



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 210/U/53

In the Matter of The Green,
Tolpuddle, Dorset

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Green, Tolpuddle, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 66 in the Register of Town or Village Greens 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 National Trust 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 6 March 1980.

At the hearing the National Trust was represented by Mr S C Garnier, its Agent.

The land in question was conveyed to the National Trust by a deed of gift made 31 August 1954 between (1) Sir Ernest Ridley Debenham, bt (2) The National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the National Trust is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Dorset County Council, as registration authority, to register the National Trust 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

24th

day of

March

1980

Chief Commons Commissioner