



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 13/U/53

In the Matter of The Pond, Littleton-on-Severn,  
Aust, North Avon District, Avon

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DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Pond and containing about 0.229 of an acre, Littleton-on-Severn, Aust, North Avon District, Avon being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL. 55 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Avon County Council (formerly Gloucestershire County Council) of which no person is registered under section 4 of the Commons Registration Act 1965 as the owner.

Following upon the public notice of this reference no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no person claimed to have information as to its ownership.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Bristol on 9 March 1976. At the hearing Aust Parish Council were represented by Mr V O'Neill their clerk.

Mr O'Neill said (in effect):- The land in this Register Unit is now almost all pond (there is an area at the east end about 15 yards by 20 yards which is grass). He understood that originally (about 150-200 years ago) it was a quarry from which had been taken stone to build the Village roads and more recently to build the Vicarage. The Pond is south of Rushen Lane (an unmade up track to the west; by the Land there is no fence.

Mr O'Neill gave no evidence of ownership. In the absence of any evidence, I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land and it will therefore be subject to protection under section 9 of the Act of 1965.

I am required by regulation 30(1) of the Commons Commissioners Regulations 1971 to explain that a person aggrieved by this decision as being erroneous in point of law may, within 6 weeks from the date on which notice of the decision is sent to him, require me to state a case for the decision of the High Court.

Dated this 17/6 - day of June —

1976

A. A. Batten Fuller

Commons Commissioner