



In the Matter of a Stone Quarry and Gravel  
Pit at Speat Gill, Westward

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DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as a Stone Quarry and Gravel Pit at Speat Gill, Westward being land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 80 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Cumberland 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 a Mr G Kerr claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question 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 Keswick on 30 June 1981.

Mr T Adams (Clerk) appeared for the Westward Parish Council and referred to an Enclosure Award of 1825 which awarded the Quarry to the Parish. Mr Kerr did not appear and has failed to respond to an invitation to submit his title deeds.

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

Dated this

22<sup>nd</sup>

day of

December

1981

*George Haskett*

Commons Commissioner