



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 211/U/30

In the Matter of Ragpathside Common, Cornsay,  
Co. Durham

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Ragpathside Common, Cornsay, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.77 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Durham 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 J Gibson 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 Durham on 3 July 1980. At the hearing Mr Gibson, was represented by Mr P H Morley, Solicitor.

The land the subject of the reference was conveyed to Mr Gibson by a conveyance made 23 February 1959 between (1) George Kershaw Ridley and Sir William Charles Cocker, which was clarified by a deed of confirmation made 27 July 1960 made between the same parties.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Mr Gibson is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Durham County Council, as registration authority, to register him 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

25th

day of

July

1980

Chief Commons Commissioner