



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 233/U/80

In the Matter of The Village Green,  
Brocton, Staffordshire

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DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Green, Brocton, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 18 in the Register of Town or Village Greens 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 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 Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent on 11 January 1979.

There was no appearance at the hearing.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Staffordshire County Council, as registration authority, to register Brocton Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(3) of the Act of 1965.

I should mention that in the notices of reference and hearing the Register Unit No. was inadvertently given as VG 19 instead of VG 18, but as the land in question was correctly described throughout, I do not think that in the circumstances this mis-numbering is of material significance.

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 15<sup>th</sup> day of February 1979

*L. J. Morris Smith*

Commons Commissioner