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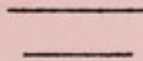
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NEWMARKET URBAN DISTRICT

in the

Administrative County of West Suffolk



ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

including the

Report of the Public Health Inspector

for

1962



SECTION A

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

GENERAL STATISTICS. Area ..					5,640 acres
Registrar General's estimate of resident population	(1959)	(1960)	(1961)	(1962)	11,200
	11,200	11,630	11,080	11,200	
Number of inhabited houses at end of year according to Rate Book	3,546	3,671	3,714	3,787	
Rateable Value	£137,580	£138,767	£144,985	£148,916	
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£534	£550	£572	£594	

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR.

LIVE BIRTHS.

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	99	92	191
Illegitimate	11	4	15
Total	110	96	206
Live birth rate per 1,000 population	..	..	18.4
Corrected birth rate (Comparability factor 0.99)	..	..	18.2
Live birth rate per 1,000 population (England & Wales)	..	..	18.0
Illegitimate live births per cent of total live births	..	..	7.3

STILL BIRTHS.

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	3	-	3
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Total	3	-	3
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 total live and still births	..	..	14.4
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 total live and still births (England & Wales)	..	..	18.1

TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS.

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	102	92	194
Illegitimate	11	4	15
Total	113	96	209

DEATHS.

	Male	Female	Total
Death rate per 1,000 population	83	69	152
Corrected death rate (Comparability factor 0.99)	..	..	13.6
Death rate per 1,000 population (England & Wales)	..	..	13.4
	..	..	11.9

INFANT MORTALITY - Deaths of infants under one year of age.

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	-	2	2
Illegitimate	1	-	1
Total	1	2	3

INFANT MORTALITY RATES.

Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births	..	..	14.6
Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births (England & Wales)	..	..	21.4
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births	..	..	10.5
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births	..	..	66.7

NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE.

Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births	9.7
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EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE.

Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births	9.7
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PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE.

Still births and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and still births	23.9
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MATERNAL MORTALITY.

Number of deaths (including abortion)	Nil
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COMPARATIVE VITAL STATISTICS

1962 1961 1960 1959 1958 1957 1956 1955 1954 1953

Birth Rate (Corrected)	18.2	16.9	17.3	17.9	14.5	17.4	18.2	14.3	15.7	14.8
Death Rate (Corrected)	13.4	11.6	12.8	11.9	13.9	8.9	11.6	10.3	11.0	9.8
Infant Mortality Rate	14.6	15.9	19.6	24.6	36.6	10.9	10.6	6.8	37.3	41.1
Number of infant deaths	3	3	4	5	6	2	2	1	6	6

The following table gives the causes and the number of deaths which occurred during 1962 :-

	Registrar General's Figures			
	Male		Female	
	1962	1961	1962	1961
1. Tuberculosis, respiratory	-	-	-	-
2. Tuberculosis, other	-	-	-	-
3. Syphilitic disease	-	1	-	-
4. Diphtheria	-	-	-	-
5. Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-
6. Meningococcal infection	-	-	-	-
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-
8. Measles	-	-	-	-
9. Other infective and parasitic diseases..	-	-	1	-
10. Malignant neoplasm, stomach	3	1	1	1
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung and bronchus ..	10	3	1	-
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast.. .. .	-	-	3	1
13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus.. .. .	-	-	1	-
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	4	7	9	9
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia	-	-	2	-
16. Diabetes	-	-	-	2
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system ..	10	8	10	6
18. Coronary disease, angina	22	13	13	10
19. Hypertension with heart disease	-	4	1	1
20. Other heart disease	7	6	12	8
21. Other circulatory disease	5	3	1	1
22. Influenza	-	2	-	-
23. Pneumonia	6	3	5	3
24. Bronchitis	4	4	1	1
25. Other diseases of respiratory system ..	2	-	1	1
26. Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	-	2	-	-
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	1	-	-	-
28. Nephritis, nephrosis	2	3	-	-
29. Hyperplasia of prostate	1	1	-	-
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-	-
31. Congenital malformations	-	-	-	-
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases..	2	8	4	6
33. Motor vehicle accidents	2	3	1	-
34. All other accidents	2	-	2	2
35. Suicide	-	1	-	-
36. Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-	-
	83	73	69	54

SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES
IN THE AREA.

(a) LABORATORY FACILITIES. The Public Health Laboratory, Tennis Court Road, Cambridge, under the directorship of Dr. R. M. Fry, provides an excellent bacteriological service and most readily discusses and advises on any epidemiological or similar problem.

(b) AMBULANCE FACILITIES. These services since July 1953, have been provided by the County Council under the direction of Dr. D. A. McCracken, the County Medical Officer of Health.

(c) NURSING IN THE HOME. The West Suffolk County Council District Nurse-Midwives carry out these duties.

(d) CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES. County Council Infant Welfare Clinics were held at the Health Clinic, Newmarket, each Tuesday, and at the Church Hall, Exning, on one Thursday each month. Outpatient clinics held at the Newmarket General Hospital are as follows :-

Mon.	Audiometric	Mr. Bailey	2.00p.m.	Alternate Mondays
	Cardiac	Dr. Fleming	10.00a.m.	3rd Mon. each month
	B.N.T.	Mr. Wilsdon	2.00p.m.	
	Gynaecological	Mr. Lloyd	2.00p.m.	Alternate Mondays
	Surgical Appliances	Mr. Ockendon	11.00a.m.	Alternate Mondays
Tues.	Orthopaedic	Mr. Jamieson	10.30a.m.	
	Plaster clinic	Mr. Jamieson	2.00p.m.	Theatre
	Surgical	Mr. Tagart	9.15a.m.	
	Ophthalmic	Mr. Monckton	2.00p.m.	4th Tues. each month reserved for school-children.
	Orthoptist	Miss Lewry	10.00a.m.	
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	Medical	Dr. Arden Jones & Registrar	2.00p.m.	
	Ante Natal	Registrar	2.00p.m.	A.1
	Ante Natal	Mr. Hesketh	10.00a.m.	A.1. Booking clinic - new patients.
Weds.	Physical Medicine	Dr. Fell	9.30a.m.	
	Paediatric	Dr. Gairdner	9.30a.m.	1st & 3rd Weds. of each month.
	Medical	Dr. Arden Jones & Registrar	2.00p.m.	
	Medical	Dr. Martin	2.00p.m.	Alternate Wednesdays
Thurs.	Neurology	Dr. Yealland	10.00a.m.	
	Ante Natal	Registrar	10.00a.m.	A.1
	Surgical	Mr. Williams	10.00a.m.	
	Dermatology	Dr. Rook	9.15a.m.	
	Dermatology	Dr. Gresson (Registrar)	9.15a.m.	2nd & 4th Thurs. only.
	Diseases of Chest	Dr. Hay	2.00p.m.	
	Physiotherapy clinic	Mr. Jamieson	2.00p.m.	Physio. Except 4th Thurs. of each month.
Fri.	Gynaecological	Mr. Hesketh	9.30a.m.	
	Ophthalmic	Mr. Monckton	2.00p.m.	
	Orthopaedic	Mr. Jamieson	2.00p.m.	
	Surgical	Mr. Tagart	9.15a.m.	
Sat.	Orthopaedic	Mr. Jamieson	10.15a.m.	Children alternate
	Orthoptist	Miss Lewry	10.00a.m.	

(e) HOSPITALS.

81 (39%) of the 206 births to inhabitants of the District took place at the Newmarket General Hospital.

48 (32%) of the 152 deaths of inhabitants of the District took place at the Newmarket General Hospital.

SECTION C

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS
AND OTHER DISEASES.

The following table shows the number of infectious and other diseases notified during 1962 :-

	Whooping Cough		Measles	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
<u>Grand Total</u> - 44				
<u>Males</u> 22				
<u>Females</u> 22	1	-	21	22
<u>Under 1 year</u>	-	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	3	-
2 years	-	-	1	2
3 years	-	-	4	2
4 years	-	-	1	2
5 - 9 years	-	-	11	14
10 - 14 years	-	-	-	1
15 - 24 years	1	-	1	-
25 and over	-	-	-	1

TUBERCULOSIS

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY

<u>NEW CASES.</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1958</u>	<u>1957</u>	<u>1956</u>	<u>1955</u>
Pulmonary	2	2	4	7	4	9	2	4
Non-Pulmonary	1	-	-	-	2	4	-	-

AGES OF CASES NOTIFIED DURING 1962 :-

Pulmonary: 2 males, 25 and 35 years.

Non-Pulmonary: 1 female, 44 years.

MORTALITY There were no deaths from tuberculosis during 1962.

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	<u>Pulmonary</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
1. Cases at commencement 1962.	26	22	1	3	27	25
2. First notified during 1962.	2	-	-	1	2	1
3. Restored to Register.	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Added by Transfers.	1	1	-	-	1	1
5. Cases removed from Register.	8	2	-	1	8	3
6. Remaining at end of 1962.	21	21	1	3	22	24

SECTION D

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.WATER.

The Urban District was supplied with water by the Newmarket Waterworks Company Limited until the 31st March, 1962, since when water has been supplied by the Ely, Mildenhall and Newmarket Water Board. Only fifteen houses, all in remote parts of the District, are without a main water supply. Two wells in the chalk at Southfields Pumping Station, connected by an adit, are the source of supply. One of these wells is 57 feet deep, and the other 50 feet deep. Each is brick lined to a depth of 20 feet, the remainder being lined with cast iron cylinders. The water is chlorinated and pumped to a storage reservoir at Warren Hill, which has a capacity of 260,000 gallons.

The water is pumped by an electric submersible pump which was installed in 1957, and this pump is capable of pumping 46,000 gallons per hour, either up the 12 inch rising main to the storage reservoir, or direct to the service mains. A diesel pump is available as an alternative means of pumping, and the old steam pump, which the electric pump replaced, could also be brought into service again should circumstances require it.

The supply was maintained without any cuts during the year, and a total of 239,962,000 gallons of water was pumped.

Twenty-two samples of water were taken from the well at Southfields Pumping Station, and twenty-four samples were taken from the mains for bacteriological examination. The results of these samples showed the quality of the water supply to be satisfactory.

Two of the samples from the mains for bacteriological examination were taken as a result of a complaint alleging that the water was unsatisfactory. A sample for chemical analysis was also taken from the same premises and all the samples proved to be satisfactory.

One sample was taken from the well at Southfields Pumping Station for chemical analysis with the following result:-

Physical Examination.

Clear, bright, odourless and colourless (Hazen - less than 5.0)

General Chemical examination.

Reaction..... pH 7.1

	<u>parts per 100,000</u>
Free Carbon Dioxide (as CO ₂)	2.09
Ammoniacal Nitrogen (as N)	0.0006
Albuminoid Nitrogen (as N)	0.0022
Nitrous Nitrogen	absent
Nitric Nitrogen (as N)	0.70
Hardness as CaCO ₃ (Clark)	
Temporary	16.30
Permanent	8.90
Permanganate Figure	0.0360
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃)	24.50
Total Solids	47.40
Poisonous Metals	absent

Mineral Analysis.

Calcium (as Ca)	11.72
Magnesium (as Mg)	0.80
Carbonate (as CO ₃)	14.80
Chloride (as Cl)	2.20
Sulphate (as SO ₄)	2.35
Nitrate (as NO ₃)	3.10
Iron	absent

Microscopical Examination of Deposit

None

Flumbo-Solvency

No action on Lead in 3 days at 21°C.

Method of Mains Water Supply to Houses.

(a) Direct to houses.

Number of dwelling houses 3,719
Estimated number of the population supplied 11,062

(b) By means of Standpipes.

Number of dwelling houses 53
Estimated number of population supplied 93
Number of standpipes 29

There are no Council owned standpipes in the District.

Number of houses from 1956 connected to :-

<u>Piped Water Supply.</u>							<u>Sewerage System</u>						
<u>1956</u>	<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1956</u>	<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>
64	75	117	81	98	49	81	64	73	114	80	130	48	79
<u>Total: 565</u>							<u>Total: 588</u>						

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

The whole of the sewage from properties within the Urban District and from 103 properties within the Newmarket Rural District (with the exception of 37 properties which are drained to cesspools or septic tanks in parts of the Urban District where sewers are not yet available) is treated at the Council's two Sewage Disposal Works.

The Main Works at Newmarket serves an estimated population of 9,600 persons and the flow to the Works comprises domestic sewage (directly related to water consumption), industrial waste water, infiltration of ground water and run off of stormwater from roofs and paved areas. The estimated water consumption is 34 gallons per head per day, and the dry weather flow at the Works is 460,000 gallons per day but most of the sewers are of long standing and due to defective joints etc., infiltration of ground water is very high.

The smaller Sewage Disposal Works at Exning serve an estimated population of 1,600 persons giving an estimated dry weather flow of 57,000 gallons per day, here also the infiltration of ground water is very high and at both Works the sewage has to be raised by pumping from the Outfall Sewer to the treatment tanks. Both works were constructed about 1900 on the Contact Bed System but Newmarket Works was adapted some years ago as sedimentation tanks with eight percolating filters, humus tanks and sludge beds and similar temporary alterations have been carried out at the Exning Works providing a sedimentation tank and four percolating filters.

In spite of every effort in controlling the available treatment of sewage, the final effluent at both Works rarely meets with the Royal Commission standard and consequently the Great Ouse River Board express increasing concern at the discharge of this effluent from Newmarket Works into the watercourse known as No.1 Public Drain which eventually discharges into the River Snail at Snailwell. The Council have therefore engaged Consulting Engineers (J.D. & D.M. Watson, M.M.I.C.E., Chartered Civil Engineers of Westminster, S.W.1) to prepare initial designs for the reconstruction of both works.

During the year the Council have continued their free quarterly cesspool emptying service with a 500 gallon Mechanical Cesspool and Gulley Emptier to those properties within the Urban District not yet connected to the sewerage system.

PUBLIC LAVATORIES.

In recent years two new Public Lavatories with hot and cold washing facilities, for males and females have been designed on modern lines and erected on two sites near the town centre and both buildings are fitted with coin-operated turnstiles.

PUBLIC CLEANSING.

The cleansing of some thirty-five miles of highways, road gullies and the collection and disposal of domestic and trade refuse was, as previously, carried out by direct labour under the supervision of the Engineer and Surveyor. Controlled tipping is properly carried out on the Council's tip at Kennett and the tip is treated regularly for the control of rats, flies and other insect pests.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

To the Chairman and Councillors
of the Urban District of Newmarket.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I herewith submit for your information and consideration my
Report for the year 1962.

I would like to thank the Chairman and Members of the Public
Health Committee for their continued interest and help, and also
all the Officers of the Council for their ready co-operation in
matters affecting their Departments.

I am,

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

G. PENISTONE

Public Health Inspector.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Dwelling Houses.

Number of houses inspected under Public Health or Housing Acts ..	137
Total number of inspections and re-inspections thereunder ..	237
Visits re infectious disease contacts	2
Number of verminous premises inspected	4
Number of visits and re-visits re verminous premises	6
Number of houses with other infestations (including wasp nests)..	30
Miscellaneous housing visits	71

Various inspections.

Visits re water supply	51
Bacteriological samples of water from well at Southfields Pumping Station	22
Bacteriological samples of water from mains	24
Water sample from well at Southfields Pumping Station for chemical analysis	1
Water sample from mains for chemical analysis	1
Water samples from Swimming Pool	12
Inspections at Swimming Pool	12
Inspections re choked and/or defective drains, drain testing ..	39
Inspections of Public House sanitary conveniences	12
Inspections of Fried Fish Shops	2
Inspections of Factories	28
Inspections of Bakehouses	2
Visits re Rats and Mice (in addition to Rodent Operators) ..	16
Schools	2
Shops Act	21
Miscellaneous sanitary visits	43
Visits to Slaughterhouse	484
Visits to Butchers	12
Visits to Fishmongers	2
Visits to Grocers	21
Visits to Greengrocers	2
Visits to Dairies	2
Visits to Ice Cream Premises	17
Visits re Ice Cream sampling	10
Visits to Restaurants and Cafes	8
Visits to Markets	42
Visits re Petroleum and Explosives	20

Number of Informal Notices served in 1962	..	..	..	24
Number of Informal Notices outstanding from 1961	..	..	..	8
Number of Informal Notices complied with in 1962	..	..	..	23
Number of Informal Notices outstanding at 31st December, 1962	..	..	..	9
Number of Statutory Notices served in 1962	..	..	..	Nil
Number of Statutory Notices outstanding from 1961	..	..	..	Nil
Number of Statutory Notices complied with in 1962	..	..	..	Nil

<u>Work done after service of notices.</u>				<u>Informal</u>
Roofs repaired	..	..	..	1
Walls repaired	..	..	..	3
Floors repaired	..	..	..	3
Windows repaired	..	..	..	3
Doors repaired	..	..	..	1
Fireplaces repaired	..	..	..	1
Ventilation provided to food store	..	..	..	1
Water closets repaired or renewed	..	..	..	1
Drains cleansed, repaired or renewed	..	..	..	8
Dustbins provided	..	..	..	1
Dirty houses cleansed	..	..	..	1
Offensive accumulations removed	..	..	..	6
Nuisances from animals abated	..	..	..	3

Food Premises.

Contraventions of Food Hygiene Regulations discontinued .. 4

FACTORIES ACT, 1937.

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health.

Premises	No. on Register	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	14	2	Nil	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	66	22	1	Nil
(iii) Other premises in which Sec.7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	4	4	Nil	Nil
Total	84	28	1	Nil

2. Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found			Number of cases in which prosecutions instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector By H.M. Inspector	
Sanitary conveniences (S.7) (a) Insufficient	1	1	Nil 1	Nil

3. Outwork (Sections 110 and 111) - Nil.

SHOPS AND OFFICES.

Twenty-one inspections were made under the Shops Act.

CAMPING SITES.

There are no licensed camping sites in the District.

SMOKE ABATEMENT.

Newmarket has no heavy industries and is, therefore, comparatively free from industrial atmospheric pollution.

No action was necessary during the year.

SWIMMING POOL.

The Council own a modern open-air swimming pool, water for which is obtained from the mains. Circulation of the water is continuous, the water being passed through a Bell horizontal sand filter and chlorinated.

The pool was open from 12th May to 15th September, 1962. The number of tickets sold was 13,239 of which 10,391 were issued to children and 2,848 were to adults. In addition there were 13 adult and 157 children season ticket holders.

Arrangements were made with the West Suffolk Education Committee and the Cambridgeshire Education Committee for use of the swimming pool by school children on each morning, Monday to Friday, during the school summer term.

Twelve samples of water were taken from the pool for bacteriological examination. All the samples were satisfactory.

Twelve inspections were made regarding cleanliness of dressing cubicles, sanitary accommodation and pool surrounds.

ERADICATION OF BED BUGS AND OTHER VERMIN.

The following infestations were treated :-

Type of Infestation	Number of Premises	Number of Treatments
Bed Bugs	3	3
Cockroaches	1	2
Woodworm	1	1
Wasp Nests	29	29

Thirty-five visits were paid to houses occupied by persons who had been allotted Council houses, in order that the dwellings which they occupied and their furniture could be inspected, and if necessary, freed from vermin before removal to a new house. Three cases of infestation by bed bugs were discovered as a result of these visits, and the houses and furniture were treated with insecticide.

RATS AND MICE.

The Council employ two operators on the work of rodent destruction. Inspections and treatment of premises were carried out where infestations were notified by occupiers, as well as systematic inspections of the District and treatment of premises where necessary.

Free treatments were given at dwelling houses. Treatments at business premises were charged for at the rate of 15/6d per hour, inclusive of baits and poisons.

(For summary of treatments see over page)

Summary of treatments carried out

<u>Type of Premises</u>	<u>No. of treatments</u>	<u>Bodies Found</u>	
		<u>RATS</u>	<u>MICE</u>
Dwelling houses	502	462	36
Business Premises	33	89	32
Racing Stables	14	106	-
Allotments	11	119	-
<u>Council Property</u>			
Kennett Refuse Tip	2	62	-
Sewage & Refuse Disposal Works	2	65	-
Other Council property	2	10	-

	<u>566</u>	<u>913</u>	<u>68</u>

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Five treatments were given of dwelling houses. Treatments at business premises were charged for at the rate of 1/6 per hour, inclusive of bait and poison.

(For summary of treatments see over page)

H O U S I N G

1.	(i)	(a)	Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	137
		(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	237
	(ii)	(a)	Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-head (i) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925	1
		(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	3
	(iii)		Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	1
	(iv)		Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation.	10
2.	<u>Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notices.</u>			
			Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers	11
3.	<u>Action under Statutory Powers during the year :-</u>			
	(a)	<u>Proceedings under Sections 9,10,12 and 39 of the Housing Act,1957 :-</u>		
		(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	Nil
		(2)	Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :-	
		(a)	By owners	Nil
		(b)	By Local Authority in default of owners	Nil
	(b)	<u>Proceedings under Public Health Acts.</u>		
		(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	Nil
		(2)	Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices	
		(a)	By owners	Nil
		(b)	By Local Authority in default of owners	Nil
	(c)	<u>Proceedings under Sections 16,17,19,21 and 23 of the Housing Act, 1957.</u>		
		(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	Nil
		(2)	Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	8
		(3)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made or undertakings accepted not to re-let for human habitation	Nil
		(4)	Number of dwelling houses closed in pursuance of Closing Orders or undertakings	Nil
	(d)	<u>Proceedings under Sections 18,19 and 27 of the Housing Act,1957</u>		
		(1)	Number of parts of dwelling houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made or undertakings accepted not to re-let for human habitation	1
		(2)	Number of parts of dwelling houses closed in pursuance of Closing Orders or undertakings not to re-let	1

(e) <u>Proceedings under Sections 42 & 43 of the Housing Act, 1957.</u>	
(1) Number of houses included in Clearance Areas	Nil
(2) Number of houses in Clearance Areas demolished	Nil
(f) Houses belonging to the Local Authority demolished in pursuance of the Medical Officer's Certificates of Unfitness	Nil
4. <u>Housing Act, 1957 - Part IV - Overcrowding.</u>	
(a) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	Nil
(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding discovered during the year	Nil
(c) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	Nil
(d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority having taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	Nil

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Discretionary Grants.

Number of houses inspected following application or proposed application for grant	21
Number of visits re above	34
Number of applications received	10
Number of applications outstanding from 1961	3
Number of applications approved	9
Number of applications withdrawn	1
Number of applications refused (work commenced before approval)	1
Number of applications outstanding at 31st December, 1962	2
Value of grants approved	£.2,541

Standard Grants.

Number of houses inspected following application or proposed application for grant	25
Number of visits re above	33
Number of applications received	20
Number of applications approved	17
Number of applications withdrawn	2
Number of applications outstanding at 31st December, 1962	1

Amenities to be provided.

Fixed baths	16
Wash-hand basins	17
Hot water supply	16
Internal water closet	17
Food stores	14

Circular No. 42/62. Improvement of Houses.

This circular from the Ministry of Housing and Local Government referred to the improvement of houses with the aid of improvement grants and the need to increase the numbers of houses being improved. The circular suggested that local authorities should make a systematic approach to the problem by tackling it street by street where the houses in those streets appeared to be worth improving.

The Council considered the circular and decided as a first step that a survey be made of all the houses in Nat Flatman Street. There are fifty-one houses in this street and the survey was commenced at the end of the year.

RENT ACT, 1957.

No action was necessary during the year.

The following table indicates the number of Council houses provided by this Authority :-

	Pre-War	Completed Post-War														Total Post-War			
		1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959		1960	1961	1962
Traditional	311	-	34	30	5	27	36	20	37	47	34	48	34	77	60	76	13	26	604
Prefabricated		35	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
Easiform		-	-	98	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100
Unity		-	-	-	-	9	11	28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48
Wates		-	-	-	-	-	-	44	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	68
	311	35	49	128	7	36	47	48	81	71	34	48	34	77	60	76	13	26	870

Pre-War 311

Grand Total Council Houses 1181

Conversions

Family units provided by Council

17 13 32 28 - - * * * * * - - * * - - - 8

* 1952-1960 - 27 de-requisitioned
55 (Hutment Sites) vacated

Private Enterprise

Houses completed 3 5 3 5 2 10 11 18 17 8 16 25 29 16 22 36 55 281

Conversions - family units provided 5 20 10 11 6 8 6 10 2 1 - - - - - 79

Houses built by Council and sold to private owners - - - - - 2 12 8 - 16 12 5 - - - 55

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

MILK SUPPLY

Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959.

Number of Milk Distributors on Register 4
 Number of Dairies on Register 2

Under the Milk (Special Designation) Regulations 1960 the County Council as the Food and Drugs Authority are responsible for the issue of Dealers Licences and for the sampling of designated milk.

ICE CREAM

There are no premises in the district where ice cream is manufactured. Thirty-two premises are registered for the storage and sale of ice cream, but five of these were not selling ice cream during the year. The ice cream sold is wrapped or in cartons as it is received from the manufacturers.

Ten samples were taken for methylene blue test. Seven samples were placed in provisional grade one, one in grade two, and two in grade three.

Seventeen inspections were made at ice cream premises.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

A 100 per cent inspection of all animals slaughtered for human food has been maintained, 484 visits being paid to the slaughterhouse for this purpose.

There is only one slaughterhouse in the district and this is a private one which is used by the occupier for his own business as a wholesaler and retailer, and as a slaughtering contractor for such other butchers in the Urban and adjoining Rural Districts who desire to use his services.

Year by year I have reported a progressive decline in the percentage of cattle found to be affected with tuberculosis and it is notable that during 1962 no tuberculosis at all was found in the cattle slaughtered.

Only one case of Cysticercus Bovis was discovered, this being a localised infection in the masseter muscle of a steer. The carcass and the remainder of the offals were submitted to treatment by refrigeration.

Percentage of Cattle affected with Tuberculosis in some part or organ.

	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Cattle other than Cows	13.3	11.6	9.26	8.30	7.56	4.27	4.14	4.81	3.42	2.50	0.57	0.19	0.20	-
Cows	28.5	27.5	22.9	18.1	16.7	14.8	11.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

No horses are slaughtered for human consumption in the district, and there are no shops selling horse meat for human consumption.

<u>Carcasses and Parts of Carcasses Condemned</u>			
<u>Beasts</u>		<u>Pigs</u>	
Whole carcasses	Nil	Whole carcasses	1
Part "	Nil	Part "	2
<u>Sheep & Lambs</u>		<u>Calves</u>	
Whole carcasses	Nil	Whole carcasses	Nil
Part "	1	Part "	Nil
<u>Offal Condemned</u>			

CATTLE	Cattle other than Cows		TOTAL
	Tuberculosis	Other diseases	
Heads	-	2	2
Lungs	-	8	8
Livers	-	18	18
<u>Pigs</u>			
Lungs	-	97	97
Hearts	-	19	19
Livers	-	5	5
Kidneys	-	4	4
Mesenteries	2	-	2
<u>Sheep</u>			
Livers	-	3	3

Total weight of meat and offal condemned: 7 cwt, 2 qr, 15 lb.

Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part.

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number Killed	522	1	19	1667	2194	-
Number inspected	522	1	19	1667	2194	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis :</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	1	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	25	-	-	4	109	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	4.79	-	-	0.24	5.01	-
<u>Tuberculosis only.</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	2	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	0.08	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	1	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration.	1	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

FOODSTUFFS CONDEMNED AS BEING UNSOUND OR OTHERWISE UNFIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION.

39 tins of Meat

62 tins of Fruit

5 tins of Milk

13 tins of Fish

104 tins of Vegetables

Total weight condemned : 2 cwt., 3 qrs., 21 lbs.

METHOD OF DISPOSAL OF CONDEMNED FOOD.

Meat.

Condemned meat was stained green by the Public Health Inspector and then removed by a private firm for processing. Meat condemned at butcher's shops was taken to the slaughterhouse and placed in the condemned meat store for removal with the other condemned meat.

Other Foods.

Foods condemned at shops, warehouses etc. were destroyed by burning at the Refuse Destructor.

FOOD PREMISES IN THE DISTRICT.

Hotels and Licensed Premises	..	..	..	..	..	30
Restaurants and Cafes	..	..	..	..	..	13
Grocers	..	..	..	..	..	29
Ice cream premises	..	..	..	..	..	32
Butchers	..	..	..	..	..	16
Fishmongers	..	..	..	..	..	4
Dairies	..	..	..	..	..	2
Greengrocers	..	..	..	..	..	10
Bakers	..	..	..	..	..	4
Fried Fish Shops	..	..	..	..	..	7

PREMISES REGISTERED UNDER THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955, SECTION 16.

Sausage Manufacturers	..	..	..	..	..	11
Ice cream premises	..	..	..	..	..	32

The registered sausage manufacturers are all butchers who make sausages as part of their general business. The inspections of these premises are included in the total of twelve inspections at butcher's shops.

Particulars regarding the ice cream premises are set out elsewhere in this report.

FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1955.

The following contraventions of the Regulations at food premises were discontinued after informal notice :-

Food in forecourt of shop kept less than 18 inches
from ground 1

Stalls.

Food placed at less than 18 inches from ground 2

No bin provided for fish waste 1

During routine visits to food premises the opportunity was taken to discuss the Regulations with the proprietors and to emphasise the need for clean handling of food.

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY REGARDING FOOD HYGIENE.

No clean food guilds have been inaugurated in the District.

ADULTERATION, etc.

CHEMICAL/BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION.

NUTRITION

SHELLFISH (Molluscan)

WATER CRESS

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No change

