

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.13/U/39

In the Matter of Withington Village Green, Withington, Gloucestershire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Withington Village Green, Withington, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.VG.26 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former Gloucestershire 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 one 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 Gloucester on 10th July 1974.

At the hearing the Withington Parish Council was represented by Mr.J.Cripps, its Treasurer. Mr.Cripps informed me that while the Parish Council had looked after the land in question since 1903, he had no definite evidence as to its ownership.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Gloucestershire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Withington Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(3) 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 erronecus in toint 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 1964 day of July 1974

Chief Commons Commissioner