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## Medical Officer of Health

FOR THE YEAR 1937.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILLORS OF THE  
RURAL DISTRICT OF WETHERBY.

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting to you for your information and consideration my 44th Annual Report upon the Health and Sanitary Circumstances of the Rural District of Wetherby.

I also desire to express my appreciation for the assistance and co-operation given by my colleagues and by the Members of the Staff of the District Council.

I have also to thank the Chairman and Members of the various Committees for the support accorded to me.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

**J. A. HARGREAVES,**

Medical Officer of Health.

Council Offices,

Wetherby.

May, 1938.



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\* Contributions made by the West Riding County Council to the  
salaries of these Officers under the Local Government Act, 1933.



## SECTION "A"—SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE DISTRICT.

The Wetherby Rural District can be roughly divided into two sections, one part forming a sector radiating from Wetherby to the Leeds City Boundary is rapidly developing into a residential district, whilst the remainder of the area is for the most part purely of an agricultural nature. The main local industries are Building and Farming, but there is no evidence in either case of extensive unemployment.

### General Statistics of the District.

Area (in acres) as amended by Review Order, 1937	64.639
Population (1931 Census)	16,449
Population (1937 Registrar General estimate)	16.900
Total houses (1937 Rate-books)	4.846
Density of population per acre	0.262
Average Number of Persons per house	3.488
Inhabited Houses (1931 Census)	4.239
Rateable Value 1937-38	£95,015 0s. 0d.
Product of a penny rate	£382 10s. 0d.

### Alterations of the District.

The County of York (West Riding) Review Order, 1937, has made the following alterations to the district:—

#### Land transferred to other Local Authorities.

23.7 acres to the Leeds County Borough from the former Parish of Wigton—Agricultural land only.

#### Land transferred from other Local Authorities.

24.5 acres of agricultural land from the Parish of Follifoot in the Rural District of Knaresborough to the Parish of Kirkby Overblow.

#### Internal Parish Alterations.

Parishes Enlarged—Bickerton by addition of Bilton.

Collingham by addition of part of Linton.

Harewood by addition of Dunkeswick,  
Wike, Weardley and Wigton.

Tockwith by addition of Cowthorpe.

Wetherby by addition of Micklethwaite  
and part of Linton.

Parishes abolished—Bilton, Cowthorpe, Dunkeswick, Linton,  
Micklethwaite, Weardley, Wigton and  
Wike.

Full details of these changes and a table giving statistics  
for the enlarged parishes will be found towards the end of  
the Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector's Report which is ap-  
pended hereto.



**VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1937 (Summary).**  
(Registrar General's Figures).

BIRTHS.		Total	M	F	Birth Rate per 1000 estimated population	Wetherby R.D.	England and Wales
Live Births	Leg. Illeg.	216 12	104 7	112 5			
Still Births	Leg. Illeg.	9 1	5 0	4 1	Rate per 1000 total (live and still) births	42'00	60'0
MORTALITY.							
Deaths (all causes)		235	112	123	Crude death rate per 1000 population	13'91	—
					Comparability Factor 1937 (Reg.-General)	0'88	—
					Corrected Death Rate per 1000 population (this is the rate which would apply if the age and sex distribution of the population were the same as for England and Wales as a whole)	12'24	12'4
INFANTILE MORTALITY.					Death rates of infants under one year.		
Deaths under 1 year of age	Leg. Illeg.	9 3	6 1	3 2	All infants per 1000 Live Births	52'64	58'0
					Legitimate infants per 1000 legitimate live births	46'8	—
					Illegitimate infants per 1000 illegitimate live births.	250'0	—
MATERNAL MORTALITY.		No. of Deaths.					
Puerperal Sepsis	...	—			Death rate per 1000 total births	Nil	0'94
Other puerperal causes	...	1			ditto	4'342	2'17
Total puerperal deaths	...	1			ditto	4'342	3'23
SPECIAL MORTALITY.							
Deaths from cancer (all ages)	...	...	...	21	Deaths from Measles (all ages)	...	1
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	...	...	...	1	Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2)	...	—



# CAUSES OF DEATH.

(Registrar General's Short List).

	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
1. Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever ...	1	—	—	—	—	—
2. Measles ...	—	—	—	—	—	1
3. Scarlet Fever ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Whooping Cough ...	—	—	—	—	—	1
5. Diphtheria... ..	2	—	1	—	—	—
6. Influenza ... ..	6	5	7	4	4	8
7. Encephalitis Lethargica ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Cerebro-spinal Fever ...	—	—	—	—	—	1
9. Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	8	7	4	6	6	9
10. Other Tuberculosis ... ..	2	4	2	3	3	3
11. Syphilis ... ..	1	—	—	—	1	—
12. General Paralysis of the Insane—						
Tabes Dorsalis ... ..	2	—	—	—	—	—
13. Cancer ... ..	24	38	18	37	31	21
14. Diabetes ... ..	2	2	2	—	2	7
15. Cerebral Hemorrhage... ..	6	10	9	16	11	15
16. Heart Disease ... ..	49	32	41	48	59	60
17. Aneurysm... ..	—	—	1	—	—	—
18. Other Circulatory Diseases ...	29	18	17	11	18	26
19. Bronchitis ... ..	8	16	14	7	12	9
20. Pneumonia (all forms)... ..	8	10	15	13	17	9
21. Other Respiratory Diseases...	2	3	2	6	3	—
22. Peptic Ulcer ... ..	1	—	3	3	3	3
23. Diarrhoea under two years ...	1	1	2	1	—	—
24. Appendicitis or Typhilitis ...	—	—	—	1	2	1
25. Cirrhosis of the Liver... ..	1	—	1	—	2	—
26. Other Liver Diseases ... ..	1	2	4	3	1	2
27. Other Digestive Diseases ... ..	4	2	3	10	3	11
28. Acute or Chronic Nephritis ...	4	5	3	3	8	7
29. Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	2	—	—	—	—	—
30. Other Puerperal Diseases ... ..	1	—	—	—	1	1
31. Congenital Debility, Premature Birth, etc. ... ..	5	9	6	4	10	7
32. Senility ... ..	10	3	1	7	6	4
33. Suicide ... ..	5	4	2	1	—	—
34. Other Violence ... ..	7	12	4	6	10	7
35. Other Defined Diseases ... ..	28	6	14	23	8	21
36. Causes ill-defined or unknown ...	1	—	1	1	1	1
<b>TOTALS</b> ... ..	<b>212</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>235</b>

It may be worthy of note that of 235 deaths in the year,  
25.54% were from Heart Disease.

8.935% were from Cancer.

5.107% were from Tubercular Diseases.

## ANALYSIS OF AGES OF DEATH.

### Periods of Deaths.

The age period at which deaths occurred during the past year was as follows:—

Under													65
1 year	1 to 2	2 to 5	5 to 15	15 to 25	25 to 45	45 to 65	and over						
12	1	1	3	5	18	47	148						

Table showing Deaths 65 years of age and over.

65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78
9	6	4	6	7	2	4	8	8	15	9	4	7	9
79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	89	92	93	94	96
6	9	3	2	5	5	3	7	2	2	1	1	1	2

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The total deaths belonging to the District were 235 and of these:—

62.98	per cent.	were	65 years of age and upwards.
49.37		70	”
18.73		80	”
2.554		90	”



# VITAL STATISTICS OF WETHERBY RURAL DISTRICT FOR YEAR 1937 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

BIRTHS.			DEATHS.					RATES OF DEATH.				POPULATION.	
Year	Population estimated at mid-year	Number.	Rate per 1,000 population	Registered in the area.	Transfers. Out.	Transfers. In.	Total Deaths.	No. of deaths under 1 year old.	Crude.	Corrected.	Infantile Mortality.	Ine.	Dec.
1928	15140	275	18.16	158	4	36	190	18	12.54	—	65.45	85	...
1929	15550	232	14.91	181	10	40	211	10	13.56	—	43.1	21	...
1930	15550	236	15.71	157	11	33	179	15	11.40	—	63.3	57	...
1931	16448	247	15.02	167	10	35	192	10	11.6	—	40.4	55	...
1932	16640	271	15.93	178	3	37	212	7	12.74	—	25.8	59	...
1933	16650	235	13.69	189	8	28	209	12	12.48	—	52.61	26	...
1934	16740	226	13.50	179	8	43	214	9	12.78	—	42.05	12	...
1935	16830	215	12.77	169	10	45	204	8	12.77	—	37.2	11	...
1936	16990	225	13.24	179	9	52	222	13	13.06	11.5	57.77	3	...
1937	16900	228	13.49	179	8	64	235	12	13.91	12.24	52.64	—	7

NOTE.—These figures are based upon the Registrar General's calculations.



# **INFANT MORTALITY, 1937.**

**Nett Deaths from stated Cases at various ages under 1 year of age.**

Cause of Death.	Under 1 week.	1-2 weeks.	2-3 weeks.	3-4 weeks.	Total under 4 weeks.	4 weeks and under 3 months.	3 months and under 6 months.	6 months and under 9 months.	9 months and under 12 months.	Total Deaths under 1 year.
Small Pox ... ..										
Chicken Pox ... ..										
Measles ... ..										
Influenza ... ..										
Scarlet Fever ... ..										
Whooping Cough ... ..										
Diphtheria and Croup ... ..										
Erysipelas ... ..										
Tuberculosis Meningitis... ..										
Abdominal Tuberculosis ... ..										
Other Tuberculous Diseases..										
Meningitis (not Tuberculous).										
Convulsions... ..										
Laryngitis ... ..										
Bronchitis ... ..										
Pneumonia (all forms) ... ..	.	.	.	.	.	3	.	.	1	4
Diarrhoea ... ..										
Gastritis ... ..										
Syphilis ... ..										
Rickets... ..										
Suffocation—Overlying ... ..										
Injury at Birth ... ..										
Atelectasis ... ..										
Congenital ... ..										
Malformation ... ..										
Premature Birth ... ..	2	.	1	1	4	1	.	.	.	5
Atrophy, Debility, &c. ... ..										
Other Deaths from Violence...										
Other Causes ... ..	1	.	1	.	2	.	.	1	.	3
<b>TOTALS ... ..</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>

Nett Births Registered during the Calendar Year	Legitimate ... ..	216
	Illegitimate ... ..	12
		<u>228</u>

Nett Deaths Registered during the Calendar Year	Legitimate Infants ...	13
	Illegitimate Infants ...	—
		<u>13</u>

# AREA, POPULATION, AND DWELLINGS OF INDIVIDUAL PARISHES.

## Wetherby Rural District.

TOWNSHIP.	Estimated Extent. Acres.	Population. in 1931.	No. of Dwellings.
Angram ... ..	521	51	10
Bardsey-cum Rigton ... ..	2752	796	337
Bickerton with Bilton ... ..	2299	357	90
Boston Spa ... ..	880	1433	474
Bramham-cum-Oglethorpe ... ..	4112	1042	237
Clifford ... ..	742	1110	251
Collingham (including part of Linton)	2842	884	314
Deighton North ... ..	1475	106	24
Harewood (including Dunkeswick, Weardley, Wigton and Wike) ...	8154	1161	316
Hutton Wandesley ... ..	1233	88	20
Keswick East ... ..	1290	503	173
Kearby-with-Netherby ... ..	1422	146	44
Kirkby Overblow ... ..	2385	355	102
Kirk Deighton ... ..	2276	349	120
Long Marston ... ..	2850	254	69
Ribston Little ... ..	858	158	43
Rigton North ... ..	3112	350	112
Scarcroft ... ..	1073	358	117
Sicklinghall ... ..	1495	235	57
Spofforth with Stockeld ... ..	5468	793	208
Thorner ... ..	2461	1113	331
Thorparch ... ..	1529	428	68
Tockwith (including Cowthorpe) ...	3188	496	144
Walton ... ..	1590	192	49
Weeton ... ..	1373	617	200
Wetherby including Micklethwaite and part of Linton) ... ..	2460	2805	823
Wighill ... ..	2247	180	43
Wilstrop ... ..	1080	49	11
Wothersome ... ..	772	40	9
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>64639</b>	<b>16449</b>	<b>4846</b>

Registrar General's Population Estimate, Mid 1937—16,900.



## SECTION " B "—GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

### Public Health Officers.

The names and qualifications of the Staff will be found at the commencement of this Report.

During the year the appointment of Mr. Marriott has been varied, and he has been re-designated Additional Sanitary Inspector and Surveyor. His appointment has been confirmed by the Minister of Health under the Sanitary Officers Order, 1935, and the County Council will now contribute a portion of his salary to the District Council.

As outlined in my last report, the work to be performed by the Public Health Department constantly increases, and I hope that the completion of the new Council Offices will enable a re-organisation of the Department to be carried out in order that the duties of the staff may be performed with greater ease and efficiency.

### Laboratory Facilities.

service, viz:—

There have been no change in the arrangements for this

Chemical Analyses—Messrs. Richardson and Jaffe,  
County Analysts, Bradford.

Bacteriological Examinations—Public Health Laboratory,  
County Medical Officers Dept.,  
County Hall, Wakefield.

### Ambulance Facilities.

The arrangements made by the Council for these services were fully outlined in my last report, and so far they are functioning very satisfactorily.

### Mortuary.

I have to again point out the need for an up-to-date Mortuary and Post Mortem Room in Wetherby. The present arrangements at the Poor Law Institution are unsatisfactory, and in view of the probable closure in the near future of the Institution, the District will then be without any of these facilities.



### **Nursing in the Home.**

District Nursing Associations now serve almost the whole of the District. County Council Health Visitors render beneficial service in and around Wetherby.

### **Clinics and Treatment Centres.**

The District Council have no clinics or treatment centres under their control, but the following serve the District:—

Child Welfare	- Wetherby Clinic	- West Riding C.C.
Tuberculosis	- Harrog'te Dispensary	do.
Venereal Disease	- Leeds Infirmary	- West Riding C.C. Scheme.

Orthopaedic Facilities )

Artificial Light	)	No facilities exist although assistance is obtainable from the County Medical Officer who, where necessary, makes arrangements for the use of apparatus provided by private medical practitioners.
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### **Hospital Services.**

These are fully outlined in the following table:—

# HOSPITAL SERVICES—VOLUNTARY AND PUBLIC.

Purpose.	Name.	Situation.	Accommodation M.	F.	Children.	Management.
Scarlet Fever, Enteric Fever and Diphtheria	Isolation Hospital	Thistle Hill, Knaresborough	28	30	14	Harrogate, Knaresborough and Wetherby Joint Isolation Hospital Committee
Small Pox	Small Pox Hospital	Killinghall Road, Harrogate	8	8	—	— do. —
Medical, Surgical and Maternity	General Hospital	Knaresborough Rd., Harrogate	46	58	10	Voluntary
Erysipelas	Fever Hospital	Menston	—	—	—	Wharfedale Union Joint Hospital Committee
Medical, Surgical and Venereal Cases	General Infirmary	Leeds	—	—	—	Voluntary and County Scheme for Venereal Cases
Poor Law Infirmary	County Institution	Linton Road, Wetherby	—	—	—	West Riding County Council Public Assistance Committee
Medical, Surgical and Venereal Cases	County Hospital	Monkgate, York	—	—	—	Voluntary and County Scheme for Venereal Cases
Tuberculosis	Various	Harrogate	—	—	—	West Riding County Council
Maternity	Maternity Homes	Leeds, York and Harrogate	—	—	—	Various
Children	Various	Leeds, York and Harrogate	—	—	—	Various



## SECTION " C "—SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

### WATER SUPPLIES.

**General.** Water is supplied by four public water undertakers and the appended table shows the extent of their supplies.

Undertaker.	No. of Houses in supply area.	Houses Supplied Number.	Percentage of total houses in district.
Wetherby District Water Co.	3368	3173	65.48%
Wetherby R.D.C. ....	444	361	7.45%
Leeds Corporation .....	295	268	5.53%
Lascelles Estates Ltd. ....	171	132	2.73%
Total	4278	3934	81.19%

These public supplies are analysed at frequent intervals and at each analysis they have been proved to be satisfactory.

**Wetherby District Water Company.** This Company now supplies thirteen whole parishes and a portion of another township out of the sixteen parishes forming their statutory area of supply. The Company can now only economically supply one further parish—namely—Little Ribston, and I hope that efforts will soon be made to carry out the necessary works. The number of houses supplied and parishes in which they are situate are given in a later table.

**Wetherby Rural District Council.** The Council now supply the parishes of Kirkby Overblow, Kearby, Sicklinghall, Spoforth and the former parish of Wike (now included in the new parish of Harewood). The Kearby Water Scheme was completed in May last, and by the year end 23 houses were connected thereto, thus enabling the closure of several polluted wells.

The Eastern Area Water Scheme is now in course of construction and has been amended by the deletion of the Parish of Angram from the Scheme, and by the addition of the Parish of Wighill to the scheme. In the case of Wighill, the Water Company found that they were unable to supply the village at a reasonable cost, and so they allowed the Council to purchase the rights of supply. In the case of Angram, this was deleted from the scheme owing to the heavy cost of



supplying the small number of houses, and on the assurance of the owner of the village that he would either cleanse the existing wells or sink a new borehole for the common supply of the 10 houses in the township. Details of the Contract and of the testing of the Borehole at the new Pumping Station are fully outlined in the Annual Report of the Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector.

**Leeds Corporation.** The Corporation maintain a very good supply of water to the Parish of Weeton and to parts of the Parish of Thorner, North Rigton and Harewood (Wigton).

**Lascelles Estates Company.** This is a gratuitous supply maintained by the above Estate Company for the supply of the former parishes of Harewood and Weardley, these villages being owned entirely by the Company.

**Private Supplies.** During the year 35 samples of water were collected for analysis of which 7 were found to be unsatisfactory. At the end of 1937 there were 195 houses with supplies of suspicious purity, and I hope that the completion of the Eastern Area Water Scheme will allow of this number being very drastically reduced.



# **WATER SUPPLIES.**

Undertakers.	Parish.	Number of Houses in Parish:				Number of Houses Supplied.			
		1901	1911	1921	1931	1901	1911	1921	1931
<b>WETHERBY DISTRICT WATER COMPANY.</b>	Bardsey...	63	69	70	235	...	4	35	196
	Boston Spa ...	339	347	346	398	...	116	297	374
	Bramham ...	165	233	237	270	...	...	106	184
	Clifford ...	225	187	189	227	...	...	74	199
	Cellingham (part Linton 1937)	83	125	144	175	...	64	97	156
	Deighton North ...	25	23	21	21	...	...	...	4
	*Harewood (Brandon)	10	10	10	11	...	...	...	...
	Keswick East ...	101	122	126	154	...	...	93	124
	Kirk Deighton ...	75	79	73	88	...	...	14	67
	Linton (Parishes) ...	35	35	44	106	...	13	25	97
	Micklethwaite (abol. 1937)	17	16	17	16	...	...	...	14
	Scarcroft ...	56	65	67	109	...	...	18	60
	†Thorner ...	215	229	254	298	...	...	109	230
	Thorparch ...	61	70	62	65	...	3	30	51
	Walton ...	39	40	42	45	...	...	29	42
	Wetherby (Micklethwaite & part Linton added 1937)	463	538	515	632	...	237	339	613
	Total for area of supply	1972	2188	2217	2850	...	437	1266	2411
<b>WETHERBY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.</b>	Kearby-with-Netherby ...	36	40	37	45	...	...	...	23
	Kirkby Overblow ...	66	75	72	96	...	...	7	88
	Sicklinghall... ..	52	49	54	59	...	...	...	39
	Spofforth(in.HagsRd.slpv)	172	186	180	203	...	...	...	172
	*Harewood (Wike Scheme)	29	29	29	29	...	...	...	21
	Total for area of supply	355	379	372	432	...	...	7	88
	North Ripton (part) ...	...	10	11	11	...	...	...	11
<b>LEEDS CORPORATION.</b>	*Harewood (Wigton)...	34	40	54	58	...	...	34	43
	Weeton ...	99	117	130	185	...	...	94	177
	†Thorner (Wellington Hill)	4	4	4	10	...	...	4	10
	Total for area of supply	137	171	199	264	...	...	94	241
<b>LASCELLES ESTATE COMPANY.</b>	*Harewood (Harewood and Wearldley) ...	169	193	170	167	...	...	101	101
	Total of all Undertakers	2635	2931	2958	3713	...	437	1468	2841
	Total of all Undertakers	2635	2931	2958	3713	...	437	1468	2841

\* The Parish of Harewood is supplied by four Undertakers, the complete figures for the Parish are—  
Harewood (Full Parish)—Parish enlarged April' 1937  
Dunswick not supplied.



## SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE.

There are now 3,742 houses connected to various public sewers within the district and 57 houses to private works, making a total of 3799 houses with efficient means of drainage. This is a percentage of 82.5 of the total number of houses within the area.

The Surveyor informs me that several of the older works are now taxed to their utmost capacity and increased expenditure must be anticipated in the near future in order to extend and modernise the schemes. The works at Thorner, Spofforth and Weeton are particularly affected in this way.

The following extension of sewers have been made during the year in connection with building developments:—

### **Private Sewers** (Section 17, Public Health Act, 1937).

40 yards of 9" diameter sewer.

335 yards of 6" diameter sewer.

### **Public Sewers.**

190 yards of 12" diameter sewer.

1707 yards of 9" diameter sewer.

2520 yards of 6" diameter sewer.

Parishes without proper sewers or sewage disposal works, or with unsatisfactory schemes are shown in the following table—those with an asterisk affixed are parishes which are very scattered and almost incapable of being provided with a public scheme.

Parish.	Area.	No. of Houses.	Remarks.
Angram ... ..	521	10	No Scheme.
Bickerton with Bilton ... ..	2999	90	No Scheme.
North Deighton ... ..	1475	24	No Scheme.
Hutton Wandesley ... ..	1233	20	No Scheme.
*Harewood (Dunkeswick) ... ..	1472	32	No Scheme.
Harewood (Weardley) ... ..	872	26	No Scheme.
*Harewood (Wike) ... ..	878	25	No Scheme.
*Kearby ... ..	1422	44	No Scheme.
Kirkby Overblow ... ..	2385	102	Scheme Unsatisfactory.
Long Marston ... ..	2850	69	No Scheme.
Little Ribston ... ..	858	43	No Scheme.
North Rigton ... ..	3112	112	No Scheme.
Sicklinghall ... ..	1495	57	No Scheme.
Thorp Arch ... ..	1529	68	Scheme Unsatisfactory.
Tockwith (Cowthorpe) ... ..	1404	24	No Scheme.



Walton ... ..	1590	49	Scheme
*Wilstrop ... ..	1080	11	Unsatisfactory.
			No Scheme
			—Scattered.
*Wothersome ... ..	772	9	No Scheme
			—Scattered.

\*Houses in these parishes are very scattered.

### RIVERS AND STREAM POLLUTION.

Fourteen cases of stream pollution have been found and abated during the year. Nine of these cases are due to the discharge of house drainange direct into streams.

The difficulties of producing a constantly satisfactory effluent from several of the older Sewage Disposal Works has already been mentioned and the Surveyor (Mr. Gray) in his report also emphasises this point.

### CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

The following table outlines the work performed under the above heading during 1937:—

Privy Middens converted to water closets ...	29
Pail Closets converted to water closets ... ..	25
Additional W.C's constructed ... ..	53
New Pail Closets constructed ... ..	4
Sanitary Conveniences repaired ... ..	31

### PUBLIC CLEANSING.

The Public Health Committee has given very careful consideration to the whole question of Public Cleansing Services, with a view to the extension of the scavenging area and to a re-organisation of the service. The contract system of scavenging although the cheapest available, has not proved satisfactory from an efficiency point of view, and it is hoped that eventually the work will be undertaken directly by the Council. A questionnaire on scavenging was sent out to Rural District Councils in the County and the replies received together with the Table of Annual Costs (reproduced in the Surveyor's Report) were considered by the Committee. Before proceeding further they decided that information must be obtained regarding the numbers of each type of refuse receptacle, sanitary convenience and method of house drainage in use in each Parish in the District. For this purpose a Sanitation Survey is to be carried out during 1938.



The amalgamation of parishes under the County Review Order has resulted in the extension of the scavenging service to the former parishes of Linton and Mickleton. The work of public cleansing is also to be extended in the Parishes of:—

Harewood (including former parishes of Dunkeswick, Weardley, Wigton and Wike).

Thorp Arch.

Kirk Deighton.

Further details of the work carried out under the heading of public cleansing will be found in the report of the Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector.

## WORKSHOPS.

**Factory and Workshops Act, 1901.**

**Ministry of Health (F. and W.) Act, 1919.**

There were 236 visits of inspection made to the 191 Workshops registered in the District.

5 additional W.C.'s were provided and several minor repairs carried out to various premises.

3 dirty workshops were found and abated.

6 defective and unsatisfactory conveniences were dealt with, and a very unsatisfactory bakehouse was closed.

The following is a list of registered workshops:—

### FACTORY AND WORKSHOPS.

Agricultural Implement Works	1	Ice Cream Manufacture ... ..	1
Bakers and Confectioners ... ..	14	Laundries ... ..	3
Blacksmiths and Farriers ... ..	20	Masons ... ..	4
Boot and Shoe Repairers ... ..	17	Mineral Water Manufacture	1
Blouse Manufacture ... ..	2	Motor Engineers ... ..	17
Concrete Works and Quarry ... ..	2	Plumbers and Tinnerns ... ..	12
Cornmill ... ..	6	Printing Works ... ..	1
Cooper ... ..	1	Repair Shops (Public Service)	11
Cycle Repairs ... ..	3	Saddlers ... ..	4
Dressmaking ... ..	7	Slipper Manufacture ... ..	1
Estate Workshops ... ..	5	Sweet Manufacture ... ..	1
Joiners and Wheelwrights ... ..	38	Tailors ... ..	11
Joinery Factory ... ..	1	Miscellaneous Trades ... ..	6
Furnisher and Upholsterer ... ..	1		



## SHOPS ACT, 1934.

The following list gives details of the work carried out during the year under the above Act:—

Number of Inspections ... ..	102	
Number of shops visited ... ..	15	
Number of shops needing attention ... ..	7	
Number of shops where work done ... ..	9	
Sanitary conveniences needed ... ..	7	provided 7
Washing facilities needed ... ..	5	provided 5
Arrangements for separate conveniences for the sexes ... ..	8	
Improvements to heating and ventilation of shops ... ..	3	
Number of sinks or washbasins provided ... ..	3	
Number of water closets provided ... ..	10	

## SMOKE ABATEMENT.

There are no industrial chimneys within the District.

## SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS.

There are no swimming baths or pools open to the public within the District.

## ERADICATION OF BED BUGS.

It is pleasing to report that the problem of Bed Bug infestation is not so acute in this district as it is in many surrounding areas. The number of cases coming to the attention of the Sanitary Inspectors or the Housing Estates Manager is very small, and the cases that do arise can usually be traced to the purchase of infested second-hand furniture. The appended table gives details of the work done under this heading during 1937:—

Infested Houses found:—Council 2, Private—7. Total—9.

Houses Disinfected:—Council—2, Private—7. Total—9.

Methods employed:—Vermicide spray for woodwork and furniture and Fumigation with special fumigant on two occasions, 14 to 21 days elapsing between each application.

Methods employed to ensure that belongings are free from vermin before removal to Council house:—Not carried out as a routine measure. Inspections made on request of outside Authorities.

Disinfestation performed by:—Sanitary Inspector's Department.

Measures of supervision or education to prevent re-infestation:—

Periodic inspection by Inspector who advises tenants regarding cleanliness and preventative measures against vermin.



## **SCHOOLS.**

The following is a list of schools within the District:—

Elementary Schools ... ..	22
Preparatory Schools ... ..	5
Home Office approved school ...	1
Special School (Deaf and Dumb, Catholic) ... ..	1
	—
Total	29
	—

One elementary school has been thoroughly reconditioned during the year, after the Trustees had considered a report of the Sanitary Inspector upon the School.

Four schools were closed in January, 1937, owing to an epidemic of Measles and Influenza. I am not in favour of a general school closure in such circumstances, but owing to the number of voluntary absentees, it was deemed desirable to close the four schools referred to so that a thorough cleansing and disinfection could be carried out.

## **CAMPING.**

During the year new Bye-Laws governing Tents, Vans, Sheds and similar structures became operative, and these in conjunction with Sections 268-9 of the Public Health Act, 1936, and the provisions of the Town Planning Schemes are being considered by the Public Health (Camping) Sub-Committee with a view to formulating a proper system of control over this popular pastime.

## **SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.**

The following table furnished by the Senior Sanitary Inspector (Mr T. V. Gray) gives full details of the work carried out by the Sanitary Inspectors during 1937.

**TABLE OF NUISANCES FOUND ABATED DURING THE  
YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1937.**

HOUSE NUISANCES.	No. of Nuisances	
	Found.	Abated.
Dirty and/or verminous ... ..	13	13
Overcrowded ... ..	10	20
Damp and/or dilapidated ... ..	144	176



Badly drained ... ..	89	87
Insufficiently lighted ... ..	35	35
Dilapidated sanitary conveniences ... ..	31	31
Privy middens to W.C.'s ... ..	29	29
Pail closets to W.C.'s ... ..	25	25
New additional W.C.'s ... ..	53	53
New pail closets ... ..	4	4
New urinals ... ..	3	3
Untrapped sinks or having defective wastes ...	36	37
New sinks required ... ..	57	59
Defective dustbins, and new bins required ...	174	176
Dry middens abolished ... ..	16	16
Temporarily stopped drains ... ..	307	307
Unsatisfactory sewage disposal ... ..	12	12
Drainage discharging to streams ... ..	9	9
Polluted water supplies ... ..	5	20
Inadequate water supply ... ..	10	10
Defective pumps ... ..	6	6
Polluted wells abolished ... ..	—	10
Polluted or defective wells cleansed or repaired	—	6
Defective yard paving ... ..	31	31
Miscellaneous house nuisances ... ..	100	34

#### GENERAL NUISANCES.

Offensive accumulations ... ..	18	18
Defective farm buildings (cowsheds, etc.) ...	26	33
Dirty cowsheds ... ..	51	51
River and stream pollution ... ..	5	5
New drains ... ..	—	397
Drains reconstructed ... ..	—	99
Drains tested with smoke machine ... ..	—	123
New sewer connections ... ..	—	114
New L.C. and D.C.'s ... ..	—	114
Cesspools abolished ... ..	—	12
Miscellaneous general nuisances ... ..	54	31

#### NUISANCES AND NOTICES.

Total number of nuisances found during 1937 ... ..	1353
No. of outstanding nuisances found from 1936 ... ..	155
Number of nuisances abated ... ..	1335
No. of outstanding nuisances 31/12/37 ... ..	173
Number of house nuisances ... ..	788
Number of statutory notices issued ... ..	11
Number of statutory notices complied with ... ..	20
Letter and notices issued ... ..	3420

#### INSPECTIONS.

Visits to infected premises ... ..	69
Houses, etc., disinfected ... ..	45
Schools disinfected ... ..	4
Schools visited ... ..	10
Nuisances, General ... ..	303
Housing ... ..	417
Houses being erected ... ..	1212
Housing Acts ... ..	1027



Cowsheds ... ..	1090
Milkshops ... ..	68
Slaughterhouses ... ..	453
Emergency slaughters ... ..	63
Workshops ... ..	236
Knackers yards ... ..	19
Shop Acts ... ..	102
Butchers' shops, etc. ... ..	107
Camping Grounds ... ..	24
Tents, Vans or Sheds ... ..	59

## SECTION " D." HOUSING.

### General Housing Statistics, 1937.

#### 1. Inspection of Dwelling houses during the year:—

- (1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) ... .. 335
- (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ... 1444
- (2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 ... .. 191
- (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ... 1027
- (3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation ... .. 14
- (4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation ... .. ( 44 H.A.  
(144 P.H.A. 188

#### 2. Remedy of Defects during the year

without service of formal Notices:—

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers ... .. ( 42 H.A.  
(176 P.H.A. 218

#### 3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year:—

(a)—Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936:—

- (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ... .. —
- (2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:—
  - (a) By owners ... .. —
  - (b) By Local Authority in default of owners ... .. —



(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts:—	
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied ... ..	4
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:—	
(a) By owners ... ..	4
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners ... ..	—
(c) Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:—	
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made ... ..	31
(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders ... ..	17
(d) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936:—	
(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made	1
(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit ... ..	—

#### 4. Housing Act, 1936—Part IV—Overcrowding:—

(a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year ... ..	52
(ii) Number of families dwelling therein ... ..	56
(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein ... ..	393
(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year ... ..	10
(c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year ... ..	20
(ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases ...	133
(d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding ... ..	None.
(e) Any other particulars with respect to overcrowding conditions upon which the Medical Officer of Health may consider it desirable to report:—	

Difficulty of establishing who are Agricultural Workers, as a workman may one day be working on a farm, and the next working on Highway work.



## **SLUM CLEARANCE.**

A supplementary Slum Clearance Programme affecting a further 44 houses was prepared and submitted to the Minister of Health in the early part of 1937. The total slum clearance programme of the Council now covers 137 houses and legal action has been completed in all but ten cases now under consideration by the Council. To date, 40 families have been rehoused, 39 houses demolished, 3 houses reconditioned, and 11 houses converted to other uses, leaving 70 houses awaiting re-housing and/or demolition, and 3 houses to be converted to other uses in accordance with undertakings entered into by the owners. 42 houses for re-housing needs were in course of erection at the close of the year. It is hoped that during the ensuing year a further small number of houses will be dealt with under this heading as supplemental to the work already in hand.

## **OVERCROWDING.**

Further progress has been made in the abatement of overcrowding in a preceding table. Eighty per cent of the permitted numbers have now been issued, and the checking of entries in rent books is being undertaken during the visits of the Inspectors to houses on other work. 4351 houses have been measured and recorded and during the year it has been found necessary to re-measure 30 houses owing to alterations or structural extensions in order to issue amended permitted numbers.

## **RECONDITIONING.**

Steady progress is being made in the systematic reconditioning of dwellings, 42 houses being completed during the year, in addition 72 houses having been repaired under the Public Health Acts. The Housing (Rural Workers) Act, 1926, is now creating a certain amount of interest to property owners in the District, as the following list will show:—

Houses reconditioned during the year under the Act ... ..	5
Houses in process of reconditioning at year end ... ..	7
Houses subject of grants promised under the Act ... ..	7
Houses under consideration by County Council ... ..	3

## **NEW HOUSES.**

123 new houses have been completed during 1937, and of this number 50 were Council houses. It is estimated at the close of the year that there were 4846 houses in the District (this number is to be definitely checked during 1938). Of the total houses in the District 577 were Council houses, and there-



fore one house in every 8.4 is Council-owned. At 31st December, 1937, there were 107 houses in course of erection.

### GENERAL.

A review of Council house rents has been made by the Housing Committee in accordance with the means of the tenants. In 50 cases where the total income of the household exceeded £4 weekly, increases were made varying in amount from 6d. weekly to 6s. 6d. weekly, whilst with families with very small incomes or in special circumstances were considered and reductions were made varying in amount from 6d. weekly to 4s. 6d. The rents now charged for Council houses vary from 3s. up to 13s. 1d. weekly plus rates.

#### NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES ERECTED IN THE DISTRICT DURING THE LAST EIGHT YEARS.

Parish	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
Bardsey ... ..	22	21	9	9	13	12	24	21	20
Boston Spa ... ..	20	4	—	37	21	4	2	8	14
†Bickerton with									
Bilton ... ..	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	4
Bramham ... ..	12	—	—	20	—	—	—	—	6
Clifford ... ..	16	1	—	18	2	3	7	1	1
†Collingham ... ..	—	4	6	17	12	4	10	7	7
Deighton North ...	—	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	—
†Harewood ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Keswick East ...	4	7	6	16	3	—	1	—	—
Kirk Deighton ...	9	—	—	1	7	7	8	3	8
Kirkby Overblow ...	—	3	—	—	3	2	—	1	4
*Linton ... ..	6	6	—	3	12	7	6	7	* —
Long Marston ...	1	—	—	—	1	—	4	—	—
*Micklethwaite ...	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	6	* —
Rigton North ...	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	6
Searcroft ... ..	—	3	1	5	3	9	7	2	7
Spofforth ... ..	1	—	6	2	1	—	8	3	—
Thorner ... ..	—	8	5	11	—	1	—	—	12
Thorp Arch ... ..	—	—	—	1	—	2	1	—	—
*Tockwith ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Walton ... ..	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	—
Weeton ... ..	8	1	7	1	1	2	3	5	4
†Wetherby ... ..	1	5	28	12	16	7	15	1	28
Wighill ... ..	—	1	—	—	—	1	2	—	—
*Wigton ... ..	—	—	4	—	2	4	2	1	*
Total ... ..	101	67	74	153	100	66	101	71	123

\*Civil Parish abolished, 1937. †Parish enlarged, 1937.

## SIZES OF HOUSES ERECTED DURING THE LAST EIGHT YEARS.

No of Rooms.	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
2	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...
3	1	...	...	...	1	...	6	1	...
4	56	7	35	120	49	6	22	1	58
5	29	29	26	23	24	22	41	35	31
6	9	15	6	6	13	26	21	12	16
7 and over	6	15	7	9	13	10	11	12	16
Total	101	67	74	158	100	66	101	71	231

## SECTION " E." INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

### Milk Supply.

Much time has been given to the supervision of the production and distribution of milk, and in all 1090 inspections have been made by the Sanitary Inspectors during 1937. 31 Dairy buildings have been repaired or entirely reconstructed, 6 new buildings have been erected and 2 old buildings closed.

318 Milk Farms are now registered with the Council, giving a total of 501 cowsheds and standings for approximately 4450 cows. Full details of these are given in the Report of the Sanitary Inspector. At the close of the year there were 30 licenced producers of Accredited and Tuberculin Tested Milks in the Area. Generally the conditions of milk production in the area are reasonably good except in the case of some of the small producers and buttermakers, in which case special attention is to be given by the Sanitary Inspectors in the coming year.

### Meat Inspection.

Inspection of various slaughterhouses, etc., is given in the table appended:—

	No. in Area.	Inspection.
Slaughterhouses .....	16	453
Meat Shops and Rooms .....	28	107
Meat Vans .....	No Record	10
Knackers' Yards .....	2	19
Farms, etc., for emergency slaughter .....	50	63

Repairs were carried out to one slaughterhouse and to one Pork Butcher's Meat Room, 6 dirty premises were found and quickly dealt with, and five other contraventions of the Bye-Laws abated during 1937.



Ante-mortem inspection of animals is carried out to a small extent, but owing to the distance apart of slaughterhouses and variation in hours of killing, much of this work is impossible. Post-mortem inspection is carried out by Mr. Marriott (who is a qualified Meat Inspector) in strict accordance with the directions of Memo 62/FOODS issued by the Minister of Health.

A prosecution in the early part of the year for failure to notify the diseased condition of an animal slaughtered and found to be affected with Anthrax, resulted in a conviction. A penalty of £5 being imposed, whilst the Police secured penalties under the Anthrax Order amounting to £20 in all. Resulting from this case there has been a surprising increase in the notifications of animals slaughtered for emergency reasons on farms and other places.

The appended table gives details of inspections and condemnations made during the year.

#### CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

	Cattle excluding Cows. Cows. Calves.			Sheep and Lambs. Pigs.	
No killed (if known)	N o R e c o r d s .				
No. Inspected .....	498	63	87	731	589
<b>All Diseases except Tuberculosis</b>					
Whole carcasses condemned	1	—	—	11	1
Parts or carcase or organ condemned .....	3	—	—	8	1
% of No. inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis .....	0.8%	—	—	1.9%	0.3%
<b>Tuberculosis</b>					
Whole carcasses condemned	3	1	2	—	3
Parts of carcase or organ condemned .....	—	—	—	—	—
% of No. inspected affected with Tuberculosis .....	0.6%	1.6%	2.3%	—	0.5%

#### Other Foods.

A general supervisory inspection is made of places where food is prepared, stored or sold. Bakehouses in particular are visited at regular intervals by the Inspectors.

Work under the Foods and Drugs Act is carried out by the West Riding County Council and details of the works done in the area during 1937 are given in the Sanitary Inspector's Report.

## SECTION " F." PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

### Zymotic Diseases.

The number of zymotic cases notified was 49, being an increase of 19 on last year. Details of these cases are given in the following tables.

### Zymotic Diseases, 1937.

Disease.	Total Cases Notified.	Cases admitted to Hospital.	Total Deaths.
Smallpox .....	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever .....	32	30	—
Diphtheria .....	5	4	—
Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid) .....	2	—	—
Puerperal Fever .....	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia .....	2	—	—
Pneumonia .....	12	—	9
Other diseases generally notifiable (specify disease)			
Erysipelas .....	6	1	—
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ...	1	—	—
Others diseases notifiable locally (specify disease) ...	None	None	None
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>9</b>

### Analysis of Notified Zymotic Cases into Age Groups.

Age Group,	Smallpox	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria,	Entertic	Puerperal Fever
Under 1 year	—	—	—	—	—
1— 2 years	—	—	—	—	—
2— 3	—	—	—	—	—
3— 4	—	2	—	—	—
4— 5	—	2	—	—	—
5—10	—	15	1	—	—
10—15	—	6	—	—	—
15—20	—	4	2	1	—
20—35	—	2	2	1	—
35—45	—	1	—	—	—
45—65	—	—	—	—	—
65 and over	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>—</b>



Age Group.	Puerperal Pyrexia	Pneumonia.	Erysipelas.	Ophthalmia Neonatorum.
Under 1 year	—	1	—	1
1—2 years	—	—	—	—
2—3	—	1	—	—
3—4	—	—	—	—
4—5	—	—	—	—
5—10	—	1	—	—
10—15	—	2	—	—
15—20	—	—	—	—
20—35	2	2	3	—
35—45	—	2	1	—
45—65	—	2	1	—
65 and over	—	1	1	—
Total	2	12	6	1

### TUBERCULOSIS.

18 cases of Tuberculosis were notified during the year, being an increase of 4 on 1936.

#### New Cases and Mortality During 1937.

Particulars of new cases of Tuberculosis and of deaths from the disease in the area during 1937, are given in the following table.

	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Respiratory.		Non Respiratory.		Respiratory.		Non Respiratory.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5—	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	—
15—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—
25—	1	3	—	—	1	2	—	—
35—	3	1	—	1	2	2	—	—
45—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
55—	2	—	—	—	1	1	—	1
65 and upwards	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	7	7	1	3	4	6	1	1

- Ratio of non-notified tuberculosis deaths to total notified deaths:—1-3.
- Efficiency of Notification of tuberculosis:—On the whole satisfactory.
- Action taken for failure to notify:—None.
- Wilful neglect or refusal to notify:—None.
- Excessive incidence of, or mortality from tuberculosis in any particular occupation in the area:—None.

**TABLE C, 1937.**

**Nuisance Inspections.**

Total No. of Inspections in 1937, for Nuisances only—720.

(For Housing Inspections see Table D).

Nuisances found in 1937—1,353.

Nuisances in hand, end of 1936—155.

Total needing abatement—1,508.

Abated during 1937—1,335.

Outstanding end of 1937—173.

Notices served, Informal—800 approx. Complied with—750 approx.

Notices served, Statutory—4. Complied with—4.

Total number of Summonses or other legal proceedings—None.

**Common Lodging Houses.**

No. in District—None. No. on Register—None. Total No. of  
Inspections made — General Conditions — Legal  
Proceedings (if any) —

**Houses let in Lodgings.**

No. in District—None. No. on Register—None. Total No. of  
Inspections made — General Conditions — Legal

**Canal Boats.**

No. in District—None. No. on Register—None. Total No. of  
Inspections made — General Conditions — Legal  
Proceedings (if any) —

**Knacker's Yards.**

No. in District—2. No. on Register—2. Total No. of Inspections  
made—19. General Conditions—Satisfactory. Legal Proceed-  
ings (if any)—None.

**Tents, Vans and Sheds.**

No. in District—Not known. No. on Register—Not known.  
Total No. of Inspections made — General Conditions—Un-  
satisfactory. Legal proceedings (if any) —

**Offensive Trades (Please specify kind).**

No. in District—None. No. on Register—None. Total No. of  
Inspections made — General Conditions — Legal  
Proceedings (if any) —  
Proceedings (if any) —

Have the Council declared any other processes to be offensive  
trades?—None.

**Drainage and Sewerage.**

Particulars of any sewer extensions during 1937.—Building  
Estate Extensions. Manholes. 190 yards of 12". 1707 yards  
of 9". 2520 yards of 6".



Details of any portion of district still requiring—

(a) Sewering—None at present.

(b) Improvement of defective sewers—At Bramham and in two other cases.

No. of houses connected to sewers.—About 5 per cent. in parishes unsewered.

#### **Sewage Disposal Works.**

Particulars of any extensions made during 1937—None.

Any inadequacy of sewage disposal works?—Spofforth and Thorner working to capacity.

Any complaint from West Riding Rivers Board?—Minor complaints.

#### **Closet Accommodation.**

No. of Privies with open middens—291. No. of Pail or Tub Closets—875.

No. of Privies with covered middens—880. No. of Water Closets—4007. Waste-water Closets—None.

No. of Privies re-constructed during 1937—(a) as w.c.'s—28; (b)—other—3.

No. of Closets, other than Privies, reconstructed during 1937—(a) w.c.'s—53. (b) other—

No. of Closets reconstructed in 1937 for new houses (a) w.c.'s—129; (b) other—2 Pail Closets, 2 Chemical Closets.

Any special action taken by Council to secure conversion of privies, waste water closets and pails to W.C. System. If so, what?—Systematic informal action by officials.

#### **Scavenging.**

Is public scavenging in operation throughout the whole district?—No.

If not, is it in operation in any part of the area? If so, please specify—11 parishes out of 29. Boston Spa, Bramham, Clifford, Collingham, Kirk Deighton, Harewood, Spofforth, Thorp Arch, Thorner, Walton and Wetherby.

How is refuse disposed of?—

1. Destruction—No. 2. Tipping—Yes, 100 per cent. 3. Farmers—No. If tipping is in operation, is it on the controlled system?—In Wetherby only.

Total cost of collection and disposal of refuse—£1,380.

#### **Water Supply.**

Source of Supply—Wetherby District Water Company, 14 parishes and part of 1 parish, 5 boreholes. Earl of Harewood, 1 parish. Springs. Leeds Corporation, 1 parish and part of 2 others. Upland Surface. Wetherby R.D.C., 4 parishes and part of one other. Upland surface Water, 4 Boreholes and Well.



By whom distributed—

No. of houses on public supply—Approx. 4,000

Any extension of supply during the year?—Kearby Water Scheme completed.

Has supply been satisfactory?—Yes.

(a) In quality—Yes. (b) in quantity—Yes

Any examinations made during the year (a) chemical—23. Result—14 Good, 7 Suspicious, 2 Polluted. (b) Bacteriological—12. Result—5 Good, 2 Suspicious, 5 Polluted.

Have any supplies been restricted or closed, if so, where?—10 polluted wells closed and supplies to 18 houses taken from public supplies or new sources.

#### **Milk Supply.**

Are Two Registers kept as required by Section 2 (3) Milk and Dairies (Amendment) Act, 1922?—Card Index Register.

(a) For Retailers—Yes. (b) For Cowkeepers or Wholesale Traders—Yes.

Have any retailers been removed from the Register?—No.

#### **Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936.**

No. Licences in force in area for:—(a) Production of "Tuberculin Tested" Milk—(b) Production of "Accredited" Milk—(c) In respect of Pasteurising plants—Administered by W.R.C.C.

No. of Milk samples taken by officers of local authority for analysis under the Food and Drugs (Adulteration) Act, 1928—None.

No. found adulterated—None. No. of prosecutions—None.

No. of samples of ordinary milk taken by officers of local authority for:—(a) Methylene blue test—None. (b) Presence of tuberculosis—None.

Any special examination of milk for dirt, e.g., sedimentation test?—None.

Any instance of disease attributed to milk during 1937?—None.

No. of cowkeepers in district—318. No. registered—318.

Total No. of cowsheds—501. Total No. of milk cows—4,450.

Total No. of cowsheds inspected during the year 95 per cent.

Total No. of cowshed inspections—1,090.

No. of wholesale traders registered—143. No of retail milk sellers registered—194.

Observations as to structural conditions, cleanliness and methods of production and handling of milk—Methods of production are improving. Butter-makers and some other sheds still need structural alteration. This work is proceeding systematically.



### **Tents, Vans, Sheds, etc.**

No. in District—Cannot estimate as yet.

Is this class of dwelling showing signs of increase?—Yes, for holiday camping.

Have Council made bye-laws under Section 268 (4), Public Health Act, 1936?—Yes, under repealed powers.

Any action under Section 269, Public Health Act, 1936?—Applications for licences under consideration.

Has any trouble been experienced in controlling this type of dwelling?—Yes, at holiday times.

If so, please give particulars—Lack of sanitation namely.

### **Eradication of Bed Bugs.**

Please state:—

No. of Council houses found to be infested—2. No. disinfested—2. Other houses found to be infested—7. No. disinfested—7.

What methods are employed for freeing infested houses from bed bugss Use of sulphur or special fumigation blocks together with spray of vermicide and personal action by tenants.

What methods are employed for ensuring that the belongings of tenants are free from vermin before removal to Council houses?—None.

Is the work of disinfection carried out by the local authority or by a contractor?—In cases mentioned carried out by Sanitary Inspector.

### **Swimming Baths and Pools.**

Are there in the district:—

(a) Any public swimming baths or pools—None.

(b) Any privately owned swimming baths or pools open to the public—None.

If so, give brief particulars of each and state what action is taken to ensure satisfactory condition of the water—None.

(c) Any samples of bath examined, apart from samples submitted to the County Bacteriological Laboratory. If so, please give particulars—None.

### **Adoptive Acts in Force in the District.**

Please give complete list stating also if whole Act has been adopted, and if not, what Parts or Sections are in force—Infectious Disease (Prevention) Act 1890, Public Health Act, 1907, Private Streets Works Act, 1892, Public Health (Amendment) Act, 1890, Public Health Act (Amendment) Act, 1925.



### **Meat Inspection.**

Any public abattoir in district?—None.

Total No. of private slaughterhouses—16, made up of — registered and 16 licensed.

No. unsatisfactory either as regards structure, position or in other respects—2.

### **CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.**

**Number killed (if known):** (Cattle excluding cows), cows, calves, sheep and lambs, pigs—No. Record.

**Number inspected:** 498 cattle (excluding cows), 63 cows, 87 calves, 731 sheep and lambs, 589 pigs.

**All diseases except Tuberculosis:** Whole carcasses condemned—1 cattle (excluding cows), — cows, — calves, 11 sheep and lambs, 1 pig.

Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned—3 cattle excluding cows), — cows, — calves, 3 sheep and lambs, 1 pig.

Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis—0.8 per cent. cattle (excluding cows), — cows, — calves, 1.9 per cent. sheep and lambs, 0.3 per cent. pigs.

**Tuberculosis only:** Whole carcasses condemned—3 cattle (excluding cows), 1 cow, 2 calves, — sheep and lambs, 3 pigs.

Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned— — cattle excluding cows), — cows, — calves, — sheep and lambs, — pigs.

Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis—0.6 per cent. cattle (excluding cows), 1.6 per cent. cows, 2.3 per cent. calves, — sheep and lambs, 0.5 pigs.

### **Public Health (Meat) Regulations, 1924.**

Meat Marking: Is scheme in force under above?—None.

If so, give particulars of action under same—

### **Other Foods.**

No. of samples (other than milk) taken by officers of L.A. for examination under the Food and Drugs (Adulteration) Act, 1928—None.

No. found adulterated—None. No. of prosecutions—None.

No. of Bakehouses in district—14. Total inspections—57.

Are any of Bakehouses underground, if so, how many?—None.

### **Schools.**

No. of Schols in District—23. No. visited by M.O.H.—3.

Action taken— Repairs to one Non-Provided School. Schools closed by M.O.H.—4, for measles and influenza.



### **Factories and Workshops.**

No. of smoke observations each of 30 minutes duration taken during 1937, No. of above showing excessive emission of black smoke, No. of cautions issued, No. of statutory notices issued, No. of prosecutions—No industrial chimneys in the district.

### **Shops Act, 1934, Sections 10 and 13 (3).**

No. of visits paid under the above Act during 1937—102.

Unsatisfactory conditions found—7 shops. Remedied—9 shops.

### **Bye-Laws and Regulations in force in District.**

Please give complete list of Byelaws and Regulations in force, and date of adoption in every case.

Scavenging, 1905. New Streets and Buildings, 1925. Slaughterhouses, 1926. Prevention of Nuisances, 1905. Tents, Vans and Sheds, 1937.

### **Infant Mortality.**

Any suggestions?—None.

Causes of any excessive Infant Mortality in 1937?—

### **Infectious and Other Diseases.**

Diseases specially prevalent in 1937—Spomadic Cases. State months—

Any diseases specially added to notifiable list?—None.

Any influences threatening the health of the District?—None.

Any arrangement for nursing Puerperal Fever cases? (for areas autonomous under the M. and C. W. Act, 1918), At Home—None. In Hospital—None.

### **Isolation Hospitals.**

General Infectious Diseases:—

Address of Hospital—Harrogate, Knaresborough and Wetherby Joint Isolation Hospital Committee.

Any change of extension in 1937—None.

Any disease in addition to scarlet fever, enteric fever or diphtheria e.g., pneumonia) treated in infectious diseases hospital—Smallpox.

Name of authority controlling—Harrogate, Knaresborough and Wetherby Joint Isolation Hospital Committee.

Smallpox:—

Address of Hospital—As before.

Any change of extension in 1937—None.

Name of authority controlling—As before.

### General Hospitals and Institutions.

- (a) General and Accident—Various. Address—Leeds, Harrogate and York.

Children's— Address—Leeds, Women and Children's.

- (b) Local: Hospital, Cottage— Address—None.

- (c) Maternity (Homes)—Various. Address—Leeds, Harrogate and York.

### Ambulance Services.

**For General Sick and Accident Cases:** Location of Ambulance—Wetherby, Ownership—Private, Type of Ambulance—Motor, Arrangements for Nurse to accompany patient—As required by Doctor, Charges (if any) to patients in district—

**For General Infectious Disease Cases:** Location of Ambulance—Knaresborough, Ownership—Harrogate, Knaresborough and Wetherby Joint Isolation Hospital Committee, Type of Ambulance—2 Motors, Arrangements for Nurse to accompany Patient—Yes, Charges (if any) to patients in district—None.

**For Smallpox:** Location of Ambulance—Knaresborough, Ownership—Harrogate, Knaresborough and Wetherby Joint Isolation Hospital Committee, Type of Ambulance—2 Motors, Arrangements for Nurse to accompany Patient—Yes, Charges (if any) to patients in district—None.

If ambulance of authority is used, please state terms and conditions—Harrogate Corporation by reciprocal agreement, for use of private ambulance arrangement, made by Council. Also use of York ambulance within a radius of 10 miles, Law Courts, York.

### Mortuaries. What accommodation—

- (a) for accidents—Poor Law Institution, Wetherby.  
(b) for infectious cases other than at hospital—None.  
(c) for other cases—None.  
(d) for post-mortem examinations—None.

Any suggestions by M.O.H.—Mortuary and P.M. Room needed in Wetherby.

**Bacteriology (County Laboratory).** Any suggestions?—Satisfactory.

**Burning Spoil Banks.** Any nuisance therefrom? If so, please give particulars—



### Sanitary Staff.

What is the present Annual Salary of the M.O.H.?—£133 6s. 8.

Sanitary Inspectors—

Name.	Sanitary Inspector.	Annual Salary.	Other Appts.	Salary.
Thos. V. Gray.	Senior.	£300	Surveyor & Pet. Ins.	£105
J. Marriott.	Additional	£185	Surveyor.	£85

Any Assistants?—Clerical Assistant.

Is Staff sufficient?—Need for additional clerical assistance.

Does M.O.H. receive copies of Memos. and Circulars distributed by Ministry of Health?—Yes.

### Special Reports and Investigations on any Subjects.

**Supplementary Remarks** as to Sanitary requirements of District, suggestions of M.O.H., and extended notes on any of the foregoing entries. Any suggestions as to need for County Clinics or Dispensaries, or as to existing Clinics or Dispensaries.

## TABLE D, 1937.

### HOUSING STATISTICS.

#### 1—Inspection of dwelling-houses during the year.

- (1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts—335.  
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose—1,444.
- (2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above), which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidation Regulations—191.  
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose—1,027.
- (3) Number of dwelling-houses needing further action—202.  
(a) Number considered to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation—14.  
(b) Number (excluding those in sub-head (3) (a) above) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation—44 Housing Act, 144 Public Health Act.

**Note:** Totals of (3) (a) and (b) should equal the figure given for (3).

#### 2—Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notices.

No. of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers—42 Housing Act, 176 Public Health Act.

#### 3—Action under Statutory Powers during the year.

A. Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16, Housing Act, 1936.

- (1) No. of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs—



- (2) No. of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices—
  - (a) By owners—
  - (b) By Local Authority in default of owners—

**B. Proceedings under Public Health Acts:—**

- (1) No. of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied—4.
- (2) No. of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices—4.
  - (a) By owners—4.
  - (b) By Local Authority in default of owners—

**C. Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:—**

- (1) No. of representations, etc., made in respect of dwelling-houses unfit for habitation—52.
- (2) No. of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made—31.
- (3) No. of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders—17.

**D. Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936:—**

- (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made—1.
- (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms, the Closing Orders in respect of which are determined, the tenement or rooms having been rendered fit—

**4—Unhealthy Areas.**

Have any areas been declared Clearance Areas during the year 1937?  
 If so, please give full particulars as to such, including situation, number of houses, population, and action taken relative thereto—  
 None.

**5.—Number of new houses erected during 1937.**

- (a) By the Local Authority—73.
- (b) By private enterprise—50.
- Total—123.

**6—Housing Conditions.**

- (1) Total number of houses in the District----
- (2) No. of working-class houses included in the above—
- (3) General observations as to housing conditions, overcrowding, and shortage of houses—Reconditioning and Slum clearance work carried out systematically. Overcrowding is dealt with as quickly as possible and is not extensive. There appears to be a need for working-class houses at low rentals in agricultural parishes for farm workers.



- (4) Any special activity in house building? If so, where?—Usual post-war progress in more urbanised parishes.
- (5) Any housing scheme projected by Local Authority? If so, please give particulars—42 houses in course of erection, contracts let for further 18, plans approved by Minister for 22 houses and several other schemes are contemplated in the near future.
- (6) Any regulations made in respect of underground sleeping rooms under Section 12, Housing Act, 1936?—No.

#### 7.—Town Planning.

- (1) Is the Council a member of any Regional Town Planning Committee? If so, which?—Yes, Leeds and Bradford Regional Town Planning Committee.
- (2) Is a Town Planning Scheme in force for
  - (a) The whole of the District—No.
  - (b) Part of the District—Yes.

If so, give particulars of scheme—No. 1 Schemes, 12 parishes, 28,791 acres, approaching final stage. No. 2 Scheme, approaching Draft Report stage, 10 parishes, 20,782 acres

- (3) Have Council during 1937 passed a Resolution deciding to prepare a Town Planning Scheme? If so, does it relate to:—
  - (a) Whole District?—No.
  - (b) Part of District?—Yes.
 If part only, please state which part—Part transferred under County Review Order from the Parish of Follifoot in Knaresborough R.D. to the Parish of Kirkby Overblow.

8.—Name and address of Officers designated to make inspections under the Housing Consolidation Regulations—Thos. V. Gray and John Marriott.

9.—Has any action been taken to improve the housing conditions of tuberculosis families in your District, either by way of building new or special houses, or the granting of special facilities for such families to be housed? If so, please state action taken—Sympathetic consideration in letting of Council houses.

#### 10.—Housing Act, 1936—Part IV—Overcrowding.

- (a) (1) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year—52.
- (2) Number of families dwelling therein—56.
- (3) Number of persons dwelling therein—393.
- (b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year—10.
- (c) (1) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year—20.
- (2) Number of persons concerned in such cases—133.

- (d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding—None known yet.
- (e) Any other particulars with respect to overcrowding conditions upon which the Medical Officer of Health may consider it desirable to report—Difficulty of establishing who are Agricultural Workers, as a workman may one day be working on a farm and the next working on highway work.



## FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS AND WORKPLACES.

### 1.—Inspection of Factories, Workshops and Workplaces.

INCLUDING INSPECTIONS MADE BY SANITARY  
INSPECTORS OR INSPECTORS OF NUISANCES.

Premises.	Inspection	Written Notices.	Occupiers prosecuted
<b>Factories</b> ... .. (Including Factory Laundries)	98	2	
<b>Workshops</b> ... .. (Including Workshop Laundries)	76	3	none
<b>Workplaces</b> ... .. (Other than Outworkers' premises)	62	1	
<b>Total</b> ... ..			

### 2.—Defects Found in Factories, Workshops and Workplaces.

Particulars.	Found.	Remedied.	Referred to H.M. Inspector.	Number of offences in respect of which Prosecutions were instituted.
<b>Nuisances under the Public Health Acts:—</b>				
Want of cleanliness ... ..	3	3	—	—
Want of ventilation ... ..				
Overcrowding ... ..				
Want of drainage of floors ... ..				
Other nuisances ... ..	14	14	—	—
Sanitary accommodation insufficient	5	5	—	—
unsuitable or defective ... ..				
not separate for sexes ... ..	1	1	—	—
<b>Offences under the Factory and Workshop Acts:—</b>				
Illegal occupation of underground bakehouse (s. 101) ... ..				
Other offences ... ..				
(Excluding offences relating to outwork and offences under the Sections mentioned in the Schedule to the Ministry of Health (Factories and Work- shops Transfer of Powers) Order, 1921.)				
<b>Total</b> ... ..	23	23	—	—

## Outwork in Unwholesome Premises, Section 108.

NATURE OF WORK.	Instances.	Notices Served.	Prosecutions
Wearing Apparel—			
Making, etc., ... ..			
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 ... ..			
Fur pulling ... ..			
Cables and chains ... ..			
Anchors and grapnels ... ..			
Cart gear ... ..			
Locks, latches and keys ... ..			
Umbrellas, etc. ... ..	N	O	N
Artificial flowers ... ..			E
Nets, other than wire nets ... ..			
Tents ... ..			
Sacks ... ..			
Racquet and tennis balls ... ..			
Paper, etc., boxes, paper bags ... ..			
Brush making ... ..			
Pea picking ... ..			
Feather sorting ... ..			
Carding, etc., of buttons, etc., ... ..			
Stuffed toys ... ..			
Basket making ... ..			
Chocolates and sweetmeats ... ..			
Cosaques, Christmas crackers, Christ- mas stockings, etc. ... ..			
Textile weaving ... ..			
Lampshades ... ..			
Total ... ..			





**Wetherby Rural District Council.**

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**ANNUAL REPORT**  
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**FOR THE YEAR 1937.**

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Public Health Department,  
Council Offices,  
Wetherby.  
February, 1938.

**TO THE WETHERBY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.**

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have to submit for your information and consideration my thirty-first Annual Report as your Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector, giving details of the work carried out in your Public Health Department during the year ended 31st December, 1937.

The most important items dealt with during the year have been in connection with Housing, Water Supplies, Overcrowding, Camping and Meat Inspection.

The Housing and Town Planning Committee have again had a busy period and the No. 1 Scheme under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, would have been completed for submission to the Ministry of Health had not difficulties arisen in regard to certain roads and private open spaces. The No. 2 Scheme under the same Act is approaching the Draft report stage.

In regard to Housing, very considerable progress has been made, as will be outlined later.

A supplementary Slum Clearance programme affecting 44 houses was prepared and submitted to the Ministry of Health on the 10th February, 1937.

The original Five Year Programme was for 81 houses, later extended to 85, and since the submission of the supplementary scheme a further eight dwellings have been added, making a



total of 137 houses in the Slum Clearance Scheme. It is interesting to note that 103 Demolition Orders are operative, one Closing Order issued, 14 undertakings accepted to discontinue use as a dwelling and nine undertakings accepted to recondition, leaving 10 houses still under consideration by the Council.

The following table shows the full details of the Slum Clearance Scheme, outlining the work carried out during 1937, and also the final position of the work at the 31st December, 1937:—

#### SLUM CLEARANCE.

	1937.	Total Schemes.
Houses subject to official representations ... ..	52	137
(a) Demolition Orders issued ... ..	31	103
(b) Closing Orders issued ... ..	1	1
(c) Undertakings to disuse as dwellings ... ..	3	14
(d) Undertakings to recondition dwellings ... ..	7	9
	42	127
(a) Houses demolished ... ..	17	39
(b) Houses reconditioned per undertaking ... ..	1	3
(c) Houses converted to other uses as per undertaking	—	11
(d) Condemned houses awaiting re-housing ... ..	—	45
(e) Vacant condemned houses awaiting demolition ...	—	25
(f) Houses subject to undertakings not yet executed (excluding three houses in item (d)) ... ..	—	6
		127
Houses still under consideration by the Council ... ..		10
Families re-housed ... ..	40	57

Fifty Council houses were completed during 1937, and a further 42 were in course of erection at the close of the year.

The rebuilding programme has not progressed as satisfactory as had been anticipated, due partially to the shortage of skilled labour. The following table gives details of the progress made in connection with re-housing generally:—

## Details of Re-housing Progress since 1933.

Parish	Contracts let prior to 1937.			Contracts let during 1937.			Complete to date.	In Course of erection.
	Slum Clearance Subsidy.	Non-Subsidy	Slum Clearance Subsidy.	Overcrowding Subsidy.	Non-Subsidy	Total		
Bardsey ...	—	—	1	—	3	4	—	4
Boston Spa ...	7	1	—	4	—	12	8	4
Bramham ...	4	2	—	4	—	10	6	4
Clifford ...	3	1	—	4	—	8	4	4
Collingham ...	3	1	6	5	1	16	4	12
Kirk Deighton	2	—	—	—	—	2	2	—
Long Marston	4	—	—	—	—	4	4	—
North Rigton	6	—	—	—	—	6	6	—
Spofforth ...	5	1	—	2	—	8	6	2
Thorner ...	9	1	—	—	—	10	10	—
Weeton ...	1	1	—	—	—	2	2	—
Wetherby ...	10	6	10	7	7	40	16	8
Wighill ...	5	1	1	1	—	8	2	4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>42</b>



Forty-two houses have been reconditioned under the Housing Act, 1936, and 134 under the Public Health Acts, whilst 17 were demolished under the Housing Act, 1936, eight were demolished in connection with improvement schemes, one converted to other uses, and one closed voluntarily.

The Kearby water scheme was completed in the early part of the year with the exception of the automatic switch gear which is to operate the pumps to the small high level reservoir. Unfortunately this has not yet been put into operation and as a consequence has necessitated hand operation during the period since water was available.

The first house connection in Kearby was made on the 12th May, and as outlined later, good progress has been made with the connections and many polluted wells have been closed.

The Eastern Area Scheme has progressed slowly but surely and the 12-inch borehole to a depth of 200 feet was completed and tested for capacity in June. This test consisted of a fortnight's continuous pumping, day and night, at the rate of 5,500 gallons per hour. During the test the water level in the borehole did not drop more than 15 feet and within a very short time it rose to its normal rest level of 62 feet below ground level.

Samples of the water were submitted for chemical and bacteriological examination on the 14th July, and, as shown by a copy of the analysts' report hereunder, the quality of the water is very satisfactory although rather hard.

#### CHEMICAL ANALYSIS.

Grains per gallon:—

Total solid matters ... ..	28.0
Chlorine (combined) ... ..	1.1
Nitrates ... ..	None
Nitrogen as nitrates ... ..	Trace
Free Ammonia ... ..	.0007
Albuminoid Ammonia ... ..	.0007
Lead, Copper, Zinc ... ..	None
Total Hardness (Clark's scale) ... ..	20.0
p.H. value ... ..	6.8

This is a water of good organic purity suitable for drinking and domestic purposes.



## BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION.

### Bacterial Content.

Average number of organisms developing on agar plates incubated for two days at 37deg. C.—221 per ml. of water. Average number of organisms developing on agar plates incubated for three days at 22deg. C.—275 per ml. of water.

### Presumptive *B. coli*.

None in 100 ml. of water.

The examination shows that this water is satisfactory, provided that an investigation of the conditions of the source has shown that these are satisfactory.

During the year, after correspondence with the Ministry of Health, it was agreed to delete from the scheme the Parish of Angram because of the excessive cost of extending the mains to this Parish and the small number of houses concerned, and it was also agreed to extend the supply to the Parish of Wighill.

The contract for the laying of the mains and the construction of the reservoir was let to Mr J. Elliott, of Bishop Auckland, the amount of the tender being £10,427, and the work actually commenced later in the same month.

I hope that before the next annual report is compiled the scheme will have been completed and substantial progress made with the laying on of water to the houses in the seven townships and also that many of the polluted wells will have been closed.

A considerable amount of time was taken up with work under the Overcrowding Act, 1935 (now incorporated in the Housing Act, 1936), in the completion of the housing survey and the checking of rent books, etc.

During the year new Bye-laws governing Camping Sites and the erection of moveable dwellings were put into operation and consideration given to the supervision of these in conjunction with Sections 268-9 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

No less than 1090 inspections were made of Cowsheds in the District, which is rather better than a year ago. There were 18 cowsheds repaired, 13 reconstructed, six new ones erected, and two closed.

There has been greatly increased activity in the building of new houses during 1937, the total completed being the largest, with the exception of two years, since 1920.



The following table shows at a glance the number of houses completed during each of the post-war years:—

#### DETAILS OF HOUSES ERECTED DURING THE LAST 18 YEARS.

Year.	No. of houses.	Year.	No. of Houses.
1920 ... ..	17	1929 ... ..	101
1921 ... ..	39	1930 ... ..	67
1922 ... ..	50	1931 ... ..	74
1923 ... ..	50	1932 ... ..	158
1924 ... ..	65	1933 ... ..	102
1925 ... ..	79	1934 ... ..	66
1926 ... ..	65	1935 ... ..	101
1927 ... ..	189	1936 ... ..	71
1928 ... ..	100	1937 ... ..	125

Total for 18 years:—1519.

I also send a table showing the number of houses in course of erection on the 31st December, 1937, and also the townships, where such progress is taking place:—

#### HOUSES IN COURSE OF ERECTION, 1st. JANUARY, 1938.

Parish.	No. of Houses.		Total.
	Private.	W.R.D.C.	
Bardsey ... ..	14	4	18
Bramham ... ..	—	4	4
Boston Spa ... ..	7	4	11
Clifford ... ..	1	4	5
Collingham ... ..	6	12	18
Harewood ... ..	7	—	7
Kirk Deighton ... ..	4	—	4
Scarcroft ... ..	7	—	7
Spofforth ... ..	—	2	2
Thorner ... ..	1	—	1
Wetherby ... ..	16	8	24
Wighill ... ..	—	6	6
Totals ... ..	63	44	107

One hundred-and-fourteen houses have been connected to the sewers and I feel compelled to again point out that the increase of building and the gradual conversion in all the villages to the water carriage system is taxing several of the sewage disposal works to their utmost capacity.

The increased volume of sewage has necessitated greatly increased supervision to all the sewage works, but more especially to Spofforth, Thorner, Weeton, Boston Spa, Bramham and Clifford. Although the effluents have been kept to the standard of the West Riding Rivers Board, the task has gradually become more difficult.



During the year the area covered by Public Cleansing has been considerably extended, and the undermentioned table shows the parishes where the scavenging powers of the Council are in operation and the contractors to whom the work has been let:—

Parish.	Contractor.
Bramham ... ..	J. M. Skinner.
Collingham (including part Linton) ... ..	P. Fletcher and Son.
Clifford ... ..	J. Dawson.
Kirk Deighton ... ..	J. R. Swales.
Harewood (including townships of Dunkeswick, Weardley, Wigton and Wike ... ..	Not yet let.
Spofforth ... ..	C. Wilson.
Thorner ... ..	H. Warrington.
Thorp Arch ... ..	Not yet let.
Weeton ... ..	L. Hardisty.
Boston Spa ... ..	By direct labour.
Wetherby (including Micklethwaite and part Linton) ...	do. do.

In regard to the parishes of Harewood and Thorp Arch, the Council's resolution, in each case, to adopt scavenging powers has been approved by the Minister of Health but contracts for the work have not yet been let.

During the year a Sub-Committee was appointed to consider the whole subject of house scavenging, especially in reference to extending public cleansing to other parishes, the possibilities of motor transport and direct labour, and also the question of controlled tips.

The progress in connection with the conversion of privies to water closets continues apace, 25 pail closets and 29 privy middens being converted to water closets and 53 new or additional water closets were constructed, making a total of 107. This is quite apart and additional to the 129 water closets, two earth closets and two chemical closets constructed in connection with new houses completed during the year.

Considerable attention has been given to meat inspection. Four hundred-and-fifty-three inspections of Slaughterhouses, 107 of Butchers' Shops, and 63 emergency slaughterings, have been made during the year, whilst 3897 lbs. of meat were condemned and destroyed as a result of these inspections.

Notifications of Zymotic disease numbered 50, which figure reveals a slight increase over the preceding year. I would, however, again stress the fact that it is 15 years since we had anything approaching an epidemic of infectious disease in the district, notwithstanding the continued community of interest



with the large industrial centres of the West Riding and the existence of a new child population of school age; this immunity is also encouraged by the prompt removal to hospital of the patient and disinfection of the premises immediately on receipt of notification that a case of infectious disease has arisen.

### PUBLIC LAVATORIES.

The schemes considered during 1936 and the early part of 1937 have definitely been placed on one side for the present.

The existing conveniences in Wetherby were erected in 1921 at a cost of £331 and paid for out of the general rate fund.

During the 16 years since their completion there has been a working profit of £93 9s. 6d. which has gone to the relief of the rates in addition to providing a very useful and necessary public service.

During 1937 a male attendant has been appointed and the female attendant retained. This has increased the expenditure, also the sum of £10 10s. Architect's Fees in connection with the new plans referred to above is included in the year's expenditure, hence the surplus is very much reduced for the past 12 months.

The following table gives full financial details for the past 10 years:—

Year.	Income.	Expenditure.	Surplus.
1937 ... ..	64 9 11	59 11 6	4 18 5
1936 ... ..	49 15 0	40 16 9	8 19 1
1935 ... ..	49 19 3	38 0 9	11 18 6
1934 ... ..	46 13 9	31 4 4	15 9 5
1933 ... ..	40 16 0	34 0 5	6 15 7
1932 ... ..	43 2 10	37 10 2½	5 12 7½
1931 ... ..	44 6 1	28 9 6½	15 16 6½
1930 ... ..	42 4 11	30 11 3	11 13 8
1929 ... ..	38 4 5	25 5 7	12 18 10
1928 ... ..	34 12 0	32 12 9	1 19 3

### NUISANCES.

There is again an increase in the number of outstanding nuisances compared with recent years, but this is partially accounted for by a large number of condemned wells, etc., which should tend to diminish during the ensuing period.

The number of nuisances found was 1,353 and of these 788 were house nuisances; 1,335 nuisances were abated.

There were 155 nuisances unabated on December 31st, 1936, therefore the total of unabated nuisances at the close of 1937 was 173.



## HOUSE DRAINAGE, ETC.

There has been a further increase in the number of houses connected to the Wetherby Joint Sewage Scheme, and the following table shows at a glance the number of houses connected thereto in each of the parishes served by the scheme:—

Parish	No. of Houses.
Bardsey ... ..	315
Collingham ... ..	293
East Keswick ... ..	165
Kirk Deighton ... ..	94
Scarcroft ... ..	64
Wetherby ... ..	804
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(included licenced premises)	1735
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The average number of persons per house in your District is 3.69 and therefore this gives an estimated total of 6,402 who are now served by these works.

At Wigton, in the Harewood Parish, 12 additional houses were connected to the Leeds Corporation Sewers, making a total of 14.

There were 41 houses connected to the various other sewerage schemes in the district.

There were 397 new drains constructed, etc., 99 drains were reconstructed, and 14 new disconnection chambers built in connection with conversion work, reconditioning of houses, etc. This work enabled 14 cesspools to be abolished and the drainage of nine houses removed from streams.

The following table gives details of the progress during the past 20 years of conversions to the water carriage system:—

**TABLE OF CONVERSIONS TO W.C.'s.**

Year.	Privy Middens to W.C.'s.		Pail Closets to W.C.'s.		New W.C.'s.		Total.
1937	...	29	...	25	...	53	107
1936	...	26	...	11	...	52	89
1935	...	53	...	15	...	23	101
1934	...	51	...	51	...	27	129
1933	...	39	...	28	...	52	119
1932	...	21	...	12	...	42	75
1931	...	15	...	2	...	55	72
1930	...	11	...	6	...	45	62
1929	...	9	...	8	...	57	74
1928	...	37	...	18	..	47	102
1927	...	17	...	26	...	38	81
1926	...	12	...	4	...	41	57



1925	...	5	...	9	...	40	...	53
1924	...	4	...	13	...	40	...	57
1923	...	18	...	9	...	36	...	63
1922	...	27	...	8	...	34	...	69
1921	...	5	...	5	...	32	...	42
1920	...	18	...	22	...	29	...	69
1919	...	12	...	2	...	21	...	35
1918	...	2	...	2	...	5	...	9
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Total	...	410		276		779		1465

### SEWERAGE SCHEMES AND SEWAGE WORKS.

The large extensions during recent years of the sewers throughout your district has called for more supervision and has necessitated increased attention to the various disposal works and has also enhanced the difficulty of suitably disposing of the sludge product.

The works generally have had constant attention and very few complaints have been received from the controlling authority.

Additional assistance will be required to give the inspection necessary to the growing miles of sewers for which your Council are responsible.

I have already outlined the works which are now working at full pressure.

The following extensions of public sewers have been carried out by private enterprise in connection with Estate development during 1937 and will become the responsibility of the Council:—

190yds. ... .. 12" sewer.  
1707yds. ... .. 9" sewer.  
2520yds. ... .. 6" sewer.

With 66 sewer manholes and three ventilating shafts.

The following private sewer extensions have been carried out since October 1st, 1937, and are therefore not vested in the Council unless they declare them to be public sewers under Section 17 of the Public Health Act, 1936:—

40yds. ... .. 9" sewer.  
335yds. ... .. 6" sewer.

Including six sewer manholes.

During the period under review four defective sewers were repaired and four choked sewers were unstopped and cleansed.

### HOUSE CONSTRUCTION AND NEW BUILDINGS.

Increased activity in the building trade is outlined in the following table:—

# **DETAILS OF HOUSES COMPLETED DURING 1937.**

Parish.	Houses erected.		Rooms per		No. of
	Private.	W.R.D.C.	House.	Total	W.C.'s, etc.
Bardsey ... ..	1	—	4	4	1
do. ... ..	8	—	5	40	8
do. ... ..	7	—	6	42	8
do. ... ..	4	—	7	28	4
Bramham ... ..	—	6	4	24	6
Boston Spa ... ..	3	8	4	44	11
do. ... ..	1	—	5	5	1
do. ... ..	2	—	6	12	2
Bickerton with					(2) E.C.
Bilton ... ..	4	—	4	16	(2) Chemical
Clifford ... ..	1	—	7	7	2
Collingham ... ..	1	—	5	5	1
do. ... ..	1	—	6	6	1
do. ... ..	3	—	7	21	3
do. ... ..	2	—	9	18	4
Harewood ... ..	1	—	7	7	2
do. ... ..	1	—	9	9	2
Kirk Deighton ...	—	2	4	8	2
do. ... ..	6	—	5	30	6
Kirkby Overblow	1	—	4	4	1
do. ... ..	1	—	5	5	1
do. ... ..	2	—	8	16	2
N. Rigton ... ..	—	6	4	24	6
Scarcroft ... ..	2	—	4	8	2
do. ... ..	4	—	6	24	4
do. ... ..	1	—	7	7	2
Thorner ... ..	1	6	4	28	7
do. ... ..	1	—	5	5	1
do. ... ..	—	4	6	24	4
Walton ... ..	—	2	4	8	2
do. ... ..	1	—	7	7	3
do. ... ..	1	—	5	5	1
Wetherby ... ..	—	16	4	64	16
do. ... ..	12	—	5	60	12
Totals ... ..	73	50	—	605	129 + 2 E.C. + 2 Chemical

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## **TABLE OF PLANS APPROVED DURING THE YEAR 1937.**

**With Corresponding Details for the Three Previous Years.**

No. of Plans.				Type of Building.	No. of Buildings on such Plans.			
1934	1935	1936	1937		1934	1935	1936	1937
63	73	51	50	New Houses ... ..	112	129	101	71
4	2	8	13	Council Houses ... ..	14	6	54	96
30	29	28	37	Additions and	34	31	33	56
				Alterations to Houses				
2	4	4	4	Conversions to	2	4	4	6
				Houses				
2	2	5	9	Farm Buildings ... ..	2	2	7	12
9	13	15	15	Workshops and	9	14	15	17
				Garages				



62	82	71	77	Temporary Buildings	65	82	77	81
4	1	3	6	Licensed Premises				
				(Alterations, etc) ...	4	1	3	6
—	1	4	13	Shops ... ..	—	1	4	13
2	—	3	6	Petrol Pumps ... ..	2	—	8	6
—	—	—	—	R.C. Church ... ..	—	—	—	—
—	1	—	—	Slaughterhouse ... ..	—	1	—	—
—	3	1	—	Electrical Sub-	—	3	1	—
				Stations				
—	—	1	—	Council Offices	—	—	1	—
				(W.R.D.C.)				
—	—	1	—	Golf House ... ..	—	—	1	—
—	11	6—	9	Sewer Details ... ..	—	—	—	—
7	9	14	7	Estate Plans ... ..	—	—	—	—
34	2	23	25	Miscellaneous ... ..	17	2	27	26
219	232	237	271		291	405	335	393

## HOUSING.

### Summary of Work under Housing Acts.

<b>1. Dwelling-House Inspection.</b>		
a.	Total Houses inspected (H.A. and P.H.A.) ... ..	335
b.	Number of inspections on housing work ... ..	1444
c.	Houses recorded under Consolidation Regs. ... ..	191
d.	Houses found unfit for habitation ... ..	14
e.	Houses found defective but repairable	
	Housing Acts, 1925-36 ... ..	52
	Public Health Act, 1936 ... ..	144
f.	Houses found satisfactory ... ..	125
<b>2. Remedy of Defects.</b>		
a.	Houses reconditioned under Section 9 H.A., 1936 ...	42
b.	Houses repaired under Public Health Act, 1936 ...	176
c.	Housing notices served but works not commenced ...	19
d.	Houses with work in hand at year-end ... ..	13
e.	Inspected houses awaiting attention ... ..	76
<b>3. Slum Clearance.</b>		
a.	Houses demolished per Demolition Orders ... ..	17
b.	Demolition Orders operative—awaiting re-housing ...	45
c.	Undertakings accepted to disuse as dwelling ... ..	3
d.	Undertakings accepted to recondition dwellings ... ..	7
e.	Houses still under consideration by the Council ... ..	10
f.	Houses demolished informally ... ..	8
g.	Houses voluntarily closed ... ..	2
<b>4. Overcrowding.</b>		
a.	Number of houses measured for Permitted Numbers	285
b.	Total number of houses measured up-to-date ... ..	4351
c.	Number of Permitted Numbers issued to owners ...	3379
d.	Number of amended Permitted Numbers issued	
	(owing to houses being altered, etc.) ... ..	30
e.	Number of rent-books inspected for insertion of P.No.	672

f.	Number of dwellings overcrowded at end of 1937 ... ..	52
g.	i. No. of families therein ... ..	56
	ii. No. of inmates therein ... ..	393
h.	Number of new cases of overcrowding during 1937 ...	10
i.	i. No. of new cases of overcrowding abated during 1937	10
	ii. No. of persons concerned in such cases' ... ..	133
j.	Number of overcrowded cases in process of being abated ... ..	30

#### 5. List of Demolished Houses.

Wetherby (Crossley Exors.—Caxton Street) ... ..	4
Wetherby (Webster—Market Place) ... ..	2
Wetherby (Fox—Bank Street) ... ..	2
Boston Spa (Dobson—High Street) ... ..	3
Boston Spa (Dalby—Springfield) ... ..	3
Boston Spa (Lady Allerton—Bridgefoot) ... ..	1
Bramham (Wilkinson—Town Hill) ... ..	2
Wetherby (Littlewood—Westgate) ... ..	1
Kearby (Clap Gate Cottages) ... ..	4
North Rigton (Lascelles—Bunkers Hill) ... ..	3

#### Closed Voluntarily.

Scarcroft (Braithwaite—Lake Cottage) ... ..	1
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#### Converted to Office.

Harewood (Lascelles—13, The Avenue) ... ..	1
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### HOUSING DEFECTS.

	H.A.	P.H.A.
Number of Houses dealt with ... ..	42	176
"  "  "  made into through houses ... ..	6	—
"  "  "  obstructive buildings demolished	17	5
"  "  "  with land lowered to below floor level ... ..	5	1
"  "  "  with yards concreted ... ..	21	10
"  "  "  with yards repaired ... ..	10	3
"  "  "  with buildings repaired ... ..	11	2
"  "  "  sanitary conveniences converted or repaired ... ..	39	84
"  "  "  drainage work carried out ... ..	34	53
"  "  "  new sinks provided ... ..	27	26
"  "  "  improved water supply ... ..	5	20
"  "  "  roofs repaired ... ..	33	13
"  "  "  chimney stacks repaired ... ..	70	5
"  "  "  walls pointed and repaired ... ..	30	7
"  "  "  floors renewed or repaired ... ..	30	10
"  "  "  internal plastering repaired ... ..	34	3
"  "  "  dampness remedied ... ..	29	12
"  "  "  increased window area provided	27	5
"  "  "  improved ventilation ... ..	35	5
"  "  "  new food stores provided ... ..	15	4
"  "  "  food stores repaired ... ..	12	4
"  "  "  miscellaneous defects remedied including staircases, cup- boards, doors, coppers, etc. ...	42	34

There has been a welcome increase of interest in connection with the Rural Worker's Act, 1926, and it is a gratifying



record that under this Act, 5 houses were enlarged and reconditioned at Harewood with the assistance of a grant from the West Riding County Council.

Grants have also been promised for other 7 houses at Harewood and 3 houses at Bardsey, and applications for 4 at Angram and Hutton Wandesley and 3 at Tockwith are under consideration by the County Council.

### COUNCIL OWNED SCHEMES.

The following table gives full information regarding the houses owned by your Council:—

#### DETAILS OF COUNCIL HOUSES.

Parish.	Type—PARLOUR.			NON-PARLOUR.				Total
	2 beds	3 beds	4 beds	1 bed	2 beds	3 beds	4 beds	
Bardsey	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	6
Bilton	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	4
Foston Spa	2†	8	...	1†	4†	67	...	82
"	...	...	...	...	...	7*	...	7*
Bramham	...	6	...	...	...	46	...	52
"	...	...	...	...	...	4*	...	4*
Clifford	...	10	...	...	...	29	...	39
"	...	...	...	...	2*	1*	...	3*
Collingham	...	8	...	...	...	25	...	33
"	...	...	...	...	...	3*	...	3*
N. Deighton	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	4
East Keswick	...	6	...	...	...	16	...	22
Kirk Deighton	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	12
"	...	...	...	...	...	2*	...	2*
Kirkby	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Overblow	...	11	...	...	...	2	...	13
Long Marston	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	6
"	...	...	...	...	2*	...	2*	4*
North Rigton	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	4*
"	...	...	...	...	...	6*	...	6*
Spofforth	...	6	...	...	...	23	...	29
"	...	...	...	...	2*	2*	1*	5*
Thorner	...	16	3	...	...	32	...	51
"	...	...	3*	...	...	6*	...	9*
Tockwith	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	4
Walton	...	...	...	...	...	4	2	6
Weeton	...	21	...	...	...	1	...	22
"	...	...	...	...	...	1*	...	1
Wetherby	...	64	...	...	...	62	...	126
"	...	...	...	...	...	10*	...	10*
Wighill	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4
"	...	...	...	...	...	...	2*	2*
Wigton	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Totals	2	164	6	1	10	379	15	577

\*Houses erected for slum clearance.

†Houses bought by the Council and reconditioned.

Council houses in course of erection — 40 houses and 2 bungalows

Contracts not yet commenced — — — 12 " 6 "

Plans approved by Minister of Health — 18 " 6 "

1 in 8.4 private houses in the Wetherby R.D. is a council-owned house.

Preceding tables outline the works carried out in connection with the abatement of overcrowding whilst satisfactory progress is being made in the issue of Permitted Nos. and the checking of entries in rent books.

The total number of houses now measured and recorded is 4,351 out of 4,846 houses in the district. Owing to alterations and extensions to houses it has been found necessary to re-survey 30 houses and issue amended Permitted Nos., and it is apparent that this work will take up a certain amount of time in the future.

### REVIEW OF COUNCIL HOUSE RENTS.

The attached table shows the rents of Council houses prior to the 1937 Rent Review.

#### ECONOMIC RENTS.

Summary of Rents in operation prior to Rent Review Scheme, 1937.

Total No. Houses.	Weekly Rents and No. of Houses thereon.						Economic Rents of Houses.
	5/-	5/6	7/-	7/6	8/-	8/6	
4 .....	—	4	—	—	—	—	7/10
16 .....	—	16	—	—	—	—	8/11
6 .....	—	6	—	—	—	—	9/2
62 .....	12	50	—	—	—	—	9/4
64 .....	64	—	—	—	—	—	9/5
4 .....	4	—	—	—	—	—	9/7
82 .....	—	82	—	—	—	—	9/8
18 .....	18	—	—	—	—	—	9/11
14 .....	—	14	—	—	—	—	10/-
4 .....	4	—	—	—	—	—	10/7
4 .....	—	4	—	—	—	—	10/10
26 .....	26	—	—	—	—	—	11/3
2 .....	2	—	—	—	—	—	12/-
8 .....	—	—	8	—	—	—	12/3
10 .....	—	—	10	—	—	—	12/4
32 .....	—	2	20	—	—	10	12/5
21 .....	—	—	—	—	—	21	12/6
16 .....	—	—	8	—	—	8	12/7
72 .....	—	—	—	—	8	64	12/8
11 .....	—	—	11	—	—	—	12/11
12 .....	—	—	—	10	2	—	13/1
4 .....	—	—	—	—	4	—	13/4
8 .....	—	—	2	2	4	—	13/7
500	130	178	59	12	18	103	

These totals exclude the seven re-conditioned houses at Boston Spa and houses erected for re-housing purposes.



## SUMMARY OF RENTS CHARGED FOR HOUSES UNDER SLUM CLEARANCE SCHEMES.

2/4 ... ..	1	5/6 ... ..	23
3/2 ... ..	1	5/8 ... ..	16
4/6 ... ..	2	6/- ... ..	3
4/- ... ..	7	6/6 ... ..	4
5/- ... ..	2	9/- ... ..	11

Total:—70 houses.

Your Housing Committee when they had carefully considered the question of Council Rents decided that all families with an income of more than £4 weekly should have their rents reviewed and in 50 cases increase of rent ranging from 10 pence to 6/6d. per week were decided upon.

Families with very small incomes and with special circumstances were also given careful attention, and reductions were made varying from 6d. to 4/6d. per week.

It was also decided that the limit of income of applicants for Council houses be fixed at £4 per week.

The rents now vary from 3/- to 13/1. plus rates.

The complete all-in-cost of your house varies from £317 to £638 per house.

The rent roll has now risen from £8,528 per annum a year ago to £9,100 1s. 0d. and the total arrears at the last accounting period was £86 9s. 3d. compared with £61 9s. 11d. and £77 11s. 8d. in previous years respectively.

The amount of the Repair and Maintenance Fund at March 31st, 1937, was £6,678 6s. 7d., and the amount of the Housing Equalization Fund at the same date was £5,578 0s. 8d. compared with £4,852 19s. 3d. a year ago.

### RAG AND FLOCK ACT, 1911.

There are only 3 establishments in the district to which this act applies, and it has not been found necessary to take any action during the year.

### WATER SUPPLIES.

I have already outlined the progress made with the Kearby and Eastern Area Schemes.

The total number of water samples collected during 1937 was 35 and the results of analysis were as follows:—

	Good	Suspicious	Polluted	Total
Chemical .....	14	7	2	23
Bacteriological .....	5	2	5	12
	—	—	—	—
	19	9	7	35
	—	—	—	—

This compares with an average of 71 during the past 10 years and with 56.30 and 95 in the years 1936, 1935, 1931 respectively.

18 houses were provided during the year with a pure supply of water in lieu of polluted supplies, leaving an outstanding total of 195 houses with supplies of suspicious purity at 31st December, 1937. It is anticipated that many of these houses will be supplied from the Eastern Area Scheme before my next Annual Report.

## INSPECTION AND DISINFECTION.

### Zymotic Disease.

69 visits have been made during the year to infected premises and 45 premises have been disinfected. As already mentioned there were 50 cases of Zymotic disease during 1937 which was an increase of 20 on the previous year. Of this total 32 were Scarlet Fever, 7 Diphtheria, 1 Enteric Fever and 6 Erysipelas. Full details of the cases are given in following tables:—



# INFECTIOUS DISEASE, 1937.

	Scarlet Fever		Diphtheria		Typhoid		Enteric		P. Pyrexia		Erysipelas		Oph. N.	
	Not.	Rem.	Not.	Rem.	Not.	Rem.	Not.	Rem.	Not.	Rem.	Not.	Rem.	Not.	Rem.
Bardsey with Rington	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bickerton	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bilton	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Boston Spa	...	1	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bramham with Oglethorpe	6	6	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clifford	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Collingham	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cowthorpe	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Deighton North	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dunkeswick	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hutton Wandesley	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Keswick East	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	...
Kirk Deighton	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Linton	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Long Marston	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Thorparch	...	...	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Tockwith	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Weeton	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wetherby	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...
Wigton	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	32	30	...	7	...	6	...	1	...	2	...	6	1	...

## **TUBERCULOSIS REGULATIONS, 1912.**

17 new cases of tuberculosis were notified during the year, compared with 14, 12, and 18 in the preceding years. 14 of the notifications were in respect of Pulmonary Tuberculosis and 3 of other types. 5 cases have been removed from the Register and there have been 9 deaths of registered persons, leaving 66 cases on the Register at the end of the year.

The following table gives full details:—



# TUBERCULOSIS, 1937.

	NOTIFIED,				DIED				REMOVED FOR OTHER REASONS.			
	Pulmonary		Non Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non Pulmonary	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Boston Spa	...	2	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
Bramham with Oglethorpe	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clifford	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Collingham	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Harewood	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Keswick East	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Micklethwaite	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Rigton	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sicklinghall	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Spofforth with Stockeld	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Thorner	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Thorparch	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tockwith	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Weeton	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Wetherby	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...
Wike	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Totals	7	7	1	2	3	6	—	—	2	2	1	—

## PNEUMONIA REGULATIONS.

12 cases of pneumonia have been notified during the past twelve months compared with 11, 5, and 17 in previous years.

### PNEUMONIA NOTIFICATIONS, 1937.

	Pneumonia Unclassified.	Lobar Pneu- monia.	Broncho Pneu- monia.	Acute Primary Pneumonia.	Acute Influenzal Pneumonia.
Boston Spa ... ..	—	2	1	—	—
Clifford ... ..	—	—	1	—	—
Collingham ... ..	—	1	—	—	—
Deighton North ...	—	1	—	—	—
Keswick East ... ..	—	1	—	—	—
Weeton ... ..	—	—	—	—	3
Wigton ... ..	1	—	—	—	—
Wetherby ... ..	—	—	—	1	—
<b>Total ... ..</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>

### COWSHEDS, DAIRIES, MILKSHOPS, ETC.

Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) Act, 1915.

Milk and Dairies (Amendment) Act, 1922.

Milk and Dairies Order, 1926.

1,090 visits of inspection have been made to registered Cowsheds during 1937 and 68 visits to Dairies and Milkshops.

The following table shows at a glance the work carried out in securing the improvement of premises and the methods of milk production.

### COWSHEDS REPAIRS COMPLETED.

Cowsheds repaired ... ..	18
do. reconstructed ... ..	13
do. new ... ..	6
do. closed ... ..	2
New floors ... ..	13
Floors repaired ... ..	10
Drainage work ... ..	11
Drains repaired ... ..	4
New concrete paving ... ..	23
Internal reconstruction ... ..	12
Additional light ... ..	17
Existing windows repaired ... ..	8
Additional ventilation ... ..	16
Roofs repaired ... ..	5
New Cooling Houses ... ..	5
New Sterilising Houses ... ..	7
New Combined Milk Rooms ... ..	1
Cooling Houses repaired ... ..	5
Water Supply improved ... ..	1
Manure accumulation removed ... ..	10



Dirty Cowsheds ... ..	51
Dirty Milk Stools ... ..	21
Miscellaneous matters ... ..	40

#### Accredited Milk Inspections.

No. of farms visited for W.R.C.C. ... ..	3
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There are now 318 farms producing milk and butter in the District having a total of 501 Cowsheds and standings for approximately 4,450 cows.

### TABLE OF COWSHEDS IN THE DISTRICT.

Parish.	Cowsheds.	Cows.	Wholesale.	Retail.	Butter Makers.	Retail Milk Purveyors.
Angram ... ..	3	14	—	2	1	2
Bardsey ... ..	31	279	10	6	—	14
Bickerton with Bilton ... ..	15	79	—	7	7	7
Boston Spa ... ..	5	22	1	2	—	6
Bramham ... ..	21	214	10	6	—	12
Clifford ... ..	10	65	3	4	—	7
Collingham ... ..	13	124	2	4	3	7
Deighton North	4	24	—	2	2	2
Harewood ... ..	87	855	29	12	—	22
Hutton						
Wandesley ... ..	5	61	2	—	2	2
Kearby ... ..	35	293	10	5	5	5
Keswick East	23	190	7	3	1	5
Kirk Deighton	16	201	3	5	3	9
Kirkby						
Overblow ... ..	27	309	10	2	1	10
Long Marston	10	67	2	3	5	4
Ribston Little	6	43	—	5	1	4
Rigton ... ..	36	263	8	4	9	7
Scarcroft ... ..	14	157	5	1	—	4
Sicklinghall ... ..	12	88	4	3	2	6
Spofforth ... ..	30	311	11	8	4	8
Thorner ... ..	25	260	11	1	3	11
Tockwith ... ..	13	63	1	6	5	5
Thorp Arch ... ..	9	69	3	4	—	5
Walton ... ..	8	60	1	4	2	6
Weeton ... ..	18	136	5	5	3	8
Wetherby ... ..	6	75	2	3	—	9
Wighill ... ..	10	67	2	5	3	6
Wilstrop ... ..	5	26	—	—	4	1
Wothersome ... ..	4	30	1	—	—	—
<b>Total ... ..</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>4450</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>194</b>

### **MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) ORDER, 1936.**

Licences in force in this District for the production of Accredited and Tuberculin Tested Milk are as follows:—

Accredited Milk ... ..	26
Tuberculin Tested ... ..	4
	—
Total	30
	—

### **VETERINARY INSPECTION.**

The following information is provided by the courtesy of the Chief Veterinary Inspector of the West Riding County Council:—

No. of Premises Inspected ... ..	538
No. of Clinical Examinations ... ..	8238
No. of Milk Samples ... ..	69
No. of Expectorate Samples ... ..	29
No. of Animals Slaughtered for T.B. ... ..	60
No. of Cases of Mastitis ... ..	6

### **FOOD AND DRUGS.**

#### **Food and Drugs (Consolidation) Act, 1928.**

Dr. T. N. V. Potts, County Medical Officer of Health to the West Riding of Yorkshire County Council has kindly supplied the following details of supplies of Milk, Foods and Drugs collected in the District and analysed for quality:—

	Genuine.	Adulterated.
Milk ... ..	27	2
Other Foods ... ..	8	—
Drugs ... ..	2	—
	—	—
Totals	37	2
	—	—

The two adulterated milk samples were dealt with by the vendors.

### **Slaughterhouses and Meat Inspection.**

Rural District Councils (Slaughterhouse) Order, 1924.  
Public Health (Meat Regulations), 1924.

The following table gives details of slaughterhouses, Knacker Yards, Butchers' Shops, etc., and the inspections made thereto during 1937:—



	No.	Inspections.
Slaughterhouses ... ..	16	453
Butchers' Shops and Meat Rooms	28	107
Meat Vans ... ..	No records	10
Knackers' Yards ... ..	2	19
Farms, etc. for Emergency Slaughter	50	63

Repairs were carried out to one slaughterhouse, and to one Pork Butchers' Storage Room; 6 Dirty Premises were found and attended to immediately and 5 other contraventions of the Slaughterhouse Byelaws were dealt with during the year.

The attached tables give full details of meat inspection and condemnations thereof:—

Animal.	No. Inspected.	No. Entirely Condemned.		No. of parts of carcase condemned.	
		T.B.	Other disease.	T.B.	Other disease.
Cattle ... ..	561	4	1	—	3
Calves ... ..	87	2	—	—	—
Sheep and Lambs ...	731	—	11	—	3
Pigs ... ..	589	3	1	—	1
	1,968	9	13	—	7

#### MEAT CONDEMNED.

Animal.	No.	Disease.	Weight in lbs.
Entire Carcases.			
Cow ... ..	1	Generalised Tuberculosis ...	561
Calf ... ..	2	do. ...	135
Heifer ... ..	3	do. ...	1565
Pig ... ..	3	do. ...	309
Sheep ... ..	6	Septic Intoxication ... ..	426
Lamb ... ..	3	Emaciation ... ..	81
Calf ... ..	1	Septic Intoxication ... ..	120
Sheep ... ..	1	Extensive Bruising ... ..	50
Sheep ... ..	1	Uraemia ... ..	45
Pig ... ..	1	Medicine Taint and Fever	78

#### Parts of Carcases.

Sheep ... ..	3	Cirrhotic Livers ... ..	20
Bullock ... ..	1	do. ... ..	23
Bullock ... ..	1	Gangrenous Condition ... ..	220
Bullock ... ..	1	Bruising ... ..	180
Pig ... ..	1	Bruising ... ..	84

(lbs.) 3397

A prosecution under Article 9 of the Public Health (Meat) Regulations, 1924 for failing to notify the diseased condition of a carcase affected with Anthrax resulted in a conviction and a fine of £5. The police also prosecuted under the Anthrax Order and secured convictions.

Meat inspection is carried out as systematically as possible in view of the distance apart of the various slaughterhouses, but it is interesting to note that since the prosecution referred to above there has been a large increase in the number of notifications of animals subject to emergency slaughter on farms and other places. Butchers and Slaughtermen however comply very well with the provisions of the Meat Regulations and so far as can be ascertained there are few attempts at evasion.

The humane slaughter of animals is also carried out in the spirit of the Slaughter of Animals Acts, and during the year only three cases have been found where the animals have not been stunned prior to slaughter. In each case cautions were issued.

## **WORKSHOPS.**

**Factory and Workshops Act, 1901.**

**Ministry of Health (F. & and W.) Act, 1919.**

236 visits were made to the registered workshops; 5 new workshops were erected during 1937, and a very unsatisfactory bakehouse closed. 5 new and additional w.c.'s have been provided and in one case arrangements made for the separation of entry to the conveniences used by different sexes.

3 dirty workshops were found and the sanitary conveniences in 6 other cases were found to be in an unsatisfactory condition so far as cleanliness is concerned. 8 other miscellaneous defects were also remedied.



## TABLE OF FACTORY AND WORKSHOPS.

Agricultural Implement Works	1	Ice Cream Manufacture ... ..	1
Bakers and Confectioners ... ..	14	Laundries ... ..	3
Blacksmiths and Farriers ... ..	20	Masons ... ..	4
Boot and Shoe Repairers ... ..	17	Mineral Water Manufacture	1
Blouse Manufacture ... ..	2	Motor Engineers ... ..	17
Concrete Works and Quarry ... ..	2	Plumbers and Tinnerns ... ..	12
Cornmill ... ..	6	Printing Works ... ..	1
Cooper ... ..	1	Repair Shops (Public Service)	11
Cycle Repairs ... ..	3	Saddlers ... ..	4
Dressmaking ... ..	7	Slipper Manufacture ... ..	1
Estate Workshops ... ..	5	Sweet Manufacture ... ..	1
Joiners and Wheelwrights ... ..	38	Tailors ... ..	11
Joinery Factory ... ..	1	Miscellaneous Trades ... ..	6
Furnisher and Upholsterer ... ..	1		

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## SHOP ACTS, 1934.

It has been possible to devote a little more attention to this subject during 1937, and the following table gives details of the work carried out:—

### Shops Acts, 1934.

No. of Inspections	102	
No. of Premises visited	15	
No. of Premises needing attention	7	
No. of Premises in which works		
were executed	9	
Sanitary conveniences required	7	provided 7
Lack of washing facilities	5	provided 5
Arrangements for use of separate conveniences by		
male and female		8
Improvement to heating and ventilation of premises		3
No. of Sinks provided		6
No. of W.C.'s provided		10

## PUBLIC CLEANSING.

As previously mentioned, considerable attention has been given to the subject by the Public Health Committee and this department.

The parishes of Kirk Deighton, Thorp Arch and Harewood (including the former parishes of Dunkeswick, Wigton, Wike and Weardley) have been included in the Cleansing area but the work of refuse collection and disposal has not yet been put



in hand in the latter two parishes. In Wetherby (owing to the inclusion of Micklithwaite and part of Linton into the Parish by the operation of the Review Order) it has been found necessary to engage a motor vehicle for 5 hours weekly in order to maintain a regular service.

Your Public Health Committee have spent a great deal of time considering the extension of the cleansing area to other parishes, and also the re-organisation of the entire system with a view to obtaining motor vehicles and carrying out the work by direct labour. A Questionnaire to obtain information in connection with this was sent out to 28 Rural Authorities and the replies have been carefully considered by the Committee.

A table of annual costs, etc., for the various parishes in your district served by the scavenging service was prepared giving details for the year ending March 31st, 1937.

This table is as follows:—

Parish	Houses.	Annual Cost.			Loads Removed.	Cost. Load.			Annual Rate House. Charge.
		£	s.	d.		s.	d.	s.	
Boston Spa ... ..	467	293	8	0	882	6	9	12	6½
Bramham ... ..	283	83	2	1	289	5	7	5	10½
Clifford ... ..	250	108	16	11	442	4	11	8	8½
Collingham ... ..	222	106	4	5	237	9	1½	9	6½
Spofforth ... ..	208	99	0	11	379	5	3	9	6½
Thorner ... ..	319	111	18	1	450	4	11½	7	5½
Weeton ... ..	196	79	13	3	188	8	5	8	1½
Wetherby ... ..	687	446	12	6	1591	5	7	12	11½
Totals or average	2642	1328	16	2	4478	6	3	10	0½
									6.5

The Committee decided that before anything further can be done, information regarding the number of w.c.'s, Privy middens, Pail closets, middens, Bins and Cesspools in the various parishes in the District must be obtained, and for this purpose a Sanitation Survey is to be carried out during 1938, and I hope to give full details in my next Annual Report.

A great deal of time was given to supervise the tipping and disposal of refuse with a view to eliminating as much as possible any nuisance from vermin, smell, fires, etc.



## TABLE OF REFUSE REMOVED, WITH RETURNS FOR PREVIOUS YEARS.

### Loads Removed—Ashes.

Parish.	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
Boston Spa ... ..	637	798	705	806	992	853	933	910	882	820
Bramham ... ..	299	280	219	309	355	383	405	380	289	339
Clifford ... ..	334	360	346	387	367	442	371	564	442	510
Collingham ... ..	268	248	245	209	229	217	221	225	237	303
Spofforth ... ..	176	259	260	240	242	252	276	365	379	428
Thorner ... ..	296	288	285	283	410	461	477	441	450	404
Weeton ... ..	366	292	161	210	232	204	261	202	188	161
Wetherby ... ..	1723	1351	1760	1616	1681	1676	1603	1621	1591	1582
Kirk Deighton ... ..										105

### Loads Removed—Cesspool.

Parish.	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
Boston Spa ... ..	58	10	10	8	6	—	—	—	—	—
Bramham ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Clifford ... ..	26	34	45	69	52	44	34	10	20	16
Collingham ... ..	206	222	249	226	278	114	51	32	12	47
Kirk Deighton ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Spofforth ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Thorner ... ..	31	20	25	9	49	51	29	8	15	12
Weeton ... ..	19	—	5	15	12	8	—	—	—	—
Wetherby ... ..	128	164	201	219	235	44	24	42	20	98

## PETROLEUM AND CARBIDE.

### Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928.

### Cellulose Solution Regulation, 1934.

During the year there were 49 licences issued, which is the same total as twelve months ago. The storage capacity has, however, been increased by 5,420 gallons, giving a total quantity storage capacity of 58,326 gallons compared with 52,906, 54,954, and 54,420 respectively, in previous years.

### CALCIUM OF CARBIDE ORDER.

There has been a further decrease in the number of licences granted, only 7 being issued compared with 8, 12 and 17 respectively in previous periods.

The amount is however, practically the same—1 ton, 8 cwts., 103lbs.

## ALTERATIONS OF THE DISTRICT.

The County of York (West Riding) Review Order, 1937, became operative on 1st April, 1937. Under this order 23.7

acres of agricultural land was transferred to the City of Leeds from the former Parish of Wigton and 24.5 acres of agricultural land was transferred from the Parish of Follifoot in the Knaresborough Rural District to the Parish of Kirkby Overblow in your District. Internally by amalgamation the number of parishes was reduced from 37 to 29 although for representation purposes only, this was further reduced to 24 Parishes, returning 37 members.

A further review order affecting the extension of the Harrogate Borough will probably become operative in 1938, when it is expected that parts of Kirkby Overblow and North Rigton Parishes will be transferred to Harrogate, but after this it is hoped that the District will remain without area changes for at least ten years.

The newly formed parishes are as follows:—

	Area.	Population.	Houses.
Bickerton with Bilton ... ..	2999	357	90
Collingham (including part of Linton) ... ..	2842	884	314
Harewood (including Dunkeswick, Wike, Wigton and Weardley) ...	8154	1161	316
Kirkby Overblow ... ..	2386	355	106
Tockwith (including Cowthorpe) ...	3188	496	144
Wetherby (including Micklethwaite and part of Linton) ... ..	2460	2805	823

In conclusion, I desire to express my best thanks to the Council, Dr. J. A. Hargreaves, the Medical Officer of Health, Mr. J. Marriott, Additional Sanitary Inspector and Assistant Surveyor, Mr. Chambers, my Clerk, and to other Officials of my Council, and of the West Riding County Council for their generous assistance at all times, as without such help the amount of work herein could not have been accomplished.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

**THOS. V. GRAY.**



## HOUSE NUISANCES.

### NUISANCE LIST.

							No. of Nuisances.	
							Found.	Abated.
Dirty and/or verminous	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	13
Overcrowded	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	20
Damp and/or dilapidated	...	...	...	...	...	...	144	176
Badly drained	...	...	...	...	...	...	89	87
Insufficiently lighted	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	33
Dilapidated sanitary conveniences	...	...	...	...	...	...	31	31
Privy Middens to W.C.'s	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	29
Pail Closets to W.C.'s	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	25
New additional W.C.'s	...	...	...	...	...	...	53	53
New pail closets	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4
New urinals	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3
Untrapped sinks or having defective wastes	...	...	...	...	...	...	36	37
New sinks required	...	...	...	...	...	...	57	59
Defective dustbins, and new bins required	...	...	...	...	...	...	174	176
Dry Middens abolished	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	16
Temporarily stopped drains	...	...	...	...	...	...	307	307
Unsatisfactory sewage disposal	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	12
Drainage discharging to streams	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	9
Polluted water supplies	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	20
Inadequate water supply	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	10
Defective pumps	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	6
Polluted wells abolished	...	...	...	...	...	...		10
Polluted or defective wells cleansed or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...		6
Defective yard paving	...	...	...	...	...	...	31	31
Miscellaneous house nuisances	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	34

### GENERAL NUISANCES.

Offensive accumulations	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	18
Defective farm buildings (cowsheds, etc.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	26	33
Dirty cowsheds	...	...	...	...	...	...	51	51
River and stream pollution	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	5
New drains	...	...	...	...	...	...		397
Drains reconstructed	...	...	...	...	...	...		99
Drains tested with smoke machine	...	...	...	...	...	...		123
New sewer connections	...	...	...	...	...	...		114
New I.C.'s and D.C.'s	...	...	...	...	...	...		114
Cesspools abolished	...	...	...	...	...	...		12
Miscellaneous general nuisances	...	...	...	...	...	...	54	31

### NUISANCES AND NOTICES.

Total number of nuisances found during 1937	...	...	...	...	...	...	1353
No. of outstanding nuisances from 1936	...	...	...	...	...	...	155
Number of nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	...	1335
No. of outstanding nuisances 31/12/37	...	...	...	...	...	...	173
Number of house nuisances	...	...	...	...	...	...	783
Number of statutory notices issued	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Number of statutory notices complied with	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
Letter and notices issued	...	...	...	...	...	...	3420

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