



In the Matter of Ailsworth Recreation
Ground, Ailsworth, Cambridgeshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Ailsworth Recreation Ground, Ailsworth, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 46 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Cambridgeshire 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 Peterborough on 19 April 1983.

At the hearing the Ailsworth Parish Council was represented by Mr E Hudson, its Clerk.

By the Inclosure Award made in 1898 under the Inclosure (Castor and Ailsworth) Provisional Order Confirmation Act 1895 (58 & 59 Vict., c. clxxvii) the land in question was set out, allotted and awarded to the Chairman and Overseers of the parish of Ailsworth to be held in trust as a place for exercise and recreation for the inhabitants of the parish and neighbourhood. The land was transferred to the representative body of the parish by articles 4(2) and 7(1) of the Overseers Order 1927 (S.R. & O. 1927 No. 55). The Parish Council was established by the Ailsworth Parish Council Order 1963 made by the former Soke of Peterborough County Council under Section 43(2) of the Local Government Act 1933.

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

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day of

June

1983

Chief Commons Commissioner