



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.16/U/44

In the Matter of Cob Lane Common,
Welwyn, Hertfordshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Cob Lane Common, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.C.L.48 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 this reference no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no one 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 Hertford on 13th March 1973.

Mr. P.A. Maidment, the Clerk of the Welwyn Parish Council, appeared at the hearing. Mr. Maidment informed me that the Parish Council had maintained the land, but said that he could produce no evidence of anything which could be said to amount to adverse possession.

Upon this evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land and it 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 20th day of March 1973


Chief Commons Commissioner