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COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 25/U/60

In the Matter of East HarlingRecreation Ground, Harling, NorfolkDECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as East Harling Recreation Ground, Harling, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG.28 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former Norfolk 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 the Harling Parish Council claimed to be the freehold owner 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 Norwich on 23 April 1975. At the hearing Mr. P.C.N. Solomon, solicitor, appeared for the Harling Parish Council.

The land in question was conveyed to the Parish Council by a conveyance made on 22nd August 1947 between (1) Lousia Hall, John Edmond Walesey Hall and Henry Hall as personal representatives of John Hall, deceased, (2) the Parish Council as public ground for the purposes of the Recreation Grounds Act 1859 for the resort and recreation of the parishioners of Harling. The land has since been maintained by the Parish Council.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Harling Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Norfolk 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

12th

day of May 1975

Chief Commons Commissioner