



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 58/U/1

In the Matter of Furrow Hill, Presteigne

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Furrow Hill, Presteigne, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.10 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Radnorshire 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 Captain T. C. E. Vines 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 inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Llandrindod Wells on 5th June 1973.

Captain T. C. E. Vines was represented at the hearing by Mr. D.B. Francis, Solicitor, of the firm of Messrs. Lloyd & Sons, Leominster, acting on behalf of Messrs. Campbell Cooper & Austin Wright, London, who are Captain Vines' Solicitors.

Mr. Francis produced a Conveyance dated 28th November 1961, by which Lady Mary Stewart Evans conveyed to her godson T. C. E. Vines by way of gift the Manor or Lordship or reputed Manor or Lordship of Norton in the County of Radnor together with (inter alia) all such commons (including Farrers Hill or Furrow Hill delineated on a plan annexed to a Conveyance of 7th February 1956) as might still form part of the same for an estate in fee simple, but subject to such rights of common as might exist thereover. Mr. Francis also produced a copy of the plan referred to in the 1961 Conveyance, as well as earlier documents of title. I am satisfied that the whole of the land comprised in Register Unit No. CL.10 was included in the Conveyance of 1961 to Captain Vines.

For these reasons I am satisfied that Captain T. C. E. Vines is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Radnorshire 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1973.

*A. E. Francis*

Commons Commissioner