

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 208/U/72

In the matter of Glory Mine Quarry, Taddington, Derbyshire

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land kown as Glory Mine Quarry, Taddington, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL89 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Derbyshire 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 Mr T H Chapman 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 Derby on 2 April 1981.

At the hearing Mr Chapman was represented by Mr J U Colhoun, solicitor, and I gave leave to Mr A J Morison, the Secretary of the Derbyshire Association of Local Councils to represent the Taddington Parish Council.

The land in question was conveyed to Mr Chapman by a conveyance made 23 May 1972 between (1) James Robert Gyte (2) Thomas Harry Chapman. Mr Gyte acquired the land under a vesting assent made 23 September 1931 between (1) Annie Isabella Gyte, J R Gyte and Joseph William Gyte (2) J R Gyte.

Before selling the land to Mr Chapman Mr Gyte had used it as part of his farm. When Mr Chapman was a boy Mr Gyte had pig styes on it. Since he bought the land Mr Chapman has used the land for rough grazing, letting the grazing to a Mr Tibbald, his brother-in-law.

When Mr Chapman bought the land in question with other land he was told by the Clerk of the Taddington Parish Council that there was a fee of 5 shillings a year to go to the poor, but he has never paid this and never been asked for it.

Mr Morison said that he understood that the land had been a parish quarry, but he had no evidence as to this.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Mr Chapman is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Derbyshire County Council, as registration authority, to register him 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 <u>in point of law</u> 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.

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