

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 13/U/75

In the Matter of the Pound, Aust, Northavon D., Avon

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land containing about 0.04 of an acre and known as the Pound, Aust, Northavon District being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.39 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Avon 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 Bristol on 20 March 1975. At the hearing Aust Parish Council were represented by Mr. V. O'Neill their clerk.

Mr. O'Neill described the land; it has always been known as "The Pound". He thought it quite clear that it is not in private ownership. The older members of the Parish Council take the view that it is not owned by the Parish Council. Accordingly, he could offer no evidence of ownership.

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.

day of March 1975	
a.a. Balen Fuller	
Common Commissioner	
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