



In the Matter of The Green at
Northhall, Edlesborough

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of the land described above being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 46 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Bucks 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 Mr E Pratt claimed to be freehold owner of the land in question ("the Unit land") 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 2 October 1980.

At the hearing Mr J Mitchell, of the firm of Cameron and Markby, Solicitors, appeared on behalf of Mr Pratt.

By a Conveyance dated 25 March 1924 there was conveyed to John Pratt by B.R.C. Tower and Others, Northhall Farm and lands: these included the Unit land, No. 435 on the plan annexed to the Conveyance, which was in the Conveyance stated to be subject to regulations under the Edlesborough Inclosure Award providing for its use as a place of exercise and recreation for the inhabitants of the Parish. John Pratt died on 23 March 1959, and by an Assent dated 2 September 1954 his surviving Executor assented to the Farm, including the Unit land, vesting in Eric Pratt, the Claimant.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Claimant is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Bucks County Council, as registration authority, to register Eric Pratt 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 22 October 1980

L. J. Harris Smith
Commons Commissioner