



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 204/U/71

In the Matter of Wash Drove,
Earith, Cambridgeshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Wash Drove, Earith, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 31 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 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 Cambridge on 23 February 1983.

At the hearing the Earith Parish Council was represented by Mr D B Wright, one of its members and the County Council by Mr A D Hill of the County Record Office.

Mr Hill informed me that in the valuation made for the purposes of the Finance (1909-10) Act 1910 the owners of the land in question were stated to be the Middle Level Commissioners. More recently the Parish Council has put gravel on it, the last occasion being 15 years ago, since when the owners of adjoining fields have gravelled it.

On this evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and it will therefore remain 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

7th

day of

March

1983

Chief Commons Commissioner