



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 10/U/13

In the Matter of Bere Mill Mead,Leigh, DorsetDECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Bere Mill Mead, Leigh, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. C.L.93 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Dorset 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 the Leigh 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 Dorchester on 12th May 1972.

There was no appearance at the hearing. In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and it will accordingly fall into protection under section 9 of the Act of 1965. For the avoidance of doubt, I mention that it appears from the reports of the Commissioners for enquiring concerning charities, 1818 to 1837, which are admissible in evidence by virtue of section 36(1) of the Charities Act 1960, that the proceeds from the sale of the after-grass from Lammas to Lady Day were received by the overseers of the poor and applied for the relief of the poor, and that this decision in no way affects any rights which may be enjoyed by the successors of the overseers.

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 30th day of May 1972

Chief Commons Commissioner