

In the Matter of Newmer Common (part), High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Newmer Common (part), High Wycombe, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 118 in the Register of Common Land 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 Sir Francis Dashwood, Bt claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no other 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 28 June 1978.

At the hearing Sir Francis Dashwood was represented by his agent, Mr M E Zorab.

The land in question is waste land of the manor of West Wycombe and was conveyed to Sir Francis Dashwood by a conveyance made 7 July 1955 between (1) West Wycombe Estate Company (2) Sir Francis John Vernon Hereward Dashwood, Bt. The Company acquired the land by a conveyance made 29 April 1925 between (1) Sir John Lindsay Dashwood, Bt (2) West Wycombe Estate Company.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Sir Francis Dashwood is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Buckinghamshire County Council, as registration authority, to register him as the owner of the land under section 8(2) 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 65 day of

End,

1978

CHIEF COMMONS COMMISSIONER