Reference Nos. 269/D/138-144

In the Matter of Part of River Went and its Banks and Barrier Bank (part), Sykehouse and Snaith and Cowick, South Yorkshire

These disputes relate to the registration at Entry No 1 in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG. 138 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the South Yorkshire Metropolitan County Council and are occasioned by Objection No. 2140 made by the former Thorne Rural District Council and noted in the Register on 23 October 1972, Objection No. 1124 made by the former West Riding County Council and noted in the Register on 4 June 1971, Objection No. 1528 made by the former Yorkshire River Authority and noted in the Register on 1 February 1972, Objection No. 1552 made by Mr C Shaw and noted in the Register on 20 March 1972, Objection No. 1842 made by the former Went Internal Drainage Board and noted in the Register on 15 September 1972, and Objection No. 2004 made by the National Farmers' Union, West Riding County Branch, and noted in the Register on 22 September 1972 and the conflicting registration at Entry No. 3 in the Land section of Register Unit No.CL.401 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Council.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Doncaster on 17 January 1984. The hearing was attended by Mr J V Scott, the Clerk of the Sykehouse Parish Council, the applicant for the registration, Miss G E A Darley, of Counsel, on behalf of the National Farmers Union, Mr P R Pennington, Solicitor, on tehalf of the Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council and the Yorkshire Water Authority, and Mr W K Irving, the Leagal Services Officer of the South Yorkshire Metropolitan County Council.

Mr Scott stated that the Parish Council wished to "withdraw" the application, and no evidence in support of the registration was adduced on behalf of the other concerned authorities.

In these circumstances I refuse to confirm the registration.

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 .

day of January

Chief Commons Commissioner