

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 233/U/20

In the Matter of Bradbury Lane Common, Hednesford, Cannock District, Staffordshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as the Common, Bradbury Lane, Hednesford, Cannock District being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.55 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Staffordshire 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 Stafford on 11 February 1976, when I adjourned the proceedings to the following day. On both days Cannock District Council were represented by Mr T W Badgery, solicitor with the Council.

Mr Badgery said (in effect):- The land is vacant land. The Council had made detailed inquiries of land in the ownership of the Council and had concluded that it does not belong to them. The Council have tried to prevent it being used as a rubbish dump. They could offer no evidence of ownership.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land and it will therefore be 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 lok day of February

1976

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Commons Commissioner