

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 25/U/16

In the Matter of Loddon Common, Loddon, Norfolk

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Loddon Common, Loddon, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. C.L.42 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.

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 Norwich on 21st June 1972.

At the hearing Canon Cecil Ronald Ninham, the Vicar of Loddon, produced a certified copy of an order by the Board of Charity Commissioners for England and Wales, dated 14th December 1877, whereby certain land belonging to or held in trust for the Charity called "The Loddon Town Estate" was vested in the Official Trustee of Charity Lands. The land thereby vested included the whole of the land comprised in Register Unit No. C.L.42.

I am therefore satisfied that the Official Custodian for Charities, as the statutory successor of the Official Trustee of Charity Lands is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Norfolk County Council as registration authority, to register the Official Custodian for Charities as the owner of the land.

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 6th day of July 1972

Chief Commons Commissioner