



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 234/U/168

In the Matter of Sutton Common
(part), Suffolk Coastal D

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land described above being the part of the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 40 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Suffolk 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 Suffolk Coastal District 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 Ipswich on 14 December 1982.

At the hearing the District Council was represented by Mr A Biddle, an Officer of the Council.

The part of CL 40 of which there is no owner registered and with which this inquiry is concerned, is the comparatively small strip on the east of the line A-B on the Register map but not including the large area lying further east beyond Halfway House. This strip was included in a Conveyance dated 28 September 1973, the conveyance being to Deben Rural District Council by the Vendors, Lady Margery Quilter and Sir Anthony Quilter. The Suffolk Coastal District Council is the successor authority to the Rural District Council.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the claimant council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Suffolk County Council, as registration authority, to register Suffolk Coastal District 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

31st January

1983

L. J. Morris Smith

Commons Commissioner