



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.25/U/62

In the Matter of Mariner's Hill,
Blakeney, Norfolk.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Mariner's Hill, Blakeney, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.VG.31 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former Norfolk 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 the Blakeney Parish Council claimed to be the freehold owner 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 Norwich on 25th June 1974.

At the hearing the Parish Council was represented by Mr.M.Curtis, solicitor.

The land in question was conveyed to the Parish Council by Mr.Hereward Roger Gresham Cooke as a gift by a conveyance made 26th August 1967 for the use of the public for exercise and recreation pursuant to the Open Spaces Act 1906. Mr.Cooke's root of title was a conveyance of 17th October 1911. Since the conveyance the land has been used by the Parish Council as a recreation ground.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Norfolk County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(2) 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 15th day of July 1974


Chief Commons Commissioner