



In the Matter of Bishopdale Gavel, Bishopdale,
North Yorkshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Bishopdale Gavel, Bishopdale being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL/220 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former North 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 no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no one 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 Richmond on 20 July 1977.

At the hearing Mr E R D Johnson, solicitor, appeared on behalf of Mr G Beresford.

The land the subject of the reference, with other land, was conveyed to Mr Beresford by a conveyance made 2 December 1953 between (1) The Public Trustee (2) George Beresford.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Mr Beresford 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 9th day of August 1977.

Chief Commons Commissioner