



In the Matter of Caer Ceiliog Llanfor
Meirionnydd D.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Caer Ceiliog Llanfor Meirionnydd D being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.CL.59 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Merioneth 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. Robin John Price on the one hand and Mr.J.F.Owen on the other hand 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 Dolgellau on 5 November 1975.

Mr. Edwards of Messrs. William H Edwards and Co., appeared for Mr.R.J.Price and Mr.J.D.James County Secretary of the N.F.U. for Wales appeared for Mr.J.F.Owen.

Mr. James produced Mr.Owen's title deeds which disclosed that there were conveyed to his predecessors in title certain lands "Together with the Sheep Walks or Mountain land(if any) thereunto belonging or therewith held". I am not satisfied that the land in question is a sheepwalk or mountain land which was at any material time held with the land of which Mr.J.F.Owen is now the owner. Mr.James argued that the land in question is not Crown Land and contended that it does not form part of the Rhiwlas Estate of which Mr.Price is the owner and that therefore by inference it is comprised in Mr.Owen's Land.

Mr. Edwards produced Mr.Prices' abstract of title which commenced with a settlement dated 1st March 1905 made by one R.J.L.Price but I was not at the hearing satisfied that the land in question was comprised in the said settlement. I was told at the hearing that the land in question was conveyed by the Crown to the said R.J.L.Price and I have since the hearing been provided with a copy of the conveyance dated 20 October 1864 together with a copy extract from the relevant plan identifying the land in question.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Robin John Price is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Gwynedd County Council, as registration authority, to register Robin John Price 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

8th

day of December 1975

C A Leffe

Commons Commissioner