



In the Matter of Stock Hill, Birtley
Gateshead B

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land described above being the land comprised in the 1st Section of Register Unit No. VG.60 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former Durham 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 or 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 Newcastle Upon Tyne on 20 October 1983.

There was no appearance at the hearing by any claimant.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, I shall accordingly direct the Tyne and Wear County Council, as registration authority, to register Birtley Parish Council as the owner of the land under section (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 18 January 1984

L. J. Morris Smith

Commons Commissioner