

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 231/U/41

In the Matter of the Tumps, Prees, North Shropshire D., Salop

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Tumps, Prees, North Shropshire District being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.101 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Salop 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 Salop County 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 ownerchip of the land at Shrewsbury on 10 April 1975. Mr. Donkin solicitor for the Salop County Council appeared and produced a conveyance dated 17 May 1963 whereby Lt. Col. A. Heywood-Lonsdale conveyed the land in question to the Salop County Council and a statutory declaration by Lt. Col. Heywood-Lonsdale to the effect that his late mother purchased the land in question between the years 1920 and 1930 and that on her death in 1930 the land was vested in him and that he had been in undisturbed possession since 1930.

For these reasons I am satisfied that Salop County Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Salop County Council, as registration authority, to register itself 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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Commons Commissioner