



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 268/U/240

In the Matter of The Village Green, Wrelton,
North Yorkshire, (NO.2).

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Green, Wrelton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.46 in the Register of Common Land 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 Wrelton 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 Malton on 23 May 1979. At the hearing, the Wrelton Parish Council was represented by Mr J M Ellis, one of its members.

The Parish Council was formed in 1974, but its predecessor, the Parish Meeting, had for many years been in possession of this land and acted as if it owned it. In particular, it cut down trees and disposed of the wood and planted other trees. More recently, the Parish Council paid for the kerbing of the land with granite setts by the County Council.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Wrelton 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

25th

day of

June

1979

Chief Commons Commissioner