

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.32/U/108

In the Matter of Cross Moor Drove, Compton Bishop, Somerset

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Cross Moor Drove, Compton Bishop, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.CL 52 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Somerset 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 H.V.Counsell 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 Taunton on 26th March 1975.

There was no appearance at the hearing, but Mr Counsell's solicitors informed the Clerk of the Commons Commissioners by letter that he had decided not to pursue his claim for ownership.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land and it will therefore be subject to protection under section 9 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 5 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 14.72 day of April 1975

Chief Commons Commissioner