In the Matter of Salt Marshes, Warton and
Silverdale, Lancashire (NO.1)

## DECISION

These disputes relate to the registration at Entry No 1 in the Land Section of
Register Unit No.CL.45 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Lancashire
County Council and are occasioned by Objection No. 1 made by the former Lancaster
Rural District Council, Objection No. 70 made by Mr J Wilkinson, and Objection
No. 75 made by Thos. W Ward Ltd and all noted in the Register on 4 December 1970.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Lancaster on 1
and 2 March 1978.  The hearing was attended by Mr J Leeming, of Counsel, on behalf
of Mr J P Merrett, the applicant for the registration, the Trustees of H M Reynolds,
deceased, the applicants for the registration at Entry No 1 in the Rights Section of
the Register Unit and Mr C L Mason, the applicant for the Registration at Entry No. 4
in the Rights Section, by Mr L Howarth, Solicitor, on behalf Mr J Wilkinson, (also
the applicant for the registration at Entry No. 5 in the Rights Section),and by
Mr R B Armstrong, the Vice –Chairman of the Warton Parish Council.  At the hearing I
was informed that it had been agreed that the south–eastern boundary of the land
comprised in the Register Unit should be the main channel of the River Keer.

In these circumstances I confirm the registration with the following modification,
namely the exclusion of the land to the south-east of the main channel of the River Kee
notwithstanding that the position of the said channel may change from time to time
due either to accretion or to erosion.

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        2nd        day of February        1983

Chief Commons Commissioner