

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 203/D/1

In the Matter of 1.51 acres in Taplow, Beaconsfield District, Buckinghamshire

## DECISION

This dispute relates to the registration at Entry No. 1 in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.247 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Buckinghamshire County Council and is occasioned by Objection No. 80 made by Hambros (Jersey) Limited and Mr Lester Vivian Bailhache and noted in the Register on 10 December 1970.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Aylesbury on 15 January 1976. At the hearing Mr Hugh Arthur Ellwood Pitkin and Mrs Pamela Jean Pitkin both of Burwood House, Taplow Common Road, Burnham were represented by Mr P Brown, solicitor of Claude Barker and Partners Solicitors of Watford (Herts) and Buckinghamshire County Council as registration authority were represented by Mr D M John solicitor in the County Secretary's office.

The registration was made on the application of the Hitcham and Taplow Preservation Society; in their application mention is made of the Hitcham Inclosure Award, the land being on the plan therewith described as "Gravel Pit". The grounds stated in the Objection are: "The land was not common land at the date of registration".

Mr Brown said that Mr and Mrs Pitkin were the successors in title of the Objectors, having purchased from them their property Burwood House. He produced an agreement dated 8 January 1976 and made between the Hitcham and Taplow Preservation Society and Mr and Mrs Pitkin by which the Society withdraws its application and the parties agree that the Office of the Commons Commissioners be requested that the application be formally turned down on the grounds of their consent.

In the above circumstances, I conclude that the application should not have been made, and accordingly I refuse to confirm the registration.

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 iqirday of January

a.a. Bush Falle

Commons Commissioner