

NOTICE OF DECISION

IN THE MATTER OF SECTION 15(1) OF THE COMMONS ACT 2006

AND IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE REGISTRATION OF LAND AT WATERBARN RECREATION GROUND, WATERBARN LANE, STACKSTEADS, BACUP AS TOWN OR VILLAGE GREEN (APPLICATION Ref No. VG107)

Notice is hereby given that the Registration Authority, at a meeting held on the 16th June 2022, considered the application to register in the Register of Town or Village Greens the land described in the application as 'Waterbarn Recreation Ground' which is situated off Waterbarn Lane, Stacksteads, Bacup.

The approximate centre of this land is at grid reference SD384662 and SD421623.

Lancashire County Council as the Registration Authority has decided to reject the application and make no changes to the Register of Town or Village Greens.

On the basis of all the evidence submitted, and having regard to the submissions received and the report of the Independent Inspector, the Registration Authority considered that the application must fail for all the reasons detailed at paragraphs 54-111 of the report from the Independent Inspector, namely on the basis that the Applicant has failed to prove that it is more likely than not that there have been lawful sports and pastimes in such quality and quantity for the 20 year period spanning 1993-2013 by a significant number of inhabitants of a neighbourhood within a locality.

Dated 25th August 2022

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