



In the Matter of Woodside Paddock, Ryton,
Gateshead B

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land described above being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 105 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Durham 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 Gateshead Metropolitan Borough Council ("Gateshead") 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 Newcastle Upon Tyne on 19 October 1983.

At the hearing Gateshead was represented by Mr R T Harrison, Legal Executive, and no other claimant appeared.

This small piece of land lies opposite the land comprised in Unit CL 104, on the other side of the highway. The evidence and facts referred to in my Decision on CL 104 (Ref: 266/U/14) are, in all material respects, equally applicable to the land comprised in CL 105, and as in the CL 104 case, I am satisfied that Gateshead is the owner of the land in CL 105, and I shall accordingly direct the Tyne and Wear County Council, as registration authority, to register Gateshead as the owner under section 8(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 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 24 November

1983

L. J. Morris Smith

Commons Commissioner