



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 37/U/91

In the Matter of Triangle of land,
Five Ashes, Mayfield, East Sussex

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of a triangle of land at Five Ashes, Mayfield, being the part of the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. 124 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former East Sussex 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 one 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 Lewes on 15 November 1978.

There was no appearance at the hearing, but the Clerk of the Mayfield Parish Council stated in a letter dated 14 November 1978 that the village war memorial is situated on the land and that the upkeep of this and the grass surround is the responsibility of the Parish Council, and that in the absence of proof of ownership of the land it would be very much appreciated if the land could be formally handed over to the Parish Council.

Unfortunately, it is not within my power to hand over the land to the Parish Council or anyone else. If I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land (and I am not), it must remain subject to protection under section 9 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

4th

day of

December

1978

Chief Commons Commissioner