

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 203/U/89

In the Matter of land southeast of St Mary's Church, Moulsoe, Milton Keynes District, Buckinghamshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land containing about 0.15 of an acre and lying to the southeast of St Mary's Church, Moulsoe, Milton Keynes District being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG103 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Buckinghamshire 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 Aylesbury on 6 October 1977. At the hearing the Rector of Moulsoe was represented by Mr R D Stoddard of King & Chasemore, Chartered Surveyors of Chilton, near Aylesbury.

Mr Stoddard said (in effect):- The Rector believed that the land belonged to the Church. Unfortunately he was unable to be present at the hearing. Further the reference had only been recently advertised and certain enquiries he was making as to the evidence which might show Church ownership, were not yet completed. On behalf of the Rector he asked for an adjournment.

Mr R F Bailey of 121 High Street, Newport Pagnall, who was the member for the Newport Pagnall ward of Milton Keynes Borough Council, said that he thought that the land might be referred to in Lipscombe's History of Buckinghamshire.

In the above circumstances, I adjourned the proceedings. I held the adjourned hearing at Aylesbury on 23 January 1979. There was no attendance at the hearing.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Buckinghamshire County Council, as registration authority, to register Moulsoe Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(3) 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

Dated this 12k - day of February 1979

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Commons Commissioner