



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No 236/U/78

In the Matter of land near to and
southeast of Bushfield Farm, Reigate
and Banstead Borough, Surrey

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land comprising about 0.065 of a hectare near to and southeast of Bushfield Farm (part of Walton Heath), Reigate and Banstead Borough being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No CL. 444 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Surrey 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 Borough of Reigate and Banstead said (letter dated 17 December 1975) that this land formerly part of Walton Heath was transferred to the Thames Water Authority prior to 1 April 1974 and has a sewage pumping station on it and Thames Water said (letter dated 18 February 1976) that they had been informed by their Surveyor that they had no interest in it. No person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and 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 Guildford on 22 May 1978. There was no appearance at the hearing.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and it will therefore remain subject to protection under section 9 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 1st day of June — 1978

a. a. Bostie Fuller

Commons Commissioner