

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.11/U/25

In the Matter of The Green, Witton-le-Wear, Wear Valley D., Durham

## DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Green, Witton-le-Wear, Wear Valley District (formerly Crook and Willington Urban District) being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.VG.3 in the Register of Town or Village Greens 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 no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no 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 30 April 1974. No person attended the hearing.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Durham County Council, as registration authority, to register Wear Valley District Council as the owner of the land under section 3(3) of the Act of 1965 as amended by section 189 of the Local Government Act 1972.

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.

a.a. Baden Fuller

Dated this

day of

1974.

Commons Commissioner