



In the Matter of The Village Green,  
Dorsington, Warwickshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Green, Dorsington, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 129 in the Register of Town or Village Greens 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 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 Stratford on Avon on 20 May 1982.

At the hearing the Dorsington Parish Council was represented by Mr D H Walton, its Chairman.

Mr Walton informed me that the Parish Council had no documentary title to the land in question, so I inquired into the possibility of a possessory title. There is no evidence of any person other than the Parish Council having been in possession of the land, but I was informed that the Parish Council had only been constituted since the registration of the land as a town or village green, which took place in 1970. It is therefore not possible for the Parish Council to have acquired a possessory title yet, though it is no doubt on its way to doing so.

I am, therefore, not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Warwickshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the 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 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

27<sup>th</sup>

day of

May

1982

Chief Commons Commissioner