

In the Matter of Goosham Meadow, Defford, Wychavon D

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Goosham Meadow Defford, Wychavon D being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 27 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Worcestershire 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 G W Revill 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 purposes of inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Worcester on 9 May 1979.

Mr J A Dale of Messrs March & Edwards, appeared for Mr Revill, who produced five conveyances dated 21 July 1934, 21 July 1934, 22 August 1934, 3 July 1959 and 14 December 1966 all with plans attached whereby the parts of the land identified on these plans were conveyed to Mr Revill. The said conveyances comprise the whole of the land in question other than some small strips identified on the plan annexed to the conveyance dated 3 July 1959.

Mr Revill gave evidence that he had, notwithstanding the rights, registered in the Rights Section, farmed and been in exclusive possession of the whole of the land in question since 1934 other than the land which he acquired from D S Stevenson in 1966.

For these reasons I am satisfied that G W Revill is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Hereford and Worcester County Council, as registration authority, to register G W Revill 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