

WOMEN'S REST ROOM

TO COST £2060.

FINAL DETAILS APPROVED.

Details of the Women's Rest Room in New Plymouth were finally approved of at a meeting of the New Plymouth Borough Council last night, a statement submitted showing the total cost to be £2060.

It was decided that in the construction of the rest room 24 inch gauge corrugated iron be used for the roof in lieu of copper and sarking as specified. The amount of the deduction to be made in the contract price for the substitution of an iron roof for copper was estimated at £249/10/-. The amount allowed by Boon Bros., as shown in their tender-book was £228/1/6. The difference was eventually split, and, as the architects intimated that the time allowed for completion (16 weeks) was not sufficient, an extension of four weeks was agreed to. This gave a longer period for the piers to mature and harden before being built upon.

The contract is now as follows: Original tender £2025, plus cost of electric wiring £50, total £2075; less deduction on the roofing £238/15/9, accepted tender £1836/4/3. The total cost was estimated as follows: Contract £1836, furniture and laying out grounds £250, architects' fees £130, total £2216, less subsidy £156; total cost £2060.

Moneys available: Set aside for the purpose £1000, allowed in estimates £600; deficiency £460.

The architects, Messrs. Griffiths and Stephenson, wrote suggesting that the eastern piers for the building be placed on top of the old septic tank walls, the concrete of which was good quality and suitable for the purpose. The alteration would necessitate moving the building a foot west on the site to bring the piers over the wall, but the amount saved would be £29/8/-, plus the cost of pumping out and cleaning the septic tank.

The engineer (Mr. C. Clarke) stated that a safe job could be made without any loss of strength to the piers, and the moving of the site by a foot would not raise any difficulties. He recommended the proposal, which was adopted.

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