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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 Chief Public Health Inspector

for 1966

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Medical Officer of Health for the Urban District
of Newmarket, in the County of West Suffolk for
the year ended 31st December, 1966

Tel : Newmarket 2321

Public Health Department,

Severals House,

Newmarket.

May, 1967.

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

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report for the year
1966.

Both the Death and the Birth Rate were lower than that of the
country as a whole.

The Infant Mortality Rate was appreciably lower than that for
England and Wales.

The incidence of infectious disease was very low.

In the course of the year there were 37 applications for
improvement grants, the majority of which were from owner occupiers.

The Meals on Wheels Service which is run by the W.V.S. with
financial backing from the District Council and the County Council
continued to do good work during the year when between 40 and 50
old persons, unable to cook for themselves, were provided with a hot
meal twice a week.

I wish to express my appreciation of the help afforded me in
compiling the Report by the Chief Public Health Inspector, the Clerk
of the Council, the Engineer and Surveyor, the Architect to the
Council and by Mr. Parr of the Public Health Department.

My thanks are also offered to the Chairman and all members of the
Public Health Committee for their help and encouragement throughout
the year.

I am,

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

A. FARNILL MORGAN

Medical Officer of Health

Public Health Officers of the Authority - 1966

(a) Medical - One part-time Medical Officer of Health

A. Farnill Morgan, M.B., B.S., L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S.,
D.P.H.(Durham), Cert. Mental Deficiency and Allied
Subjects (London).

This Officer does not engage in private practice but
holds in addition the following appointments :-

Medical Officer of Health : Haverhill U.D.C.
 Clare R.D.C.
 Mildenhall R.D.C.

Assistant County Medical West Suffolk C.C.
Officer

(b) Other - Chief Public Health Inspector

G. Penistone, F.A.P.H.I., Cert.S.I.B.,
Cert. Inspector of Meat and other Foods.
Cert. Smoke Inspector, Royal Society of Health

Additional Public Health Inspector

K. Wotton, M.A.P.H.I.,
Cert. Inspector of Meat and Other Foods.

Appointed 1st November 1964 - Resigned October 1966

Assistant

D. Parr

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

Councillor Revd. E.J. Edmundson (Chairman)

" Mr. F.W. Christopher

" Mr. C.V. Rowe

" Mr. W.E. Sadler

" Mr. G. Clayton Smith

" Mr. G. Wragg

" Mrs. E.M. Cundell

" Mrs. H.I. Greene

" Mrs. A.S. Oxley

The Chairman of the Council - Ex Officio

Mr. J. Crabb, Clerk of the Council

Mr. P.D. Lees, Architect to the Council

Mr. A. Gibson, Engineer & Surveyor to the Council

SECTION A

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

<u>GENERAL STATISTICS.</u> Area	5,640 acres
Registrar General's estimate of resident population	(1963) 11,350 (1964) 11,460 (1965) 11,600 (1966) 11,670
Number of inhabited houses at end of year according to Rate Book.	3,842 3,964 4,053 4,197
Rateable Value	£355,196 £378,625 £398,445 £414,235
Sum represented by a Penny Rate.	£1,458 £1,515 £1,580 £1,625

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR

<u>LIVE BIRTHS</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	94	72	166
Illegitimate	10	11	21
Total	104	83	187

Live birth rate per 1,000 population	16.0
Corrected birth rate (Comp. factor 0.96)	15.4
Live birth rate per 1,000 population (England and Wales)	17.7
Illegitimate live births per cent of total live births	11.2

<u>STILL BIRTHS</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	1	1	2
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Total	1	1	2

Stillbirth rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths	10.6
" " " " " " " " (Eng. & Wales)	15.4

<u>TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	95	73	168
Illegitimate	10	11	21
Total	105	84	189

<u>DEATHS</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
	68	55	123
Death rate per 1,000 population .. .. .	.. ..	.. ..	10.5
Corrected death rate (Comp. factor 0.97) .. .. .	.. ..	.. ..	10.2
Death rate per 1,000 population (England & Wales)	.. ..	.. ..	11.7

INFANT MORTALITY - Deaths of infants under one year of age

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	3	-	3
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Total	3	-	3

INFANT MORTALITY RATES

Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births	16.0
" " " " " " " " (England & Wales)	19.0
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legit. live births	18.1
Illegitimate " " " " illegit. " "	-

NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE

Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births	10.7
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EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE

Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births	10.7
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PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE

Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and stillbirths	21.2
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COMPARATIVE VITAL STATISTICS

	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962	1961	1960	1959	1958
Birth Rate (Corrected)	15.4	15.8	17.1	18.4	18.2	16.9	17.3	17.9	14.5
Death Rate (Corrected)	10.2	12.7	10.3	11.1	13.4	11.6	12.8	11.9	13.9
Infant Mortality Rate	16.0	15.6	39.2	22.9	14.6	15.9	19.6	24.6	36.6
Number of infant deaths	3	3	8	5	3	3	4	5	6

The following table gives the causes and the number of deaths which occurred during 1966 and comparable figures for 1965 :-

Registrar General's Figures

	<u>Male</u>		<u>Female</u>	
	1965	1966	1965	1966
1. Tuberculosis, respiratory	2	2	-	-
2. Tuberculosis, other forms	-	-	-	-
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	1	2	1	2
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung and bronchus	4	7	-	1
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	-	3	2
13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	-	-	1
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	1	4	5	7
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia	-	1	-	1
16. Diabetes	-	-	2	1
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system	13	6	9	6
18. Coronary disease, angina	28	17	18	6
19. Hypertension with heart disease	2	1	-	-
20. Other heart disease	6	2	10	2
21. Other circulatory disease	9	3	3	8
22. Influenza	-	-	-	-
23. Pneumonia	5	5	2	4
24. Bronchitis	5	2	1	3
25. Other diseases of respiratory system	-	2	1	1
26. Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	-	-	-	-
27. Gastritis, enteritis, diarrhoea	1	1	-	-
28. Nephritis, nephrosis	-	-	1	-
29. Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-	-	-
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-	-
31. Congenital malformations	-	-	-	1
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases	4	6	4	4
33. Motor vehicle accidents	3	4	-	1
34. All other accidents	5	2	1	4
35. Suicide	2	1	1	-
36. Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-	-
	92	68	64	55

SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

- (a) LABORATORY SERVICES. The Public Health Laboratory, Tennis Court Road, Cambridge, provides an excellent bacteriological service and most readily discusses and advises on any epidemiological or similar problem.
- (b) AMBULANCE FACILITIES. These services are 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 Scout Hall, Exning, on one Thursday each month. Outpatient Clinics are held at the Newmarket General Hospital as follows :-

ANTE-NATAL	Registrar Mr. Hesketh	Tues. 2 p.m. Thurs. 10 a.m. Tues. 10 a.m.
ANTI-COAG. PATHOLOGY	Dr. Dean	Mon. & Fri. 2 p.m.
AUDIOMETRY	Miss Mills	Mon. 2 p.m.
CARDIAC	Dr. Fleming	3rd Mon. Bi-monthly
CHEST	Dr. Hay	Thur. 2 p.m.
DENTAL ORAL	Mr. Varley	Wed. 2 p.m. (alternate)
DERMATOLOGY	Dr. Rook	Thur. 9.15 a.m.
E. N. T.	Mr. Wilsdon	Mon. 2 p.m.
GERIATRIC	Dr. Davison Dr. Hyams	Wed. a.m. Fri. p.m.
GYNAECOLOGICAL	Mr. Lloyd Mr. Hesketh	Alternate Mons. 2 p.m. Fri. 9.30 a.m.
MEDICAL	Dr. Arden-Jones Dr. Evans	Tues. 2 p.m. Wed. 2 p.m. Thur. 2 p.m.
NEUROLOGY	Dr. Yealland	Thur. 10 a.m.
OPHTHALMIC	Mr. Monckton	Tues. 2 p.m. Fri. 10 a.m.
ORTHOPAEDIC	Mr. Jamieson	Tues. 10.30 a.m. Fri. 2 p.m. Children - Sat. 10.15 (alt.)
ORTHOPTIST	Miss Lewry	Tues. 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Fri. 2 p.m.
PAEDIATRICS	Dr. Gairdner	Wed. 9.30 a.m. 1st and 3rd
PHYSICAL MEDICINE	Dr. Fell	Wed. 9.30 a.m.
PHYSIOTHERAPY	Mr. Jamieson	Thur. 2 p.m. (not 4th)
PLASTER CLINIC	Mr. Jamieson	Tues. 2 p.m.
RADIOLOGY	Dr. Williams	Tues. all day. Thur. a.m.
SURGICAL	Mr. Tagart Mr. Williams	Tues. 9.15 Fri. 9.15 Thurs. 10 a.m.
SURGICAL APPLIANCES	Mr. Ockendon	Alt. Mons. 11 a.m.
THORACIC	Mr. Milstein/Mr. Parish	2nd & 4th Mons. 10 a.m.

(e) HOSPITALS

125 (67%) of the 187 births to inhabitants of the District took place at the Newmarket General Hospital.

62 (50%) of the 123 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 1966 : -

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Measles	3	-
Food Poisoning	1	-
Dysentery	1	2
Meningococcal infection	2	-
	<u>7</u>	<u>2</u>

TUBERCULOSIS

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY

<u>NEW CASES</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1960</u>
Pulmonary	4	3	2	3	2	2	4
Non-Pulmonary	1	-	-	1	1	-	-

AGES OF CASES NOTIFIED DURING 1966

Pulmonary: 3 males, 7, 53 and 71 years. 1 female, 33 years

Non-Pulmonary: 1 female, 55 years

MORTALITY : There were two deaths from tuberculosis during 1966.

TUBERCULOSIS REGISTER

	<u>Pulmonary</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
1. Cases at commencement 1966	21	13	-	3	37
2. First notified during 1966	3	1	-	1	5
3. Restored to Register	-	-	-	-	-
4. Added by Transfers	-	-	-	1	1
5. Cases removed from Register	1	2	-	-	3
6. Remaining at 31st Dec. 1966	23	12	-	5	40

SECTION D

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

WATER

The Urban District was supplied with water by the Ely, Mildenhall and Newmarket Water Board. Only thirteen 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 sources 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.

The supply was maintained without any cuts during the year, and a total of 269,949,000 gallons of water was pumped.

Ten samples of water were taken from the well at Southfields Pumping Station and seven samples were taken from the mains for bacteriological examination. The results of these samples showed the quality of the water supply to be satisfactory.

A sample of water was taken by the Water Board from the well at Southfields Pumping Station for chemical analysis. The Analyst's report indicated that the water conformed to the highest standard of organic quality, that it was pure and wholesome and suitable for public supply purposes.

Method of Mains Water Supply to Houses

(a) Direct to Houses

Number of dwelling houses	4,155
Estimated number of population supplied	11,577

(b) By means of Standpipes

Number of dwelling houses	29
Estimated number of population supplied	54
Number of standpipes	18

There are no Council owned standpipes in the District.

Number of houses from 1956 connected to :-

Piped Water Supply

1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	Total
64	75	117	81	98	49	81	85	123	89	159	1021

Sewerage System

1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	Total
64	73	114	80	130	48	79	84	123	89	148	1032

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

The whole of the sewage from properties within the Urban District and from 355 properties within the Newmarket Rural District (with the exception of 47 properties which are drained to cesspools or septic tanks in part 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 10,000 persons and the flow to the works comprises domestic sewage, industrial waste water, infiltration of ground water and storm water from roofs and paved areas. The dry weather flow at the works is 600,000 gallons per day, but as most of the existing sewers are old infiltration of ground water is high.

The smaller sewage disposal works at Exning serves an estimated population of 1,600 persons with an estimated dry weather flow of 65,000 gallons per day, and here also there is a high rate of infiltration of ground water.

At both works sewage has to be raised by pumping from the outfall sewers to the treatment tanks.

Both works were constructed about 1900 on the contact bed system, but the main works was adapted some years ago to provide sedimentation tanks, 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.

Both the existing works are incapable of producing a satisfactory final effluent on present day loadings and the Great Ouse River Authority are very concerned at the discharge of this unsatisfactory effluent from the main works into the watercourse known as No. 1 Public Drain which eventually discharges into the River Snail at Snailwell.

Council have engaged Consulting Engineers to prepare initial designs for the construction of a new sewage works and these designs are well advanced, but progress has been held up by the difficulty of obtaining agreement as to a suitable site. It is hoped that during 1967 application will be made to the Ministry for a new works on a site within the Urban District Council boundary on the Fordham Road and that work on the new site will be able to commence in 1968.

During the year Council have continued a free quarterly cesspool emptying service - using a 1,000 gallon mechanical gully emptier - to those properties within the Urban District not yet connected to the sewerage system.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

The Council maintain two modern public conveniences, each supplied with hot and cold washing facilities for both males and females, on sites in the Town Centre.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

The cleaning of some 35 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 is treated regularly by the Public Health Department for the control of rats, flies and other insect pests.

During the year the Engineer commenced investigations into the possibility of pulverizing or incinerating the domestic refuse from the tip, and it is hoped that later in 1967 either pulverization or incineration of refuse will be undertaken.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF 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 1966.

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

Chief Public Health Inspector

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Dwelling Houses

Number of houses inspected under Public Health or Housing Acts ..	145
Total number of inspections and re-inspections thereunder	250
Number of verminous premises inspected	6
Number of visits and re-visits re verminous premises	11
Number of houses with other infestations (including wasp nests) ..	53
Miscellaneous housing visits	123
Miscellaneous Infectious Disease visits	3

Various Inspections

Visits re water supply	40
Bacteriological samples of water from well at Southfields	
Pumping Station	10
Bacteriological samples of water from mains	7
Water samples from Swimming Pool	14
Inspections at Swimming Pool	16
Inspections re choked and/or defective drains, drain testing ..	33
Inspections of Public House sanitary conveniences	10
Inspections of Fried Fish Shops	5
Inspections of Factories	19
Inspections of Bakehouses	2
Visits re Rats and Mice (in addition to Rodent Operator)	16
Schools	2
Pet Animals Act	1
Noise Abatement	1
Animal Boarding Establishment Act	1
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963	144
Moveable Dwellings	25
Miscellaneous sanitary visits	63
Visits to Slaughterhouse	460
Visits to Butchers	9
Visits to Fishmongers	2
Visits to Grocers	26
Visits to Greengrocers	1
Visits to Restaurants and Cafes	4
Visits to Confectioners	1
Visits to Markets	40
Miscellaneous Food visits	17
Visits re Petroleum & Explosives	19

Number of Informal Notices served in 1966	37
Number of Informal Notices outstanding from 1965	21
Number of Informal Notices complied with in 1966	31
Number of Informal Notices outstanding at 31st December 1966	27
Number of Statutory Notices served in 1966	NIL
Number of Statutory Notices outstanding from 1965	1
Number of Statutory Notices complied with by Council in default in 1966	1
Number of statutory Notices outstanding at 31st December 1966	NIL

Work done after service of notices

Informal

Floors repaired	3
Doors repaired	3
W.C.'s repaired or renewed	3
Drains cleansed, repaired or renewed	5
Offensive accumulations removed	2

Statutory

Dirty Houses cleansed (by Council in default)	1
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Informal

Food Premises

Contraventions of Food Hygiene Regulations discontinued	4
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FACTORIES ACTS

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	10	-	NIL	NIL
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Sec. 7 is enforced by Local Authority	58	16	NIL	NIL
(iii) Other premises in which Sec. 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	4	3	NIL	NIL
	72	19	NIL	NIL

2. Cases in which defects were found - NIL

3. Outwork (Sections 110 and 111) - No action required.

THE OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

During the year 64 registered premises received a general inspection and 144 visits were made for the purposes of the Act. Notices were sent to occupiers concerning various contraventions found as listed below.

Contraventions found

Section 4 (Cleanliness)

Premises not kept clean	2
Accumulations of dirt or refuse	1

Section 6 (Temperature)

Reasonable temperature not maintained	1
Thermometer not provided on each floor	20
No provision for employees to warm themselves	1

Section 8 (Lighting)

Suitable and sufficient lighting not maintained	1
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Section 9 (Sanitary Conveniences)

Not kept clean/maintained/lighted/ventilated	4
Not separate for sexes	1

Section 10 (Washing Facilities)

Not suitable	1
Not supplied with running hot and cold or warm water	9
Compartment without effective means of lighting	2

Section 12 (Accommodation for clothing)

No provision for hanging or accommodating clothing not worn in working hours	2
No arrangements for drying clothing	6

Section 16 (Floors, passages and stairs)

Not of sound construction	2
Handrail not provided	5

Section 17 (Machinery)

Dangerous parts not fenced or guarded	1
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Section 24 (First Aid)

First aid requisites not kept	10
" " " not to standard required by regulation	12

The Information for Employees Regulations 1965

Regulations not complied with	19
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It was found that informal notice of contravention of the Act and Regulations was generally sufficient to secure compliance, and during the year 19 premises which had various contraventions were brought up to the standard required.

Table A - Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	No. of premises registered during year.	Total No. of registered premises at end of year.	No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during year.
Offices	2	61	29
Retail Shops	2	101	24
Wholesale shops, warehouses	-	3	5*
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	1	26	4
Fuel Storage depots	-	2	2
Total	5	193	64

* Two registered premises were removed during the year but after a general inspection had been carried out.

Table B - Number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to Registered Premises - 144

Table C - Analysis of Persons employed in Registered Premises by Workplace.

Class of Workplace	No. of persons employed
Offices	446
Retail shops	618
Wholesale departments, warehouses	28
Catering establishments open to the public	144
Canteens	3
Fuel storage depots	9
Total	1248
Total Males	558
Total Females	690

CARAVANS

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.

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

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 the 11th May to 10th September 1966. The number of tickets sold was 18,079 of which 13,610 were issued to children and 4,469 to adults. In addition there were 16 adult and 198 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.

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

Sixteen 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	No. of premises	No. of treatments
Fleas	1	1
Cockroaches	5	7
Wasp Nests	53	53

RODENT CONTROL

The Council employ one rodent operator.

Inspections and treatments of premises were carried out where infestations were notified by occupiers as well as general 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.

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	309	266	7
Business Premises	35	78	20
Racing Stables	17	162	-
Allotments	3	15	-
<u>Council Property</u>			
Sewage & Refuse Disposal Works	6	80	
Other Council Premises	8	19	
	<u>378</u>	<u>620</u>	<u>27</u>

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)	145
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	250
	(ii) (a)	Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-head (i) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925	6
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	6
	(iii)	Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	6
	(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.	6
3.	<u>Action under Statutory Powers during the year :-</u>		
	(a)	Proceedings under Sections 9, 10, 12 and 39 of the Housing Act 1957 :-	
	(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	4
	(3)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made or undertakings accepted not to re-let for human habitation.	1
	(4)	Number of dwelling houses closed in pursuance of Closing Orders or undertakings not to re-let.	1
	(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.	NIL
	(2)	Number of parts of dwelling houses closed in pursuance of Closing Orders or undertakings not to re-let	NIL

(e) <u>Proceedings under Sections 42 and 43 of the Housing Act 1957</u>	
(1) Number of houses included in Clearance Areas	5
(2) Number of houses in Clearance Areas demolished	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 year	NIL
(c) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	1
(d) Particulars of cases in which dwellings 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	47
Number of visits re above	74
Number of applications received	28
Number of applications outstanding from 1965	NIL
Number of applications approved	26
Number of applications outstanding at 31.12.66	2
Value of grants approved	£9,041

Standard Grants

Number of houses inspected following application or proposed application for grant	10
Number of visits re above	12
Number of applications received	9
Number of applications outstanding from 1965	NIL
Number of applications approved	8
Number of applications outstanding at 31.12.66	1

Amenities to be provided

Fixed Baths	8
Wash-hand basins	8
Hot water supply	8
Internal water closet	8
Food Stores	4

RENT ACT, 1957

No applications for certificates of disrepair were received during the year.

HOUSES COMPLETED FROM 1946 BY COUNCIL AND PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

During 1966 there were 148 houses completed, 20 built by the Council and 128 by private enterprise.

The number of houses completed in the post-war period is as follows :-

<u>By the Council</u>	Traditional	757
	Prefabricated	50
	Easiform	100
	Unity	48
	Wates	68
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	Total Post-War	1023
	Total Pre-War	309
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Grand Total of Council Houses		1332

<u>Built by the Council and sold to private owners</u>	70
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<u>Built by Private Enterprise</u>	573
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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

MILK SUPPLY

Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations 1959

Number of Milk Distributors on Register

2

Number of Dairies on Register

NIL

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. 28 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.

FOOD INSPECTION

Complaints were made by members of the public concerning the following foods :-

<u>Food</u>	<u>Action taken</u>
Dirty Condition of Milk Bottle	Warning to Vendor
Mould Growth on Cake	Warning to Vendor
Mouldy Loaf of Bread	Warning to Vendor
" " " "	Warning to Vendor
Odour in Packet of Biscuits	Traced to defect in packaging machinery causing over-heating of packaging material. Action taken to prevent recurrence. .
Brick Fragment in Loaf of Bread	Found to have gained access to bread during building works at bakery - warning to Bakers.
Cricket Nymph in tin of imported Fruit Cocktail	Action through importers

Various foods were inspected at shops, warehouses and at the market. It is the practice of local food traders to set aside foods which are obviously unfit or of which they have doubts and to ask for them to be inspected. The foods listed as condemned were inspected and surrendered voluntarily following requests for inspection.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

A 100 per cent inspection of all animals slaughtered for human food has been maintained, 460 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.

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

Carcases and parts of Carcasses condemned

Beasts

Whole carcasses Nil
Part carcasses Nil

Sheep and Lambs

Whole carcasses Nil
Part carcasses Nil

Pigs

Whole carcasses Nil
Part carcasses Nil

Calves

Whole carcasses Nil
Part carcasses Nil

Offal condemned

CATTLE	Cattle other than Cows		TOTAL
	Tuberculosis	Other Diseases	
Heads	-	-	-
Lungs	-	3	3
Hearts	-	1	1
Livers	-	25	25
Kidneys	-	2	2
<u>PIGS</u>			
Heads	2	-	2
Lungs	-	167	167
Hearts	-	28	28
Livers	-	5	5
Kidneys	-	2	2
Spleens	-	3	3
Mesenteries	6	2	8
<u>SHEEP</u>			
Livers	-	2	2

Total weight of meat and offal condemned :- 7 cwt, 43 lbs.

Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	451	-	16	1451	2299	-
Number inspected	451	-	16	1451	2299	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	29	-	-	2	173	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	6.44	-	-	0.14	7.52	-
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	6	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	0.26	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	1	-	-	-	-	-

FOODSTUFFS CONDEMNED AS BEING UNSOUND OR OTHERWISE UNFIT FOR
HUMAN CONSUMPTION

92 tins of Meat	117 tins of Vegetables
38 tins of Milk	17 tins of Baby foods
63 tins of Fruit	10 lbs of Cooked meats
16 tins of Fish	

Total weight condemned: 5 cwt, 1 qr, 2 lb.

In addition to the above 265 lbs. of frozen foods were destroyed because of de-freezing due to breakdown of refrigeration machinery.

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	..	..	..	..	29
Restaurants and Cafes	..	..	..	..	10
Grocers	..	..	..	..	23
Ice Cream premises	..	..	..	..	28
Butchers	..	..	..	..	14
Fishmongers	..	..	..	..	3
Greengrocers	..	..	..	..	10
Bakers	..	..	..	..	3
Fried Fish Shops	..	..	..	..	6

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

Sausage manufacturers	..	..	..	..	9
Ice cream premises	..	..	..	..	28

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 nine inspections at butcher's shops.

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

FOOD HYGIENE REGULATIONS, 1960

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

Wash-hand basin not provided in preparation room	1
Unfit room used as food room	1
Walls and ceiling of food room not in good repair or clean	2

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

No change



