



In the Matter of North Meadow (part), Cricklade, Wiltshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as North Meadow (part), Cricklade, being the part of the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 14 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Wiltshire 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 Mr N N Hayes and Mrs A M Hayes claimed to be the freehold owners 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 Trowbridge on 10 December 1976.

By an indenture made 2 May 1890 between (1) John Gosling (2) William Henry Stephens and Francis Ferris, trustees of a duly registered Friendly Society called The Vale of Cricklade Benefit Society the land in question was conveyed to the Trustees, and by a conveyance made 9 October 1970 made between (1) Edwin Owen Hammond and James Norman Lane, the then trustees of the Society (2) Norman Naylor Hayes and Anne Margaret Hayes, his wife, the land was conveyed to Mr and Mrs Hayes.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Mr and Mrs Hayes are the owners of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Wiltshire County Council, as registration authority, to register them as the owners 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 *14th* day of *February* 1977

Chief Commons Commissioner