

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 260/U/41

In the Matter of two small strips of land at Bridgeyate Common, Siston, Avon

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of two small strips of land at Bridgeyate Common, Siston, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 407 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Avon 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 one claimed to have infirmation as to its ownership.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Bath on 12 January 1983.

At the hearing Mr R Hudson, the applicant for a registration in the Rights Section of the Register Unit, appeared in person.

The land the subject of the reference adjoins the land comprised in Register Unit No. CL 69. The former Warmley Rural District Council were registered as the owners of CL 69 and on 1 April 1974 were succeeded by the Kingswood District Council. Mr Hudson applied for the registration of a right of common over an area comprising both CL 69 and CL 407, and he informed me that he believed that the whole area was in the same owership. There has, however, been no claim by the District Council, and while Mr Hudson may be correct in his belief that the land belongs to the District Council, in the absence of any further evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and it will therefore remain 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

day of January

1983

Chief Commons Commissioner