In the Matter of The Moors, Middlebere, Slepe, Arne and Gold Point Heaths, Arne and Church Knowle, Dorset (No. 2)

DECISION

These disputes relate to the registrations at Entry Nos 1 and 2 in the Rights section of Register Unit No. CL 88 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Dorset County Council and are occasioned by Objection No. 4 made by Mr D E Scott and noted in the Register on 14 October 1969 and Objection No. 183 made by Mr N R C Smith, Objection No. 428 made by Mr H J R Bankes, Objection No. 453 made by the Clerk of the former Dorset County Council, and Objection No. 864 made by Pike Bros, Fayle & Co Ltd, and all noted in the Register on 13 May 1971, and Objection No. 1036 also made by Mr Bankes and noted in the Register on 8 August 1972.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Dorchester on 22 April 1982. The hearing was attended by Mr E O Palmer, solicitor, on behalf of the personal representatives of the late Mr H J R Bankes, and I gave leave for The Oakley Jones Co. Ltd, the successors in title of Mr Scott, to be represented by their land agent, Mr J A K Curtis. There was no appearance by or on behalf of either of the applicants for the registrations, but there was sent to the Clerk of the Commons Commissioners before the hearing a written request by the personal representative of Lewis Gover, deceased, the applicant for the registration at Entry No. 1 that that registration should be cancelled.

I was informed that it had been agreed that the registration at Entry No. 2 should be modified in the matter hereafter described.

In these circumstances I refuse to confirm the registration at Entry No. 1 and I confirm the registration at Entry No. 2 with the following modification; namely, the substitution for the words in column 4 of the words "The right to cut 2000 turves per annum on Langton Wallie Heath of which this Register Unit forms part".

I am required by regulation 30(1) of the Commons Commissioners Augulations 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

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1982

Chief Commons Commissioner