

In the Matter of Leziate, Derby and Sugar Fens, Leziate and Grimston, Norfolk.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Leziate, Derby, and Sugar Fens, Leziate and Grimston, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 145 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Norfolk 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 A D Brand claimed to be the freehold owner of part 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 King's Lynn on 28 June 1977.

At the hearing Mr P W E Britten, solicitor, appeared on behalf of Mr Brand and Mrs W M Lemmon, Mr R G Sparrow appeared on behalf of Mr W Rasberry and Mrs R M Rasberry, and Mr R Barr, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the Leziate Parish Council.

The claimants represented by Mr Britten and Mr Sparrow were interested in only part of the land comprised in the Register Unit, namely Leziate Fen. as this land is concerned, the facts of this case are indistinguishable from those of In the Matter of Land additional to Leziate Fen, Leziate (1977), Ref. No. 225/U/206, and for the reasons given in my decision in that case I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land.

In the absence of any evidence as to the ownership of the remainder of the land comprised in the Register Unit I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of any of the land, and it will therefore remain subject to protection under section 9 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 29th day of Fully 1977

Chief Commons Commissioner