



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 222/U/20

In the Matter of The Sheepwash,
Claypole, Lincolnshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Sheepwash, Claypole, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.2 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Lincolnshire 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 one 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 Grantham on 23 June 1981. At the hearing the Claypole Parish Council was represented by Mr W Tinsley, its Clerk.

Mr Tinsley said that the Parish Council had mown the grass on the land in question and had given permission to the County Council to plant trees on it four or five years ago. This is not sufficient to show that the Parish Council has acquired a possessory title to the land.

In the absence of any other 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 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

17th

day of

July

1981

[Signature]
Chief Commons Commissioner