



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.268/U/8

In the Matter of The Village Pond,
Sneaton, North Yorkshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Pond, Sneaton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.CL 31 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former North Riding 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 Scarborough on 6th November 1974.

At the hearing the Sneaton Parish Council was represented by Mr F. Atkinson, its Chairman. Mr Atkinson informed me that the land in question is no longer a pond, having been filled in by the former Rural District Council in 1973. He said that the land had been registered in the hope that the owner would come forward, but that he had no evidence as to the ownership.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land and it will therefore remain subject to protection under section 9 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 29th day of November 1974

Chief Commons Commissioner