



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.9/U/23

In the Matter of Green Bank, South Zeal,
South Tawton, Devon.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Green Bank, South Zeal, South Tawton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. V.G.60 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Devon 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, but Mrs. Elizabeth B. Wonnacott, of South Zeal, 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 Exeter on 18th July 1972.

Mrs. Wonnacott appeared at the hearing. She stated that in her view the land belonged to the South Tawton Parish Council, as successor to the Vestry. There being no other claimant, it did not seem necessary to explore this avenue. The result desired by Mrs. Wonnacott can be achieved by the registration of the Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(3) of the Act of 1965. I shall accordingly direct the Devon County Council, as registration authority, to register the South Tawton Parish Council as the owner of the land.

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 25th day of July 1972


Chief Commons Commissioner