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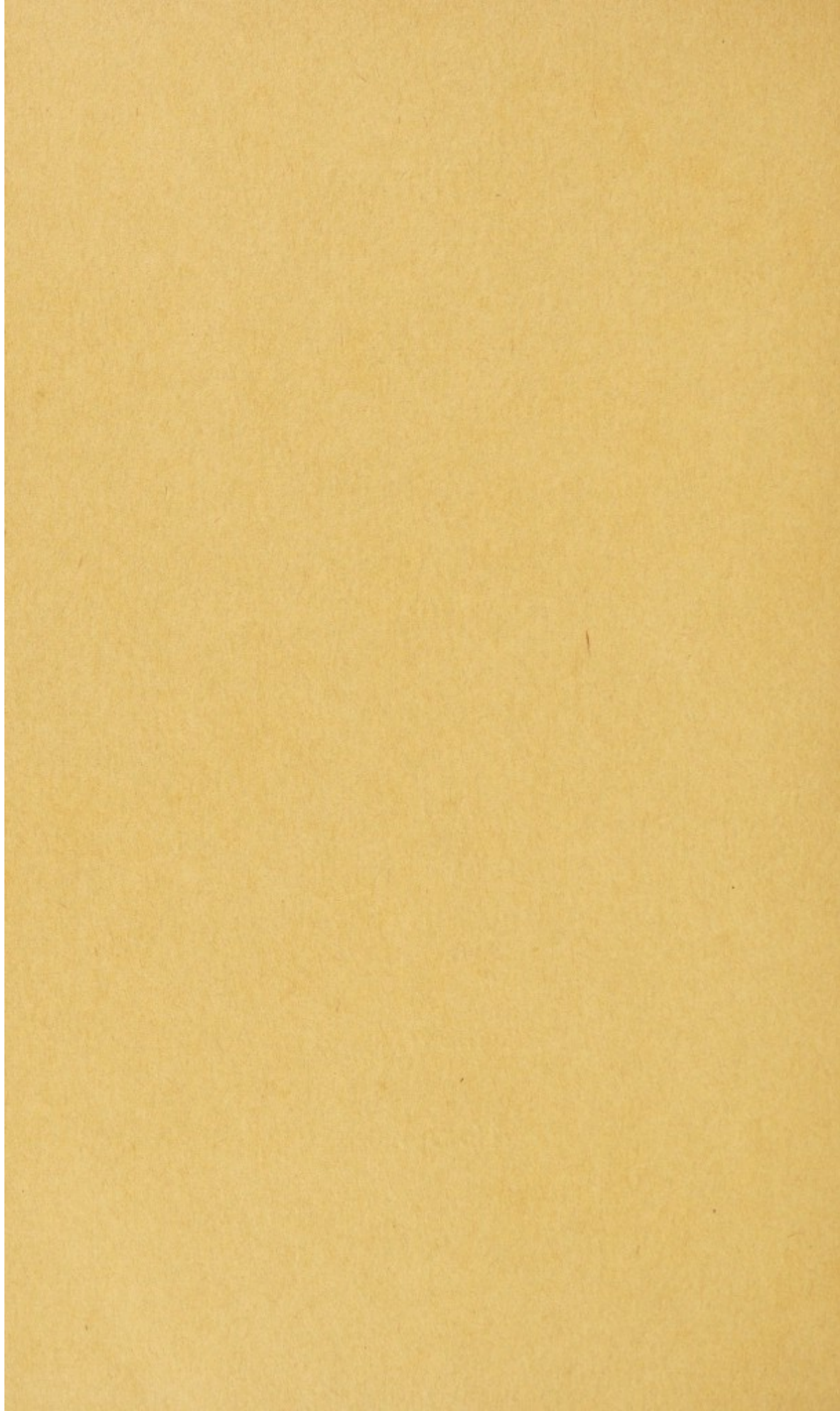
Medical Officer of Health

AND

Sanitary Inspector

FOR THE YEAR

1954



NORTHALLERTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

**Medical Officer of Health :*

W. SHARPE, B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. (to Sept., 1954).

J. L. COTTON, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. (from 1st Jan., 1955).

**Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector :*

H. TEMPLEMAN, C.S.I.B., Cert. (Meat and other Foods).

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NORTHALLERTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1954.

*To the Chairman and Members of the Northallerton Rural District
Council :*

Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report for the year 1954.

As you are aware, I was appointed Medical Officer of Health on January 1st, 1955, hence this report covers the work carried out by my predecessor, Dr. W. Sharpe.

The health of the district was satisfactory during the year under review. The birthrate and deathrate were very similar to the figures for England and Wales and whilst infantile mortality compared very favourably with the national figure (7.58 to 25.5) too much importance should not be attached to this because in a small community, the figures can vary widely from year to year without any special significance being attached to the variations.

Now that the water supply problem has been largely solved, the outstanding need of the district is for the provision of sewerage and sewage disposal works in many of the villages. The problem will become progressively more and more acute as the number of bathrooms and lavatories increase. As stressed by Dr. Sharpe, a priority scheme should be drawn up in order that a start can be made in those villages where the most unsatisfactory conditions exist.

The only other problem on which I should like to touch is that of housing. A considerable number of houses in the outlying villages are unfit for human habitation and steps should be taken to rehouse the occupants at the earliest opportunity.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN L. COTTON,
Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION A.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

(a) General Statistics.

Area (in acres)	..	..	..	63,512
Population (Registrar-General's Estimate of Resident Population mid-year 1954)	..	..	..	8,510
Population (1931 census)	..	..	..	7,683
Population (1951 census)	..	..	..	8,484
Inhabited houses	..	..	..	2,751
Rateable value	..	..	..	£37,848
Product of 1d. Rate	..	..	..	£150 (est.)

(b) Vital Statistics.

	Males	Females	Total	Rates/1000 Home Population	
				Local	England & Wales
Live Births :					
Legitimate	70	52	122	14.8	15.2
Illegitimate	2	2	4		
Stillbirths :					
Legitimate	5	0	5	45.5	24.0*
Illegitimate	1	0	1		
Deaths :					
All causes	51	44	95	11.2	11.3
Maternal Causes	—	0	0	0	0.69*
Enteritis and diarrhoea under 2 years	0	0	0	0	—

* Rates per 1,000 total (live and still) births.

Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age	Local	England & Wales
All infants per 1,000 live births	7.58	25.5
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births ..	7.94	—
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births ..	0	—
Deaths from measles (all ages) .. 0		
Deaths from whooping cough (all ages) .. 0		

CLASSIFIED CAUSES OF DEATH.

Cause of Death	Male	Female	Total
Tuberculosis	0	1	1
Infective and parasitic diseases ..	1	0	1
Malignant disease	5	9	14
Cardio-vascular	32	28	60
Pneumonia	1	1	2
Other respiratory diseases	3	1	4
Digestive diseases	0	0	0
Maternal causes	—	0	0
Congenital malformations	1	0	1
Other diseases	3	3	6
Motor vehicle accidents	0	0	0
Other accidents	4	1	5
Suicide	1	0	1
TOTAL DEATHS (ALL CAUSES) ..	51	44	95

POPULATION TREND.

	1954	1953	1952	1951	1950	1949	1948	1947
Mid-year population ..	8,510	8,484	8,402	8,417	8,550	8,238	8,052	8,126
Birth rate ..	14·8	15·5	17·2	15·7	15·0	18·1	17·6	17·7
Death rate ..	11·2	10·5	10·7	10·8	11·5	11·0	12·4	12·3

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

It was not necessary to take action under Section 47 of the above Act which deals with the compulsory removal to a place of safety of persons in need of care and attention.

SECTION B.**GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES
IN THE AREA.**

The details of the staff are given at the beginning of the report.

Laboratory Facilities.

Laboratory facilities are provided at the Public Health Laboratory, The Friarage Hospital, Northallerton.

Ambulance Facilities.

The North Riding of Yorkshire County Council supply ambulance services from their station in East Road, Northallerton.

Hospital Facilities

Local Hospital accommodation is provided in the area by the Northallerton Hospital Management Committee of the Newcastle Regional Hospital Board.

In addition a considerable number of residents in the area are treated in Darlington and Middlesbrough hospitals.

Nursing in the Homes.

The Home Nursing and Domiciliary Midwifery Service is under the general direction of the County Council with day to day administration dealt with by the Wensleydale Area Local Health Sub-Committee through the Area Medical Officer. The staff operating in the Northallerton Rural District comprises six District Nurse/Midwives.

Domestic Help Service.

This is provided by the County Council, the day to day administration again being dealt with by the Area Sub-Committee through the Area Medical Officer. A whole-time equivalent of 18 home-helps was employed in the area and a total of 4,026 hours was worked during the year.

SECTION C.**SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES.****Water Supplies.**

The water distribution scheme for the district was completed during the year. A table showing the progress made in connecting properties to the mains is to be found in the Sanitary Inspector's section.

Sewerage and Sewage disposal.

There has been no progress during the year in this sphere. As already stressed it is becoming imperative for a start to be made in providing schemes for villages in the rural areas.

SECTION D.**Housing.**

Progress has been maintained during the year in the provision of new houses in the larger centres of population—notably at Romanby. However no headway has been made in dealing with the unfit houses in the area. Now that the housing survey is completed, a plan for eliminating this property should be drawn up.

Further details regarding housing are to be found in the Sanitary Inspector's section.

SECTION E.**Meat and other Foods.**

This is dealt with by the Sanitary Inspector.

SECTION F.**PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE.**

Diseases notified				Males	Females	Total
Typhoid fever	..	..	..	0	0	0
Paratyphoid fever	..	..	..	0	0	0
Meningococcal infection	..	..	..	0	0	0
Scarlet fever	..	..	..	0	0	0
Whooping cough	..	..	..	4	8	12
Diphtheria	..	..	..	0	0	0
Erysipelas	..	..	..	0	0	0
Smallpox	..	..	..	0	0	0
Measles	..	..	..	7	8	15
Pneumonia	..	..	..	0	2	2
Acute Poliomyelitis (including polioencephalitis) :						
Paralytic	..	..	..	2	0	2
Non-paralytic	..	..	..	0	0	0
Food poisoning	..	..	..	0	0	0
Puerperal pyrexia	..	..	..	0	0	0

It will be seen from the above statistical table that there was no undue prevalence of any infectious disease during the year.

DIPHTHERIA AND SMALLPOX.**Diphtheria Immunisation.**

The following figures relate to the immunisation state of the child population :—

Age Group	Immunised
0-4	50%
5-14	94%

Vaccination.

Of the children born during 1954, only 15% have been notified as having been vaccinated against smallpox.

I should like to repeat the warning given by Dr. Sharpe regarding the inadequate protection of the pre-school child against diphtheria and smallpox.

The figure for the schools is very satisfactory, due of course to the fact that immunisation procedure is carried out at school and requires very little effort on the part of the parents. The number of children under 5 years, however, who are protected against this serious disease is well below the safety level and every effort must be made to get this figure raised to at least 75%.

When we consider the number of infants being protected against smallpox, the position is much more alarming since only 15% of the children born during 1954 have been notified as having been vaccinated. I would like to emphasize the importance of having this simple procedure carried out in infancy, when reactions are minimal, and protection is offered early in life.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Age Group	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
under 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1-4 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5-14 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15-24 ..	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
25-34 ..	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
35-44 ..	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
45-54 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
55-64 ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
65 plus ..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals ..	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0

There were 24 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis and 1 case of non-pulmonary tuberculosis on the register as at the 31st December, 1954. This gives a rate of 2.94 cases of tuberculosis per 1,000 population as compared with 2.48 in 1953.

REPORT OF THE SANITARY INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR 1954.

To the Chairman and Members of the Northallerton Rural District Council.

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Report for the year ended 1954 :—

General Sanitary Work.

372 Inspections and 315 Reinspections of premises were made under the Public Health and Housing Acts. 302 Informal Notices were served upon the owner/occupier of premises in respect of nuisances occurring thereon. The total number of nuisances abated was 295.

No Statutory Notices were served.

Analysis of Inspections, 1954.

Under Public Health and Housing Acts	..	..	372
Inspection of Council Houses	..	..	172
Interview with Owners and Builders	..	..	274
Tents, Vans and Sheds	10
Verminous Premises	0

Total Inspection of Housing Conditions	..	828
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Private Slaughterhouses	15
Bakehouses	4
Milk Retailers	16
Ice Cream Sellers	14
Fried Fish Shops	..	..	..	2
Food Preparing Rooms	8
Food Premises	20

Total Inspections with regard to Food	..	79
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Investigations of Complaints	385
Drain Tests	90
Rat Inspections	414
Building Licences	8
Factories and Workshops	..	..	..	18
Water Supplies	..	..	..	756
Water Samples (Bact.)	..	..	..	23
„ „ (Chem.)	..	..	..	0

Rivers and Streams	..	..	..	25
Building Construction Inspections	290
Sewage Works Inspections	57
Refuse Tip Inspections	45
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Total of other Inspections	2,111
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Grand total of Inspections	3,018
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Summary of Sanitary Improvements, 1954.

Repairs to	Roofs	43
"	"	Wall, Pointing, Etc.	51
"	"	Fallpipes and Eaves gutters	..	..	25
"	"	Chimneys, Firegrates and Ovens	..	..	82
"	"	Windows and Doors	..	..	31
"	"	Floors	..	..	13
"	"	Staircases	..	..	4
"	"	Yard Surfaces	..	..	39
"	"	and improvements to House Drains	..	..	93
"	"	Coalhouses and Wash houses	..	..	11
Damp conditions remedied	..	..	..	..	53
Dirty and verminous houses cleaned	..	..	..	..	0

Water Supplies.

Insufficient supplies improved	..	..	..	21
Burst pipes and taps repaired	..	..	..	40
Internal supplies provided	..	..	..	689
Pumps repaired	..	..	..	10
Wells cleaned	..	..	..	0

Sanitary Conveniences.

W.C's and Yard Gullies cleansed	..	..	..	14
Pan Closets and Ashpits abolished	..	..	..	52
New water closets provided	..	..	..	98
Dust Bins provided and renewed	..	..	..	66
Setpots provided	..	..	..	0

Drainage.

Obstructed drains and sewers cleared	..	..	106
New sinks provided	..	..	10
Systems improved	..	..	38
Cess pools and Septic Tanks emptied	..	..	32
Water Courses Cleaned	..	..	8
New Septic Tank with Filter	..	..	26

Shops.

Walls, Floors, Ceiling and Windows Cleansed, Repaired and Decorated	3
New Sinks provided, Old Curtains removed—Cleansed ..	5

Food Premises.

New Food Preparation Apparatus	5
Walls, Floors, Ceiling, Cleansed and Decorated ..	6
Clean Towels Provided	1
Hot Water	6

Factories.

W.C's Repaired	1
Walls, Floors and Ceilings of Sanitary Compartments Repaired, Cleansed and Painted	—
Walls, Floors and Ceilings of Sanitary Compartments Cleansed only	—
New Lighting (to Closets)	—

General.

Nuisances caused by keeping Animals abated	—
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TOTAL ..	<u>1,682</u>
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FACTORIES ACT, 1937.

PART I OF THE ACT.

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provision as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors).

Premises (1)	M/c line No. (2)	Number on Register (3)	Number of			M/c line No. (7)
			Inspections (4)	Written notices (5)	Occupiers prosecuted (6)	
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1
(ii) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	2	27	23	1	Nil	2
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) ..	3	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	3
TOTAL ..		27	23	1	Nil	

2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases").

Particulars	M/c line No.	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (7)	M/c line No. (8)
		Found	Remedied	Referred			
				To H.M. Inspector (5)	By H.M. Inspector (6)		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Want of cleanliness (S. 1.)	4	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	4
Overcrowding (S. 2.)	5	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	5
Unreasonable temperature (S. 3.)	6	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	6
Inadequate ventilation (S. 4.)	7	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	7
Ineffective drainage of floors (S. 6.)	8	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	8
Sanitary Conveniences (S. 7.)							
(a) insufficient	9	1	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	9
(b) Unsuitable or defective	10	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	10
(c) Not separate for sexes	11	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	11
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	12	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	12
TOTAL		1	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	

Faetories with Power.**Year 1954.**

Ainderby Steeple	..	..	..	1
Borrowby	..	..	..	2
Brompton	..	..	..	6
East Cowton	..	..	..	1
East Harlsey	..	..	..	1
Osmotherley	..	..	..	6
Romanby	..	..	..	10
Great Smeaton	..	..	..	1
				—
				28
				—

Trades.

Builders	..	..	..	8
Linen Manufacturers	..	..	..	2
Bakers	..	..	..	2
Motor Repair Shops	..	..	..	11
Blacksmiths	..	..	..	5
Milk and Milk Products Manufacturers	..			1
Cold Stores	..	..	..	1
Sawmills	..	..	..	2
Millers	..	..	..	2
Sand and Gravel	..	..	..	1
Saddlers	..	..	..	1
Joiners	..	..	..	9
				—
				45
				—

Housing and New Buildings.

290 visits were made to or in respect of new buildings and building under construction.

The table below gives details of houses under construction and completed since 1945 in their respective Parishes :—

BY PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.

Parish		Completed 1945 to December, 1953	Completed during 1954	Under Construction at end of 1954
Ainderby Steeple	..	3	-	1
Birkby	..	3	-	-
Brompton	..	17	1	1
Cotcliffe	..	2	-	-
Deighton	..	-	-	1
Ellerbeck	..	1	-	-
East Harlsey	..	2	-	-
East Cowton	..	2	-	1
South Cowton	..	-	1	-
Hutton Bonville	..	5	-	-
Great Langton	..	1	2	-
Great Smeaton	..	3	-	-
Kirby Sigston	..	1	-	-
Lazenby	..	2	-	-
Osmotherley	..	6	-	-
Over Silton	..	-	-	1
Nether Silton	..	-	1	-
Morton-on-Swale	..	1	-	2
Romanby	..	17	2	3
Thornton-le-Beans	..	-	1	-
Thrintoft	..	-	2	-
Warlaby	..	1	-	-
Welbury	..	2	-	-
West Harlsey	..	2	-	-
West Rounton	..	1	-	-
Whitwell	..	-	2	2
		72	12	12

BY NORTHALLERTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Parish	Completed 1945 to December, 1953	Completed during 1954	Under Construction at end of 1954
Ainderby Steeple ..	4	—	—
Appleton Wiske ..	12	4	—
Borrowby	4	3	—
Brompton	74	—	—
Danby Wiske ..	2	—	—
Deighton	2	—	—
East Cowton ..	4	—	—
Great Langton ..	2	—	—
Great Smeaton ..	4	—	—
Hornby	2	—	—
Kirby Sigston ..	2	—	—
Nether Silton ..	2	—	—
Osmotherley ..	14	—	—
Ellerbeck	4	—	—
Romanby	90	10	22
Thornton-le-Beans ..	2	—	—
Yafforth	2	2	—
Welbury	2	—	—
Thrintoft	4	—	—
	232	19	22

PLANS ANALYSIS.

PLANS. 73 Plans were considered during the year. Details are shown in the table.

Parish	Layout	New Buildings	Alterations to Dwellings	Garages Sheds and Greenhouses	Cowsheds & Dairies	Other Agricultural Buildings	Wash-houses coal-houses & W.C.'s	Total
Ainderby Steeple	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
Appleton Wiske	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Birkby	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Borrowby	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	3
Brompton	-	8	2	3	1	2	-	16
Elerbeck	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Over Silton	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2
Danby Wiske	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	4
Harlsey East	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	3
Hornby	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Hutton Bonville	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	2
Kirby Sigston	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Great Langton	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Morton-on-Swale	-	2	-	1	-	1	-	4
Nether Silton	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	3
Osmotherley	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2
Romanby	-	7	2	7	-	-	-	16
Rounton	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Smeaton Great	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Sowerby-u-Cotcliffe	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	2
Welbury	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Winton	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Yafforth	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Thornton-le-Beans	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2
Total	-	24	20	13	3	12	1	73

The Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 and 1932.

TABULAR STATEMENT UNDER ARTICLE 31.

(1) The number of houses which on inspection were considered to be unfit for human habitation	27
(2) The number of houses the defects in which were remedied in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers	Nil
(3) The number of representations made to the Local Authority with a view to (a) the serving of notices requiring the execution of works or (b) the making of demolition or closing orders	Nil
(4) The number of notices served requiring the execution of works	27
(5) The number of houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices	Nil
(6) The number of demolition or closing orders made ..	Nil
(7) The number of houses in respect of which an undertaking was accepted under subsection (2) of section nineteen of the Housing Act, 1930	Nil
(8) The number of houses demolished	Nil

Shops.

During the year 20 routine inspections were made. There were 21 instances of contraventions or improvements effected.

Streams and Watercourses.

Streams have been cleansed at East Harlsey, Thrintoft, Morton-on-Swale and Appleton Wiske.

Rodent Control.

Consequent upon the passing of the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949, the Rural and Urban Councils appointed a full-time Rodent Operator. He commenced duties in November, 1950, and divides his time equally between the two Authorities. Apart from dwelling houses, farms and the Council's own property, *i.e.* refuse tips, sewers, and sewage works, treatments were carried out for British Railways. A free service is given to all private dwellings but a charge is made for any treatment executed on business premises.

The following Table gives particulars of the work carried out during the year :—

	Infestations		No. of Inspections made	No. of Properties inspected
	Major	Minor		
Local Authorities Premises ..	1	5	86	8
Business Premises ..	4	12	42	18
Private Premises ..	—	62	186	63
Agricultural Property ..	4	12	48	16
Survey ..	—	—	52	—
	9	91	414	105

The estimated number of rats destroyed as calculated by the Ministry of Agriculture's formula is, 1,231.

Water Supplies.

During December, 1954, the Council's District Water Scheme was completed and piped water became available to every village, and to the vast majority of the farms in this agricultural district. To encourage and assist householders in the various villages to lay services to their houses, the villages were surveyed and economical schemes for groups of houses were prepared and fixed price-rates arranged with plumbing contractors. Each contractor participating in the scheme was given a particular district ; the arrangements worked smoothly, houses were connected to the mains at a fast rate, and the whole of the cost was borne by the benefiting householders.

The following Table shows particulars of houses with piped water and the estimated population involved and indicates the progress made in this, the first year, of the complete district scheme :—

Parish	Houses		Metered Troughs	Houses		Population	
	Rate- able Value	Meters		Direct Piped	Stand Pipe	Direct Piped	Stand Pipe
Ainderby Steeple ..	45	7	1	52	—	156	—
Appleton Wiske ..	61	12	2	73	—	219	—
Birkby ..	—	4	—	4	—	12	—
Borrowby ..	70	12	3	82	—	246	—
Brompton ..	498	2	—	500	—	1,250	—
Cotcliffe ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Crosby ..	—	2	—	2	—	6	—
Cowton East ..	42	12	3	54	—	162	—
Cowton South ..	2	3	3	5	—	15	—
Danby Wiske ..	13	16	4	29	—	87	—
Deighton ..	8	10	3	18	—	54	—
Ellerbeck ..	6	5	1	11	—	33	—
Harlsey East ..	26	11	8	37	—	81	—
Harlsey West ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hornby ..	24	8	2	32	—	96	—
Hutton Bonville ..	4	9	3	13	—	39	—
Kiplin ..	—	1	1	1	—	3	—
Kirby Sigston ..	1	2	—	3	—	9	—
Langton Great ..	14	3	4	14	3	42	9
Langton Little ..	3	1	—	4	—	12	—
Landmoth ..	—	1	—	1	—	3	—
Lazenby ..	4	2	1	6	—	18	—
Leake ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Morton-on-Swale ..	33	3	2	36	—	108	—
Otterington North ..	2	—	1	2	—	6	—
Osmotherley ..	241	1	4	237	5	500	15
Romanby ..	510	5	—	515	—	1,280	—
Rounton West ..	22	6	1	23	5	115	15
Smeaton Great ..	34	4	1	38	—	114	—
Smeaton Little ..	2	6	3	8	—	24	—
Silton Nether ..	30	—	1	22	8	66	24
Silton Over ..	5	—	—	5	—	15	—
Sowerby-under-Cotcliffe ..	1	4	1	5	—	15	—
Thrintoft ..	21	7	3	28	—	84	—
Thimbleby ..	1	4	—	5	—	15	—
Thornton-le-Beans ..	18	9	5	27	—	81	—
Warlaby ..	4	3	3	7	—	21	—
Welbury ..	21	8	6	29	—	87	—
Whitwell ..	2	1	1	3	—	9	—
Winton ..	1	5	—	6	—	18	—
Yafforth ..	19	6	1	25	—	75	—
	1,788	195	72	1,962	21	5,176	63

23 Samples of water were taken during the year. 7 were satisfactory and 16 unsatisfactory.

Refuse Collection and Disposal.

The Council continue to operate two Karrier refuse collection vehicles. During the year, a modern end-loading appliance was obtained on loan from Messrs. Shelvoke & Drewry and a time-study and costings were made of its operation in the Council's area over a period of one week. This type of vehicle has a greatly increased carrying potential as against the orthodox type of side-loading appliance, and in view of the fact that extreme difficulty is experienced at times in maintaining an adequate service with the existing appliances, the Council are advised to sell their oldest Karrier Vehicle and acquire an appliance similar to the one referred to above. This would involve no increase in refuse-collecting personnel.

During the year, the refuse tip at Yafforth Road was re-shaped and re-graded with consequent improvement.

The following Tables give details of the service during the year :—

Refuse Collections.

KARRIER C.K. 3 (D.P.Y. 293) (3 Man Crew).

Parish	EMPTIED			
	Bins	Pans	Ashpits	
Ainderby Steeple ..	946	1,163	131	Total hours worked by crew 6,478
Borrowby ..	655	949	1	
Brompton ..	5,080	7,163	298	
Danby Wiske ..	635	830	30	
Great Langton ..	879	884	2	
Little Danby ..	240	—	—	Total number of loads 583
Morton-on-Swale ..	979	1,397	—	
Romanby ..	16,690	204	55	
Silton Over ..	—	—	—	
Silton Nether ..	—	—	—	
Thornton-le-Beans ..	105	231	—	Total Mileage 6,230
Thrintoft ..	405	442	34	
Yafforth ..	614	637	13	
	27,148	13,900	564	

KARRIER C.K. 3 (H.P.Y. 445) (3 Man Crew).

Parish	EMPTIED			
	Bins	Pans	Ashpits	
Ainderby Steeple ..	1	—	—	Total number of loads 488
Appleton Wiske ..	902	1,116	82	
Brompton ..	7,645	122	—	
Borrowby ..	—	—	91	
Deighton ..	264	3,148	—	
East Harlsey ..	841	829	13	
East Cowton ..	457	969	149	
Hornby ..	82	257	25	
Hutton Bonville ..	84	81	10	
Kiplin ..	—	—	1	
Morton-on-Swale ..	—	—	—	Total hours worked by crew 6,390
Osmotherley ..	3,902	257	13	
Romanby ..	11,803	224	—	
Smeaton Great ..	415	454	81	
Smeaton Little ..	—	—	—	
Silton Nether ..	241	278	17	Total Mileage 7,430
Silton Over ..	215	98	8	
Thrintoft ..	—	—	—	
Thornton-le-Beans ..	—	—	21	
Welbury ..	469	602	11	
West Rounton ..	204	281	17	
	28,525	8,716	539	

Milk and Ice Cream (Heat Treatment) Regulations.

There were 10 registered milk-sellers in the area during the year. 20 inspections of premises were made.

There are 13 dealers in ice-cream registered by the Council ; 4 Osmotherley, 3 Romanby, and 6 Brompton. 11 dealers sell pre-packed products and 2 dealers bulk ice-cream which is obtained from manufacturers in Northallerton. There are no manufacturers in the Rural Area. 14 Inspections were made.

Food Inspections.

With the discontinuance of Meat rationing and slaughtering by the Ministry of Food, arrangements were made to provide slaughtering facilities in the rural area. Negotiations took place with the owners of 5 of the pre-war slaughterhouses situate within the district and contingent upon the owners carrying out specified works the Council entered

into agreements with the owners for 5 year leases, the occupiers of the slaughterhouses being appointed managers thereof. Scales of Charges for the use of the slaughterhouses and services provided therein have been fixed by the Council and full control is exercised by the local authority.

The slaughterhouses are situate at :—

Brompton
Danby Wiske
Morton-on-Swale
Great Smeaton
West Rounton

198 inspections were made in the period July to the end of the year and 1,724 lbs. of meat and/or offals were surrendered as unfit for human consumption.

Animals slaughtered in the period July to the end of the year were :

210 Beasts
9 calves
190 pigs
264 sheep

The quality of the animals killed in the rural area is very high.

Drainage and Sewerage.

During the year, the settling tanks were emptied in the Parishes of Ainderby Steeple, Morton-on-Swale, Thrintoft, Yafforth, Danby Wiske, East Cowton, Great Smeaton, Hornby, West Rounton, Appleton Wiske, Welbury and Brompton.

The houses on Northallerton Road, Brompton, have been disconnected from septic tanks and connected to the main sewerage system.

A small portable cesspool-emptying appliance has been purchased and this will enable cesspools to be emptied by direct labour without resource to contractors.

The following table shows details of new sewers laid during 1954

Parish	Lin Yards.
Borrowby ..	65
Romanby ..	343
Yafforth ..	45
	<hr/> 453 6" diam. <hr/>

Closet Conversions.

During the year, the following new water closets were provided by way of conversions.

Parish.		No.
East Harlsey	.. ..	6
Brompton	.. ..	5
Romanby	.. ..	7
Osmotherley	.. ..	2
Appleton Wiske	.. ..	5
Yafforth	.. ..	1
Morton-on-Swale	.. ..	2
Thrintoft	.. ..	4
Deighton	.. ..	1
Danby Wiske	.. ..	2
Great Smeaton	.. ..	10
Ainderby Steeple	.. ..	1
Over Silton	.. ..	1
Borrowby	.. ..	3
Little Smeaton	.. ..	2
Winton	.. ..	2
		—
		54
		—

Swimming Baths and Pools.

There are none within the Rural Area.

In conclusion, I should like to express my appreciation of the support which is given to me by members of the Council and my fellow Officials.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

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