



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 225/U/258

In the Matter of Hengrave Common, formerly Hingrave Common,
Swannington

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Hengrave Common, formerly Hingrave Common, Swannington being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.185 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Norfolk County Council of which no person is registered under section 4 of the Commons Registration Act 1965 as the owner.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Cromer on 30 July 1991.

At the hearing Mr D J Sprake, solicitor of Sprake and Hughes of Bungay represented Mr David Gifford Leathes Prior and Caroline Henrietta Prior (claimants), Mrs Mutimer (vice chairman) and Mrs Claxton (clerk) represented the Swannington Parish Council and Mr T Mosedale (solicitor) represented the Registration Authority.

Mr Sprake produced -

- (1) a conveyance on sale dated 10 May 1912 whereby land including Hingrave Common corresponding to the whole of the unit land was conveyed by Frank Norgate to Innes Watson.
- (2) a copy of a conveyance on sale dated 10 April 1920 whereby Innes Watson conveyed land including the unit land to Stanley Brooke Winch
- (3) a conveyance on sale dated 16 April 1948 whereby Stanley Brooke Winch conveyed land including the unit land to Richard Anthony Brooke Winch
- (4) a conveyance dated 14 December 1990 whereby Richard Anthony Brooke Winch conveyed among other land, the unit land to David Gifford Leathes Prior and Caroline Henrietta Prior in fee simple.

On this evidence I am satisfied that David Gifford Leathes Prior and Caroline Henrietta Prior are the owners of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Norfolk County Council, as registration authority, to register them as the owners 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

2nd

day of

August

1991

Peter Landon-Davis
Chief Commons Commissioner