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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF PICKERING

# ANNUAL REPORT

of the  
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
for the year

**1964**

W. R. M. Couper, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

INCLUDING THE REPORT  
of the  
PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR  
G. Batty, M.A.P.H.I., C.R.S.I.





THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
FOR THE YEAR 1964


To the Chairman and Members of the Council.

Mr. Chairman and Members,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the Health of the District for the year 1964.

W.R.M. COUPER

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH



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## SECTION 'A'

## STATISTICS AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

TABLE I

District	Estimated Mid-Year Population	Area in Acres	No. of Inhabited Houses
Helmsley Rural	5,260	67,750	1,356
Kirbymoorside Rural	4,480	51,000	1,562
Malton Rural	5,350	47,078	1,839
Malton Urban	4,260	4,016	1,395
Pickering Rural	4,680	76,685	1,796
Pickering Urban	4,320	15,652	1,468
All Districts	28,350	262,181	9,466

## VITAL STATISTICS

TABLE II -- LIVE BIRTHS MALE AND FEMALE

District	Live Births		
	Male	Female	Male & Female
Helmsley Rural	31	22	53
Kirbymoorside Rural	28	24	52
Malton Rural	39	40	79
Malton Urban	29	36	65
Pickering Rural	40	37	77
Pickering Urban	32	25	57
All Districts	199	184	383

TABLE III

Crude Live Birth Rate (i.e. births per 1,000 estimated population) and adjusted birth rate (i.e. birth rate multiplied by comparability factor.)

District	Crude Live Birth Rate	Comparability Factor	Adjusted Birth Rate
Helmsley Rural	10.08	1.36	13.70
Kirbymoorside Rural	11.61	1.14	13.23
Malton Rural	14.77	1.17	17.28
Malton Urban	15.26	1.09	16.63
Pickering Rural	16.45	1.21	19.90
Pickering Urban	13.19	1.13	14.90
All Districts	13.51	1.18	15.94

TABLE IV

Still Births - Male, Female and Still Births and Still Birth Rate per 1,000 Total Births.

District	Still Births			Still Birth Rate
	Male	Female	Total	
Helmsley Rural	-	-	-	-
Kirbymoorside Rural	-	-	-	-
Malton Rural	2	-	2	24.7
Malton Urban	-	-	-	-
Pickering Rural	-	-	-	-
Pickering Urban	2	1	3	50.0
All Districts	4	1	5	12.9

TABLE V

ALL BIRTHS LEGITIMATE AND ILLEGITIMATE, MALE AND FEMALE

District	Legitimate			Illegitimate			Total
	Male	Female	Male & Female	Male	Female	Male & Female	Male & Female
Helmsley Rural	28	21	49	3	1	4	53
Kirbymoorside Rural	27	22	49	1	2	3	52
Malton Rural	36	38	74	5	2	7	81
Malton Urban	29	35	64	-	1	1	65
Pickering Rural	37	34	71	3	3	6	77
Pickering Urban	33	25	58	1	1	2	60
All Districts	190	175	365	13	10	23	388

TABLE VI

Deaths of Infants under 1 year, 1 month and 1 week by sexes

District	Number of Deaths								
	Under 1 year			Under 1 month			Under 1 week		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Helmsley Rural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kirbymoorside Rural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malton Rural	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1
Malton Urban	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pickering Rural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pickering Urban	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Districts	2	-	2	1	-	1	1	-	1

TABLE VII

Infant Mortality Rate i.e. deaths under 1 year of age per 1,000 live births.

Neonatal Mortality Rate i.e. deaths under 1 month of age per 1,000 live births.

Mortality Rate under 1 week i.e. deaths under 1 week of age per 1,000 live births.

District	Mortality Rates		
	Infant Mortality Rate	Neonatal Mortality Rate	Mortality Rate under 1 week
Helmsley Rural	-	-	-
Kirbymoorside Rural	-	-	-
Malton Rural	12.66	12.66	12.66
Malton Urban	15.38	-	-
Pickering Rural	-	-	-
Pickering Urban	-	-	-
All Districts	5.22	2.61	2.61

TABLE VIII

No Maternal Deaths occurred in the area during 1964.



TABLE IX

## Percentage of Illegitimate live Births

District	Number of Live Births	Number of Illegitimate Live Births	Percentage of Illegitimate Live Births
Helmsley Rural	53	4	7.5
Kirbymoorside Rural	52	3	5.8
Malton Rural	79	7	8.9
Malton Urban	65	1	1.5
Pickering Rural	77	6	7.8
Pickering Urban	57	2	3.5
All Districts	383	23	6.0

TABLE X

Deaths - Deaths by sexes, total deaths, crude death rate, comparability factor and adjusted death rate.

District	Deaths			Crude Death Rate	Comparability Factor	Adjusted Death Rate
	Male	Female	Total			
Helmsley Rural	23	24	47	8.93	1.16	10.36
Kirbymoorside Rural	31	25	56	12.50	.84	10.50
Malton Rural	33	25	58	10.41	1.01	10.51
Malton Urban	35	29	64	15.02	.88	13.22
Pickering Rural	30	36	66	14.10	.82	11.56
Pickering Urban	26	19	45	10.42	.93	9.69
All Districts	178	158	336	11.85	.93	11.02

TABLE XI

Comparative Table - Adjusted Birth Rate and Death Rate, Infant Mortality, Neonatal Mortality and Still Birth Rates by Districts and England and Wales

District	Birth Rate	Death Rate	Infant Mortality Rate	Neonatal Mortality Rate	Still Birth Rate
Helmsley Rural	13.70	10.36	-	-	-
Kirbymoorside Rural	13.23	10.50	-	-	-
Malton Rural	17.28	10.51	12.66	12.66	24.70
Malton Urban	16.63	13.22	15.38	-	-
Pickering Rural	19.90	11.56	-	-	-
Pickering Urban	14.90	9.69	-	-	50.00
All Districts	15.94	11.02	5.22	2.61	12.90
England and Wales	18.40	11.30	20.00	13.80	16.30

DEATHS

CAUSES OF DEATHS BY DISTRICTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1964

CAUSE OF DEATH	Helmsley		Kirbymoor-		Malton		Malton		Pickering		Pickering		All Districts								
	M	F	Rural	side Rural	Rural	F	Urban	Urban	Rural	F	Urban	F	M	F							
1. Tuberculosis - Respiratory	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1							
10. Malignant Neoplasms - Stomach	1	1	2	1	1	-	1	2	2	2	2	-	2	2							
11. Malignant Neoplasm, lung, bronchus	1	-	1	1	1	-	2	1	1	1	1	-	10	6							
12. Malignant Neoplasm, breast	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4							
13. Malignant Neoplasm, uterus	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	4							
14. Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms	-	-	5	3	3	1	6	3	5	4	9	-	27	19							
16. Diabetes	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	8	2	4	1	-	1	3							
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system	5	6	11	2	2	1	2	2	6	2	9	-	26	25							
18. Coronary disease, angina	3	5	8	5	4	1	8	15	5	6	11	8	39	31							
19. Hypertension with heart disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	1	1	1	3	1	2							
20. Other heart disease	3	4	7	4	3	6	7	7	14	1	19	3	20	34							
21. Other circulatory disease	1	3	4	3	6	3	2	2	1	1	3	2	8	13							
22. Influenza	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1							
23. Pneumonia	1	-	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	5	6							
24. Bronchitis	2	-	2	-	2	-	3	3	1	3	4	1	12	11							
25. Other diseases of respiratory system	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	1	1							
26. Ulcer of stomach or duodenum	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	3	3							
27. Gastritis, enteritis & diarrhoea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1							
28. Nephritis and Nephrosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	1							
29. Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	5	5							
31. Congenital malformations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	3	1							
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases	1	1	2	1	1	1	4	4	1	5	1	-	7	7							
34. All other accidents	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	4	2							
35. Suicide	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	1	2							
TOTALS -	23	24	47	31	25	56	33	25	58	35	29	64	30	36	66	26	19	45	178	158	336

D E A T H S

AGES AT DEATH BY DISTRICTS FOR THE YEAR 1964

District	0 - 1		1 - 4		5-14		15-24		25-34		35-44		45-54		55-64		65-74		75+		Total All Ages	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Helmsley Rural	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	4	9	3	12	16	23	24	
Kirbymoorside Rural	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	2	3	8	6	12	13	31	25	
Malton Rural	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	1	1	12	11	9	12	33	25	
Malton Urban	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	2	10	5	11	7	10	14	35	29	
Pickering Rural	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	2	3	5	3	18	25	30	36	
Pickering Urban	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	2	5	6	2	11	13	26	19	
All Districts	2	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	6	1	15	10	30	21	51	32	72	93	178	158	

## SECTION 'B'

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASESTABLE I  
NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR 1964

District	Cases Notified		
	Whooping Cough	Scarlet Fever	Measles
Helmsley Rural	14	-	56
Kirbymoorside Rural	-	1	45
Malton Rural	2	2	170
Malton Urban	-	-	93
Pickering Rural	1	2	99
Pickering Urban	1	2	166
All Districts	18	7	629

Where necessary, patients suffering from infectious diseases are admitted to Cross Lane Hospital, Scarborough, and Yearsley Bridge Hospital, York.

TABLE II  
NEW CASES AND DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS DURING 1964

District	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Helmsley Rural	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kirbymoorside Rural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malton Rural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malton Urban	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Pickering Rural	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pickering Urban	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Districts	1	2	-	-	1	-	-	-

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948Section 47

Two persons were removed under the above Act during the year.

TABLE I  
REVENUE AND EXPENSES OF THE DISTRICTS  
FOR THE YEAR 1900

District	Revenue		Expenses
	Actual	Estimated	
Alameda	100	100	100
Butte	100	100	100
Colusa	100	100	100
Contra Costa	100	100	100
El Dorado	100	100	100
Mariposa	100	100	100
Merced	100	100	100
San Joaquin	100	100	100
Stanislaus	100	100	100
Yuba	100	100	100
<b>All Districts</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>1000</b>

TABLE II  
REVENUE AND EXPENSES OF THE DISTRICTS  
FOR THE YEAR 1901

District	Revenue		Expenses
	Actual	Estimated	
Alameda	100	100	100
Butte	100	100	100
Colusa	100	100	100
Contra Costa	100	100	100
El Dorado	100	100	100
Mariposa	100	100	100
Merced	100	100	100
San Joaquin	100	100	100
Stanislaus	100	100	100
Yuba	100	100	100
<b>All Districts</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>1000</b>

The figures are based on the reports of the districts for the year 1900.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES

To the Chairman and Members of the Public Health and Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to report on the sanitary circumstances of the district for the year 1964.

Progress has continued on the sewerage and sewage disposal scheme satisfactorily and the system will be capable of dealing with the sewage expected from new development for some years to come.

Private building has been maintained at a reasonable level during the year and while some of the development leaves a little to be desired aesthetically it is still good to see this continued activity.

The Council's proposed building programme has made it possible for a slum clearance programme to be made and inspections have been going on during the year.

The Offices Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963 became operative in August and much time has been spent on registration of premises. It has been amazing that despite the publicity given to this Act nationally and through the trade channels so few people accepted their responsibility to register although failure to do so is an offence under the Act.

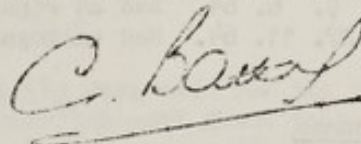
100% meat inspection has been maintained throughout the year in the two slaughterhouses and although little inconvenience is caused in Pickering there is still a great need for some control of slaughtering hours.

During the year a site has been acquired by the W.V.S. on which it is proposed to build a Darby & Joan club house as soon as funds are available. This sort of interest for older people does much to relieve the boredom of living alone and it is hoped that this project will receive the support it deserves.

I am,

Mr. Chairman, Lady & Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,



Public Health Inspector.

## SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES 1964.

### Water Supply

Part of the district is supplied by the Ryedale Joint Water Board's mains but the northern area i.e. Stape is still using a private supply which some years ago was to be much improved by the Council when they were the water undertakers. It is regrettable that this or a similar scheme has not been proceeded with since I believe that there is a need for a better supply in this part of the district.

1538 houses are connected to public mains.

21 samples of water were taken during the year, all of which were satisfactory.

The following table shows the number of dwelling houses and the population supplied by public water mains and other private sources.

Total No. of dwellings.	Total Population.	Supplied direct to		Other private sources	
		No. of houses	Population	No. of houses	Population
1,589	4,320	1,538	4,170	51	150

### Refuse Collection

The method and frequency of the collection and disposal of house refuse remains unchanged. There is a weekly collection in all parts of the district with the exception of Stape and Bean Sheaf both of which have a three monthly collection but a recent decision, to be put into effect early in 1965 will give a fortnightly collection in these areas.

### Sewage Disposal

Work has continued throughout the year on the laying of new mains and the improvement of and the addition to the existing units at the sewage disposal works.

Three samples of the effluent from the works were taken by the Yorkshire Ouse and Hull River Authority while work has been in progress on the site and the results were as follows :-

- 30. 1. 64. Excess of suspended solids.
- 9. 6. 64. Bad as regards suspended solids.
- 27. 11. 64. Bad as regards suspended solids.

### Slaughterhouses

There are two licensed slaughterhouses in the district operated by local butchers to serve their own shops.

289 visits were made to slaughterhouses during the year for the purpose of meat inspection and 518lbs. of meat/offal were found to be unfit for human consumption

In addition one case of cysticercus bovis was found and treatment was by refrigeration.

100% meat inspection has been maintained throughout the year.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	356	-	9	939	82
Number inspected	356	-	9	939	82
<u>All diseases except tuberculosis</u>					
(a) Whole carcase condemned	-	-	-	1	-
(b) Carcase in which some part or organ was condemned.	31	-	-	14	8
(c) Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis	8.70%	-	-	1.49%	9.75%
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>					
(a) Whole carcase condemned	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Carcase in which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	1
(c) Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	1.22%

Other foodstuffs found to be unfit were:-

Tinned Meat	14 lbs 3 oz.	Fruit	93 lbs 5 oz.
Prepacked Meat	24 lbs 13 oz.	Tinned Soup	15 $\frac{1}{4}$ oz.
Tinned vegetables	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	Jam	2 lbs

Milk Supply

During the year 7 samples of milk were submitted for statutory tests and all were found to be satisfactory.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.

During the year 250 visits were made for the purpose of rodent control work and 108 properties were found to be infested.

62 properties were treated by the local authority.

The meetings held between local authorities and representatives of the Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food have now become an annual affair and the interchange of ideas and new information from the Ministry has been very helpful.



Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963.

21 visits were made under this Act from August to the end of the year mostly to deal with problems of registration.

Housing.

The number of houses completed during the year were:-

By local authority 13

By private enterprise 19

During the year 12 applications for standard and discretionary grants were received all of which were approved and £3942 was given in grants.

113 inspections were made under the Housing Acts and five houses were represented as being unfit. Of these an offer from the owner of three was accepted and the remaining two are to be used for purposes not connected with living accommodation.

Nuisances

During the year 57 inspections were made to investigate alleged nuisances. 23 nuisances were found and 21 abated by informal action.

Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1961

There are six licensed sites in the area and one application was received during the year which was refused on planning grounds.

19 inspections were made and no matters reported to the committee.

Offensive Trades

There are two knackers yards in the district; 20 inspections were made during the year when two contraventions were found both of which were remedied by informal action.

Eradication of Bed Bugs

No cases of infestation have been found.

Factories Acts, 1937 - 1961

There are 31 factories in the district and 47 visits were made during the year.

A report in the prescribed form is attached.



FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 to 1959

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR 1964 FOR THE URBAN DISTRICT  
OF PICKERING IN THE COUNTY OF YORK (NORTH RIDING)

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration  
of the Factories Act, 1937

PART 1 OF THE ACT

1. - INSPECTIONS for the purposes of the provisions as to health.

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.....	4	9	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.....	23	9	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (Excluding Out-Workers' premises)...	4	29	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	31	47	-	-

2. - Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found.				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)....	-	1	-	1	-
Overcrowding (S.2)....	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)....	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)....	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)....	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient.....	-	1	-	1	-
(b) Unsuited or defective.....	-	1	-	1	-
(c) Not separate for sexes.....	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (Not including offences relating to outwork).....	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	-	3	-	3	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT  
Outwork  
 (Sections 110 and 111)

Nature of Work  (1)	Section 110			Section 111		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by sect. 110(1)(C) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing) Making Apparel) etc. ) Cleaning ) and ) Washing.	1					
Household linen.						
Lace, lace curtains and nets.						
Curtains and furniture hangings.						
Furniture and upholstery.						
Electro-plating.						
File making.						
Brass and brass articles.						
Fur pulling.						
Iron and steel cables and chains.						
Iron and steel anchors & grapnels.						
Cart gear.						
Locks, latches and keys.						
Umbrellas etc.						
Artificial flowers.						
Nets, other than wire nets.						
Tents.						
Sacks.						
Racquets and tennis balls.						
Paper bags.						
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper.						
Brush making.						
Pea picking.						
Feather sorting.						
Carding etc. of buttons etc.						
Stuffed toys.						
Basket making.						
Chocolates and sweetmeats.						
Cosaques, Christmas stockings etc.						
Textile weaving.						
Lampshades.						
TOTAL	1	-	-	-	-	-

(Signature) W.R.M. Couper      Medical Officer of Health



