

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 9/D/19

## In the Matter of Harpford Common,

Harpford, Devon.

## DECISION

This dispute relates to the registrations at Entry Nos.1 and 3 in the Rights Section of Register Unit No.CL.54 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Devon County Council and is occasioned by Objections Nos.579 and 581 made by Mr N.D.G. James and noted in the Register on 11th November 1970.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Exeter on 22nd October 1974. The hearing was attended by Mr M.L. Ashdown, solicitor, on behalf of Mr B.M. White, the applicant for the registration at Entry No.1, and by Mr H.C.T. Staunton, solicitor, on behalf of the Objector. Mr S.H.Lightfoot and Mrs A.M.A. Lightfoot, the applicants for the registration at Entry No.3, did not appear and were not represented.

Mr Ashdown informed me that he was instructed by Mr White not to adduce any evidence in support of his registration.

In the absence of evidence to support either registration I refuse to confirm both registrations.

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.

Chief Commons Commissioner