

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 227/U/48

In the Matter of Crindledykes Limestone Quarry, Bardon Mill, Northumberland

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Crindledykes Limestone Quarry, Bardon Mill, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 109 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 no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no one 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.

There was no appearance at the hearing by any person entitled to be heard, but Mr D Reay, a local resident, stated that he believed that Mrs Archibald of Tarset, Bellingham was the owner of the land.

Since there was no other claimant, I caused Mr Reay's information to be pursued without re-opening the hearing. The land in question was conveyed to Mrs Archibald and her daughter, Miss E F Archibald, by a deed of gift made 25 July 1978 between (1) Brian Mortimer Archibald (2) B M Archibald and Daphne Frances Archibald (3) Elizabeth Frances Archibald (4) E F Archibald and D F Archibald. The donor had a good root of title in a conveyance made 6 October 1950 between (1) Eric Barff Birley (2) Thomas Henry Harding.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Mrs Archibald and Miss Archibald are the owners of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Northumberland County Council, as registration authority, to register them as the owners 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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Chief Commons Commissioner

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