

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 222/U/76

In the Matter of The Village Green, Welton, Lincolnshire

DECISION .

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Green, Welton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 31(L), in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Lincolnshire County Council of which no person is registerd 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 Lincoln on 7 July 1981.

At he hearing the Welton Parish Council was represented by Mr Edward Stiles, one of its members and a former Chairman.

The Parish Council put a seat on the land in question about twenty years ago; it erected two lamp standards about fifteen years ago; for a period of about thirty years until six years ago it collected rents from stall-holders at an annual fair; and it has also received rent from the Post Office for a telephone kiosk.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Lincolnshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(2) 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

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day of

July

1981

Chief Commons Commissioner