

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference Nos. 210/D/403-405

In the Matter of the tract of about 1,200 acres called Bloxworth Heath in the Parishes of Bloxworth and Bere Regis, Dorset

## <u>DECISION</u>

This dispute relates to the registration at Entry No. 1 in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 152 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Dorset County Council and is occasioned by Objection Nos. 503, 1108 and 1154 made by (1) Messrs P G and G E MacDonald Smith and A L Gravenor (2) the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and (3) The Morden Estates Company respectively and all noted in the Register on 5 September 1972, in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Council.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Dorchester on 25 June 1980. The hearing was attended by Mr R C W Gooch, Solicitor for Bere Regis Parish Council, Mrs Colyer for the Ramblers Association, Miss Cameron (of Counsel) for Mr and Mrs MacDonald Smith and Mr Gravenor, Mr Harrison for the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, and Mr Preston Solicitor for Morden Estates Limited. The original applicant for registration Lt. Col. P G C Lane withdrew his claim by letter to the County Council dated 11 October 1972 and had since died.

No one appeared for Mr E H V Lee and letters addressed to him had been returned marked 'deceased'. The Ramblers Association and the Bere Regis Parish Council withdrew their applications.

For these reasons I refuse to confirm the registration.

I am required by regulation 30(1) of the Commons Commissioners Regulations 1971 to explain that a person aggrieved by this decision as being erronsous 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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Commons Commissioner