



In the Matter of Foel Fawr, Maentwrog,
Meirionnydd D

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land described above being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 76 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Merioneth 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 Forestry Commission claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question ("the Unit land") 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 Dolgellau on 9 March 1982.

At the hearing the Forestry Commission was represented by Mr A W L Guile, Land Acquisition Officer of the Commission.

By the Forestry (Transfer of Woods) Order 1924 (SRO 1924 No. 386) property which included the Unit land (para 7 of the Second Schedule to the Order) was transferred to & vested in the Forestry Commissioners. I understand that the legal title to Forestry Commission land is now vested in the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

I am satisfied that the Minister is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Gwynedd County Council, as registration authority, to register the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food 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

7 April

1982

L. J. Morris Smith

Commons Commissioner