

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference Nos 54/D/57 to 63

In the Matter of Migneint Llanycil Meirionydd D

DECISION

These disputes relate to the registration at Entry No 1 in the Land Section and Entries 1 and 2 in the Rights Section of Register Unit No.CL.113 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Merioneth County Council and are occasioned by Objection Nos 223 and 212 both made by Lt Col K J Price and both noted in the Register on 18 December 1970 and Objection No. 242 made by the Bridgewood Forestry Syndicate and noted in the Register on 25 February 1971.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Dolgellau on 9 February 1977. The hearing was attended by Mr R J Thomas on behalf of Lt Col Price Mr T M Wynne on behalf of Economic Forestry Limited the successor to the Bridgewood Forestry Syndicate Mr A Kerfoot on behalf of the Welsh Water Authority the successor to Liverpool Corporation the applicant for Rights under Entry No. 1 in the Rights Section, and Mr H Davies on behalf of the successor to J P Jones deceased the applicant for Rights under Entry No. 2 in the Rights Section.

The Unit Land is owned as to that part lying Morth of track running across it by Lt Col Price (hereinafter called Lt Col Prices Land) and as to the remaining part South of the said tracks & Economic Forestry Ltd (hereinafter called the Forestry Land). The Unit Land adjoins Unit No.CL.198 which is owned by Lt.Col. Price and over which the late J P Jones also claimed grazing rights.

A great deal of evidence was lex but since in the course of the hearing agreement was reached between Lt Col Price and the applicants for rights no useful purpose will be served by refering to that evidence. Lt Col price agreed that I should confirm the Entry at No. 1 modified so as to limit the right to graze on Lt Col Prices Land to 25 ewes and that I should confirm the Entry at No. 2 modified so as to confer the rights to graze 85 sheep over this unit and unit Mo.CL.198 but so that the number of sheep grazed over this unit and unit No.CL.198 at any one time shall not exceed 85 sheep.

The late Mr Jones has released his right to graze over the Forestry Land. I hoped that agreement would be reached between the Welsh Water Authority and Economic Forestry which would avoid the necessity for an adjourned hearing but this hope was not fulfilled and I held an adjourned hearing at Bolgellau on 14 December 1978 attended by Mr Kerfoot and Mr Oliver Jones Jounsel instructed by Messrs. Charles Hughes and Co on behalf of Economic Forestry. Mr Kerfoot withdrew his claim for rights over the Torestry Land on the clear understanding that by taking that course he would not prejudice his agreed rights over Col Prices Land.

The result of this decision is:

- (1) I confirm the Entry in the Land Section modified so as to exclude the Forestry Land identified on the plan annexed to Objection No. 242
- (2) I confirm Entries 1 and 2 in the Rights Section as applicable to the modified Entry in the Land Section modified as follows:



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Entry No 1 The Grazing right to be limited to the right to graze 25 sheep Entry No 2 The grazing right to be limited to the right to graze 85 sheep over this Unit and Unit No.CL.198 but so that no more than 85 sheep shall be grazed at any one time over either or both of such units.

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 22 day of January

1979

Commons Commissioner