



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No 214/U/20

In the Matter of Rectory Lane/  
Church Road Junction, Bramshott,  
East Hampshire D

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DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Rectory Lane/Church Road Junction, Bramshott, East Hampshire D being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No CL. 210 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Hampshire 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 Secretary of State for Defence 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 Winchester on 3 May 1978.

The Treasury Solicitor represented by Mr H B Jones appeared for the Secretary of State for Defence the successor to the Secretary of State for the War Department.

Mr Jones produced a copy conveyance dated 29 August 1918 whereby R C W H Butler conveyed to the Secretary of State for the War Department inter alia a triangular piece of waste between road north of the Parish Church identified on the plan annexed to the conveyance as being the land in question.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Secretary of State for Defence is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Hampshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Secretary of State for Defence 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1978

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Commons Commissioner