

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 29/U/73

In the Matter of The Green in the Parish of Stadhampton, Oxfordshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Green in the Parish of Stadhampton Oxfordshire being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG.49 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Oxfordshire 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 Stadhampton 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 Oxford on 29 October 1974.

Mr J. Lunt of Messrs Marshall & Galpin solicitors for the Stadhampton Parish Council appeared and Mr Charles Oliver Peers chairman of the Parish Council gave evidence and produced minutes of meetings of the Parish Council which established that since the year 1900 the Parish Council had been in receipt of the rents and profits derived from letting the land in question for grazing until the land was used for recreational purposes in recent years.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Stadhampton Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Oxfordshire County Council, as registration authority, to register Stadhampton Parish Council 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

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day of November

1974

Commons Commissioner

CA Soffle