



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference Nos 16/U/115
16/U/116
16/U/117

In the Matter of (1) Rivershill Green,
(2) the Green at Rectory Lane, and
(3) Whempstead Green, Watton-at-Stone,
East Hertfordshire District, Hertfordshire

DECISION

These references relate to the question of the ownership of land known as (1) Rivershill Green, (2) the Green at Rectory Lane, and (3) Whempstead Green, Watton-at-Stone, East Hertfordshire District being the lands comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit (1) No CL. 167, (2) No CL. 168 and (3) No CL. 169 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Hertfordshire 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 these references East Hertfordshire District Council's Director of Administration in a letter dated 24 May 1978 enclosing a copy of their terrier said (in effect) that she could not see any reference to Riverhill Green or Whempstead Green, but that CL. 168 may well affect her Authority. No person claimed to be the freehold owner of the lands 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 lands at Hertford on 8 June 1978. There was no appearance at the hearing.

Although the CL. 168 land appears to be within the copy terrier enclosed with the above mentioned letter, I cannot treat such letter by itself as evidence of ownership. In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the lands, and they will therefore 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 26th day of June

1978

a. a. Baden Fuller
