

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.3/U/54

## In the Matter of Pitstone Recreation Ground, Pitstone, Buckinghamshire.

## DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Pitstone Recreation Ground, Pitstone, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.27 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 the Pitstone Parish Council 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 Bletchley on 27th March 1973.

At the hearing Mr. R.C. Tetlow, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the Parish Council.

By an Inclosure Award dated September 1856 and made under the Inclosure Act 1845 the land in question was allotted to Wilbraham Egerton and James, Earl of Powis, subject to the obligation of permitting it to be at all times used as a place for exercise and recreation for the inhabitants of the parish and neighbourhood. By a scheme made by the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales the land was vested in the Parish Council.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Buckinghamshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Pitstone Parish Council 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 16th day of April 1973

Chief Commons Commissioner