



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.38/U/31

In the Matter of Cox's Pond,  
Plaistow, West Sussex.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Cox's Pond, Plaistow, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.CL.159 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former West Sussex 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 the Plaistow Parish Council 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 Chichester on 23rd July 1974.

At the hearing the Plaistow Parish Council was represented by Mr C.F.Linton, its Clerk.

The land in question was the subject of a conveyance made 29th July 1970 between (1) William Harry Moulard (2) the Parish Council. It seems that Mr Moulard did not make any proper title to the land, but he furnished a statutory declaration, dated 21st July 1970, to the effect that he had bought this with other land from an unnamed vendor in 1949 and that he had since then been in undisputed possession.

On this evidence I am just satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the West Sussex County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(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 3rd day of

August

1974

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Chief Commons Commissioner