



In the Matter of Syderstone Common,  
Syderstone, Norfolk

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Syderstone Common, Syderstone, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No CL 1 in the Register of Common Land 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 Sphere Investment Trust Ltd 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 13 January 1978.

At the hearing Sphere Investment Trust Ltd was represented by Mr Oliver Albery, of counsel, and the Syderstone Parish Council was represented by Mr F G Mussett, its Chairman.

Mr Mussett informed me that the Parish Council did not claim to be the owner of the land in question.

The land comprised in the Register Unit has for many years been conveyed as part of White Hall Farm and was conveyed to Sphere Investment Trust Ltd by a conveyance made 5 April 1976 between (1) D Eldridge, J E Broom and M S Arglas and (2) Sphere Investment Trust Ltd. The vendors under this conveyance had a good title going back to a conveyance made 30 April 1920.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Sphere Investment Trust Ltd is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Norfolk County Council, as registration authority, to register that company 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

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day of

February

1978

Chief Commons Commissioner