



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

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Thoralby Village Green, Thoralby, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No VG 144 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 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 10 May 1978.

At the hearing the Thoralby Parish Meeting was represented by Mr E R D Johnson, solicitor, and Mr R H Chapman-Robinson by Mr J S Huntington, solicitor.

The land in question is waste land of the manor of Thoralby, which was the subject of a vesting deed made 24 August 1926 between (1) Henry Robinson Chapman Purchas, John Hutchinson Wood, and Rhoderick Hamilton Whitehead (2) William Robinson Burrill Robinson and became vested in Mr Chapman-Robinson by a vesting deed made 22 July 1968 between (1) R H Whitehead and Reginald Gwyn Freeman (2) Robert Hewitt Chapman-Robinson.

By a lease dated 23 April 1969 Mr Chapman-Robinson let the land to the Chairman of the Parish Meeting and three other local government electors for 21 years at a rent of a shilling a year.

Mr Johnson agreed that Mr Chapman-Robinson was the owner of the land.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Mr Chapman-Robinson 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

7th

day of

June

1978

CHIEF COMMONS COMMISSIONER