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# RAMSEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER

OF HEALTH

AND

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
UPON THE

DURING THE YEAR 1965.



#### RAMSEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

## MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL AS AT 31.12. 65

Chairman : Miss. C.M. Riddy.

R. Bojdys. E. Bridgestock. A.S. Cross. Dr. P Greaves
H.W. Haddon. Mrs E.M. Hertzog. E.H.C. Jones. W. Mansfield
J. Pickard. E.F. Slote. J. Whittome.

## STAFF:

Medical Officer of Health

P.V. CANT, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Public Health Inspector

HAROLD G. BELL, M.A.P.H.I.

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Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my eighth Annual Report on the health and sanitary conditions of the District for the year ending 31st December 1965.

The District is almost entirely devoted to agriculture, the town acting as a centre for the outlying areas, the chief of these being Ramsey St. Mary's Mereside, Forty Foot and the Heights The agricultural land consists largely of Fens, which were reclaimed several hundred years ago It is extremely flat and is drained by dykes, there being several pumping stations in the area. The town acts as a dormitory for quite a large number of people who work at engineering and other occupations in Peterborough, and in Huntingdon.

The mid-year population has been estimated as being 5780 which is a gain of only 10 persons during the year. As there is little local industry other than agriculture to attract young people they tend to find employment in the neighbouring towns and to drift away. Your Council is most anxious to prevent this, and have created a small industrial estate, and are doing their utmost to attract light industry to Ramsey.

There were 104 live births during 1965, giving a birth rate of 18 per thousand, which is the same as the national rate Fifty five deaths occurred during the year, 34 males, one being an infant and 21 females. The crude death rate is 9.5 per thousand.

No severe epidemics occurred during the year, but there were 47 cases of Measles, and 13 of Infective Jaundice There were also 4 new cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

Demolition of unfit property in the area is progressing steadily, and I am glad to note from the Public Health Inspector's Report that thirteen unfit cottages were vacated during the year. Your Council's efforts to rid the area of what was very bad property have been most successful in recent years, and a considerable area in the centre of the town will soon have been re-built.

A small Council Estate of 20 units is nearing completion in the Little Whyte, and there were 28 houses erected by private enterprise during the year.

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In concluding I wish to thank the Members of the Council, and their Officers and Staff for the help which they have given me during the year.

#### STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area			 	15,980 acres
Estimated Population (mid-1965)			 	5,780
Density of Persons per acre			 	0.36
Number of Inhabited Houses as of 1st	April	1965	 	1,899
Rateable Value, March 31st 1965			 	£162, 175
Value of Penny Rate			 	£622

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### VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births	. 104
Rate per 1,000 population	18.0
Illegitimate Live Births per cent of total live births	3.8
Still-births	. 1
Rate per 1,000 live and still births	. 9.5
Total live and still-births	105
Infant deaths under 1 year	1
Infant Mortality Rate  Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births	9.6
Neo-Natal Mortality Rate ( deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live birth	s ) Nil
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	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
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	Per 1000	Population			Per 1000	Per 1000 Total births
1. Zuburoulosi	Live Birth Rate	Adjusted Birth Rate	Crude Death Rate	Adjusted Death Rate	Infantile Mortality Rate	Still Births Rate
Ramsey U.D.	18.0	17.8	9.5	10.4	9.6	9.5
England & Wales	onl terre	18.0		11.5	19.0	15.7

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The comparability factors are figures by which the crude birth and death rates need to be multiplied so as to find the adjusted rates. The adjusted rates are then comparable with the rates for England and Wales or the adjusted rates of any other place in the Country. The Registrar General calculates the factors from the information available to him concerning amongst other things the age and sex structure of the population.

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onitel solfonations	Pu	lmonary	Non Pu	lmonary
Age Period	Male	Female	Male	Female
15 - 19		1	-	
25 - 34	1		-	
55 - 64	1	1	-	
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There were no deaths from Tuberculosis during 1965.

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1.	Tuberculosis, Respiratory			-	-	-
2.	Tuberculosis, other			13- 2	-	-
3.	Syphilitic disease			-	-	-
4.	Diphtheria			-	-	-
5.	Whooping Cough			-	-	-
6.	Meningococcal infections			-	-	-
7.	Acute poliomyelitis			-	-	-
8.	Measles			-	-	-
9.	Other infective and parasitic diseases			-	-	-
10.	Malignant neoplasm , stomach			1 -	-	1
11.	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus			2	-	2
12.	Malignant neoplasm, breast			-	-	-
13.	Malignant neoplasm, uterus			-	-	-
14.	Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms			4	2	6
15.	Leukaemia, aleukaemia			-	-	-
16.	Diabetes			2	1	3
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system			5	5	10
18.	Coronary disease angina			4	2	6
19.	Hypertension with heart disease				-	-
20.	Other heart disease			3	2	5
21.	Other circulatory disease			-	-	-
22.	Influenza			-	-	-
23.	Pneumonia			1	2	3
24.	Bronchitis			4	2	6
25.					-	-
26.				-	-	-
27.				-	-	-
28.					-	-
	Hyperplasia of prostate			-	-	-
	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion			-	-	-
	Congenital malformations			2	-	2
32.				4	5	9
33.				1	-	1
31.	All other accidents		10 0	1	-	1
35	Suicide			-	-	-
36	Homicide and operations of War			-	-	-
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DISEASE	Total	Under 1 year	1 - 2 years	2 - 3 years	3 - 4 years	4 - 5 years	5 - 10 years	10 - 15 years	15 - 20 years	20- 45 years	45 - 65 years	and upwards	65 years	Hospital	admitted to	Cases	Deaths.	Total
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Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-		-			-
Scarlet Fever	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1 10	-		-		-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		d_ hou		-			-
Cerebro-spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	77	- by		-			-
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-		-			-
Measles	47	3	5	5	13	8	10	2	-	1	-		-		-			-
Whooping Cough	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-		-		-			-
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-		-		-			-
Jaundice	13	-	-	-	-	-	8	3	-	1	1				-			-
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	aju	-	21	-			-
Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-		-			-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-		-			-
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Your obedient Servant, Philip V. Cant

Medical Officer of Health.

Health Clinic, Whittlesey Road, Stanground.

Phone: Peterborough 68010

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# REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 st DECEMBER, 1965

#### TO THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

Sir,

I beg to submit my report for the year ending 31st December, 1965.

#### Housing:

The abatement of nuisances was successfully secured by informal action and the issue of statutory notices was unnecessary.

No new council houses were completed during the year, but the Little Whyte scheme for twelve one-bedroomed flats and eight two-bedroomed houses is progressing. Thirteen unfit cottages were vacated during the year with either closing orders, or undertakings not to relet for human habitation being given by the Owners. Fifteen unfit cottages were demolished during the year.

#### Inspection of Dwelling Houses during the year :

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## Action under Statutory Powers

- Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition orders were made all
- Number of dwelling houses demolished in persuance of Demolition orders
- Number of separate tenoments in respect of which Closing Orders were made Nil

Number of written undertakings				-	
for human habitation		 • • •	 		 10
Number of families displaced .		 	 		 13
Number of houses demolished by	agreement	 	 		 9

#### New Housing :

There were 191 active applicants on the list for council houses at the end of the year, 23 families having been found accommodation. A small estate of 20 units, 12 one-bedroomed flats and 8 two-bedroomed houses are nearing completion and it is hoped to have the scheme completed by the end of April. There were 28 houses erected by private enterprise

#### Improvement Grants :

The Council approved 2 applications for discretionary improvement grants and 9 applications for standard grants.

Work of improvement on 21 houses was carried out, 10 being council houses in the town area which were provided with bathrooms, internal W C.'s and hot water systems.

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

#### Nuisances :

17
Abated as a result of informal action 13
Analysis of complaints received : Total 19
Premises
Accumulation of Refuse 1
Drains 2
Disinfestation Nil
Overflowing Cesspools 7
Animals 4
Wiscellaneous 2

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## Inspections and Visits :

House Waiting List	****		189
Public Health Acts			32
Housing Acts			132
Meat Inspection			340
Food & Drugs Act	25.0	tent	6
Food Hygiene Regulations	100		11
Refuse Collection and Disposal			287
Factory Acts			3
Moveable Dwellings		····y	15
Petrol Storage			43
Water Supply			22
Slaughter of Animals Act		• • • •	6
Sewerage & Drains	12.15		37
Conversions			Nil
Infectious diseases			4
Keeping of animals			9
Swimming Pools	n denis		16
Infestations	aring to		44
Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Acts	Maria de		59
Council House ( Inspections, etc. )	•••		68
	TOTALS		1323

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Number	of	houses	at the end	of the year	with W. 'C.'s	00,.2265	 		1698
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#### Sewerage and Sewage Disposal:

33 new drainage systems were installed and tested during the year. 25 alterations to existing systems were also tested.

The Council give a free cesspool/septic tank emptying service where necessary, 138 cesspools/septic tanks being emptied this year.

There are still 252 pail closets in the outlying areas, 241 of which are emptied twice weekly by a contractor Eleven pail closets are in remote cottages and are emptied by the occupiers.

The scheme to sewer the four outlying villages is still being prepared by the Council's Consulting Engineers. It is hoped that Form K will be ready to present to the Ministry in the early part of 1966. Even when the sewerage scheme is completed there are five small groups of council houses outside the proposed sewered area and the Council hope to provide septic tanks, drainage and other improvements in the near future.

### Water Supply :

Water samples are taken periodically and submitted to the Public Health Laboratory, Peterborough 23 samples were taken during the year, all samples being satisfactory. The water contains less than 0.2 parts per million of fluorine

There are 7 houses without a mains water supply and most of these are in the Council's slum clearance programme.

## Swimming Baths :

The outdoor swimming pool at the Secondary Modern School has a continuous filtration and chlorinating plant which operated satisfactorily during the year. At the small learners pool at the C.P. Junior School, a small filtration and chlorinating plant was installed after Easter. There were some difficulties in keeping the level of chlorination high enough to cope with the fluctuations in numbers of children using the pool.

Nine samples of swimming pool water were taken during the year, seven being satisfactory. The two unsatisfactory samples were from the small indoor learners pool.

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#### Meat & Food Inspection :

The privately owned slaughterhouse operated satisfactorily in the early half of the year and a considerable amount of evening and week-end work on meat inspection was necessary. The business closed on the 15th June, 1965, and has not restarted The premises were kept up to the required standard and slaughtering was carried out on hygienic lines. 100% meat inspection was carried out by the Public Health Inspector with Mr. Green, the Council's Surveyor carrying out relief duties when required.

The following table shows the results of the meat inspection service :-

Number	of	slaughterhouses	on register	 	•••	 	 1
Number	of	visits for meat	inspection	 		 	 340

#### Carcases Inspected and Condemned

	Cattle			Sheep	&
D Busher of versions resistantly	excluding	Cows	Calves	ARREST MANAGEMENT AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY O	Pigs
Number inspected	cows 28	1	5	9	4,919
All diseases except tuberculosis :-					
Whole carcases condemned	1	250	98 S. Sal	legy ?	5
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	2	-	-	-	358
Percentage of the number inspected effected with disease other than tuberculosis	10.72		-	-	7.35
Tuberculosis only :-					
Whole carcases condemned	refuse tip.	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	d are examine	rd, und	is good	being	57
Percentage of number inspected					
affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	1.16
Total weight of carcass meat condemn	ed				404 lbs
Total estimate weight of offal conder	mned				1,790 lbs.
Total weight of other food condemned					8 lbs.
No cases of cysticercosis were found	during the y	rear.			

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Number of defects remedied

Food	Premises:
1.	The number of food premises in the area by type of business are as follows they all comply with Regulation 16 and are all fitted to comply with Regulation 19:-
	Butchers shops 7
	Grocers and General stores 25
	Greengrocers 4
	Bakers 1
	Confectioners 3
	Fish premises
	Cafes, Restaurants & Hotels 3
	School kitchens 4
	Total 50
2.	Number of premises registered under the Food & Drugs Act 33
3.	Number of inspections of registered food premises 28
4.	Most of the food premises were inspected during the year, some of the inspections being made under both the Offices, Shops & Railway Premises Act and the Food Hygiene Regulations. The following works were completed following informal action:-
	Premises provided with food protection screens 2
	Premises provided with additional dustbins 1
	Premises repaired (floors, walls ceilings etc.) 2
	Premises redecorated 3
5.	Condemned food is buried at the refuse tip.
6.	Usually small quantities of food are examined, unfit food being condemned
7.	There are no ice cream manufacturers in the area.
8.	There have been no prosecutions under the Food Hygiene Regulations during the year.
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#### Refuse Collection & Disposal :

Refuse collection is carried out by direct labour, two driver/loaders and one loader making up the crew. There is a weekly collection in the town area and a fortnightly kerbside collection in the outlying areas.

Refuse is disposed of by controlled tipping at Brick Kilns Farm. In the first half of the year a full time tip man was employed. In the latter half of the year a J.C.B. 2B earth mover was purchased which is able to cover the refuse with 9" soil as tipping proceeds. There is about another eighteen months tipping space left at Brick Kilns Farm and the Council has a further twelve acres of land suitable for tipping at Ramsey Heights

The refuse collection vehicle is a 10/12 cubic yard fore and aft Carrier machine which is nearing the end of its economic life. The machine is too small for present day bulky refuse and sometimes five or six journeys to the tip are necessary.

#### Rodent Control :

The Council dispensed with their part-time rodent operator in February, 1965 and Rentokil Laboratories Ltd. of Baldock contracted to do the service After a few teething troubles the service has proved very satisfactory.

A test baiting of the sewers indicated the need for a complete sewer treatment and this Rentokil Ltd. carried out satisfactorily using fluoroacetamide. The firm has also obtained several farm contracts in the area and also carry out surveys of some farm properties. The firm have also some service contracts for the bakery and several other business premises.

The following table shows the inspections and treatments carried out :-

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Dwelling houses		88	30	1	31
Business Premises		13	1	Spine Ann	1
Agricultural Premises		14	5	the attacher	5
Local Authority		13	6	-	6
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Fuel Storage depots	-	3	-

## Special Report on Lighting Standards for the quarter ending 31st December, 1965 :

A total of 12 premises were inspected during the quarter, six retail shops and six offices.

The natural lighting was adequate in all premises inspected except for one passage in an Estate Office. Some of the premises were inspected before a light meter was available and the artificial lighting in the shops inspected seemed adequate. The artificial lighting in the offices inspected using a meter did not come up to the I.E.S. code, although it appeared to be reasonable to the Inspector's own eyes. Improvements in the artificial lighting were suggested and a standard of 30 lumens on desks and typewriters was suggested. The artificial lighting in the shops inspected using a meter were all satisfactory, although most of them had recently been overhauled or reconstructed.

A standard of 20 lumens has been suggested for retail shops and 30 lumens on the working surfaces in offices. No instances of glare were found.

During November, six offices were inspected and the standard of artificial lighting was as follows :-

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The artificial lighting in the three shops inspected during November had standards in two cases, of over 25 lumens per square foot, and the other, 20 lumens per square foot. A reading of only 12 lumens was recorded in one storeroom, but only cartons of goods were unpacked there. In retail shops, the lighting in the storerooms, falls well below that provided in the selling areas.

#### General:

With the closing down of the slaughterhouse more time has been spent on the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act than would have been otherwise possible. More visits on council house welfare and in connection with the housing waiting list have also been possible.

Appreciation is expressed of the interest and support of the Chairman, Miss. C.M. Riddy and Members of the Council, the guidance of the Medical Officer of Health and the co-operation of the Council Staff.

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