



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 225/U/196

In the Matter of Site of Village Pump,
Middleton, West Norfolk District, Norfolk

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Site of Village Pump, Middleton, West Norfolk District being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG.159 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the 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 Middleton 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 King's Lynn on 27 November 1975. At the hearing Middleton Parish Council were represented by Mrs J Sheldrick their clerk.

The land ("the Unit Land") comprised in this Register Unit is a circular piece about 20 feet across, at a road junction in the middle of the Village. Growing on it is a horse chestnut tree.

Mrs Sheldrick said that there is not now any Parish Pump and that in 1973 the Parish Council paid out of their funds £10 for trimming the tree.

On this evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Norfolk County Council, as registration authority, to register Middleton Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 3(3) 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 21st day of *January* 1976

a a. Baker Fuller

Commons Commissioner