

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.25/U/17

In the Matter of The Lode, Hockwold-cum-Wilton, Norfolk.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Lode, Hockwold-cum-Wilton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.C.L.52 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 5th July 1972.

At the hearing Miss G. Peat, a member of the Parish Council, appeared on behalf of the Council. Miss Peat told me that the Parish Council had considered the land in question in this reference as its own since 1912, but she was unable to adduce any evidence in support of that assertion. In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land. It will therefore fall into 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 Lul day of July 1972

Chief Commons Commissioner