



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 212/D/270

In the Matter of Woodside Green, Great  
Hallingbury

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DECISION

This dispute relates to the registration at Entry No. 1 in the Rights Section of Register Unit No. CL 210 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Essex County Council and is occasioned by Objection No. 123 made by the National Trust and noted in the Register on 26 October 1970.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Chelmsford on 18 November 1981. The hearing was attended by Mr R S Coleman, the applicant, in person and Mr J W Carslake appeared for the National Trust.

Mr Coleman said in evidence that he was born in 1919 and had lived at Woodside Green Farm all his life. His grandfather became tenant of the farm in 1890 having moved there from Cornwall. The father of the witness took over the farm from his father shortly before he purchased the freehold from the Archer-Hublon estate. The witness took over the farm from his father in 1947. The father and grandfather had always maintained a herd of 40 cows which had always grazed on Woodside Green. In the father's lifetime, the number of the herd had risen above 40 and at some time after 1936 when the National Trust became the owners of the green a small rent was paid in respect of the cattle in excess of 40 which grazed on the green. No such rent had been paid before 1936.

Mr Carslake produced a Conveyance of Woodside Green to the National Trust dated 27 March 1936, which recited that their parties had rights of pasturage in the Common and the property was expressed to be conveyed subject to all public and private rights of way and pasturage and other commonable rights.

For these reasons I confirm the registration.

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

24<sup>th</sup>

day of

November

1981

*Henry Harker*

Commons Commissioner