



In the Matter of Scabba Wath and Watering Place,
Grinton, North Yorkshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Scabba Wath and Watering Place, Grinton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No VG 136 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former North Riding of 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 the Grinton 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 Richmond on 11 May 1978.

At the hearing the Parish Council was represented by Mr E R D Johnson, solicitor, who informed me that he had no evidence as to the ownership of the land in question and had been instructed in order to deal with any other possible claim.

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 North Yorkshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Grinton 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

7th

day of

June

1978

CHIEF COMMONS COMMISSIONER