



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.27/U/44

In the Matter of Doors West Quarry,
Maltwhistle, Northumberland.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Doors West Quarry, Maltwhistle, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.C.L.45 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Northumberland 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.

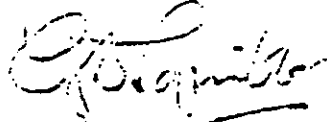
I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Hexham on 19th July 1973.

At the hearing a claim to the ownership of the land was made on behalf of Mr. Nicholas Elliott by his agent, Mr. J.N. Clark. Mr. Clark was not then able to produce the conveyance to Mr. Elliott. Since the hearing Mr. Clark has sent to the Clerk of the Commons Commissioners a photo-copy of a conveyance of The Doors Farm to Mr. Elliott dated 11th November 1965. It appears from the First Schedule to this conveyance that The Doors West Common Quarry was excluded from the property conveyed. There were, however, conveyed with the property such rights of herbage as the Vendors had in The Doors West Common Quarry. The plan attached to the conveyance shows that the Quarry in question consists of the land the subject of this reference.

On this 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 12th day of September 1973


Chief Commons Commissioner