

In the Matter of Loaning Head West Freestone Quarry,
Henshaw, Northumberland

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Loaning Head West Freestone Quarry, Henshaw, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 62 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 27 and 28 October 1981.

At the hearing Mr T Stafford, the regional land agent of the National Trust, produced a conveyance made 7 November 1967 between (1) George Graham Ridley and John Iveson Ridley (2) Victor Hope Ridley. Mr V H Ridley conveyed a part of the land then conveyed to him to the National Trust on 14 March 1979, but the land conveyed to the National Trust did not include any of the land the subject of this reference. Mr V H Ridley occupies this land with East Bog Farm, Bardon Mill.

On this evidence I am satisfied Mr V H Ridley is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Northumberland County Council, as registration authority, to register him 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.

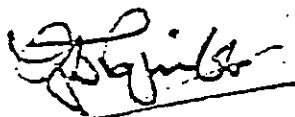
Dated this

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Chief Commons Commissioner