

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.32/U/35

In the Matter of a lay by on the north side of Roman Road, Bleadon, Axbridge R.D., Somerset

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land being a lay by on the north side of Roman Road, Bleadon, Axbridge Rural District being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.43 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Somerset 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 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 Taunton on 6 December 1972. The hearing was attended by the Bleadon Parish Council who were represented by their clerk Mr. V. Richards. The land is at the top of a hill and provides a splendid view of the surrounding country. The Council could offer no evidence as to ownership. Mr. Richards submitted that I should for the benefit of the Parish Council give a direction under subsection (3) of the Act of 1965.

In the absence of evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Somerset County Council, as registration authority, to register Bleadon Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(3) of the Act.

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 11 th day of December 1972.

a a. Baden Fuller.

Commons Commissioner