



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No 13/U/187

In the Matter of Two Trees Piece,
Minchinhampton, Stroud D

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Two Trees Piece, Minchinhampton, Stroud D being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No CL. 372 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 Minchinhampton Golf Club Ltd 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 5 April 1978.

Mr Critchley the Treasurer of the Minchinhampton Golf Club Ltd appeared for the Club and produced a conveyance dated 4 November 1907 made between A St Quintin Ricardo and Adele Harriette Cobbold and as to whom the land was conveyed as trustees for the then unincorporated Golf Club.

By a lease dated 31 December 1907 the land in question was leased to the Trustees of Minchinhampton Common of a rent of 1/- per annum in exchange for another parcel of land leased to the Golf Club at a rent of 1/- per annum. This lease is still subsisting, as was confirmed by Mr Gardner and Mr Fawkes who attended on behalf of the Minchinhampton Common Committee. Mr Lyall of Messrs Wellington & Clifford informed me that his firm incorporated the Minchinhampton Golf Club Ltd and vested the land in question in the Company and that the relevant document was not available as it is held by mortgagees.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Minchinhampton Golf Club Ltd is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Gloucestershire County Council, as registration authority, to register Minchinhampton Golf Club Ltd 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 21st day of April

1978

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