



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.1/U/40

In the Matter of Cow Common,
Totternhoe, Bedfordshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Cow Common, Totternhoe, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.C.L.15 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Bedfordshire 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 information as to its ownership.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Bedford on 13th February 1974.

At the hearing Mr. Dickinson appeared for the Bedfordshire County Council and Mr. S.T. Morris, the Assistant Secretary of the Bedfordshire Association of Parish Councils, appeared for the Totternhoe Parish Council.

There was no contest between Mr. Dickinson and Mr. Morris, and neither was able to adduce any evidence as to the ownership of the land in question.

In the absence of any 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 **25th** day of April 1974

Chief Commons Commissioner