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Medical Officer of Health

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RURAL DISTRICT OF NIDDERHART

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September 1963.

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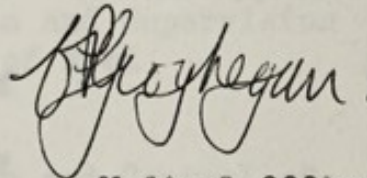
Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you the Annual Report on the health of the Midhurst Rural District and the work of the Public Health Department during the Year 1962.

I would like to express my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Council for their support, and to Mr. T. G. Henry and all members of the Staff for their work during the year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant



Medical Officer of Health.

INTRODUCTION.

In 1962, a Member of the Government said that the population of England and Wales would increase by $5\frac{1}{2}$ millions in twenty years. Recently in 1963, the present Minister of Housing and Local Government stated that this estimate has already proved to be too small; it is now predicted that between 1961 and 1981 there will be an increase of over 7 millions. Moreover, this growth of population is expected to continue at an increasing rate until the year 2,000 at least, with the growth during the last twenty years of the century likely to exceed $9\frac{1}{2}$ millions. There are 47 million people in England and Wales today; by the turn of the century there will be 64 million, and they will all need somewhere to live.

$3\frac{1}{2}$ millions of the increase by 1981 will be in the South East of England and it seems unlikely that an attractive district like Midhurst will escape a proportion of this increase. In 1950 the housing waiting list in this district numbered 534; this figure fell gradually to 290 in 1958, but since then it has risen gradually to 394. There is evidently no slackening in the demand for Council houses.

The Registrar-General's detailed report on the 1961 Census has not yet been published for Sussex so that the age structure of the population at the present time must still be calculated from the 1951 Census and from the trends revealed then. The Council has, however, made a significant contribution towards meeting the needs of old people by the opening during 1962 of Egmont House, a block of flatlets providing "independent housing under supervision" for a small number of old people. This type of accommodation has proved popular wherever it has been built and although with central heating, constant hot water, and other facilities, it is relatively expensive to build and to run, such expenditure must be seen in relation to the cost of hospital beds and welfare homes. Both of the latter will be spared by encouraging and enabling old people to maintain their independence, so that less fit old people will need institutional care.

In time, welfare homes will become more and more concerned with the care of partially disabled old people, while the fit and nearly fit will remain a housing rather than a welfare problem.

Section I

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

The District is an agricultural and residential one occupying the North-Western corner of West Sussex. The Counties of Hampshire and Surrey lie to the West and North respectively, Chichester Rural District to the South, and Petworth to the East.

Apart from agriculture, there are other minor industries providing employment, and holiday traffic brings a considerable amount of trade to hotels and cafes.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Area in Acres	..	..	..	..	67,035
Number of Parishes	..	..	..	..	25
Registrar-General's Estimate of Population:					
				1961 mid-year	17,520
				1962 mid-year	17,890
Number of Dwellings	..	..	..	..	5,987
Rateable Value (March 1963)	..	..	..	..	£251,084
Sum represented by a Penny Rate (March 1963)	..	..	..	..	£ 1,005

VITAL STATISTICS.

Live Births

MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT								Birth Rate per 1,000 Population		
Total number (after adjustment for transfers)						Birth Rate per 1,000 population		West Sussex Districts		England and Wales
Year	Total	Sex		Illegitimate		Crude		Rural	Urban	Wales
		M	F	Number	%		Corr.			
1961	227	122	105	15	6.60	12.95	13.98	13.8	14.9	17.4
1962	229	113	116	20	8.73	12.80	13.82	14.7	14.8	18.0

Stillbirths

MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT				Rate per 1000 total (live & still) Births		Rate per 1000 population	
Total number (after adjustment for transfers				Midhurst R. D.	England and Wales	Midhurst R. D.	England and Wales
Year	Total	Sex					
		M	F				
1961	5	2	3	21.55	19.1	0.28	0.33
1962	4	2	2	17.16	18.1	0.22	0.33

Vital Statistics (contd.)

Total (live and still) Births

1962		<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Live Births	..	113	116	229
Still Births	..	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>
TOTAL BIRTHS:		<u>115</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>233</u>

Infant Mortality - Deaths of Infants under 1 Year

INFANT DEATHS					RATES PER 1000 LIVE BIRTHS			
MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT					Midhurst R.D.	West Sussex		England and Wales
Year	Total	Sex		Illegit- imate.		R.D's	U.D's.	
		M	F					
1961	5	3	2	1	22.02	16.9	18.6	21.6
1962	-	-	-	-	-	22.1	18.7	21.4

Infant Mortality Rates - Midhurst Rural District		
Year	Legitimate infants per 1000 legitimate live births	Illegitimate infants per 1000 illegitimate live births
1961	18.86	66.6
1962	-	-

	Neo-natal Mortality (Deaths under 4 weeks)		Early Neo-Natal Mortality (Deaths under 1 week)		Perinatal Mortality (Stillbirths and Deaths under 1 week combined)	
	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961
Total Deaths	Nil	3	Nil	3	4	8
Mortality Rate per 1000 total live births	-	13.21	-	13.21		
Mortality Rate per 1000 total live and still births					17.16	34.48

Vital Statistics (contd.)

Maternal Deaths (including Abortion)

Midhurst R.D.		Maternal Mortality Rate per 1000 total births			
Year	Total Deaths	Midhurst R.D.	West Sussex		England and Wales
			R.D's.	U.D's.	
1961	Nil	-	0.4	-	0.33
1962	Nil	-	-	0.5	0.35

Deaths

MIDHURST RURAL DISTRICT						WEST SUSSEX DISTRICTS		ENGLAND AND WALES
Total Deaths (after adjustment for transfers)				Death Rates per 1000 population		Death Rate per 1000 population		Death Rate per 1000 population
Year	Total	Sex		Crude	Corr.	Rural	Urban	
		M	F					
1961	249	119	130	14.21	9.09	14.0	14.9	12.0
1962	300	132	168	16.77	9.39	14.2	14.9	11.9

When dealing with a small population such as that of this District, a certain random fluctuation from year to year in birth and death rates is to be expected. This is illustrated by the figures for the last ten years shown on Page 10.

Of the total deaths recorded during 1962, 249 or 83% occurred in persons aged 65 years or over; 197 or 66% in persons aged 75 years or over, and 82 or 27% in persons aged 85 years or over.

The chief causes of death in order of frequency were:-

	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>
(i) Diseases of heart & circulatory system	92(37%)	100(33%)
(ii) Vascular lesions of nervous system	49(20%)	68(23%)
(iii) Neoplasms (growths)	45(18%)	49(16%)
(iv) Respiratory Diseases (excluding Pulmonary Tuberculosis	28(11%)	37(12%)

These four causes accounted for 254 or 85% of the total deaths.

A table at the end of this Section shows the age, sex distribution and causes of death in 1962.

Vital Statistics (contd.)

During the year deaths exceeded births by 71, and the Registrar-General's estimate of population at mid 1962 showed an increase of 370 over the 1961 estimate.

Death Rates per 1,000 population from:

	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	0.11	0.11
Tuberculosis (Other Forms) ..	Nil	Nil
Respiratory Diseases (excluding Pulmonary Tuberculosis ..	1.59	2.06
Cancer	2.56	2.74
Principal Zymotic Diseases (Smallpox, Enteric Fever, Measles, Scarlet Fever, Whooping Cough & Diphtheria)	Nil	Nil
Number of Deaths from Diarrhoea and Enteritis (children under 2 years)	Nil	Nil

During the year deaths exceeded births by 11, and the Registrar-General's estimate of population for mid 1961 showed an increase of 10 over the 1961 estimate.

Year	1961	1962	1963
Births	119	119	119
Deaths	130	130	130
Population	119	119	119

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Deaths	130	130	130
Population	119	119	119

With this to take as a guide, it is estimated that a birth rate of 119 in 1961, 120 in 1962, and 121 in 1963, would be sufficient to maintain the population at its present level.

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No.	Causes of Death	Sex	All Ages	Weeks		Years										Total																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																								
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No deaths were recorded as due to:- (2) Tuberculosis, other; (3) Syphilitic disease; (4) Diphtheria; (5) Whooping Cough; (6) Meningococcal infections; (7) Acute Poliomyelitis; (8) Measles; (9) Other infective and parasitic diseases; (29) Hyperplasia of prostate; (30) Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion; (36) Homicide and operations of war; (27) Gastritis, Enteritis, and Diarrhoea; (35) Suicide.

Table showing Vital Statistics for the Years 1953 - 1962.

Year	Estimated Population	Total Live Births			Birth Rate			Total Deaths			Death Rate			Infant Deaths			Infant Death Rate	Natural increase population
		M	F	Total	Crude	Comp. Factor	Corr.	M	F	Total	Crude	Comp. Factor	Corr.	M	F	Total		
1953	16,820	125	109	234	13.91	1.10	15.30	130	117	247	14.68	0.78	11.45	5	1	6	25.64	-13
1954	16,960	121	112	233	13.73	1.09	14.96	141	114	255	15.03	0.73	10.97	2	2	4	17.16	-22
1955	16,980	147	115	262	15.42	1.09	16.80	126	123	249	14.66	0.73	10.70	2	1	3	11.45	13
1956	16,980	114	106	220	12.95	1.09	14.11	149	184	283	16.66	0.58	9.66	-	5	5	22.72	-63
1957	16,990	100	111	211	12.41	1.08	13.40	122	114	236	13.89	0.66	9.16	1	1	2	9.47	-25
1958	16,940	102	115	217	12.80	1.08	13.82	137	124	261	15.40	0.60	9.24	1	2	3	13.82	-44
1959	17,010	130	119	249	14.63	1.08	15.80	151	101	252	14.81	0.59	8.73	-	-	-	-	- 3
1960	17,150	107	122	229	13.35	1.08	14.41	128	158	286	16.67	0.63	10.50	4	1	5	21.83	-57
1961	17,520	122	105	227	12.95	1.08	13.98	119	130	249	14.21	0.64	9.09	3	2	5	21.55	-22
1962	17,890	113	116	229	12.80	1.08	13.82	132	168	300	16.77	0.56	9.39	-	-	-	-	-71

Section II.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

Hospitals

The hospitals providing accommodation and treatment in the District are as follows:-

King Edward VII Sanatorium, Easebourne.
Royal West Sussex Hospital, ISOLATION, Spitalfield Lane, Chichester.
Royal West Sussex Hospital, ST. RICHARD'S, Spitalfield Lane, Chichester.
Royal West Sussex Hospital, BROYLE ROAD, Chichester.
Midhurst Cottage Hospital.
Petworth Cottage Hospital.
Haslemere Hospital.
Petersfield Hospital.
Horsham General Hospital.
Worthing Hospital.
Southlands Hospital, Shoreham-by-Sea.
Sussex Maternity & Women's Hospital, Brighton.
Zachary Merton Maternity Home, Rustington.
Aldingbourne Chest Hospital.

Except for the King Edward VII Sanatorium, all the above are administered by the South West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board.

Laboratory Service.

Examinations carried out for this Authority by the Public Health Laboratory, Portsmouth, during 1962 were as follows:-

<u>Nature of Specimen</u>	<u>Number Examined</u>
(a) Ice Cream	12
(b) Milk (Pathological) ..	159
(c) Milk (Biological) ..	14
(d) Water	166
TOTAL:-	<u>351</u>

Ambulances.

The Local Health Authorities (the West Sussex County Council and the Surrey County Council) provide an ambulance service with ambulances operating from Midhurst, Petworth and Haslemere. The Hampshire Ambulance Service provides assistance in the Harting area.

The same Authorities are also responsible for the Hospital Car Service.

General Provision of Health Services (contd.)

Home Nursing and Midwifery.

General District Nurses, Midwives, Health Visitors and School Nurses, are employed by the West Sussex County Council to serve in the Rural District.

Treatment Centres and Clinics.

Ante-Natal Clinics	-	held at Petworth
Infant Welfare Centres	-	held at Camelsdale, Midhurst and Petworth.
Infant Weighing Centres	-	held at Fernhurst, Graffham, Lodsworth, Harting, Heyshott, Milland, Northchapel, Rogate and Stedham.
School Clinic (Minor Ailments)	}	- held at Chichester.
Orthopaedic Clinic		
Eye Clinic	-	held at Chichester.
Speech Therapy Clinic	-	held at Chichester and Midhurst.
Chest Clinic	-	held at Aldingbourne Chest Hospital.
Venereal Diseases Clinics	-	held at St. Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth; The Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford; and St. Richard's Hospital, Chichester.
Dental Clinic	-	Mobile Dental Unit operates in the area.

Nursing Homes.

Five Nursing Homes in the District are registered by the West Sussex County Council under Section 187 of the Public Health Act, 1936, providing a total accommodation for 160 patients, mostly for aged chronic cases.

National Assistance Act, 1948.

Section 47 - No action was necessary during the year.

Section 50 - One burial was carried out during the year.

Section III

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

Water Supply

The North West Sussex Water Board supplies the southern half of the district and the Wey Valley Water Company the northern part. These two Water Undertakers provide main water to all parishes in the district, 5,044 properties having a supply within the dwellings with very few exceptions.

Private Estates supply water to 858 houses.

Details of the supplies in each of the Parishes as at 31st December, 1962, are given in the table at the end of this Section.

NORTH WEST SUSSEX WATER BOARD UNDERTAKERS

Rotherfield Bore Supply, Easebourne - to the Parishes of Bepton, Cocking, Easebourne, Heyshott, Midhurst, Stedham, West Lavington and Woolbeding.

During the year, the Board laid 570 yards of 4" asbestos cement main and 40 yards of 3" asbestos cement main at Oakhurst, Midhurst, for supplying a private housing estate being developed, and 185 yards of 3" cast iron main at Sandrook, Petersfield Road, Midhurst, in connection with Council housing estate development.

The number of houses supplied from this source is 1,456.

Slade Lane Bore Supply, Rogate - to the Parishes of Chithurst, Elsted, Harting, Iping, Linch, Rogate, Stedham, Treyford, Trotton, and Woolbeding.

During the year 465 yards of 4" asbestos cement main was laid in Chithurst Lane, 460 yards of 4" asbestos cement main to Lambourne Cottage, Milland, 235 yards of 3" asbestos cement main and 270 yards of 4" asbestos cement main to South Acre Private Housing Estate, Harting.

1,270 houses are supplied by this scheme.

Lodsworth Bore Supply, Lodsworth - to the Parishes of Easebourne, East Lavington, Graffham, Lodsworth, Lurgashall, North Ambersham, South Ambersham and Tillington.

During the year 150 yards of 3" asbestos cement main was laid at Little River, Tillington.

This source supplies 696 houses.

All the above three sources of supply are inter-connected.

Water Supply (contd.)

The laying of other new water mains by the North West Sussex Water Board in the Parishes of Cocking, Heyshott and Bepton was not completed during the year but the work was finished during 1963, and the Cowdray Estate Private Supply to the above mentioned Parishes is no longer connected.

WEY VALLEY WATER COMPANY.

Water is supplied to the Parishes of Fernhurst, Harting, Iping, Linchmere, North Ambersham, Rogate and Trotton.

During the year 1,614 yards of 4" asbestos cement and spun iron main was laid in the Harting Combe area of Rogate, and 868 yards of 3" spun iron main at Linchmere March.

The total number of houses supplied is 1,580.

Water Analyses.

A total of 166 samples of water were taken and submitted for examination and the following table gives details of the results obtained:-

Source	No. of Samples Taken	E x a m i n a t i o n			
		Bacteriological		Chemical	
		S	U	S	U
North West Sussex Water Board Mains	34	34	-	-	-
Wey Valley Water Company Mains	29	21	1	7	-
Private Estate Supplies	74	63	11	-	-
Individual Private Supplies	29	11	18	-	-
TOTALS:	166	129	30	7	-

Note: S = Satisfactory.

U = Unsatisfactory

Drainage and Sewerage

State of Household Sanitation in the District:

Houses with water closets drained to sewers	-	3,099 (51.9%)
Houses with water closets drained to septic tanks and cesspools	-	2,379 (39.6%)
Houses with earth, pail or chemical closets	-	509 (8.5%)

Total Dwellings: 5,987

Drainage and Sewerage (contd.)Houses Drained to the Council's Sewers:

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Drainage Scheme</u>	<u>Houses Drained to sewer</u>	<u>Number of Houses in Parish</u>
Chithurst	Chorley Common	4)	
	Cartersland Corner	12)	81
Cocking	Cocking	106	168
Heyshott	Cocking	1)	
	Austens and Bakersfield	17)	127
Elsted	Hill View	14	64
Graffham	Woodcote	10)	
	Guillods	22)	203
Easebourne	Midhurst, Easebourne and West Lavington	473	576
Midhurst	- ditto -	721	730
West Lavington	- ditto -	82	190
Woolbeding	- ditto -	2)	
	Claypit	4)	70
Fernhurst	Fernhurst Village	337)	
	Northern Fernhurst and Linchmere	211)	794
Linchmere	- ditto -	399	523
North Ambersham	- ditto -	17	64
Lodsworth	Berryfield	2)	
	Barnfield	6)	207
	Beechfield	6)	
Lurgashall	Lurgashall Village	37	194
Harting	Harting	234)	
	Furze Meadow	12)	446
	Knightsfield	4)	
	Nyewood	26)	
Rogate	Knowles Meadow	18)	
	Rogate Village	149)	510
Trotton	Mill Lane	30	176
Stedham	Great House Farm	31	210
Tillington	Tillington	137	233
		<u>3,124</u>	<u>5,566</u>

In addition to the drainage schemes carried out in the Parishes mentioned in the table above, the main drainage scheme for Stedham and Iping Village was proceeding and it is anticipated that this work will be completed before the end of 1963. Main drainage schemes are also required at North Bepton, Cocking Causeway area of the Parishes of Cocking and West Lavington, Selham Road and Church Lane in the Parish

Drainage and Sewerage (contd.)

of West Lavington, Lodsworth Village, Graffham, Heyshott, Hill Brow, Rake and Elsted.

Public Cleansing.

Refuse Collection

The refuse collection service provided by the Council is as follows:-

ONCE WEEKLY: Midhurst; Easebourne (Lutener Road, Easebourne Street - Post Office to School only, and Dodsley); West Lavington (Chichester Road - South Pond to Station only).

FORTNIGHTLY: Bepton; Chithurst; Cocking; Easebourne (except Lutener Road, Easebourne Street - Post Office to School, and Dodsley); East Lavington; Elsted; Fernhurst; Graffham; Harting; Heyshott; Iping; Linch; Linchmere; Lodsworth; Lurgashall; North Ambersham; Rogate; South Ambersham; Stedham; Tillington; Treyford; Trotton; West Lavington (except Chichester Road - South Pond to Station); Woolbeding.

All refuse is deposited on the tip at Holmbush but it is anticipated that during the coming year tipping will cease at Holmbush and a new refuse tip opened at Pendean in the Parish of West Lavington.

Cesspool Emptying Service

This work is carried out by the Council's own vehicle and where required four free emptyings a year are given. During the year 922 cesspools were emptied giving a total of 1,229 loads.

Shops Act, 1950.

152 visits were made to shops and offices during the year. Sanitary conveniences were cleansed, repaired or redecorated in six cases, and washing facilities and sanitary conveniences were provided in five cases.

Swimming Baths and Pools.

There are no public swimming baths or pools in the area.

Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960.

Licences were granted under this Act in respect of nine sites. The sites were generally for individual caravans with the exception of one where the maximum number of caravans stationable was 150, during the summer months.

Factories Act, 1961 - Part I.

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health
(including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspection (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	18	18	4	-
ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	51	27	3	-
iii) Other Premises in which Sec. 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding Out-workers premises.)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	69	45	7	-

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found:

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases where prosecutions instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	5	5	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temp. (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate vent. (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences(S.7)					
a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
b) Unsuitable or def:	2	1	-	-	-
c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	7	6	-	-	-

Factories Act (contd.)

PART VIII OF THE ACT

Outwork
(Sections 133 and 134)

No outworkers were notified.

Eradication of Bed Bugs.

No action was necessary in this respect.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.

During the year 1,096 infestations were dealt with and some 6,246 rats and 2,182 mice were destroyed.

Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951.

There are no premises in the district at which rag flock is used or sold.

Pet Animals Act, 1951.

There are no premises in the district licensed under this Act.

Schools.

All the schools in the district have waterborne sanitation and 14 visits were made to school premises.

Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

Visits made:

Housing - first visits	..	..	..	706
Housing - re-visits	..	..	..	1,012
Housing applications	..	..	..	156
Overcrowding	..	..	..	143
Drainage and sanitary conveniences			..	973
Water Supplies	..	..	..	295
Privies, ditches and cesspools	..		..	335
Refuse and accumulations		..	..	143
Verminous premises	..	..	..	14
Rats and Mice destruction		..	..	6,915
Schools	..	..	..	14
Moveable dwellings	..	..	..	84
Factories Act	..	..	..	45
Infectious Diseases	..	..	..	5
Shops Act	..	..	..	152
Slaughterhouses, Butchers Shops and Other				
Food Premises			..	496
Dairies and Milk Distributors	..	..		134
Total carried forward:-				<u>11,622</u>

Sanitary Inspection of the Area (contd.)

Total brought forward	..	..	..	11,622
Noise Abatement Act	..	..	..	26
Smoke Abatement	..	..	..	6
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	66

TOTAL VISITS

11,720

10 work
each week
per day

Complaints received	..	..	..	73
Informal Notices served	..	..	..	233
Informal Notices complied with	..	..	..	261
Statutory Notices served under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936				3
Statutory Notices served under Section 44				1
Statutory Notices served under Section 39				1
Statutory Notices served under Section 27 of the Public Health Act, 1961				1
Statutory Notices complied with	..			3

Summary of Sanitary Work and Improvements under Public Health and Housing Acts

Baths provided	..	..	..	96
Ceilings repaired or renewed	..	..	..	69
Chimney stacks repaired or renewed	..	..	..	49
Cooking ranges repaired or renewed	..	..	..	52
Damp walls remedied	..	..	..	61
Doors repaired or renewed	..	..	..	49
Drainage systems cleared or repaired	..	..	..	54
Drainage systems provided	..	..	..	94
Firegrates repaired or renewed	..	..	..	66
Food Stores provided or repaired	..	..	..	50
Foul accumulations removed	..	..	..	7
Floors repaired or renewed	..	..	..	74
Fuel Stores provided or repaired	..	..	..	29
Gutters and downpipes provided or repaired	..	..	..	75
Hot and cold water systems provided	..	..	..	98
Houses cleansed and redecorated	..	..	..	73
Plaster repaired or renewed	..	..	..	65
Refuse bins provided	..	..	..	28
Roofs repaired or renewed	..	..	..	97
Sinks provided	..	..	..	78
Stairs repaired or renewed	..	..	..	31
Verminous premises disinfested	..	..	..	1
Water supplies laid on into dwellings	..	..	..	34
Water closets provided or repaired	..	..	..	113
Windows enlarged, provided or repaired	..	..	..	63
Walls repaired	..	..	..	57
Wash-hand basins provided	..	..	..	98
Yard paving provided or repaired	..	..	..	34

Midhurst Rural District - Water Supplies, 1962

Parish	Area (Acres)	Estim- ated Popul- ation	No. of houses in Parish	Houses with piped water from		Houses with Wells, Springs or Rainwater Tanks
				Public Mains	Private Estates	
Bpton	1910	270	101	51	49	1
Chithurst	1200	240	81	71	6	4
Cocking	2596	490	168	89	78	1
Easebourne	4214	1850	576	379	197	-
East Lavington	1977	550	85	29	55	1
Elsted	1840	200	64	59	3	2
Fernhurst	4950	2320	794	755	33	6
Graffham	2137	500	203	116	85	2
Harting	7946	1240	446	387	48	11
Heyshott	2184	340	127	9	116	2
Iping	2235	410	141	129	10	2
Linch	850	70	25	13	11	1
Linchmere	2066	1500	523	516	6	1
Lodsworth	2441	560	207	203	3	1
Lurgashall	4815	510	194	134	45	15
Midhurst	669	2200	730	730	-	-
North Ambersham	1168	320	64	47	17	-
Rogate	5692	1600	510	493	8	9
South Ambersham	1502	100	31	11	18	2
Stedham	2493	650	210	171	36	3
Tillington	3816	610	233	223	4	6
Treyford	2098	90	38	32	2	4
Trotton	3707	520	176	158	14	4
West Lavington	678	540	190	187	3	-
Woolbeding	1851	210	70	52	11	7
TOTALS	67035	17890	5987	5044	858	85
Percentage of Total Dwellings				84%	14%	2%
				98%		

Estimated population deriving water from:

(a) Public Mains	..	..	..	..	15,072
(b) Private Estate Mains	..	..	..	..	2,564
(c) Other sources	..	..	..	..	254

Section IV

HOUSING

At the close of 1962, the Council's list of housing applicants showed 394 outstanding cases as compared with 391 in 1961.

106 new houses were completed during the year. (82 private and 24 Council houses).

In addition Egmont House at Easebourne was completed. This provides 24 flatlets for old people and a warden's flat. This type of accommodation providing independent housing for old people with a resident warden has proved very successful in many other districts and its immediate success at Easebourne will probably lead to similar provision in other parts of the rural district.

Housing Act, 1957.

Action was taken under Section 16 of this Act which resulted in six Undertakings being accepted, and four Closing Orders and three Demolition Orders being made.

Eight houses were demolished during the year.

Improvement Grants.

Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958 - Discretionary Grants.

Under the "Discretionary" Grant Scheme grant can be obtained up to one-half of the cost of carrying out the improvements subject to a maximum of £400, the dwelling on completion of the works being brought up to a definite standard laid down. As its name implies, the giving of grant under this scheme is entirely at the discretion of the Council, but in the case of a refusal the Council must give its reasons.

During the year applications were received for the improvement of 41 dwellings. Of these, 38 were approved, and 3 were under consideration.

The number of houses reconditioned during 1962 with the aid of this grant was 52. Since the Act came into force the number of houses completed is 438.

House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959 - Standard Grants.

Under the "Standard" Grant Scheme it is compulsory for the Council to give grants not exceeding one-half of the cost and up to a maximum of £155 for the provision of bath, water closet, wash-hand basin, hot and cold water system and larder, the maximum to be reduced by £25 if there is a bath in existence, by £40 if there is a water closet, by £5 if there is a wash-hand basin, by

Standard Grants (contd.)

£75 if there is a hot and cold water system, and by £10 if there is a larder, subject to the dwelling in question being fit after the above amenities have been provided.

During the year applications were received in respect of 23 dwellings, and improvements have been carried out with the aid of this grant at 14 dwellings. Since the Act came into force the total number of houses completed is 35.

Rent Act, 1957.

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

Houses Erected by Private Enterprise.

The 82 houses built privately during 1962 are situated in the following parishes:-

Cocking	5	Midhurst	12
Easebourne	5	North Ambersham	1
Fernhurst	9	Rogate	8
Graffham	3	Stedham	3
Heyshott	3	Tillington	1
Iping	6	Treyford	3
Linchmere	7	Trotton	3
Lodsworth	9	West Lavington	4

Requisitioned Premises.

No properties were under requisition during 1962.

Housing Statistics

1. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year.

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)		706
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose		1,718
(2) Number of dwelling-houses found not to be in all respects fit for habitation		199

2. Remedying of Defects without Service of Formal Notice.

Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied in consequence of informal action taken by the Local Authority		222
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Housing Statistics (contd.)

3. Action under Statutory Powers.

(a) Proceedings under Public Health Acts:

- | | |
|--|-----|
| (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied | 3 |
| (2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice: | |
| (a) by owners | 3 |
| (b) by Local Authority in default of owners | Nil |

(b) Proceedings under Sections 16 and 17 of the Housing Act, 1957:

- | | |
|---|---|
| (1) Number of houses in respect of which demolition orders were made .. | 3 |
| (2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders .. | 8 |
| (3) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Undertakings have been given that works will be carried out to render the house fit for human habitation .. | 6 |
| (4) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made .. | 4 |

4. Housing Act, 1957 - Part IV - Overcrowding.

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|-----|--|-----|
| (a) | (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year | 2 |
| | (ii) Number of families dwelling therein | 3 |
| | (iii) Number of persons dwelling therein | 15 |
| (b) | Number of new cases of overcrowding during 1962 | 3 |
| (c) | (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during 1962 | 4 |
| | (ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases | 30 |
| (d) | Particulars of any such cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority has taken steps to abate the overcrowding | Nil |

Houses Erected by the Local Authority.

Parish and Address		Pre-War	1947 1961	1962	Former Hsg. Soc.	Grand Total
CHITHURST	- Chorley Common Cottages	4	-	-	-	16
	Cartersland Corner	-	12	-	-	
COCKING	- Malthouse Cottages	8	-	-	-	51
	The Croft	-	43	-	-	
EASEBOURNE	- Canada Cottages	12	-	-	-	117
	Cowdray Road	-	34	-	-	
	Fox Road	-	20	-	-	
	Montague Road	-	32	-	-	
	Egmont Road	-	12	-	6	
	Egmont House, Egmont	-	-	1	-	
	Road (Old People's home of 24 flatlets & warden's flat)					
ELSTED	- Hill View Cottages	4	8	-	-	12
FERNHURST	- Dale Copse Cottages	6	-	-	-	156
	Old Glebe Cottages	-	40	-	-	
	Nappers Wood	-	110	-	-	
GRAFFHAM	- Woodcote Cottages	5	2	-	-	29
	Guillod Cottages	-	22	-	-	
HARTING	- Loppers Ash Cottages	4	-	-	-	90
	Knightsfield Cottages	4	-	-	-	
	Wellfield Cottages	8	-	-	-	
	Culvers, South Harting	-	62	-	-	
	Furze Meadow, Nyewood	-	12	-	-	
HEYSHOTT	- Austens Cottages	4	4	-	-	16
	Leggatts Flats	-	4	-	-	
	Bakersfield Cottages	4	-	-	-	
IPING	- Crossways Cottages	4	-	-	-	4
LINCHMERE	- The Spinney (Hammer Lane)	-	6	-	-	88
	Hammer Hill Cottages	-	82	-	-	
LODSWORTH	- Berryfield Cottages	2	-	-	-	12
	Barnfield Cottages	4	-	-	-	
	Beechfield Cottages	-	6	-	-	
LURGASHALL	- Greengate Cottages	4	16	-	-	20
MIDHURST	- Barnplat Cottages	12	-	-	-	54
	June Meadow	-	12	-	-	
	Nine Acres	-	22	-	-	
	June Rise	-	-	-	8	
Totals c/fwd.		89	561	1	14	665

Parish and Address		Pre-War	1947 1961	1962	Former Hsg. Soc.	Grand Total
Total b/fwd.		89	561	1	14	665
ROGATE	- Paddock Cottages	4	-	-	-	
	Parsonage Cottages	-	36	-	-	
	Knowles Meadow	-	18	-	-	
	Terwick Rise	-	18	-	-	76
STEDHAM	- Common View Cottages	-	10	-	-	10
TILLINGTON	- Willetts Field Cottages	4	-	-	-	
	The Harrows	-	28	-	-	32
TROTTON	- Mill Lane Cottages	12	18	-	-	30
WEST						
LAVINGTON	- Taylors Field Cottages	-	48	-	-	
	Taylors Rise	-	-	-	8	
	New Road	-	-	24	-	80
WOOLBEDING	- Claypit Cottages	4	-	-	-	4
TOTALS:		113	737	25	22	897

Houses Purchased by the Local Authority:

1, Austens Cottages, Heyshott (formerly C.278, Heyshott)
 Foundry Cottages, Heyshott.
 St. Richard's Flats, June Lane, Midhurst.
 2, 6, 7, 8 and 9, Railway Terrace, Midhurst.
 Sandrock Flats, Petersfield Road, Midhurst.

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Section V.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Milk Supply

Number of:

Inspections of dairies and milk premises ..	134
Producer Distributors with farms in the District	6
Retail dairies (not producing milk) in the District	3
Milk distributors with dairies outside the District	5

One hundred and two samples of milk taken from distributors during the year were submitted for examination for cleanliness by the Methylene Blue Test, and of these, 97 were reported upon as satisfactory.

Fifty-seven samples of Pasteurised Milk were taken and submitted to the Phosphatase Test, and 54 of these were satisfactory.

Fourteen samples of milk taken from farms whose milk is retailed in the district were submitted for biological examination and reported free from Tubercle Bacilli.

Meat and Other Foods.

Most of the meat consumed in the district is slaughtered elsewhere, supplies being delivered mainly from Chichester, Petersfield, Haslemere and London.

The following is a summary of butchers' shops etc. in the District together with details of inspections of these premises carried out during the year:-

Number of:-

Butchers Shops	7
Premises registered under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 for the preparation and manufacture of sausages or potted, pressed, pickled or preserved food intended for sale for human consumption	8
Visits made to the above premises ..	191
Premises registered for the sale of ice cream	69
Visits made to ice cream premises ..	53

There are no manufacturers of Ice Cream in the district.

Twelve samples of Ice Cream were taken from dealers and submitted for examination for cleanliness by the Methylene Blue Test. All were satisfactory.

Bakehouses.

There are 7 bakehouses in use in the district and during the year 14 inspections were made.

Other Food Premises.

Details of other food premises in the district, together with inspections made during the year, are set out herewith:-

Cafes, Restaurants, Private Hotels and					
Guest Houses	..	..	..	..	17
Visits made to such premises	..			119	
Grocers and General Stores	..	..	..		44
Fishmongers and Poultry Shops	..	..	..		3
Greengrocery Shops	..	..	..	..	6
Sweet Shops	..	..	..	..	7
Visits made to such premises	..			133	

Food Hygiene Regulations, 1960.

All food premises in the district are inspected from time to time and every opportunity is taken to impress on all concerned the need for cleanliness of persons, premises and utensils.

Forty-six informal notices were served during the year and most of these were complied with.

Meat and Other Foods Condemned at Food Shops.

Beef	..	..	..	..	..	63 lbs.
Veal	..	..	..	..	..	10 lbs.
Turkey	..	..	..	..	..	28 lbs.
Corned Beef (1 tin)	..	..	..	..	..	6 lbs.

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933.

Slaughter of Animals (Amendment) Act, 1954.

Two slaughtermen are licensed under the provisions of this Act.

Section VI.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF DISEASES.

Details of notifications of infectious diseases received during 1962 are set out on Page 31.

Cancer.

Deaths attributed to Cancer during the year numbered 49 (23 males, 26 females) - 45 deaths in 1961. The Cancer Death Rate is 2.74 per 1,000 of the estimated home population - 2.56 in 1961. Corresponding rates for England and Wales, the Administrative County and the Urban and Rural Districts are 2.17, 2.7, 2.8, and 2.7 respectively.

Localisation of the Disease.

					<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Brain	..	..	..	..	-	1	1
Alimentary Tract and Digestive System:							
Tongue	..	..	..	..	-	1	1
Larynx	..	..	..	..	-	-	-
Thyroid	..	..	..	..	-	-	-
Oesophagus	..	..	..	..	-	1	1
Stomach	..	..	..	..	3	1	4
Caecum	..	..	..	..	-	2	2
Colon	..	..	..	..	2	1	3
Rectum	..	..	..	..	1	1	2
Liver	..	..	..	..	1	1	2
Pancreas	..	..	..	..	2	-	2
Respiratory System:							
Lung, Bronchus		..	..	..	8	4	12
Urinary Organs:							
Bladder	..	..	..	..	-	1	1
Kidney	..	..	..	..	-	-	-
Male Genital Organs:							
Prostate	..	..	..	..	3	-	3
Female Genital Organs:							
Ovary	..	..	..	..	-	-	-
Uterus	..	..	..	..	-	2	2
Breast	..	..	..	..	-	8	8
Leukaemia	..	..	..	..	1	1	2
Other sites	..	..	..	..	2	1	3
TOTALS:					<u>23</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>49</u>

Diphtheria.

(a) Notifications. No cases of Diphtheria were notified during 1962, nor were any deaths registered as due to this cause.

(b) Immunisation. Immunisation against Diphtheria is carried out either at the Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics or by the General Practitioners and set out herewith are details of injections given during 1962:-

Antigen	Primary Injections	Reinforcing Injections
Diphtheria	3	48
Diphtheria and Whooping Cough	-	-
Diphtheria and Tetanus	4	126
Triple Antigen	155	29

Measles.

98 Notifications of Measles were received during 1962 (273 in 1961).

Pneumonia.

No cases of Pneumonia were notified (12 in 1961)

Notifications of this disease bear little relationship to its incidence however. There were 17 deaths registered as due to Pneumonia.

Tuberculosis.

Four cases were added to the Register (2 primary notifications and 2 cases moving into the district as transfers from other areas).

Five cases were removed from the Register 4 patients having recovered and 1 who left the district. Two deaths were recorded as due to Pulmonary Tuberculosis and referred to patients normally living outside the district but whose deaths were assigned locally due to their lengthy stay in hospital.

The death rate from Pulmonary Tuberculosis for the year is 0.11 per 1,000 of the home population (0.11 in 1961). The death rate for the Administrative County is 0.06.

The table overleaf gives details of the number of cases on the Register.

Tuberculosis (contd.)

Notification Register of Tubercular Patients - 1962.

	Pulmonary Cases			Non-Pulmonary Cases			Total Cases (All Forms)		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
Cases on Register at 1st January 1962	32	36	68	5	6	11	37	42	79
Cases restored to Register in 1962	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Primary Notifications received in 1962	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2
Cases moved into area as transfers	2	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	2
TOTALS:	35	37	72	5	6	11	40	43	83
Cases removed from Register in 1962	1	4	5	-	-	-	1	4	5
Number on Register at 31st December, 1962.	34	33	67	5	6	11	39	39	78

The following table shows the number of cases added to the Register annually for the last ten years, together with details of the total cases on the Register during this period:-

Year	Cases added to the Register			Total cases on Register at 31st December		
	Total	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Total	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary
1953	11	10	1	71	53	18
1954	8	7	1	58	46	12
1955	15	14	1	68	56	12
1956	6	6	-	66	56	10
1957	4	4	-	62	54	8
1958	12	12	-	71	63	8
1959	8	8	-	76	68	8
1960	12	10	2	81	72	9
1961	8	6	2	79	68	11
1962	4	4	-	78	67	11

No action was taken under the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925, or under Section 172 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

Table showing Cases of Infectious Disease Notified during the Year 1962.

Disease	Cases Notified			Total Deaths	Age Distribution of Notified Cases										
	M	F	Total		0-	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-	25-	45-	65-
Measles	50	48	98	-	-	4	11	13	12	53	3	1	1	-	-
Tuberculosis - respiratory	1	1	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Dysentery	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	52	49	101	2	-	4	12	13	12	53	3	1	1	-	2

No notifications were received of the undermentioned diseases:-

Cholera	Plague	Poliomyelitis
Diphtheria	Membranous Croup	Puerperal Pyrexia
Encephalitis	Meningococcal Infection	Relapsing Fever
Enteric Fevers	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Scarlet Fever
Erysipelae	Pneumonia	Smallpox
Food Poisoning		Typhus Fever
Malaria		Whooping Cough

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Disease	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Dysentery	3	-	1	-	3	-	-	-	1	1
Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric Fevers (Typhoid)	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(Paratyphoid)	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	2	-	1	-	5	-	-	-	1	-
Measles	306	1	113	366	40	42	122	5	273	98
Meningococcal Infections	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	13	8	19	5	10	2	11	-	12	-
Poliomyelitis (Paralytic)	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
(Non-Paralytic)	2	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	6	3	1	2	3	4	-	3	1	-
(Pulmonary)	6	4	4	2	2	6	4	8	3	2
(Non-Pulmonary)	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	-
Whooping Cough	76	14	16	32	14	3	-	14	3	-