



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.45/U/182

In the Matter of Gisburn Common,
Gisburn Forest, Ribble Valley D.,
Lancashire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Gisburn Common in the parish of Gisburn Forest, Ribble Valley District (formerly Bowland Rural District) Lancashire (formerly Yorkshire West Riding) being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No:CL.286 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.

According to the Register the land contains 25.564 hectares (about 63 acres); the Register map shows it as west and south west of Rathmell Common (so it is about 4 miles south west of Settle). The registration was made consequent upon an application to register grazing rights attached to Owlshaw Farm, Rathmell.

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 Skipton on 3 April 1974. No person attended the hearing.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land and it will therefore be 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 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

11th

day of

April

1974.

a. a. Badin Fuller.

Commons Commissioner