

Reference No. 228/U/71

In the Matter of The Gravel Pit, Balderton Lane, Coddington, Nottinghamshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Gravel Pit, Balderton Lane, Coddington, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.CL.63 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Nottinghamshire 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 Nottingham on 19 March 1985. At the hearing the Coddington Parish Council was represented by Mr B Allen, its Chairman.

Mr Allen informed me that the Parish Council had cut the grass and trimmed the hedges on the land for the last ten years or more and had planted treas in it three or four years ago.

In my view this is not sufficient to support a claim to a possessory title, so in the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner 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

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Chief Commons Commissioner