



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 14/U/9

In the Matter of Hawley Green,Hawley, HampshireDECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Hawley Green, Hawley, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.30 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Hampshire 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 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 Winchester on 31st May 1972.

At the hearing Mr. Davey, on behalf of the Hawley Parish Council, produced a conveyance dated 24th October 1851, whereby the land in question was conveyed to the perpetual curate and churchwardens of the district church of Hawley for the benefit of the inhabitants of Hawley. By virtue of section 14(2) of the Local Government Act 1894 it now falls to the Hawley Parish Council to appoint two trustees in place of the churchwardens. On 23rd May 1972 the Parish Council appointed Mr. Dennis Alexander Lorrie Goddard and Mr. Nicholas Crawford Munday as such trustees.

I am therefore satisfied that these trustees and the present Vicar of Hawley, the Revd. Garth Long, are the owners of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Hampshire County Council, as registration authority, to register Mr. Long, Mr. Goddard and Mr. Munday as the owners 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 26th day of June 1972

Chief Commons Commissioner