

DRINKING FOUNTAIN FOR MUDEFORD REC.

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THE Council entered into a full dress debate with proposals and references back to committee on Thursday last, all over the installation of a Drinking Fountain on the Mundeford Recreation Ground.

The Drinking Fountain (it was written with capital letters on the Council agenda) is to cost £2 13s. 9d., and the sub-committee originally appointed to go into the matter had recommended that it should be affixed to the wall of the Public Conveniences there.

The 53/9 Drinking Fountain, which the Council decided to purchase, is being made in Kilmarnock, Scotland. Councillor Markham, reading from an Illustrated Brochure, said it weighed 8 lbs. and looked like a Wash Basin screwed into the wall. He was afraid it wouldn't be there 24 hours.

Councillor Cobb, therefore, suggested it should be mounted on a Concrete Pillar, which the Council thought was a very good plan.

Referring to the fact that the fountain was of the Rising Jet type, Councillor Markham said he had nothing against them. They were quite a good idea so long as the water didn't go up your nose.

It was Councillor Watson who wanted it installed away from the Public Convenience. He said that the most disgusting things that had ever happened were happening in Christchurch.

The Borough Engineer said the Financial Advantage of having it on the wall of the convenience was that the water supply and drainage was already there.

When the Deputy Mayor suggested the sub-committee should go down to the Rec. to decide on a suitable site. Councillor Lander pointed out that they had been there once.

Councillor Markham agreed; but he said, on thinking it over, it might be better to have another site for the sake of a pound or thirty shillings.

After a rather complicated argument it was decided to instal the Drinking Fountain and that the sub-committee should make another visit to the Recreation Ground for the purpose of deciding its location.

Councillor Lander also asked for a Drinking Fountain on the Barrack Road Recreation Ground; but he was told he was out of order.