



In the Matter of The Green, Great Houghton

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Green, Great Houghton being the part of the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 52 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former West Riding 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 Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council 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 Doncaster on 15 June 1982.

Mrs J Bilton, Solicitor appeared for the claimant and produced a Conveyance made the 7th December 1972 between C J Lister (1) and Hemsworth Rural District Council (2) under which the Rural District Council acquired land which included the Register Unit. Consequent on the Local Government Act 1972 the parish of Great Houghton is now administered by the claimant.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the South Yorkshire County Council, as registration authority, to register Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council 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

5th

day of

August

1982

George H. H. H.

Commons Commissioner