



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 204/U/91

In the Matter of land on sides of the Huntingdon
to St Ives road near White Bridge, Houghton and
Wyton, Huntingdon D

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land described above being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 34 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Cambridgeshire 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 Houghton and Wyton Parish Council claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question ("the Unit land").

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Cambridge on 9 March 1983.

At the hearing the Parish Council was represented by one of its members, Mr H Anderson. He has been a member of the Council for some 30 years and told me that during that period at least the Council has maintained and kept the Unit land tidy. Clearances have been made and trees planted by the Parish Council at considerable expense. Mr A D Hill, of the County Record Office, referred me to an Inclosure Award of 1795 by which the northern parts of the Unit land were allotted as gravel pits, though not it appears to any specified person or body.

On the evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the Unit land, and I shall accordingly direct the Cambridgeshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish Council as the owner 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

28 March

1983

L. J. Morris Smith

Commons Commissioner