

In the Matter of The Recreation Allotment, Tanworth-in-Arden, Warwickshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Recreation Allotment, Tanworth-in-Arden, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG lll in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Warwickshire 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 the Tanworth-in-Arden Parish 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 Stratford on Avon on 19 May 1982.

At the hearing the Tanworth-in-Arden Parish Council was represented by Mr A H Kitchen, its Clerk.

The land in question was allotted by the Tanworth Inclosure Award made 1 July 1857 under the Annual Inclosure Act 1851 to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the parish of Tanworth as a place for the exercise and recreation of the inhabitants of the parish and neighbourhood. The land was then transferred to the Parish Council by Sections 6(1)(c)(iii) and 67 of the Local Government Act 1894.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Tanworth-in-Arden Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Warwickshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish 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

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Chief Commons Commissioner