



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 234/U/31

In the Matter of George Hill Grassland, Stanton,
Suffolk

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as George Hill Grassland, Stanton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 62 in the Register of Common Land 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 one 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 Bury St Edmunds on 19 January 1982.

At the hearing the Stanton Parish Council was represented by Miss T J Jotton, its Clerk, and the Suffolk County Council was represented by Miss C S Morgan, Solicitor.

By the inclosure award made 19 June 1800 under the Stanton Inclosure Act of 1798 the land in question was allotted to the surveyors of highways for the parish of Stanton for public sand, gravel, stone, and chalk pits for the use of the inhabitants of the parish.

This land, together with all other land belonging to the parish, was transferred to the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of the parish of Stanton by section 17 of the Poor Relief Act 1819. Then by sections 6(1)(c)(iii) and 67 of the Local Government Act 1894 the land was transferred to the Parish Council.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Stanton Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Suffolk County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 3(2) 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

27th

day of

January

1982

Chief Commons Commissioner