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WALSINGHAM RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

# ANNUAL REPORT

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of the

# Medical Officer of Health

for the year 1962

to which is appended the

Report of the

ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR

and

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR



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Public Health Committee

1962

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#### Valsinghan ural listrict Council.

Report of the Medical Officer of Mealth for the year ended 31st. December 1962

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit my report on the Fublic Health of the District for 1962.

The report incorporates that of the Housing Lanager and also that of the Engineer, Surveyor and Public Health Inspector.

Although there was a natural increase of 131 of births over deaths, the Registrar General's estimate of the mid-year population was the lowest in the past ten years. As shown in the table on page four, there has been a steady decrease in the population. One cannot help wondering if the Registrar General's figures are correct.

The fall in the number of illegitimate births continued and the infant mortality rate of 17.5 per 1,000 live births was lower than that of England and Wales, which was 21.4. The death rate in the District was also lower than the national rate (10.4 per 1,000 estimated population compared with 11.9 for England and Wales).

There was a dramatic fall in the numbers of cases of infectious discases notified compared with 1961. This is because 1961 being a 'neasles' year, conferred immunity of large sections of the population and thus, the number of measles cases in the year under review was much reduced. The causes of notifiable infectious discases in the District ware, in addition to measles, tuberculosis and pneumonia.

During the year the new oral type polichyclitis vaccine was released for general use. The advantage of this type of vaccine is that, in addition to conferring infunity, it also cuts down the carrier rate. With the injection type of vaccine, whilst a person was protected against the disease, he could still be a carrier and thus pass it to others. The oral vaccine both protects him and stops him being a carrier.

The number of cases of policipalities in England and Vales was lower in 1962 than it has been for nearly half a century. This reflects great credit on family doctors, local authorities and their staff and others concerned. However, constant effort must be maintained to ensure that this high degree of protection is maintained.

In the Housing Moneger's report, it is gratifying to note that the number of occupied hutmants at Pudding Morton was further reduced to 22 and that only on black hutmant now remains occupied. The families have mainly transferred to the Lee Garner Estate, which has now been completed.

Severing of the District was continued and during the year the Elskoney, orston and Viveton Severage Scheme, together with that of the Fakenham Heath Area were brought into operation.

I should like to express my thanks to the Cormittee for their support and to the Staffs of the Public Health Department and the Local Health Office for their help in compilation of this report.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

ASIMEN A.G.OANSON, H.B., B.Sh., B.A.O., D.P.H. Hedical Officer of Health.

#### GEN RAL STATISTICS.

- (a) Area :- no change - 39 parishes; 88,618 acres.
- (5) Population :- the estimated mid-year population for the vistrict for 1962 was 22,390. This was 440 less then 1961 and the lowest figure for the past ten years, as shown in the following table:-

Teer	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	
Estimated nil-year population.		24130	24130	24190	23850	23680	23890	23540	22830	22390	

The total number of deaths was 211; the number of live binths 342, showing a natural increase of births over deaths of 131.

(c) The Latesblo Value of the District was £215.505.

(5) The sun represented by a penny rate was £858.

(e) Meteorological Factors:- the data acquired by courtesy of the R.A.F. West Raynham, is shown in the table below, the figures in brackets being the corresponding data for 1961. The third paragraph of the following table is interesting. With the exception of January, every booth was colder than that of the previous year, Murchbeing markedly so.

CLIMATIC DATA - 1962. (figures in brackets are comparable data for 1961)

lionth	lisan daily naximum Temp (°F)	Lean Caily minimum Tomp (°F)	loen deily temerature (°F)	Total rainfall Inches.	.cen relativo hunidity.
Jan.	43.2 (41.2)	34.2 (33.4)	38.7 (27.3)	2.02 (4.31)	89.5 (90.75)
Feb.	43.2 (48.2)	34.5 (38.3)	38.9 (43.3)	1.44 (1.57)	83.75(89.75)
liar.	42.3 (54.5)	30.0 (37.4)	36.1 (45.9)	1.43 (0.62)	82.0 (80.75)
April.	51.3 (56.8)	38.7 (42.6)	45.0 (49.7)	2.35 (1.85)	81.75(84.5)
ilay.	55.6 (57.7)	42.6 (43.2)	49.1 (50.5)	2.50 (1.06)	81.25(76.25)
June.	64.4 (68.0)	46.8 (48.9)	55.5 (58.5)	0.71 (0.89)	73.25(72.75)
July.	64.0 (66.2)	49.8 (51.4)	56.9 (58.8)	2.48 (2.59)	82.75(78.0)
Aug.	65.3 (67.5)	49.8 (51.5)	57.5 (59.3)	3.0 (2.51)	81.75(81.25)
Sept.	61.5 (66.4)	47.3 (51.8)	54.4 (59.1)	3.77 (2.70)	85.5 (87.25)
Oct.	56.8 (57.7)	44.5 (45.1)	50.7 (51.4)	1.16 (4.82)	<b>9</b> 9.5 (88.25)
Nov.	45.9 (47.5)	37.0 (38.3)	41.5 (42.9)	2.10 (2.39)	91.75(88.5)
Dec.	39.9 (40.8)	29.5 (31.8)	34.7 (36.3)	2.63 (3.05)	88.5 (91.75)

#### VITAL STATISTICS.

#### BIRTHS.

The degistr r General's figures for live births and still births in the District for 1962 were 342 and 6 respectively.

Table showing	the legitinate a	n' illaritinata	live births for 1962.
			numbers for 1961).

LIV. BI.THS.	IA).	ES.	23.	ALS.	10	TALS.
Legitimate. Illegitimate.	185	(182) (8)	148	(166) (6)	333 9	(348) (14)
Totals.	191	(190)	151	(172)	342	(362)

Table showing stillbirths (legitimate and illegitimate) for 1962. (figures in brackets are the corresponding numbers for 1961).

STILBE.THS.	LALES.	FE ALIS.	TOPALS.
Legitimate.	4 (1)	2 (4)	6 (5)
Totals.	4 (1)	2 ( 4)	6 (5)

#### Live Birth Late.

The crude rate was 15.3 per 1,000 population compared with a rate of 15.85 in 1961. The corrected birth rate (using a comparability figure of 1.28) was 19.6 per 1,000 of the population compared with 18 for England and Wales.

### Illegitimate Births.

The number of illegitimate births continues to fall from 25 in 1960, 14 in 1961 to 9 in the year under review. The percentage of illegitimate births to the total live births was 2.6% compared with 3.9% in 1961 and 6.3% in 1960.

#### Still Births.

There were 6 stillbirths during 1962, all in legitimate births, giving a stillbirth rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths of 17.2 compared with 13.6 in 1961. The rate for England and Wales was 18.1 for 1962.

#### Infant Doaths.

Six infants under one year died in 1962 which is no change to the number in 1961. All were legitimate children.

Table showing infant deaths under 1 year, 4 weeks and 1 week in 1962.

		nfants under 1 year.		infants under 4 weeks.		Infants under 1 woek.	
Legitimate Illegitimate	4	Fauela. 2	4 -	Penelo. 2	lielo. 3 -	Fonalo. 1	1
Totals	4	2	4	2	3	1	

The table shows that four of the children died under one week and the other two under four weeks.

#### Infant .... Rate.

This is calculated as the total infant deaths per 1,000 live births and for 1962 was 17.5. Comparison of Figures for the past seven years shows the following.

1962.	1961.	1960.	1959.	1958.	1957.	1956.
17.5	16.6	27.9	13.5	27.1	29.4	21.4

The 1962 figure for ingland and Wales was 21.4.

As there were no illogitimato leaths, the legitimate infent deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births was 18.0 whilst the illegitimate infent deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births was zero.

#### Naonatal Nortality Late.

This is leaths of infants under four weeks per 1,000 live births. Of the six deaths of infants under one year, all were in infants under four weeks. The rate is therefore the same as for Infant Hortality Late, i.e. 17.5 per 1,000 live births compared with 13.8 in 1961 and 22.8 in 1960.

#### Early Teonatal Hortality Late.

This is deaths of infants under one week per 1,000 live births. Four infants died under one week of age living a rate of 11.7 compared with 11.0 in 1961 and 20.3 in 1960.

#### Perinatal ..... Nortality Mate.

This is combined still births and deaths under one week per 1,000 total live and still births. The rate for 1962 is 28.7 compared with 24.5 in 1961 and 32.6 in 1960. Causes of deaths in infects wore as follows:-

	The second		
i.	A few. minutes	-	Congenital heart disease. Atelectasis.
F.	3 minutes	-	hierocophally. Moningocele.
ÌÌ.	6 days	-	Congenital heart disease.
N.	6 days	-	Apnos. Respiratory arrest. Inmaturity.
li.	9 days	-	Atelectasis
F.	2 veeks	-	E. coli meningitis, leningocele.

#### late nal lortality.

No feaths occurred in 1962 giving a maternal mortality rate of zero.

#### Deaths.

The Legistrar General has recorded the following deaths and they are classified under the 36 headings based on the abbreviated list of International Statistical Classifications of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Deaths, 1955.

Tuberculosis, respiratory	-	1
" other	-	-
Syphilitic disease	-	-
Diphthoria	-	-
Thooping cough		-
Heningococcal infections	-	-
Acute policnyolitis	-	
lieaslos	-	-
Other infective and parasitic ) .		
diseases )	-	16
Lalignant neoplash, stonach	-	
" " lung, bronchus	-	8
" " breast	-	5
" " uterus		1
Other malignent and ly whatic )		
neoplasms )		21
Leukaenia, alcukaenia	-	-
Diabetes		3
Vascular lesions of the )		
nervous system )	-	36
Coronary disease, an ina		27
Hypertension with heart disease	-	3
Other heart disease	-	38
Other circulatory disease	-	6
Influenza	-	2
Pneutonia	-	237
Bronchitis	-	7
Other discases of the respiratory)		
system )		1
Ulcer of the stomach and duodenum	-	4
Gastritis, onteritis and diarrhoea	-	-
Nephritis and nephrosis	-	2
Hyperplasia of prostate	-	4
Pregnancy, childbirth and abortion	-	-
Concenitel uelformations	-	4
Other Cofined and ill defined )		
diseases )	-	18
lotor vehicle accidents	-	2 6
All other accidents	-	6
Suicide	-	1
Honicide and operations of war	-	-

The total number of deaths was 211 - males 127, females 84.

Heart disease, with 68 deeths, heads the list and caused 32.2% of all deaths. Coronary artery disease caused 27 deaths giving a figure of 12.8% of all deaths whilst vascular lesions of the nervous system, with 36 deaths, was responsible for 17.1% of the total number of deaths.

deaths, was responsible for 17.1% of the total number of deaths. If all deaths, due to diseases of the heart and circulatory system (which includes vascular losions of the nervous system) are combined, a figure of 110 deaths is arrived at, causing 52.1% of all deaths in the District. Cancer caused 42 doaths giving a figure of 19.9% Of these deaths cancer of the lung and bronchus caused 8 deaths - in other words 19. of deaths due to cancer were from cancers of the lung and bronchus.

beath rate	(crude) por	1,000 of estimated population	- 9.4
11 13	(corrected;	co parability factor 1.11) par 1,000 of estimated population	-10.4
Death Rate	England and	Males per 1,000 estimated popluation	-11.9

#### CO ... UNICABLE DISEASES.

The number of infectious diseases notified was 85 which compared well with 267 in 1961. The total of 85 cases notified includes 71 cases of measles 6 of pullonary tuberculosis and 8 cases of pneumonia.

The distribution of these discases is shown by parishes in the following table.

	licaslos.	T.B.	Pneumonia.	° Total.
Barshan Binham Fakenhan Henpton Hindringhan Helton Constable Raynhan (R.A.F.) Ryburgh Snoring Gt. Snoring Lt. Stibbard Thursford Walsinghan	1 1 35 1 9 1 2 - - 1 20		0 	1 1 41 . 1 9 1 5 1 2 1 1 20
Total	71	6	8	85

Neasles.

There was a dramatic drop in the number of cases in 1962 compared with 1961, the figures being 267 cases in 1961 and 71 cases in 1962. Ost of these cases occurred in Fakenham and Walsingham.

The following table shows the distribution of measles by age groups:-

	Under 1 year.	1+	2+	3+	4+	5 - 9:	10-14	15-24	25+	Tota
liales	1	2	1	-	3	19		204100 - 205	-	26
Fensles	l	2	4	5	5	25	2	-	1	45
Totals.	2	4	5	5	8	44	2	-	1	71

Tuberculosis.

Six new cases of pulmonary tworculosis were notified in 192 and there was one inward transfer from another district. It is true that tuberculosis does not present the problem that it did in former years but it is still present in the curunnity and corptant vigilance is needed to see that it is kept under control. B.3.G vaccination is offered to school children when they reach the age of 13 years but, in spite of our efforts, out of 239 children leaving school in the District, only 167 children accepted the invitation to be protected. The Mass Radiography Unit held X-ray sessions in your District during the year. In all, 3,609 persons presented themselves for "-ray,1,464 attending a Mass Radiography Unit for the first time.

Datails	are	shown	in	the	foll	owing	tablo:-	
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No attending for first time.	Area		attending Fonales	Totals.
961 225	Fakonhan	1,500	994	2,494
223	and Briston	339	228	557
151	Blakoney	183	181	364
127	Hindringham	101	83	164
1,464		2,123	1,486	3,609

In all, three cases of pullionary tuberculosis were found; fortunately none required treatment but were kept under observation at the Chest Clinic.

Tuberculosis in the Walsingham District, 1962.

Run Luce V		mary Fenales		luonary Penalos	Total
New cases Inward transfers	3 (5) - (5)	3 (-) 1 (2)	-	- (2)	6 (5) 1 (7)
Number on Register at 31.12.62.	26 (30) 2	21 (23) 7	- (1)	2 (4) 2	49 (58) 49

#### B.C.G.Vaccination.

Of the 239 children of school leaving age, 152 were tested to see if they had acquired any immunity to the tubercle baccilus; 117 were found to have no immunity and were vaccinated with B.C.G vaccine.

The following table gives more information by schools of B.C.G. vaccination in the District in 1962.

Schools.	Eunbe due	ac	unber cepted		sted					vac	cin-	Thm. Inde:	
Sec.Hod.													
Fakenhan Sec. Hod.	142 (13	3) 99	( 87)	90	( 85)	86	( 83)	11	(3)	75	( 78)	12.8	(3.6)
Fakanhan Granmar	44 ( 6	2) 36	( 35)	32	( 34)	30	( 33)	9	(2)	21	( 31)	30.0	(6.0)
Total	239 (27	6) 167	(169)	152	(166)	143	(161)	26	(10)	117	(148)	18.2	(6.2)

It will be seen that out of the 239 who were offered B.C.G. vaccination, only 167 accepted. The pupils actually tested for invunity and the results seen by ne were 143, thus .96 childr n who could have benefited, were not vaccinated. In other words, the acceptance rate was only \$9.05 which is not satisfactory:

In order to raise the acceptance rate, the 96 children referred to were all circular sed again, this time direct to their houss, with a stamped, addressed envelope for the reply. In this way a further 44 accepted. These will be shown in next year's figures.

The tuberculin index, which gives an indication of the degree of infectivity in the District was 18.2 compared with a figure last year of 6.2 and 17.5 in 1960. The tuberculin index does not necessarily indicate tuberculosis disease, as the resistance of the great majority is sufficient to overcome the invading tubercle bacteria; it does, however, indicate the degree of opportunity for invesion and is thus a useful index of infectious cases in a community.

How easily tuberculosis can spread was shown recently in the press. Out of 400 pupils at a granter school in the fidlands, 27 were fould to have tuberculosis. The cause of the outbreak was traced to one pupil who was apparently in good health but who was found to be suffiring from a "serious form of the disease".

#### POLIO I DITIS.

We were fortunate in that there were no cases of policities in the District.

Berly in the year, the n w oral type polic yelitis vaccine was released for use. Commencing on the lst. arch, special clinics were held in the evening in the District. Clinics were held at Walsingham, Fakenham, Welton Constable and Blakenoy and continued until at least four sessions were held at each place. At some, where the attendances justified it, five sessions were held. In Area 8, comprising Walsingham and Docking Rural Districts and Runstanton and Wells Urban Districts, 3,445 persons received protection against policityelitis; 1599 were persons who had previously not been vaccinated.

Thanks are due to the staff of the Local Mealth Office who gave clerical assistance at the clinics, to the nurses who assisted the dectors and to the British Med Gross who helped generally and kept the clinics operating smoothly.

The following table shows the number of persons irrunised against policnyolitis in 1962 in Area 8 (which comprises Walsinghan and working Rural and Hunstanton and Vells Urban Districts) and in Valsinghan Rural district.

Ago gro	ups.	Area 8	Walsinghan R.D.
Pre-School children School children Adolescents Adults Adults	(born 1957 - 62) (born 1944 - 56) (born 1934 - 43) (born 1923 - 33) (born 1922 or before)	2,139 6,681 2,995 2,485 590	886 3,031 1,323 1,033 240
1	lotal	14,891	6,513

S. ALLPOX .

There wore no cases of shall pox in the District in 1962.

1,047 persons were vaccinated during the year compared with 185 in 1961. This increase was due to the fact that there was an outbreak of smallpox in another part of the country.

The following table shows the number of vaccinations by age groups carried out in Valsinghan district in 1962.

	Under 1	l year	2-4 years	5-14 years 15+	Totals
Prinary	135 ( 97)	35 (19)	33 (14)	211 (21) 246 (13)	660 (164)
Re-vacc.	-	-	10 ( )	76 (7) 301 (14)	387 ( 21)
Totals.	135 ( 97)	35 (19)	43 (14)	287 (28) 547 (27)	1047 (185)

(The figures in brackets show the corres ending numbers for 1961)

#### DIPHTHERIA, WHOOPING COUGH AND TOTANUS.

There were no cases of either diphtheria, whooping cough or totanus in the District in 1962.

Innunisation against these three diseases is usually commenced in infancy when the child is about three months old. It is mainly given as 'Triple Antigon', thus reducing the number of injections a child needs. The antigens given, combined in a single vaccine, produce a greater protection to each disease than they would if given separately.

The following table gives more information about immunisation against Diphtheria, Whooping cough and Totanus in Area 8, (Area 8 comprises Walsingham and Docking -ural Districts and Hunstanton and Vells Urban Districts) and the District in 1962. DIPARHERIA, WHOCTING COUCH AND TETANUS IN UNITED IN ALSI 8 AND WALSINGHAM RULAL DISTRICT IN 1962.

	Area.Dist. Area.Dist. Area.list. 22 5 2 1 3 -
$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	5
-     6     2     117     60     12     3     1     -     13.0     70       -     -     -     6     5     5     3     1     -     13.0     70       -     -     -     6     5     5     3     1     -     12     8       -     -     -     6     5     5     3     1     -     12     8       -     2     2     286     147     2999     93     35     8     622     250       1     2     2     2119     263     74     364     263     1003     449       -     2     2     20     6     13     1     52     4     88     11	1
-     -     -     6     5     5     3     1     -     12     8       -     2     2     286     147     299     93     35     8     622     250       1     2     2     412     119     263     74     364     253     1003     449       -     2     2     20     6     13     1     52     4     88     11	1
-         2         2         286         147         299         93         35         8         622         250           1         2         2         4,12         119         283         74         384         253         1003         449           2         2         2,12         119         283         74         384         253         1003         449           2         2         20         6         13         1         52         4         88         11	1
1 2 2 412 119 263 74 364 253 1003 449 - 2 - 20 6 13 1 52 4 88 11	1
_ 2 _ 20 6 13 1 52 4 88 11	1

REPORT

of the

HOUSING HANAGER.

### ENVIRON SHTAL HYGIENE.

HOUSING .

The Housing situation in follows:-	the District at the end	of the year	was as
(a) Estimated number of unfit he	uses	. <u>1962</u> . Nil	<u>1961</u> . (Nil)
(b) Demolition Orders made durin	g the year	. 1	(2)
(c) Unfit houses demolished		. 10	( 22)
(d) Houses rendered fit during t	he yoar	• 4	( 4)
(e) Improvement grants awarded u	nder Housing Act 1949	. 83	(76)
<ul> <li>(f) Houses completed during the</li> <li>(1) By Council</li> <li>(2) Privately</li> </ul>	26 houses an	d shop	(13) (40)
(g) Houses under construction at (1) By Council (2) Privately	and of year 		(27) (21)
(h) Number of applicants on Wait	ing List	. 293	(312)
Analysis of Maiting List.			
Urgent Cases Families living in Class 5 h Families sharing accoundati Engaged couples		• 53	(47) (55) (12)
Families living in Class 3 h Families requiring smaller a Families requiring accounted Families having to nove from	ccommodation, tion nearer to work,	. 182	(198)
		293	(312)
Number of applications rece	ived during 1962	. 131	(135)
families living in hutponts to be	rshoused.		
Little Snoring - owned by So (Converted under Pare. 6 o	uncil.	18	( 18)
	uncil	. 1	(1)
Carried Quarters taken	on 21 year lease	. 13	(13)
Fulding Norton - owned by Co (Converted under Para. 7 o			( 52)
Survery of dwellings let during t	ho year.		
New Finollings		. 26	(13)
Allotted to:- Tenents living in existing Applicants from conderned Tenents living in converte Applicants on Vaiting list Tenents living in pre-fab.	houses2 d hutments	3 2 1	$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ - \end{pmatrix}$

Re-lets during the year	44	(42) (29)
Applicants on Waiting List		(29) (12) (1)
Hutnants re-let on sites retained by the Council	7	/
Exchanges offected	11	( 10)

#### Families living in hutmonts.

#### Little Snoring.

Suring the year, it has not been possible to reduce the number of occupied hutments, which now stand at 18, but the Council's Architect has been instructed to prepare layout plans for the re-development of the Bell Close Site.

An investigation was carried out during the year and it was found that the majority of the tenants living in the hutnonts at Little Snoring wished to be re-housed in that village.

The hutnants are now deteriorating and it is a matter of urgency that the tenants should be ro-housed at an early date.

#### Pudding Norton.

During the year the Council has reduced the number of occupied hutments from 52 to 22, and only one black hutment now remains occupied.

Six families will be re-housed in early 1963, when the 31 dwellings now under construction in Fakenham are completed, and this will leave only 16 families to be re-housed. These remaining 16 families will be re-housed when the 1963 programme for Fakenham is completed in 1964.

The Council decided during the year not to re-let any further hutnents as vacancies occurred.

The Council has now obtained planning permission to develop Green Lane Estate for housing and it has been decided that part of the Estate be developed as a permanent carevan park, and the remainder for housing.

At the present time there are 18 permanent caravans stationed at Green Lane Estate, and it is now a matter of urgency the Council provides a proper caravan park to comply with the conditions laid down in the Caravan Sites Act, 1960.

#### Housing Programs 1962.

#### Lee Marner Avenue, Fakenham.

During the year 27 two and three-bedrooned dwellings, one shop, 12 brick garages and a large car park have been completed on this Estate, and the dwellings have been occupied by families from the hutments at Pudding Norton.

This Estate of 82 wellings is now completed and consists of :-

35 Old Person's one-bedroomed bungalows, with Wardon and communal

acconnodation.

- 12 two-bedrooned bungalows
- 22 two-bedroomed houses
- 12 three-bedrooned houses
- 1 shop and two-bedroomed flat

There is a very balanced community living on this Estate catering for all needs from the young married couple to the aged person.

Now this Estate is completed, it is very attractive, and one of the best developments so far carried out, and is a credit to the Council.

#### Sendy Lane (4), Greenway Close (11), Sculthorpe Eastgate (16) Fakenhar.

The orection of these 31 dwellings was convenced in 1952, and all will be completed in early 1963, despite c lays owing to the long period of frosty weather.

This is the first attempt at "In-filling" which has been carried out in Fakenham, and has done much to improve the appearance of Sandy Lane and Greenway Close Estates.

The 31 dwollings now being built will be occupied by 6 families at present living in hutmonts at Green Lane Datate, Pudding Norton and 25 families living in pre-fabricated bungalows at Lancaster Avenue, Fakenhan.

When these fs ilies nov, into the new wellings some 27 pre-fabricated bungalows can be removed and the lan' occupied by Nos. 1 - 45 (odd) Lancaster Avenue, Fakenhan will be available for re-development. Only 13 families will then remain in the pre-fabricated bungalows. It has been impossible to re-house these temants at the present time as they all require bungalow accornodation, owing to age, infinity and illness, but they will all be re-housed when the Lancaster Avenue Estate is re-developed in late 1964.

Blakency (8). Sharrington (3).

Tonders have been accepted for the erection of the 11 dwellings in these parishes, and work will compone in derly 1963, and it is hoped these dwellings will be completed by the end of 1963.

These dwellings will be occupied by families living in condenned houses and urgent cases on the faiting List.

#### Briningham (2)

The Council has not yet been able to obtain a suitable site in this parish but sites for this development are now under consideration.

#### Improvements to pro-war Council Houses.

During the year the Council has modernized a further 6 houses at East View, Hempton, by the Council's Direct Labour Staff, and a very good job has been carried out at an average cost of 2300 per house, the tenants being pleased with the improvements.

#### Future Building Programme - 1963.

# Lancastor Avenue, Fakenhan.

The Council's Architect has now prepared plans for the re-development of part of the pre-fabricated bungalow site (odd sile Nos. 1 - 45), and by taking part of the large rear gardens of the pre-war houses in Jubilee Avenue (Nos.8 - 38) it has been possible to re-devlop this land to allow the crection of 35 one and two bed-roomed bungalows, with garages and parking areas.

The 35 bungalows will be used to we-house:-

- 1. The remaining 13 families in pro-fabricated bungalows,
- 2. The remaining families living in hutmants at Pulding Norton,
- 3. To effect exchanges of tenancies of families living in existing
- Council Houses, who wish to exchange to smaller accommodation.
- 4. Urgent cases on the Maiting List requiring bungalow type of accomposition.

In the main, this scheme of 35 one and two-bedroomed bungalows is to provide accomposition for the 60 - 70 age groups and single persons, who need bungalows for health reasons, or smaller accomposition, but do not, at the present time, require communal facilities or the services of a Warden, as catered for in the Old Person's Scheme at Lee Warner Avenue, Fakenham.

It is hoped to affect many exchanges when this scheme is completed to allow temants from under-occupied dwollings to nove into suplier accommodation.

#### Re-development of Green Lane Estate, Pudding Norton.

The Council's Architect is now proparing layout plans for the re-development of part of this Estate to provide for a permanent caravan park to accommodate 30 caravans, and the remainder of the site for a new housing estate.

At the present time the Estate is very untily, with dereliet hutments which should now be denolished, and caravan stabilings which need to have additional facilities provided to comply with the provisions of the Caravan Sites Act 1960.

This Estate could be developed to provide a first class permanent caravan park and a very attractive housing estate.

#### Re-development of Bell Close, Little Snoring.

It is hoped that during 1963 the Council's Architect will be able to present plans for the re-development of the Bell Close site, to make provision for the re-housing of the remaining 18 families living in huthents at Little Shoring.

#### Grouped Homes for Old Persons - Lee Marner Avenue, Fakanhan.

This Scheme, which has now been in existance for 32 years, is still remning very smoothly. The credit for this must be given to the Warden and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Appleton, and I again reiterate that the Council is very fortunate in having such a capable Warden.

During the year there has only been 5 changes of tenancies, and there is still a Vaiting List of over 40 applicants requiring this type of accommodation. Until another scheme is carried out, it will not be possible to meet the domand.

#### General.

The main housing problem of the District is still centred in and around Fakenham, although a small number of dwellings are required in certain parishes to re-house families living in condenned and sub-standard houses; in the main, parishes, other than Fakenham, can be dealt with by're-lets'. There were only 6 re-lets to applicants on the Fakenham Waiting List during the year, and the majority of ungint cases on the Waiting List could not be dealt with; until the Council decides to build for "general needs" this problem will not be solved.

It was anticipated that, with the "run-down" of the Sculthorpe Base, a certain number of private dwellings occupied by American Servicemen would become available for letting, and the number of applicants on the Maiting List would decrease, but this has not been the case, and the Maiting List still stands at 293 applicants.

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#### ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR AND PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR.

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TECO D OF INSPECTIONS.

1.500 5 OF 1.5550 110.5.	1962.
Public Hoelth Acts.	#70%·
Initial Inspections	100
Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act	34
Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act	102
Housing Acts	
House Inspections	59
Re-visits in connection with above	47
Visits in connection with application for grants under Housing Act 1949	222
Under Housing Act 1949	222 84
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Food and Druzs Act	
Provises Inspected	468
Visits ro manufacture and sale of Ice-crean Visits to Dairies and inspection of milk	25
rotailers vehicles	5
Slaughterhouses and loat Inspection Visits	437
Visits ro Shellfish	3
Diseases of Animals Act, Maste Foods Order	3
Savorago	
Inspection of sewerage systems, disposal works and	
sover ditches	422
Contract (Souorage) Visits	311
Closet Conversation Visits (Section 47)	620 244
Surface Water Drainage	37
District Scavenging	
Visiting workmen on rounds, investigating complaints, etc.	400
Refuse Tips	150
Factorios Act	
Inspection of factories with power	11
Inspection of fectories without power	7
Building Dyolaw Inspections	
Inspections during course of construction	1205
Town and Country Planning Act Regulations	20
Infactious Liseases	
Vasus investigated	23
Roon Disinfected	-
Roons Disinfested	3
Rooms Disinfoctod	,
Petroleun Acts	
Installations inspacted and tested	27
Small Lyellings Acouisttion Act Valuations and visits for purposes of loan	21
valuations and visits for purposes of roan	~*
Prevention of Demage by Posts Act	45
Knackers Jards	3
Inspections	,
Street Naming and Numbering Visits	82

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		1952.
<u>Car Park, Fekonhan</u>		50
<u>Mater Supply</u> Existing Hains	:: ::	24 211
Other Inspections Not classified under headings above but made in connection therewith		172
Potal visits made		5,678
NOTICES SIRVED.	1962	1961.
Public Health and Housing Acts Food and Drugs Act Factories Act Building Byelaws Prevention of Lanage by Pests Act 1949	198 20 1 266 3	(130) (19) (1) (220) (15)
Coravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960		( _)
Total Notices served	526	
Kornel Notices. Public Health Acts. Pormission to serve	22	(5) (5)
Section 42 ('rains a reconnection) Served	483 147	{ _}
Housing Acts Permission to serve Served	2 2	{ _}
Total Notices served	634	
<u>.015116</u> .		
(a) <u>Slun Clearance</u>		
The following table sets out progress made under deuses <u>demolished</u> as a result of formal or informal proc Number of unfit or defective houses rendered fit during	odure	10 (22)

and war of the adverte book one brother attent and a	A STOL - ALLES	
dousos denolished as a result of formal or informal procedure	10	(22)
Number of unfit or defactive houses rendered fit during the	)	
period as a result of infor al action by the Council	2	(9)
Furber of houses nade fit by owners as a result of formal)		
action )	2	(4)
Humber of houses made dit after the service of formal notices	)	Copra Come
by the Council in Cafault of owners	- (	{-} 1
Undertakings given by owners not to re-let	-	(1)
Undertakings given by owners that houses will cease to be used,	)	
for human habitation		(3)
Number of <u>demolition</u> orders made during the year	1	(3) (2) (3)
Number of closing orders made furin the year	-	(3)
Estimated number of unfit houses still to be dealt with )		
following review in December 1962	NIL	(Nil)
(b) Now Dwellings.		
The following figures include c aversions of non-domes	stic b	uildings
to habitations:-		
By private persons = 31 completed and 28 under construction end of the year.	on et .	the
By Local Authority - 27 completed and 31 under construction	on at	tho

on! of the year.

### (c) <u>I provement Grants - Discretionary</u>

The analysis of the effect of these grants since their inception is as follows:-

Total amount notified to rank for grant	For occupation by Owner Tenant	Grant essential to preserve house and provide amonities	Grant to improve amonities only
Up to December 1961			
£62,770. 13. 0d.	105 182	62	209
(£70,438. 13. 04.)	( 95) (156)	(57)	(178)
January to Decomber 1962			
£13,594. 0. Q.	10 29	13	26
(£12,332. 0. 0d.)	(10) (26)	(5)	(31)

( Figures in brackets relate to proceeding year)

#### (d) <u>Improvement Grants - Standard</u>

The Standard grants for the installation of the five sanitary amonities viz:- water-closet, het water supply, bath, wash-hand basin, and foodstore, continue to attract attention, especially where mains water supply exists. These grants are particularly popular following the installation of sewerage schemes.

The analysis of the effect of these grants since their inception in July 1959 is as follows:-

Total emount notified to rank for grant		upation by Tenant	
Fron July 1959 to	64	75	
December 1961 £20,293, 10. 01.	(38)	(51)	
January to December 1962			
£6,277. 10. 0d. (£7,165. 0. 0d.	30 (26)	14 (24)	

(Figures in brackets relate to proceeding year)

#### (a) Housing Acts. /

In 1961 the Council demolished a condermed cottage in default of the owner. The Council's action for the recover of the cost of demolition against the owner was heard at Fakenhan County Court in July 1962 and a decision was made in favour of the Council.

#### PLANS BROUGHT EEFORE THE PLANS CO. ITTLE

The following table sets out the number of plans considered by the Plans Committee during the year. A total of 407 plans were considered compared with 380 last year.

New Duellings.	Altorations to Dwellings.	Factories.	SO CELLC USIE US.	111
51	91	5	09	Tritt

Outline applications 40

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#### DISTRICT SCAVENGING.

Sickness of staff in the winter months and protracted illness in three cases made organisation of rounds difficult during the year under review. It is not easy to man five vehicles under such circumstances while trying to avoid the expense of standby men for such occasions.

After fourteen years the system of employing a full-time machanic for the maintenance of the Council's vehicles ceased by a retirement. An experimental period of one year was decided upon during which time the vehicles would be maintained by local garages.

Experiments in burning refuse on improvised hearths built into the sides of tips was commanded in the summer but no great success can yet be registered, mainly because of the adverse weather conditions.

Two tips at Langor Bridge, Kattlestone, which had been in use for some years were bulldozed and roughly surfaced, and a third pit in the same area was re-claimed by the land owner.

It was possible to reduce the nightsoil staff by one man following the coming into operation of the Blakeney area and Homoton severage schemes.

The Fakenham Parish Council erected twelve litter bins in the town of Fakenham and these are emptied by the scattenging services.

#### SEWELAGE.

During the year the Blakeney, dorston and Viveton sewerage scheme, together with that for Fakenham Heath area and the parish of Hempton were brought into operation. A good response from the public resulted in the completion of closet conversions to at least half the affected properties by the end of the year.

A contract valued at £37,082. 12. 7d. for the sewering of Binhan and Langhan incorporating the war-time sewerage system at the latter was accepted by the end of the year.

At the two ejector stations at Welsingham external valves were installed on the rising main.

#### PREVENTION OF DA AGE BY PESTS ACT 1949.

As in recent years, four nen were employed on ratcatching in the District, two of them for the whole of their time, and two during the months of September to April only.

Early in the year serious rat infestations occurred in parts of the County, causing much concern and comment, but in this District no really serious problem of this sort has arisen; this may be attributable to the Council's policy of employing an adequate number of rateathers and offering an economic service to farmers whose land may become infested.

Suring the year 168 treatments of farm land were carried out, and charges made for these and treatments of other business premises amounted to £392. 10. 03.

4,628 inspections of proporties were made, and 819 treatments given to dwellings, 56 to properties occupied by this Council, and 136 to other properties.

FOOD.

(a) Food proparing promises

Market food-stalls continued to be satisfactory.

Bakehouses	9	Fish shops	10
Butcher's Shops	19	Harket Stalls	9
Catoring Establishments	17	Provision Stores	80

Six nore premises were registered for the sale of ice-crean. Bighteen samples of ice-crean were taken, fifteen classified as Grade 1, and one as Grade 11. These are considered to be satisfactory results. Two samples were classified as Grade 1V and after therough investigation into the menner in which the bulk ice-crean was served cortain recommendations were made which resulted in a satisfactory result being obtained.

Prosecution of a restaurant owner and his Hanager in Fakenham, following contraventions of the Foo' Hygiene Regulations resulted in fines of £55. 0. 0 for each of the defendants and costs.

(b) Hilk

There has been an increase of two registered distributors of milk in the District during the year.

One hundred and twenty-two samples were taken by the County Council Officers. Six failed the phosphetase test for officiency of heat treatment and ten the methylene blue or cleanliness test.

(c) lieat Inspection

Carcasas Inspected and Condermed for the year ended 1962

Transferration of the second sec	Cattle	Calves	Sheep & Latbs	Pigs
Number Inspected	429 (420)	23 (25)	815 (747)	574 (482)
All Diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticercosis			and house and	
Whole Carcases conderned	- ( -)	- ( -)	1 ( -)	- ( -)
Carcases of which some part or organ was condermed Percentage of the number	29 ( 20)	- ( -)	3 (9)	43 (18)
inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and cysticerci	6.8%	-	0.5%	6.4%
Tuberculosis only Whole carcases condermed	-	-	-	-
Cercases of which some part or organ was condemned Percantage of the number	- ( -)	- ( -)	- ( -)	27 (11)
inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	4.0%

(Figures in brechuts are for 1961)

4 (8)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
4 (8)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
	4 (8) 4 (8) - (-)		

(Figures in brackets are for 1961)

### (d) Slaughterhouses

The four slaughterhouses in operation have been inspected by a representative of the Hinistry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and have been found very satisfactory.

#### INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPIENT

A great deal of work has been done by the Department in connection with attracting industry to the area and this included the provision of geological data, information on river gauging and notentiality of water supply to various industrial applicante.

#### STREET NALLING

New name plates have been erected in the parish of Fakenham to all major streets.

#### CAR PARK - FAKEUHAM

An area of land in Bridge Streat, Fakanham, was lovelled and temporarily surfaced and was in use as a car park by June, and at the end of the year the remaining portion of the area which had contained a large steel structure was being prepared for the same purpose.

#### FACTORIES

Annual J. mort for 1962 under Section 153 (1) of the Factories Act 1961

Inspections for the purposes of provisions as to health (including 1. inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Prenisos	Number on egister	Inspections		Occupiers
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<ul> <li>( i) Factories in which Sections         <ol> <li>1,2,3,4 and 6 are enforced             by Local Authorities</li> <li>( ii) Factories not included in (i)</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	11	7	-	
in wich Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority (1ii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by	74	11	1	-
Local Authority (excluding outworkers Premises)	84	8	-	-
Total	89	26	1	-

2. Cases in which UEFECTS word found

	Nunh	or of case: ware four	nr <sup>4</sup>		Number of cases in which
Particulars (1)	round (2)	Deringlind (3)	ToH.1. ToH.1. Inspector (4)	rod Jy H.H. Inspector (5)	prosocutions were instituted (6)
Want of cloanliness (3.1)	-	-			-
Overcrowling (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (6.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Insdequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	
Particulars (1)		Consolied (3)	nd To H		Number of cases in which prosocutions were instituted (6)
Inneffective drainage of floors (5.6)	-	-	-	-	
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) (a) Insufficient	-	-	-		-
(b) Unsuitable or defoctive	1	1	-	-	
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork )	-	-	-		-
Total	1	1	1	-	_

3. Part Vill of the Act. Outworkers - One.

MAT'R SUPPLIES

Purping St	tatistics 1	for Wals:	inchan	ural	Distri	ct for	19621

innth	Total vallana	Patal unline	0-11-00	0.11
ionth	Total gallons 1961	Total gallons 1952	<u>Gallons</u> 1261	<u>Gallons</u> 1962
January	10,511,000	10,362,000	339,064	334,258
February	9,637,000	10,494,000	344,178	374,785
linrch	10,936,000	10,212,000	352,774	329,419
April	11,074,000	9,654,000	369,133	321,800
liay	12,256,000	10,184,000	395,354	328,516
Juno	14,002,000	13,249,000	456,733	441,633
July	12,706,000	11,683,000	409,870	376,870
August	12,108,000	10,842,000	390,580	349,741
Soptember	11,264,000	9,912,000	375,466	330,400
October	10,322,000	9,943,000	332,967	320,741
November	9,428,000	9,444,000	314,266	314,800
December	10,108,000	10,125,000	326,064	326,612
Total	134,352,000	126,104,000		
	eroc Leservoir t		10/1	20(2
Tonueme	1961	1962	1) 120 222	1952
January	4,040,000		1) 130,322 2) 132,357	171,032
Fabruary	3,706,000			165,071 163,290
larch April	4,352,000		3) 140,387 4) 146,866	166,533
lay	5,527,000		5) 178,290	170,516
June	6,447,000		6) 214,900	217,933
July	5,529,000		7) 178,354	190,000
August	4,787,000		8) 154,419	172,000
September	5,267,000		9) 175,556	170,200
October	5,270,000	5,093,000 (1		164,290
November	4,744,000	4,534,000 (1)		151,133
December	4,917,000	4,807,000 (1)		155,064
Total	58,992,000	62,723,000		
	(1) -	1,604,000 from	Fakenhan Voll	the second second
	(1) - (2) - (3) - (4) - (5) - (6) - (6) - (1)	1,291,000 "	u u	
	(3) -	1,620,000 "	11 11	
	(4) -	1,518,000 "	11 11	
	(5) -	1,576,000 "	11 11 	
	(6) -	2,406,000 "		
	(7) -	1,854,000 "	11 11 11 11	
	(8) -	1,620,000	11 U	
	(9) -	1,725,000 "	u	
	(10) -	1,11,000	11 11 11 11	
	(11) -	2,214,000	п з	
	(12) -	1,256,000 "		
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Punping statistics do not show any increase in consumption in 1962 and it was not necessary to introduce an ordergo on the use of hoses. A daily supply to the Wells U.D.C. area was made from June enwards and during the holiday season.

The contract for the extension of the 4" main from Stibbard to Wood Norton and connecting up with the existing Hindelvestone scheme was componeed in June and co-ploted by the end of the year.

Extension of the 4" main to Holkham Park area, including Quarles was connenced by contract in October. The supply is tren the North Creeke former A.M.W.D. source.

Connections to the mains totalled 106 domestic, 71 metered and 28 other supplies during the year.

Extensions to the system carried out by direct labour were :-

360 yards 12" Polythene tube at Egnere.

261 yards 3" main at Hoath Lane, Fakenhan.

40 yards 5" main at Fakonham Road, Sculthorpe.

40 yards 3" main at Fakenham Road, Sculthorpe.

Bacteriological samples taken from Rational main sources during the year totalled fourteen and were reported on by the Public Health Laboratory as satisfactory in all cases. One sample was of the raw supply and the remainder from distribution mains after treationt.

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The following figures show the number of houses by Parishes where Council mains water is piped into the house:-

Balo Barnoy Bershan B.N.W., Binhan	44 71
Barney Bershan B.N.W., Dinhan	71
Bershan B.N.W., Binhan	11
Binhan	13
	41
15.12 B	112
Blakeney	342
Brininghan	36
Brinton	18
Driston	347
Cockthorpe	14
Ounton	-
Fekonhan	1,314
Field Dalling	59
Fulnofestone	45
Gunthorpa	53
Holhoughton	68
Hempton	172
Hindolvestone	72
Hindringhan	133
Holkhan	54
Houghton	27
Nottlestone	32
Langhan	85
Helton Constable	206
liorston	44
Pudding Norton	85
Raynham E.S.W.	114
Ry'urgh Gt. and Lt.	144
Sexlin hen	17
Sculthorpe	173
Sharrington	29
Shareford	-
Stibbard	88
Stiffkoy	115
Swanton Novers	61
	87
Snoring Gt.	
Snoring Lt.	97
Tatterford, Tattersett	40
Toftrous	6
Thurning	-
Thursford	49
Walsinghan Lt. and Gt.	. 362
Warhan	80
Wighton	95
Wiveton	59
Wood Norton	-

Twelve houses are supplied by standpipes.

The estimated total population supplied is 20,424

Sources of Samples and Dates.	Houghton St. Giles Public Supply 17.10.62 (1)	Little Snoring Public Supply 17.10.62 (2)	
Appearance	Cloar	Slightly opelascent, with valley danosit.	
Nature of Deposit	Nil	Iron compounds, organic	
Colour	HEL	Slightly yollow	
Reaction	Neutral	Feutral	
Taste	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	
Armoniscal nitrogen	0.01	0.04	
Albuninoid nitrogen	Nogligible trace	0.01	
Nitrato nitrogen	5	Bil	
Nitrite nitrogen	Nil	Nil	
Chloring as Chlorides	30	28	
Oxygen absorbed	0.20	0.25	
Total hardness	325	290	
Tomporary hardness	240	260	
Notals in solution	Absent	Absont	
Fluorine	0.10	Loss than 0.1	
Opinion	Fit	Provided iron is removed by suitable treatment. Fit.	

TABLE SHOWING R SULTS OF ANALYSIS OF MATER SUPPLIES

North Creake Public Supply 17.10.62 (3)	Boro Fakanhan Public Supply 10.10.62 (4)	Hindolvestono Council House Supply 23.10 62 (5)	Holton Constable Pritish Jeilways Supply 23.10.62 (6)
Slightly opelescent with yellow deposit	Cloar	Slightly opelescent with yellow doposit	Oloer
Iron co pounds, organic debris	21il	Iron compounds	Nil
Slightly yellow	Vil	Slightly yellow	Nil
Noutral	Neutral	Neutral	Noutral
Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Satisfactory
0.02	0.04	nogligiblo tress	negligible trace
negligible trace	0.02	0.03	0.02
Nil	6	Nil	Nil
Nil	N11	0.08	Nil
26	40	40	30
0.25	0.03	1.3	0.20
300	405	240	250
270	260	210	200
absent	absont	absont	absont
loss than 0.1	Nil ·	-	- entitie
provided iron content is removed by suitable treatment. Fit.	Fit.	provided iron content is removed by suitable treatment. Fit.	Fit.



