

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 211/D/146

In the Matter of Cockfield (Cockfield)

DECISION

This dispute relates to the registration at Entry No. 1 in the Ownership Section of Register Unit no. CL 8 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Durham County Council and is occasioned by Objection No. 2 made by Cockfield Field Reeves and noted in the Register on 28 April 1970.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Darlington on 22 July 1980. At the hearing Mr R Mitchell, of Counsel, appeared on behalf of the Objectors and Mr W I Watson, Solicitor, and Steward of the Manor of Cockfield, appeared on behalf of Lord Barnard, the applicant for registration as owner.

The claim to ownership by Lord Barnard was not being maintained and accordingly I refuse to confirm the registration. Mr Mitchell applied for costs, but as it appeared, that by letters written in June 1971 and February 1970, that Lord Barnard was not resisting the Objection, I do not think it appropriate to make any order as to costs.

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 <u>in point of law</u> 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

15 September

1980

Commons Commissioner

L.J. Mario Swell