



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference Nos. 54/D/10 and 11

In the Matter of Plasau-y Bala Common,
Bala, Meirionydd D

DECISION

These disputes relate to the registrations at Entry No. 1 in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 7 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Merioneth County Council and are occasioned by the conflicting registration at Entry No. 1 in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 4 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Council.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the disputes at Dolgellau on 6 November 1975. The hearing was attended by Mr Oliver Jones counsel on behalf of the Meirionydd District Council, the successor to Bala Urban District Council which registered the land as Common Land (Register Unit CL 7), and Mr Joseph Lloyd Owen who registered the identical land as a Town Green (Register Unit VG 4).

As regards Register Unit CL 7 no Common Rights are registered in the Rights Section of the Register and the land is not waste of a manor and the land cannot therefore be Common Land as defined in Section 22 of the Act of 1965. I therefore refuse to confirm this Registration. As regards VG 4 Mr Owen accepted that since this land has not been used for sports and pastimes for a period of twenty years terminating on 5 August 1965, I must refuse to confirm this Registration for the reasons stated in my decision on Register Unit No. VG 3.

For these reasons I refuse to confirm the Registration No. 1 in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 4.

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 16th day of January 1976

C. A. Little

Commons Commissioner