COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965



Reference No. 203/U/171

In the Matter of Cadmore End Common (part), Stokenchurch, Buckinghamshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Cadmore End Common (part), Stokenchurch, being the parts of the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.14 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Buckinghamshire 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 Kensham Farms Ltd claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no other 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 Aylesbury on 17 January 1985. At the hearing Kensham Farms Ltd was represented by Mr B K Edgley, one of its directors.

By a Conveyance made 25 September 1975 between (1) Anne Dorothea Williamson (2) Kensham Farms Ltd there was conveyed to Kensham Farms Ltd the lordship of the manor of Cadmore End. The rotitle was a Conveyance made 19 June 1951 between (1) Alfred Henry Seddon Cripps, Baron Parmoor of Frieth (2) Ronald Bamford Williamson. It was recited in an intermediate Conveyance made 18 July 1968 between (1) David Bamford Williamson, A.D. Williamson and Ernest Michael Williamson (2) A.D.Williamson that Mr R B Williamson claimed to be seised in fee simple in possession of the manor or reputed manor of Cadmore End "including that portion of the Common known as Cadmore End Common which is situate within the bounds of the manor" This appears to be a sound claim in law, and there is no evidence that the land the subject of the reference is not situate within the bounds of the manor of Cadmore End. The only difference between this land and the rest of the land comprised in the Register Unit, of which Kensham Farms Ltd is registered as the owner, is that the two areas are in different parishes, but there is no legal reason why the bounds of a manor should not lie in more than one parish- indeed it is not uncommon for that to be the case.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Kensham Farms Ltd is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Buckinghamshire County Council, as registration authority, to register Kensham Farms Ltd 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

DAY OF

1985

Chief Commons Commissioner