



In the Matter of Clifford Common, Clifford,
Hereford and Worcester (No 1)

DECISION

This dispute relates to the registration at Entry No 1 in the Rights section of Register Unit No CL 76 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Hereford and Worcester County Council and is occasioned by Objection No 32 made by Capt L N Hope and noted in the Register on 7 June 1971.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Hereford on 16 February 1978. The hearing was attended by Mr C Bowles the applicant for the registration and by Mr R C Smallwood, solicitor, on behalf of the Objector.

Mr Bowles gave evidence that he started fishing at Clifford Common in 1960 and that he has continued to do so since then. The period during which Mr Bowles has fished is insufficient for him to have acquired a right by prescription.

I therefore 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

6th

day of

March

1978

CHIEF COMMONS COMMISSIONER