



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.24/D/16

In the Matter of The Village Green,
Revesby, Lincolnshire (Parts of Lindsey) (No.2)

DECISION

This dispute relates to the registration at Entry No.1 in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.23 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Lincoln (Parts of Lindsey) County Council and is occasioned by the conflicting registration at Entry No.1 in the Land Section of Register Unit No.C.L.71 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Council.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Lincoln on 12th March 1974. The hearing was attended by Mr. A. Gibson, the Clerk of the Horncastle Rural District Council, the applicant for both registrations. Mr. Gibson stated that he did not wish to support the registration as common land, but would call evidence in support of the registration the subject of this dispute.

Evidence was given by Mr. R.A. Roberts, a member of the Revesby Parish Council, who has lived in Revesby for nearly 40 years, that during his time the land in question has been used by the school children and other inhabitants of the village for maypole dancing and other games. Supporting evidence was given by Mr. S. Braithwaite, the agent for the Revesby Settled Estates, which included all the property round the Green. Maypole dancing is one of the hall-marks of a village green (see Hall v. Nottingham (1875) 1 Ex.D.1), and on this evidence I find that this land falls within the definition of "town or village green" in section 22(1) of the Commons Registration Act 1965.

I therefore 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 22nd day of March 1974

Chief Commons Commissioner