

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 220/U/33

In the Matter of five parcels of land part of Salesbury and Copster green Commons, Salesbury

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of five parcels of land part of Salesbury and Copster Green Commons Salesbury Lancashire being the part of the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.110 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Lancashire 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 Mrs Ann Thompson and Mr Harry Hargreaves claimed to be the freehold owners of the land in question 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 Preston on 17 June 1987.

Lancashire County Council (the registration authority) appeared by Mrs S Cuncliffe, its registration officer. Mrs Thompson and Mr Hargreaves were represented by Mr S J Booth, Solicitor, of Messrs. Steele & Son, Clitheroe.

This reference was heard immediately following that in the Matter of land part of Copster Green Common Salesbury Reference No. 220/U/32 in respect of Register Unit No. CL.81.

Mr Booth relied on the same documents in this case as in that case, showing title to the Lordship of the Manor of Salesbury. In this case also he asked for time to enable him to endeavour to establish that the unit land was part of that Manor.

By letter dated 10th July 1987 addressed to the Commons Commissioners Steele & Son wrote that their clients had decided not to pursue their claim to the land in both these register units.

In the absence of any further 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 <u>in point of law</u> 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

August

1987

ommons Commissioner