COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965



Reference No. 239/U/107

In the Matter of "Riverside Field" on the South West Side of Minworth Road near Water Orton Bridge, Water Orton, Warwickshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as "Riverside Field" on the south-west side of Minworth Road near Water Orton Bridge, Water Orton being the part of the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 20 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Warwickshire 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 but Mr E F Brock 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 Nuneaton on 13 October 1983.

At the hearing the Water Orton Parish Council was represented by Mr D Russell, its Clerk, who said that the grass on the land had been cut at the expense of the Parish Council. There was no appearance by or on behalf of Mr Brock, who stated in a letter that the land had been filled in by the former Meriden Rural District Council and used as a rubbish tip. I cannot regard either this statement or the cutting of the grass as evidence of the ownership of the land.

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

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day of November

1983

Chief Commons Commissioner