



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No 227/U/2

In the Matter of Inghoe Village  
Green, Matfen, Castle Morpeth  
District, Northumberland

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DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of two pieces of land together known as Inghoe Village Green, Matfen, Castle Morpeth District being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No VG. 44 in the Register of Town or Village Greens 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 the Alnwick Castle Estates Office claimed that the Duke of Northumberland is the owner of the piece to the west. No other person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question or 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 Newcastle upon Tyne on 10 March 1977. There was no attendance at the hearing.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Northumberland County Council, as registration authority, to register Matfen Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(3) 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 15<sup>th</sup> day of March —

1977

a. a. Boden Fells

Commons Commissioner