

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.27/U/20

In the Matter of Acomb Village Green, Acomb, Northumberland

## DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Acomb Village Green, Acomb, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.VG.9 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Northumberland 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. S. Newburn-Watson 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 Hexham on 17th July 1973.

At the hearing Mr. Simon Mewburn (formerly Mewburn-Watson) was represented by his agent. Col. J. Clark. Col. Clark informed me that Mr. Mewburn's claim was mistaken and that he had no evidence to support it.

In these circumstances in the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Northumberland County Council, as registration authority, to register the Acomb 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 1213

day of

1973.

Chief Commons Commissioner