

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No 20/U/84

In the Matter of the Old Ball Green, Pilling, Wyre Borough, Lancashire

## <u>DECISION</u>

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as the Old Ball Green, Pilling, Wyre Borough being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No CL. 118 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Lancashire 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 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 Preston on 9 May 1978. At the hearing Pilling Parish Council were represented by Mr W Lawrenson one of their members.

Mr Lawrenson said: The Parish Council could offer no evidence of ownership. The land is a small piece (according to the Register it contains about .008 of a hectare), at a place where a track leading to a farm joins the road; at one time the track led to a pub (now demolished). He thought that at one time the land (now grass land, with cars sometimes parked on it) must have been a centre of the Village life.

In the absence of any 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 17 to day of May -

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