



In the Matter of The Village Green, Burnt Yates,
Clint cum Hamlets, North Yorkshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Green, Burnt Yates, Clint cum Hamlets, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 89 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former 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 Harrogate on 11 May 1977.

At the hearing the Clint cum Hamlets Parish Council was represented by Mr R M Light, one of its members.

Mr Light said that the Parish Council had kept the land in question in order and had put a seat on it. This might just be held to be sufficient basis for a possessory title, but it seems to be safer to say that I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and to direct the North Yorkshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the 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 30th day of May 1977

Chief Commons Commissioner