



Reference No. 204/U/25

In the Matter of The Recreation Ground, Stow-cum-Quy, Cambridgeshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Recreation Ground, Stow-cum-Quy, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 31 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 26 January 1979.

At the hearing the Stow-cum-Quy Parish Council was represented by Miss K P Watts, its Chairman.

The land in question was awarded by the Inclosure Award made 3 November 1840 under the Stow-cum-Quy Inclosure Act of 1839 (263 Vict. C.3 (private)) to the Churchwardens of Stow-cum-Quy for the purposes of a recreation ground for the benefit of the poor inhabitants of the Parish. By an order made 18 June 1895 the Charity Commissioners ordered that the trustees might transfer the property of the Charity to the Parish Council. This was done by an indenture made 3 Narch 1896 between (1) Richard Ellis and Frank Ellis (2) Frank Ellis and Jonathorn Golding (3) The Parish Council.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Stow-cum-Quy Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Cambridgeshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the 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.

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Chief Commons Commissioner