

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No 13/U/185

In the Matter of Common Pound, Minchinhampton, Stroud D

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Common Pound, Minchinhampton, Stroud D being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No CL. 370 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Gloucestershire 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 The National Trust 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 Gloucester on 12 October 1977.

Mr W G Hopper appeared for the "ational Trust and produced a contract dated 29 October 1912 made between H G Ricardo and the National Trust for the sale of the lands identified on the plan annexed thereto to the "ational Trust and the conveyance dated 7 April 1913 whereby the said sale was carried into effect.

The land in question is .025 of an acre and adjoins, if it is not part of, land conveyed by the said conveyance. The plan on the said agreement is a small scale plan, and it is not possible to identify .025 of an acre on that plan, but since the sale was of all the manorial lands then owned by Mr Ricardo and no one other than the National Trust claims to own the land in question I have come to the conclusion that it included the land sold by Mr Ricardo as aforesaid.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the National Trust is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Gloucestershire County Council as registration authority, to register The National Trust 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

gH

day of June

1978

Commons Commissioner