

In the Matter of The Recreation Ground, Methwold. Norfolk.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Recreation Ground, Methwold, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 126 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 the Methwold Parish Council 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 King's Lynn on 28 June 1977.

At the hearing the Parish Council was represented by Mr D Foster, one of its members.

Mr Foster had no evidence as to the ownership of the land in question and asked for it to be vested in the Parish Council under section 8(3) of the Act of 1965.

In the absence of any 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 the Methwold Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(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 22nd day of July

1977

Chief Commons Commissioner