



In the Matter of Hainworth Shaw Recreational
Ground, Hainworth Shaw, Keighley.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land described above being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG. 181 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the West Yorkshire Metropolitan 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 no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question ("the unit land") or 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 Wakefield on 7 May 1985.

^{was attended by}
 * The hearing, Mr C M Pepper, solicitor, of the Bradford Metropolitan City Council, and there were no other claimants.

The unit land was the subject of an Inclosure Award of 1862 which allotted the land for use for exercise and recreation by the inhabitants of the parish of Bingley. By virtue of two schemes made by the Charity Commission in March 1913 and January 1979 the land is administered by trustees and is vested in the Official Custodian for Charities.

On the evidence I am satisfied that the Official Custodian for Charities is the owner of the unit land, and I shall accordingly direct the West Yorkshire Metropolitan County Council, as registration authority, to register the Official Custodian as the owner 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

27 June

1985

L. J. Morris Smith
 Commons Commissioner