

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 29/U/4.

In the Matter of Shervilles Pond, Goring Heath South Oxfordshire D.

DECISION.

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Shervilles Pond, Goring Heath, South Oxfordshire D. being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.12. in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Oxfordshire 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 Mr & Mrs. W.J. Hatt claimed to be the freehold owner of the Land in question and Mrs. N. Odd 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 Oxford on loth June 1975.

Mrs. N. Odd a Member of the Goring Heath parish Council attended. Notwithstanding Mr. W.J. Hatt having been informed by letter from the Commons Commissioners that the hearing on 21st November 1973 had been adjourned in order to enable him to produce evidence of his ownership and his reply dated 2nd January 1974 in which he claimed ownership on behalf of himself and his wife he did not appear at the hearing. Mrs. Odd expressed her belief that Mr. W.J. Hatt was the owner.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfed 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

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day of 12 by 1975.

Commons Commissioner.