



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.268/U/56

In the Matter of The Cross, Thornton Dale  
North Yorkshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Cross, Thornton Dale, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.VG.184 in the Register of Town or Village Greens 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 The Thornton Dale Parish Council 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 Whitby on 5th June 1975.

There was no appearance at the hearing, but the Clerk of the Parish Council sent a letter in which he stated that his Council had maintained this land for many years. He also sent a copy of bye-laws relating to the land made under Section 3 of the Local Government Act 1894 and allowed by the Local Government Board on 15th June 1898.

These documents are not strictly admissable in evidence and it will be legally safer for me to say that in the absence of evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the North Yorkshire County Council, as registration Authority, to register the Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8 (3) 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

26th

day of

June

1975

  
Chief Commons Commissioner