



## COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 241/U/1

In the Matter of The Village Green, Pond, and  
Village Well Area, Village Hall Green, and  
Cadley Green and Pond, Chute, Wiltshire.

## DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Green, Pond, and Village Well Area, Village Hall Green, and Cadley Green and Pond, Chute, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 32 in the Register of Town or Village Greens 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 no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no one 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 25th June 1976.

The hearing was attended by Mr T. E. J. Hewitt, the Clerk of the Chute Parish Council. Mr Hewitt informed me that the Parish Council had maintained all the land the subject of the reference and kept it tidy for many years. I do not regard such ameliorative work as being adverse to the interest of the true owner so as to enable the Council to acquire a possessory title through it. However, since the land is registered as town or village green and I am not satisfied on the evidence that any person is the owner of the land, I shall direct the Wiltshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Chute Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(3) 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 26<sup>th</sup> day of July 1976.

Chief Commons Commissioner