



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.45/U/49

In the Matter of Scar End Quarry,  
Thornton in Lonsdale, Yorkshire (West Riding)

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Scar End Quarry, Thornton in Lonsdale, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.C.L.187 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the West 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 no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no one 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 Skipton on 22nd June 1973.

At the hearing Mr. E. Lockwood, the Chairman of the Thornton in Lonsdale Parish Council, produced the inclosure award, dated 18th October 1819, made under the Thornton Township Inclosure Act of 1814 (54 Geo.III, c.clii), by which the land in question was allotted to the Overseers of Thornton. By virtue of sections 6(1)(c)(iii) and 67 of the Local Government Act 1894 this land became vested in the Parish Council.

For these reasons I am satisfied that the Thornton in Lonsdale Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the West Riding of Yorkshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish Council 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 1973

Chief Commons Commissioner