



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No 2/U/41

In the Matter of land adjoining Reading Road,  
Winnersh, Wokingham R.D., Berkshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land adjoining Reading Road, Winnersh, Wokingham Rural District being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No CL.20 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Berkshire 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 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 Reading on 20 March 1973. No person attended the hearing to claim ownership of the land or any part of it, but Mr G P Carne who was present because he was interested in the next case, showed me an Ordnance Survey map on which sometime ago had been marked the then intended line of the motorway M4 (since completed) and which showed the motorway as crossing the western end of this land.

Notwithstanding the map produced by Mr Carne. I think I should proceed on the assumption that the construction of the motorway has not affected the ownership of this land because an Official Search at the Land Registry shows that the land is not registered and because nobody attended the hearing to claim ownership. Accordingly in the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land and it will therefore be subject to protection under section 9 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 30<sup>th</sup> day of March 1973

a. a. Boden Fuller

Commons Commissioner