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In the Matter of Synwell Green, Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Synwell Green, Wotton-under-Edge, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 179 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former 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 Mr and Mrs C W Kingscott claimed to be the freehold owners 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 8 February 1977.

Hr and Hrs Kingscott did not appear and were not represented at the hearing. Hr WA Durn, the Town Clerk of Watton-under-Edge, appeared at the hearing, but he informed me that he had no evidence as to the ownership of the land in question.

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 Gloucestershire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Wotton-under-Edge Town Council as the owner of the land under section 3(3) 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 26th day of March 1977

Chief Commons Commissioner