



In the Matter of Woodham Walter Common,  
Woodham Walter, Essex

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DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Woodham Walter Common, Woodham Walter, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 68 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Essex 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 Chelmsford on 20 February 1980.

At the hearing Mr P B Smith, of Counsel, appeared on behalf of the Maldon District Council and the Woodham Walter Parish Council.

Mr Smith informed me that neither of his clients had any evidence as to the ownership of the land in question and that both were content that it should remain subject to protection.

In the absence of any 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

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DAY OF

March

1980

Chief Commons Commissioner