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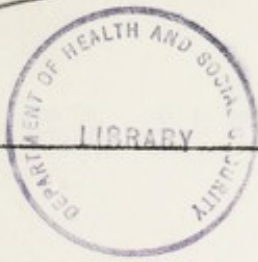
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SKELTON AND BROTTON
URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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T. M. B. ROHAN,

M.B., B.CH., B.A.O., D.P.H.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS
OF THE
SKELTON & BROTTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Annual Report for the year 1966, the contents of which are in accordance with the regulations of the Ministry of Health.

The table of classification of the causes of death shows diseases of the heart and circulation once again to be the main cause with cancer taking second place.

The warden service got off to a flying start in 1966 and I am delighted to see that further bungalows of this nature are being provided at Skelton.

I would like to record my thanks to the Chairman and members of the Health Committee for their encouragement throughout the year.

To the Heads of Departments I am again obliged for their co-operation at all times. To Mr. J. H. Rhodes, whose report follows mine, I owe an especial debt for his unstinted help in all matters concerning the health of the District.

Finally, I wish to thank the two clerical officers, Mr. R. K. Nuttall and Mrs. D. E. Seccombe, who, working in the Area Health Office, have contributed materially to the smooth conduct of affairs.


I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

T. M. B. ROHAN

Medical Officer of Health.

September, 1967.



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TABLE 1

Public Health Officers

Whole Time Officers	Guisborough Urban District	Skelton & Brotton Urban District	Loftus Urban District
Medical Officer of Health who is also Asst. County Medical Officer No. 4 Area N.R.C.C. and School Medical Officer, N.R.C.C.	Dr. T. M. B. Rohan		
Public Health Inspectors	*Mr. A. T. Pallister	Mr. J. H. Rhodes	*Mr. W. C. Ranson
Additional Public Health Inspectors	Mr. E. Ward	Mr. R. M. Chalmers	Mr. W. Murray Mr. G. K. Hope

*Also Surveyor of the district concerned

County Public Health Staff attached to the Skelton and Brotton Area

Miss M. Nuttall	Health Visitor
Mrs. H. B. Grant	Health Visitor (resigned 17.9.66)
Mrs. K. Smith	Health Visitor (commenced duty 19.9.66)
Miss L. Sanders	District Nurse/Midwife
Mrs. K. Thirling	District Nurse/Midwife
Miss A. Wardhaugh	District Nurse/Midwife
Miss M. E. Smith	District Nurse/Midwife
Mr. R. K. Nuttall	Senior Clerk
Mrs. D. E. Seccombe	Clerk/Typist

Statistics of the Area

Population

The Registrar-General's estimate of the population of the district in the mid-year 1966 is 13,550 as compared to an estimate of the population in the mid-year 1965 of 13,420.

General Statistics

I am indebted to the Financial Officer of the Council for the following figures :-

1. Area of the District in acres	...	...	...	...	15,419
2. No. of inhabited houses according to the rate books					4,579
3. Rateable Value	...	...	...	...	£260,720
4. Sum represented by a penny rate			...	...	£991

TABLE 2

Vital Statistics

			MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Live Births	...	...	148	138	286
Legitimate	...	...	130	125	255
Illegitimate	...	...	18	13	31

Still Births	...	...	5	-	5
Legitimate	...	...	4	-	4
Illegitimate	...	...	1	-	1

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age

			MALE	FEMALE
Total	...	...	4	3
Legitimate	...	...	4	3
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-

The number of births registered being 286 gives a corrected birth-rate of 22.8 per 1,000 of the population, compared to 17.7 for England and Wales. 7 infants under the age of one year died giving an infant mortality rate of 24.5 per 1,000 live births compared to the rate for England and Wales of 19.0.

TABLE 3 - Vital Statistics

CAUSES OF DEATH

	MALE	FEMALE
Tuberculosis, Respiratory	-	-
Tuberculosis, other	-	-
Syphilitic disease	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-
Meningo-coccal infection	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-
Measles	-	-
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	-	-
Malignant Neoplasm of Stomach	6	-
Malignant Neoplasm of Lung, Bronchus	2	1
Malignant Neoplasm of Breast ...	1	7
Malignant Neoplasm of Uterus ...	-	1
Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	6	-
Leukaemia	-	-
Diabetes	1	1
Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System	11	14
Coronary Disease, Angina	19	8
Hypertension with Heart Disease ...	1	-
Other Heart Diseases	6	7
Other Circulatory Diseases	1	3
Influenza	1	1
Pneumonia	2	2
Bronchitis	2	3
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	-	-
Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum ...	-	-
Gastro-enteritis and diarrhoea ...	1	-
Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	-
Hyperplasia of Prostate	-	-
Pregnancy, child-birth, abortion	-	-
Congenital malformations	1	1
Other defined or ill-defined diseases	5	5
Motor vehicle accidents	2	-
All other accidents	1	1
Suicide	-	-
Homicide and operations of war ...	-	-
ALL CAUSES	70	55

The deaths are classified under thirty-six headings based on the Abbreviated List of International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Death, 1948. 125 deaths of residents gave a corrected death-rate of 10.4 per 1,000 of population compared to 11.7 for England and Wales.

TABLE 4
 NOTIFIABLE DISEASES 1966
 (other than Tuberculosis)

	ALL Ages	Under 1 year	1 year	2	3	4	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	65-	Age Un- known
Scarlet Fever ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery ...	12	-	-	3	1	-	4	1	1	2	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia ...	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles ...	20	1	2	2	3	2	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough ...	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningo-coccal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Polio-myelitis (Paralytic)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Infectious Diseases

Table 4 shows the incidence of notifiable diseases other than tuberculosis.

Tuberculosis

Seven new cases of respiratory tuberculosis were notified during the year.

There were no deaths from tuberculosis during 1966.

TABLE 5

Immunisation and Vaccination

<u>Immunisation against Diphtheria</u>	UNDER 1	1 TO 4	5 TO 14	TOTAL
Completed	214	31	-	245
Reinforcing Doses	-	-	72	72
<u>Immunisation against Whooping Cough</u>		0 TO 4	5 TO 14	TOTAL
Completed		245	-	245
<u>Vaccination (Smallpox)</u>	PRIMARY		RE-VACCINATION	
	43		14	
<u>Poliomyelitis Vaccination</u>	PRIMARY		REINFORCING	
	282		167	

The General Provision of Health Services in the District

1. Laboratory Facilities

This work is now done at the Public Health Laboratory, Middlesbrough.

2. National Health Service Act, 1946

With certain exceptions the Guisborough Area Health Sub-Committee of the Health Committee of the County Council exercises the functions of the Local Health Authority in supervising the day to day administration of the services provided under this Act. The Committee met every two months. It is composed of members of the County Council, of the three District Councils of Guisborough, Skelton and Brotton, and Loftus, and of certain co-opted members. Among the services administered are the following :-

Domestic Help Service

Home Nursing

Prevention of illness: Care and After Care

Health Visiting

Ambulance Service

Midwifery

Vaccination and Immunisation

Care of Mothers and
Young Children.

3. Prevention of Illness - Care and After-Care

The work previously carried out under this heading by the Voluntary Care Committee is now being undertaken by the Guisborough Area Health Sub-Committee. Enquiries and requests for assistance may be made to the Medical Officer of Health, District Health Office, Park Lane, Guisborough.
(Telephone: Guisborough 2521)

4. National Assistance Acts, 1948 and 1951 - Section 47

No procedure has been taken during the year.

SKELTON & BROTTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
COUNCIL OFFICES,
SKELTON-IN-CLEVELAND.

To the Chairman and Members of
Skelton and Brotton Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my ninth Annual Report to the Council for the year 1966.

I wish to express my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Council for their encouragement during the year, and to my assistant, Mr. R. M. Chalmers, to my clerk and to all my colleagues for their help and co-operation.

Certain information in the report relating to sewerage and improvement grants has been kindly provided by your Surveyor.

Your obedient servant,

J. H. RHODES

Public Health Inspector.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

A summary of visits made is tabulated below :-

TABLE 6

	No. of Inspections
Dwellinghouses ...	252
Conversions ...	1
Slaughterhouses ...	1191
Factories ...	14
Food Premises ...	29
Water Supplies ...	1
Drainage and Sewerage	23
Pests ...	476
Infectious Diseases ...	214
Council house repairs	287
Miscellaneous ...	<u>544</u>
TOTAL	3032

WATER SUPPLY

With the exception of some outlying farms and cottages water is supplied by the Tees Valley and Cleveland Water Board. Table 7 summarises the position as follows :-

TABLE 7

Number of houses having mains supply in pipes inside	4579
Number of houses supplied by standpipes	-
Number of houses supplied by wells and springs ...	20

Two samples of water were taken during the year and submitted for bacteriological examination. Details are given in Table 8.

TABLE 8

Area	No. of Samples	Result	
		Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Skelton	1	1	-
Brotton	1	1	-

FACTORIES

Tables 10, 11 and 12 give details of factory inspection work carried out during the year.

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the
Factories Act, 1937

Part I of the Act

TABLE 10

1. Inspections

Premises	No. on Register	No. of Inspections	No. of written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
1. Factories in which Sections 1 to 6 are enforced ...	7	4	-	-
2. Factories in which Section 7 is enforced	21	12	-	-
3. Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced ...	3	1	-	-
TOTALS	31	17	-	-

TABLE 11

2. Cases where defects were found

Particulars	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	Referred by H.M. Inspector
Want of Cleanliness	0	0	0	0
Overcrowding	0	0	0	0
Unreasonable Temperature ...	0	0	0	0
Inadequate Ventilation ...	0	0	0	0
Ineffective Drainage of Floors	0	0	0	0
Sanitary Conveniences				
(a) Insufficient	0	0	0	0
(b) Unsuitable or defective	0	0	0	0
(c) Not separate for sexes	0	0	0	0
Other offences against the Act	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0

Part VIII of the Act

Outwork

(Sections 133 and 134)

TABLE 12

Nature of Work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133(1)(c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing) Making apparel) etc.	1	-	-	-	-	-
) Cleaning) and) Washing	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household linen	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lace, lace curtains and nets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Curtains and furniture hangings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Furniture and upholstery	-	-	-	-	-	-
Electro-plate	-	-	-	-	-	-
File making	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brass and brass articles	-	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

The following table shows registrations and general inspections relating to the above Act.

TABLE 13
REGISTRATIONS AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

Class of premises	Total number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	2	1
Retail Shops	35	12
Wholesale shops, warehouses	4	1
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	5	1
Fuel storage depots	-	-

The following table shows the results of the survey conducted in the year 1950.

Year	Area	Population	Area	Population
1950	Area A	1000	Area B	2000
1951	Area A	1100	Area B	2100
1952	Area A	1200	Area B	2200
1953	Area A	1300	Area B	2300
1954	Area A	1400	Area B	2400
1955	Area A	1500	Area B	2500
1956	Area A	1600	Area B	2600
1957	Area A	1700	Area B	2700
1958	Area A	1800	Area B	2800
1959	Area A	1900	Area B	2900
1960	Area A	2000	Area B	3000

HOUSING

Details of housing work are given in the following tables :-

TABLE 14

Housing Appendix - Statistics

1. <u>Inspection of dwellinghouses during the year</u>		
1. (a)	Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	37
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	195
2. (a)	Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932	0
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	0
3.	Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	3
4.	Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found to be not in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation ...	21
2. <u>Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notices</u>		
(1)	Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit or repaired in consequence of informal action by the local authority or their officers	15

Housing Statistics - continued

3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year

A.	Proceedings under Sections 9 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1957	
(1)	Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	0
(2)	Number of dwellinghouses rendered fit after service of formal notices	
(a)	By Owners	0
(b)	By Local Authority in default of Owners	0
B.	Proceedings under Public Health Acts	
(1)	Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	6
(2)	Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices	
(a)	By Owners	2
(b)	By Local Authority in default of Owners	1
C.	Proceedings under Section 17, 18, 26, 27 and 28 of the Housing Act, 1957	
(1)	Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	3
(2)	Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	12
(3)	Number of dwellinghouses subject to undertaking or closing Orders	0
(4)	Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the premises having been rendered fit	0
D.	Clearance Areas	
(1)	Number of houses included in Clearance Areas	0
(2)	Number of houses included in Confirmed Clearance Orders	0
(3)	Number of houses included in Clearance Orders demolished	0
(4)	Number of persons displaced	0
(5)	Number of families displaced	0

4. Housing Act, 1957, Part 4, Overcrowding

(1)	Number of dwellings overcrowded at end of year	Not known
(2)	Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during year	1

Improvement Grants

Number of Improvement Grants made	...	...	...	...	24
Number of Improvement Grants refused	...	...	...	...	-
Number of Standard Grants made	...	...	...	...	22

Rent Act, 1957

One visit was made in connection with the Rent Act, 1957.

New Housing

Number of Council houses erected during year	...	...	...	4
Number of private houses erected during year	...	...	...	87

Council Housing

The Council own 735 houses and 6 shops as follows :-

	Houses	Shops
Skelton	296	1
Brotton	270	5
Boosbeck	108	-
Lingdale	61	-
	<u>735</u>	<u>6</u>

Re-housing

No. of families re-housed during year	...	...	...	38
No. of housing applicants at 31st December, 1966	...	...	...	272

Analysis of Waiting List

Accommodation Required	Number of applicants
Bungalows	103
Houses	
Skelton	160
Lingdale	10
Boosbeck	6
Brotton	23
Hollybush	1
More than one estate	<u>72</u>
	<u>375</u>

FOOD

General

There are 153 food premises in the area, and 88 of these are registered under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955. The premises may be classified as follows :-

Public Houses	...	...	...	...	20
Off-Licence Premises	...	...	...	...	7
Clubs (5 Workingmen's Clubs, 1 British Legion, 4 Institutes)	...	...	...	...	10
Fish and Chip Shops	...	...	...	...	16
Grocers, Confectioners, General Dealers	...	...	...	...	89
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	5
Ice Cream Retailers	...	...	...	...	62
Butchers	...	...	...	...	15
Greengrocers	...	...	...	...	1
Cafes and Canteens	...	...	...	...	2

29 visits were made to various food premises.

Milk

The Council are responsible for milk registration as shown in Table 15 and for retail milk sampling.

TABLE 15

Milk Registrations

Number of Milk Distributors registered	12
Number of Dairy Premises registered	8

Milk Supplies - Brucella Abortus

- (i) Number of samples of raw milk examined = 39
- (ii) Number of positive samples found = 0

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

There are four private slaughterhouses which are licensed by the Council. One slaughterhouse is being used for the slaughter of animals for sale outside the area in addition to local trade.

The number of animals slaughtered in the area was 13, 647 as compared with 12, 463 in 1965 and 13,666 in 1964. One thousand one hundred and ninety one visits were made for meat inspection purposes including regular Saturday visits.

The income for the year from meat inspection charges amounted to £591. 8s. 6d.

There are 8 licensed slaughtermen in the district.

<u>Other Foods Condemned</u>	lbs.	ozs.
Cooked Ham	11	12
Jellied Veal	6	0
Corned Beef	12	0
Peeled Tomatoes	2	0
Shrimps		7
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	32	3
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TABLE 16

Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part

	Cattle exclud- ing cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	2153	38	16	8964	2476	-
Number inspected	2153	38	16	8964	2476	-
All diseases except Tuberculosis & Cystercerci Whole carcasses condemned	2	1	1	2	2	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	189	5	-	34	34	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than tuberculosis and Cysti- cerci	8.87%	15.79%	6.25%	0.40%	1.05%	-
Tuberculosis only: Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	1	-	-	-	7	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	0.05%	-	-	-	0.28%	-
Cysticercosis Carcase of which some part or organ was condemned	8	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treat- ment by refrigeration	8	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE 17
FRESH MEAT CONDEMNATIONS DURING 1966

Reason for Condemnation	BEASTS		COWS		SHEEP		PIGS		TOTAL lb
	Carcase lb	Offal lb	Carcase lb	Offal lb	Carcase lb	Offal lb	Carcase lb	Offal lb	
C. Bovis	190	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	198
Abcesses	30	702	-	-	-	-	20	-	752
Arthritis	-	-	-	-	42	-	78	-	120
Milk Spots	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	33
Bruising and Injuries	207	-	500	-	10	-	5	-	722
Parasites	-	2239	-	-	-	140	-	84	2463
Actinomycosis	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Haemangioma	-	-	-	15	-	-	-	-	15
Tuberculosis	-	6	-	-	-	-	70	-	76
Angioma	-	-	-	44	-	-	-	-	44
Peritonitis	-	-	100	-	36	-	350	-	486
Swine Erysipelis	-	-	-	-	-	-	70	-	70
Jaundice	-	-	-	-	60	-	-	-	60
Bacterial Necrosis	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Miscellaneous	200	6	-	5	-	-	-	-	211
TOTAL	652	2973	600	64	148	140	593	117	5287
Submitted for treatment by refrigeration	4582	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4582

Adulteration

Sampling of food, etc., for this purpose is undertaken by the County Weights and Measures Office. The District Inspector reported that three samples of milk were taken under the Food and Drugs Act in the Urban District during 1966. All the samples were reported to be genuine and no proceedings were instituted.

CLEAN AIR

No complaint of smoke nuisance was received during the year.

RODENT CONTROL

The Council's sewers were treated twice and only light infestations were found in a few areas. The Council's tips were kept under constant supervision and minor infestations dealt with on several occasions.

"Warfarin" has been used to treat all the infestations during 1966. This poison gives very good results and the technique recommended by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is followed.

Details of properties treated are set out below :-

	<u>Rats</u>	<u>Properties Treated</u>	<u>Mice</u>
Domestic Premises	29		34
Business Premises	19		8
Allotments	32		4
Farms	38		3
Schools	-		3

DISINFESTATIONS

Four infestations were dealt with during the year.

CARAVAN SITES

There are nine licensed sites in the area, although three of these relate to individual caravans.

48 visits were made to sites during the year.

KNACKER'S YARD

The Knacker's Yard at Charltons was again licensed and periodical visits were made.

