

In the Matter of Riddaford Down, Bovey Tracey, Devon (Mo. 1).

DECISION

These disputes relate to the registrations at Entry Nos 1 and 2 in the Rights section of Register Unit No. CL 223 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Devon County Council and are occasioned by Objection No 652 made by the South West Devon Water Board and noted in the Register on 16 February 1971 and Objection No. 248 made by the Nature Conservancy and noted in the Register on 18 December 1970.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Paignton on 25 January 1977. The hearing was attended by Mr C O Holland, the applicant for the registration at Entry Mo. 1, Mr M Green, the land agent of the South West Devon Water Board, and Mr N Butterfield, of counsel, on behalf of the Mature Conservancy. Mr F Perryman, the applicant for the registration at Entry Mo. 2, did not appear and was not represented, but by a letter dated 24 January 1977 his solicitors informed the Clerk of the Commons Commissioners that he wished "to withdraw his objection" (sic).

Mr Holland informed me that he wished to "withdraw" his application:

There being no evidence in support of either registration, I refuse to confirm them.

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 5 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 26th day of March 1977

Chief Commons Commissioner