



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.241/D/23

In the Matter of The Old Chalk and Gravel Pit,  
Ridge, Wiltshire (No.3).

DECISION

This dispute relates to the registration at Entry No.1 in the Ownership Section of Register Unit No.CL 50 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Wiltshire County Council and is occasioned by the conflicting registration at Entry No.2 in the same section of the Register Unit.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Salisbury on 26th February 1975. The hearing was attended by Mr E.J.S.Smith, the Clerk of the Mere Parish Council, the applicant for the registration at Entry No.1, and by Mr S.J.Sher, of counsel, for H.R.H.Charles, Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, the applicant for the registration at Entry No.2.

Mr Smith stated that the Parish Council no longer wished to contest the ownership of this land by the Duchy of Cornwall, but in view of my refusal in In the Matter of The Old Chalk and Gravel Pit, Ridge, Mere (No.1) (1975), Ref.No 241/D/21 to confirm the registration of the land in question in the Land Section of the Register Unit, this registration becomes of no effect.

I therefore formally refuse to confirm the registration.

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 April 1975

Chief Commons Commissioner