Reference No 222/U/31

In the Matter of The Village Green, Heckington, Lincolnshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Green, Heckington, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 14 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Lincolnshire 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 the Heckington Parish Council 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 Lincoln on 8 July 1981.

At the hearing the Parish Council was represented by Mr A H Beck, Ats Chairman.

It appears from an agreement made 4 October 1965 between (1) Heckington Parish Council (2) East Kasteven Rural District Council granting a licence to the Rural District Council to construct a car park on the land in question that the Parish Council had been deriving revenue from granting an annual licence for the use of the land as a site for a fun fair and ammsements.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Lincolnshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Heckington Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 3(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 roint 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.

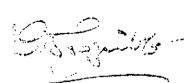
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