



In the Matter of Manorial Waste at various
Rocks in the Coldwell Walks from Symonds Yat
to English Bicknor Forest of Dean D

DECISION

This dispute relates to the registration at Entry No 1 in the Land Section of Register Unit No.CL.360 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Gloucestershire County Council and is occasioned by Objection No. Ob 668 made by the Minister of Agriculture Fisheries and Food for Forestry Commission and noted in the Register on 5 January 1973.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Gloucester on 17 October 1978. The hearing was attended by Mr C E C Woolley on behalf of the Ministry and Mr W A Grindle and Mr W F Gwillian on behalf of English Bicknor Parish Council.

The Parish Council came to the hearing without any evidence that the rocks were parcel of any manor. Mr Woolley told me of a fatal accident that had occurred on these rocks and that the Forestry Commission was now taking safety precautions. Mr Grindle and Mr Gwillian said that the parish council did not wish to incur any expense and with the charges to the public in mind did not press me to adjourn the hearing. It is in my view unlikely in the extreme that these rocks will be the subject of any development and I was told that there is a pending dispute as to access to the rocks with which I am not concerned. In these circumstances the parish council withdrew its application.

For this reason I refuse to confirm the registration.

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 7th day of November 1978

Commons Commissioner