

In the Matter of Common Watering Place, Moor Lane, Thornton Steward, North Yorkshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Common Watering Place, Moor Lane, Thornton Steward, being the part of the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No CL 124 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 9 May 1978.

At the hearing the Ure Vale Parish Council was represented by Mr H S Le Mesurier, one of its members.

Mr Le Mesurier informed me that there were no deeds relating to this land, and there was no evidence on which I could find that the Parish Council had acquired a possessory title to it.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and it will therefore remain subject to 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 2221 day of

1978

CHIEF COMMONS COMMISSIONER

