



In the Matter of The Village Green (parts)  
Baldersby, North Yorkshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Green (parts), Baldersby, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 82 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 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 Harrogate on 12 May 1977.

At the hearing the Baldersby Parish Council was represented by its Chairman, Mr A Sutton. Mr Sutton stated that he believed that the land in question had formed part of the Downe Estate and was not sold when the Estate was broken up in 1926, but he had no evidence as to the identity of the present owner.

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 Baldersby 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 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 1977

CHIEF COMMONS COMMISSIONER

