



In the Matter of Bromeswell Common,
Bromeswell, Suffolk Coastal District,
Suffolk

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Bromeswell Common, Bromeswell, Suffolk Coastal District being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 70 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Suffolk 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 Ipswich on 4 October 1979. At the hearing Bromeswell Parish Council were represented by Rear Admiral J K Highton their chairman.

Admiral Highton said that the Parish Council could offer no evidence of ownership and he was agreeable that I should proceed under sub-section (3) of section 8 of the 1965 Act. He gave me some information about the land: the part west of the road (according to the Register map 6.132 acres) is fairly rough land alongside the River Deben, people bathe from it and boys camp there, and much of it floods at high water; the part east of the road (according to the Register map 8.177 acres) is of interest from the natural history point of view (birds, moths, plants etc); the Village is about 200-300 yards to the north and this is their only recreational area.

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 Suffolk County Council, as registration authority, to register Bromeswell 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 Regulation 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 16/10 — day of October — 1979.

a. a. Baden Fuller

Commons Commissioner