

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 9/U/16

In the Matter of The Village Green, Kings Nympton, Devon

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as the Village Green, Kings Nympton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. V.G.20 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Devon 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 Kings Nympton Parish Council 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 Barnstaple on 28th March 1972.

The Parish Council based their claim on a possessory title. The acts of ownership relied upon are in my view somewhat inconclusive and I have come to the conclusion that it would be better to vest the land in the Council under s.8(3) of the Act.

I shall accordingly direct the Devon County Council, as registration authority, to register Kings Nympton Parish Council as the owner of the land.

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 1972 day of April 1972

Chief Commons Commissioner