



In the Matter of The Recreation Allotment,  
Grafton and Radcot, Oxfordshire.

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DECISION

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This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Recreation Allotment, Grafton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 98 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former 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 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 Oxford on 20 July 1978.

At the hearing the Grafton <sup>and Radcot</sup> Parish Meeting was represented by Mr C C Preston, its Honorary Clerk.

It appears from the Parish Meeting minute book that the land in question has been let at a yearly rent gradually rising from £1 to £30 since 1937. The rent has been received by the Honorary Clerk and paid into the Parish Meetings bank account.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Trustees of Grafton and Radcot are the owners of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Oxfordshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish Trustees 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

3rd

day of

August

1978

CHIEF COMMONS COMMISSIONER