



In the Matter of West Rudham Common,  
West Rudham, Norfolk.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as West Rudham Common, West Rudham, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 419 in the Register of Common Land 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 Mr T P A Ringer 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 King's Lynn on 29 June 1977.

At the hearing Mr Ringer was represented by Mr L H Allwood, solicitor.

The land the subject of the reference was conveyed to Mr Ringer by a conveyance made 11 November 1963 between (1) Royal Bank of Scotland (2) Thomas Patrick Allen Ringer. Part of the land was let to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food in 1959 for afforestation, and Mr Ringer has been in receipt of the rent, and he has been in possession of the remainder.

<sup>On this</sup>  
~~In the absence of any~~ evidence I am satisfied that Mr Ringer is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Norfolk County Council, as registration authority, to register him 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 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 1977.

Chief Commons Commissioner