



In the Matter of OS. No. 254 (pt) and OS. No. 255 (pt), West Wickham, Cambridgeshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as OS. No. 254 (pt) and OS. No. 255 (pt), West Wickham, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 72 in the Register of Common Land 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 the Trustees of S O Webb's Settled Estate claimed to be the freehold owners 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 Cambridge on 15 December 1983.

At the hearing Mr J D Webb was represented by Mr J A Holme, Solicitor, and the South Cambridgeshire District Council by Mrs S Pearce, its Senior Committee Clerk.

The land in question was conveyed to the late Mr S O Webb by an indenture made 23 December 1911 between (1) Percy Ambrose Sewell Hickey (2) Samuel Owen Webb. Mr Webb died 17 November 1951 and his will was proved 23 February 1952 by Henry Long Webb, John Daglass Webb, and Albert Edward Vyse. The land was vested in Mr J D Webb by a vesting assent made 24 January 1958.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Mr J D Webb is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Cambridgeshire County Council, as registration authority, to register him 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 20~~th~~ day of December 1983

  
Chief Commons Commissioner