



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 14/U/171

In the Matter of Compton Down and
Shawford Down, Compton, Winchester CC

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Compton Down and Shawford Down, Compton, Winchester CC being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL. 307 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Hampshire 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 Winchester CC claimed to be the freehold owner of part 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 Winchester on 3rd March 1976.

Mr A C Millard appeared for Winchester CC and produced a conveyance dated 27 September 1965 whereby K E Unsworth conveyed to Winchester RDC that part of the land in question therein mentioned, and a conveyance dated 20 October 1965 whereby D S Unsworth conveyed to Winchester RDC that part of the land in question therein mentioned.

Mr Erskine appeared on behalf of Compton Parish Council and could not contest the claim of Winchester CC to the land conveyed to Winchester RDC as aforesaid and had no information as to the ownership of the remainder of the land in question.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Winchester CC is the owner of the land, comprised in the two above-mentioned conveyances and I shall accordingly direct the Hampshire County Council, as registration authority, to register Winchester CC as the owner of that land under section 8(2) of the Act of 1965. The remainder of the land will 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 9th day of March 1976

C. A. Settle

Commons Commissioner