



In the Matter of Beverley Village Green,
Beverley, North Yorkshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Beverley Village Green, Beverley, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 93 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former West Riding of Yorkshire 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 A Sigston Thompson 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 Harrogate on 11 May 1977.

At the hearing Mr Sigston Thompson appeared in person and the Beverley Parish Council was represented by its Clerk, Mr D M Marshall, who did not contest Mr Sigston Thompson's claim.

The land in question was conveyed to Mr Sigston Thompson by a conveyance made 29 July 1947 between (1) Sydney Agnew Mercer and Mollie Mercer his wife (2) Anthony Sigston Thompson. The land is identified by reference to the plan endorsed on a conveyance made 30 September 1930 between (1) Elizabeth Wilhelmina Jones (2) Elizabeth Costain.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Mr Sigston Thompson is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the North Yorkshire 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 30th day of May 1977.

Chief Commons Commissioner