Reference No. 226/U/67

In the Matter of The Green (part), Newnham,

Northamptonshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land part of the Green, Newnham being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 178 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Northamptonshire 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 Newnham 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 inquiting into the question of the ownership of the land at Northampton on 4 July 1979.

Mr Hemmings, of Counsel, at the hearing on behalf of the Parish Council, and produced a Conveyance dated 22 June 1966 Between (1) Thomas A Thornton (2) the Parish Council of Newnham, whereby the pieces of land at Newnham known as the Green were conveyed to the Parish Council. There were no other appearances or evidence.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Northamptonshire County Council, as registration authority, to register Newnham 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

20 August

1979

Commons Commissioner

L. Jawin Smith