

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 262/U/479

In the Matter of land known as Drigg Common or Drigg Rabbit Warren, near Drigg, Drigg and Carleton

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Drigg Common or Drigg Rabbit Warren being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 324 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Cumberland 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 Sir Geoffrey William Pennington Baronet 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 Whitehaven on 3 March 1982.

The Earl of Carlisle of J M Clark and Partners, Chartered Surveyors of Carlisle appeared for the claimant and produced documents of title which satisfied me that with one small exception the claim to ownership was established. The part in respect of which the claim to ownership is not made out is the section of the track or footpath between the points A and B, on the plan (compared in fold) attached hereto.

On this evidence I am satisfied that subject to the exception mentioned the claimant is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Cumbria County 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

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Commons Commissioner

