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## In the Matter of a Village Green in the Parish of Malham

## DECISION

This reference relates to the question of ownership of the land above mentioned being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 170 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the North Yorkshire 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 Mr Peter Sharp claimed to be the freehold owner of part 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 convership of the land at Skipton on 11 May 1983.

Mr Peter Sharp appeared in person and produced documents of title which in my view established his claim to ownership of the whole of that part of the land on the western back of the stream which lies to the South of the line A-B shown on the map attached to this decision.

In the absence of any other evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the remainder and it will therefore remain subject to protection under section 9 of the Act of 1965.

I shall direct the North Yorkshire County Council as registration authority to register Mr Sharp as the owner of the part of the land already indicated 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 <u>in point of law</u> 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

June

1983

Commons Commissioner

