

Reference No. 32/U/80

In the Matter of The Parish Pound. Dunkerton, Avon

## DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of the land known as The Parish Found, Dunkerton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 212 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Somerset 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 Bath on 13 July 1978.

At the hearing the Dunkerton Parish Council was represented by Mrs E Manson, its Clerk.

The Parish Council has no documentary title to the land in question, but it let it and received the rent from 1913 to 1934 and has since been in uninterrupted possession of it.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Avon 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 314

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CHIEF COMMONS COMMISSIONER