



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 37/U/14

In the Matter of The Village Green,
Horsted Keynes, East Sussex.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Village Green, Horsted Keynes, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.25 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the East Sussex 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 Horsted Keynes 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 Lewes on 28th November 1972.

At the hearing the Parish Council was represented by its Clerk, Mr. G. Tester. The land in question was allotted and awarded to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Horsted Keynes by an Inclosure Award in 1860. This land became vested in the Parish Council by virtue of sections 6(c)(iii) and 67 of the Local Government Act 1894.

For these reasons I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the East Sussex County Council, as registration authority, to register the Horsted Keynes Parish Council as the owner of the land 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 this 6th day of December 1972

Chief Commons Commissioner