

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No 15/U/16

In the Matter of Putley Green, Putley, Ledbury R.D., Herefordshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Putley Green, Putley, Ledbury Rural District, being land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No VG 32 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Herefordshire 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 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 Hereford on 22 February 1973. The hearing was attended by Putley Parish Council who were represented by Mr P R D Spurgin who is their clerk.

Mr Spurgin said: the land comprised in this Register Unit is a small piece of grass land, approximately an equilateral triangle, each side of which is about 35 feet long. Putley is a scattered village, with two centres of population, one of which is Putley Green. It is important that the land shall remain green; the best way of achieving this would be for it to be vested in the Parish Council. However no evidence of ownership could be given.

In the absence of evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Herefordshire County Council, as registration authority, to register Putley 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 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 1 st day of March 1973

a.a. Baden Fuller

Commons Commissioner