

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 10/U/2

## In the Matter of The Town Walls, Wareham, Dorset

## DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Town Walls, Wareham, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. C.L.22 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 Mr. Dudley Clandar Douglas Ryder 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.

At the hearing Mr.Ryder was represented by his solicitor, Mr. H.J.S. Clark. Mr.Clark produced title deeds which satisfied me that Mr.Ryder holds the legal estate in fee simple in the land the subject of this reference as tenant for life under the Settled Land Act 1925.

For these reasons I am satisfied that Mr.Ryder is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Dorset County Council, as registration authority, to register Mr.Ryder 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 23" day of May 1972

Chief Commons Commissioner