



In the Matter of The Green, Melbourn,  
Cambridgeshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Green, Melbourn, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 47 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 Parish Council was represented by Mrs M Lupton, its Vice-Chairman.

There is a tree on the land in question which was planted before Mrs Lupton knew the land, but which she was told had been planted by the Parish Council. Again before Mrs Lupton's time, a sign was placed on the land by, so Mrs Lupton was told, the permission of the Parish Council. The Parish Council erected a notice board on the land three years ago. There is also a war memorial on the land, but Mrs Lupton did not know whether it had been put there by the Parish Council or the Parochial Church Council.

On this 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 Melbourn Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(3) of the Act of 1965.

I am required by regulations 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

20<sup>th</sup>

day of

March

1979

Chief Commons Commissioner