



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.1/U/66

In the Matter of The Village Green,
Knotting and Souldrop, Bedfordshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Green, Knotting and Souldrop, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.42 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Bedfordshire 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 Bedford on 12th February 1974.

At the hearing Mr. S.T. Morris, the Assistant Secretary of the Bedfordshire Association of Parish Councils, appeared for the Knotting and Souldrop Parish Council. Mr. Morris informed me that he had no evidence as to the ownership of the land in question.

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 Bedfordshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Knotting and Souldrop Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(3) 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 this 15th day of March 1974

Chief Commons Commissioner