



In the Matter of The Village Green, West Burton,  
Burton-cum-Walden, North Yorkshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Green, West Burton, Burton-cum-Walden, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG.71 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 the Burton-cum-Walden 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 9 June 1982. At the hearing, the Parish Council was represented by Mr E R D Johnson, solicitor.

All the rights of the lord of the manor of Thoraby in or over the land the subject of the reference were conveyed to the Parish Council by a conveyance made 5 November 1969 between (1) Robert Hewitt Chapman-Robinson (2) Roderick Hamilton Whitehead and Reginald Gwyn Freeman (3) The Parish Council of Burton-cum-Walden. The Parish Council has since been in possession of the land in question.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the North 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

2nd

day of

July

1982

Chief Commons Commissioner