



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 45/U/111

In the Matter of the Village Green,
Stainborough, Yorkshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as the Village Green, Stainborough, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 53 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former County Council of the West Riding of Yorkshire 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 a claim to be the freehold owner of the land in question was made on behalf of Major and Mrs C J Vernon-Wentworth. 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 Barnsley on 6 March 1979.

Mr M Dudfield, Solicitor, appeared on behalf of Barnsley Borough Council, but no one else appeared. The Borough Council had maintained the Land for some years but did not claim ownership.

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 South Yorkshire County Council, as registration authority, to register Stainborough 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 29th day of March 1979

L. J. Morris Smith

Commons Commissioner