



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference no. 204/U/8

In the Matter of The Green, Dry Drayton
Cambridgeshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Green, Dry Drayton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.VG.74 in the Register of Town or Village Greens 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 no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no one 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 Cambridge on 24 January 1979. At the hearing the Dry Drayton Parish Council was represented by ~~Mr Nigel Neville~~, one of its members.

Mr Neville has known the land in question for only 15 years. During all that time there have been trees and a seat on it which the Parish Council have maintained. Mr Neville said that he had been told that the trees and the seat had been placed there by the Council before his time.

I cannot on this evidence say that I am satisfied that the Parish Council has acquired a title to the land by adverse possession.

In the absence of any further evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Cambridgeshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Dry Drayton Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8 (3) of the Act of 1965.

I am required by regulation 50 (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 20th day of March 1979


 Chief Commons Commissioner