



In the Matter of Knighton Heath (part), Chudleigh
Knighton

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land described above being the part of the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.2 in the Register of Common Land 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 Hennock Parish Council 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 Exeter on 8 July 1986. At the hearing Mr J Hine appeared as representative of the Parish Council.

The greater part of Knighton Heath is already registered. The remaining part, which is the land in question, was conveyed by way of gift to the Parish Council, the Conveyance being dated 28 February 1967 and the Donors being W L Vallance and C A Jeffrey.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Hennock Parish Council is the owner of the land in question, and I shall accordingly direct the Devon County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish Council as the owner 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 16th day of October 1986

C. J. Morris Smith
COMMONS COMMISSIONER