

In the Matter of Chainley Burn Freestone Quarry and Way, Bardon Mill, Northumberland

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Chainley Burn Freestone Quarry and Way, Bardon Mill, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 110 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Northumberland 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 Barcombe Farm (Eggs) Ltd 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 Hexham on 28 October 1981.

At the hearing Barcombe Farm (Eggs) Ltd was represented by Miss S Turner, solicitor.

The land in question was conveyed to Eurcombe Farm (Eggs) Ltd by a conveyance made 4 September 1972 between (1) Keith Slater and Sheila Maxwell Slater (his wife) (2) Barcombe Farm (Eggs) Ltd. Mr and Mrs Slater had a good root of title in a conveyance made 24 October 1945 between (1) William Smith (2) Edwin Halding.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Bardon Farm (Eggs) Ltd is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Northumberland County Council as registration authority, to register that company 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

day of November

1981

Chief Commons Commissioner