	-	-
55 & over		-	-	-	-	-	-

Other Defined and Ill-Defined Diseases

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION PROCEDURES

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

Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus, Poliomyelitits and Smallpox.

B.C.G. vaccination (against Tuberculosis) of school children over the age of 11 years was carried out by the School Medical Officers. The following are the related figures available:-

	No. of children eligable	No. who consented	No. skin tested	No. positive	No. negative	No. vaccinated
Ferneley High School	250	249	225	29	196	196
Sarson High School	30	30	12	1	11	11

Cases found to be strongly positive are given a Chest X-ray.

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: Home Nursing Service: Home Help Service: Maternity and Child Welfare: School Health Services: Child Life Protection: Personal Health and Welfare Services:

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

National Assistance Act, 1948, Section 47

No action taken during the year.

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.

Ten 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.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Total num	mber of complaints received	206
Number of	premises at which defects	
or	nuisances were dealt with	290

VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Animal Keeping	. 6
Bakehouses	. 8
Dairies	. 13
Drainage works	. 68
Dwellinghouses (all purposes)	. 361
Infectious disease inquiries	. 18
Food poisoning inquiries	. 5
Food premises	. 95
Rodent control	. 613
Shops and Offices	. 129
Abattoir and meat inspection	. 548
Caravans	. 6
Factories and workplaces	. 20
Other inspections	. 211

2,101

Notices	Housing	Public Health
Informal Outstanding on 1st January	2	_
Issued during year	12	30
Complied with during year	13	28
Outstanding 31st December	1	2.002710
Statutory		
Outstanding on 1st January	48	Wholesale Shops,
Issued during year	22	Warehouses
Complied with during year	17	. wdates galasta
Outstanding 31st December	53	open to the Public

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS

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

Eight 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.

RODENT CONTROL

187 minor rats or mice infestations, reported or discovered, have been dealt with and surveys made in conjunction with these infestations.

Sections of the main sewers in the district have been test baited and treatments carried out to deal with rat 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

	Number :	Number of premises	Contraventions			
Class of Premises	registered	inspected	Found	Remedied	Outstanding 31:12:67	
Offices	46	21	16	de 112 galba	adadw04	
Retail Shops	119	41	31	24	7 da 48	
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	6	3	1 .	el m zakla dunia zaz	5/3000	
Catering estabs. open to the Public, canteens	22:_	18	13	to 10 and the dear	55	
Fuel Storage depots	2	-	-	-	<u>-</u>	
TOTALS	195	83	61	44	17	

During the year six further registrations of premises were received, and there were seven cancellations.

One accident reported, at a retail shop, was of a minor nature.

Analysis of persons employed in registered premises by workplace

Class of workplace	No. of persons employed
Offices	996
Retail shops	720
Wholesale department, warehouse	end to another 123
Catering establishments open to the public	162
Canteens	22111137V4_4114ARVVA
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Total Males	1,024
Total Females	men Europe to the 1995 may allow 05

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HOUSING IN CLEARANCE AREAS AND UNFIT HOUSES ELSEWHERE

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	Under Section 24 Housing Act, 19	957.		
E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT NIL	D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY US	E (Housing Act	t, 1957)	NIL
	E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEM	ENT		NIL

Inspection of dwelling houses Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) 140 Number of inspections made 175 Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation New Houses: By Local Authority By Private Enterprise Number of houses completed during the year 105 Number of houses in course of erection at the end of the year 82 procedure under Section 17 (1) Total number of post-war houses 1,202 completed Occupied Houses: Total number of occupied houses in district 6,127 Improvement Grants Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958 No. of applications for grants received during the year NIL House Purchase and Housing Act. 1959 No. of applications received for standard grants from: - (a) Owner/Occupiers 14 (b) Owners of rented property 15 No. of applications approved 28 No. of properties improved during the year 33

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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Milk Supply

	No. on Register	No. of Inspections
Dairies	4	7
Distributors	6	6

No contraventions found.

Ice-Cream

Number of premises registered:

(a) Manufacture and Retail NIL
(b) Manufacture only NIL
(c) Retail only 46

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 ice-cream is sold ready packed.

9 samples of ice-cream were all satisfactory.

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

Stallholders	complying	with th	e Regulati	ons	15
Vehicles comp	olying with	Regula	tions		20

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	14,760
Number of knackers yards in area Number of visits to knackers yard	
Number of licensed slaughtermen Licences issued during the year:	
Licences issued during the year: (a) new licences	t asks St . sons A data 1
(b) renewals	9

Carcases Inspected and Condemned

- Lendodrat	Cattle excluding	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs	Total
	Cows			Lambs		
Number killed and inspected	1,629	59	34	6,872	6,166	14,760
All Diseases except Tuberculosis	. Found and	Papysa				Weight in 1bs
Whole carcases	_	2	150710381 2011 2 018	14	12	3,257
Carcase of which some part or organ condemned	382	14	3	164	511	6,044
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other	La even mae	27.1%	41 00	9		-eof 10 No faoM
than Tuberculosis	23.4%	2/.1%	14.8%	2.6%	8.5%	
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Carcases of which some part or organ condemned	- -		ditered a	Poods	21	268
Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	<u>-</u>			0.3%	a seco
Cysticercosis		aous ni	abrant n	exicant.	o zoda	<u>-</u>

Total weight in lbs, 9,569

4 tons. 5 cwt. 49 lbs of meat was condemned during the year, compared with 4 tons. 12 cwt; 104 lbs last year.

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

237 packets of frozen foods; 8 dozen packets of cheese; 120 lbs of fish, and 445 tins of various foods.

No. of certificates issued..... 53

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	40	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 8800	4
Cafes and	-		- equinteges	Differenconable
canteens	14	14	14 militalit	14
Licensed premises and restaurants	31	31	31	31

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act. 1961

Inspection for purposes of provisions as to health:

rrendere	demned and volunterily su	No. on Register	Inspec- tions	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i)		shoot not about about			
(1 2)	Factories not included in (i) in which section 7 is enforced by Local Authorities.	55	22	ivollol en	3,237
(iii)	Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authorities.		de carri	and to sei	
				-	-

2. Cases in which defects were found:

9		9	to H.M.	by H.M.
15 15	Found	Remedied	Inspector	Inspector
Want of cleanliness Overcrowding	1	-22	- 52 - 22	molice ino
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	bms a=1e0
Inadequate ventilation	-	44		oan-eens
Ineffective draimage of floor	s -	-		Dinensed:
Sanitary Conveniences (a) insufficient	1	14		Januster .
(b) unsuitable or defective	e 2	2	-	1
(c) not separate for sexes	-	-	0	-
Other offences against the Ac	t -	-	-	-
Outwork				

No. of	outworkers 12	42
Nature	of work Me	aking etc. of wearing apparel.

There were no instances of outwork in unwholesome premises.



