



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No 232/U/4

In the Matter of Priddy Greens,
Priddy, Mendip District, Somerset

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land (two areas) known as Priddy Greens, Priddy, Mendip District being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No VG. 66 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the 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 no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no 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 1 December 1977. At the hearing Mr T J Driver legal assistant of Somerset County Council represented them as registration authority; there was no other attendance at the hearing.

Mr Driver produced a copy of a letter received by the County Council on 10 December 1976 in which Mr R J Main of Manor Farm informed them that they (the Mains) did not wish to continue their claim for ownership of the land. This information has been confirmed in a letter dated 9 November 1977 from the clerk of the Parish Council in which he said that at a meeting of the Council on 29 November 1976 it was unanimously agreed that the land shall stay under Priddy Council of which Mr Robin Main is the chairman.

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 Somerset County Council, as registration authority, to register Priddy 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 7th day of December — 1977

a. a. B. Fuller