



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.1/U/35

In the Matter of Land at East End of Water Lane,
Northill, Bedfordshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land at the east end of Water Lane, Northill, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.C.L.25 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Bedfordshire 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 Bedford on 14th February 1974.

At the hearing the Northill Parish Council was represented by Mr.F.J. Kitchener, its Clerk.

The Parish Council has cut the grass on this land. In the early 1960's the Council erected a brick bus shelter on the land and has since maintained it without any adverse claim being made.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Bedfordshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Northill 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 7th day of March 1974

Chief Commons Commissioner