



In the Matter of Great Massingham Village Green,
Great Massingham, Norfolk.

DECISION

These disputes relate to the registration at Entry No. 1 in the Land section of Register Unit No. VG 172 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former Norfolk County Council and are occasioned by Objection No. 397 B made by the County Council and noted in the Register on 31 July 1972 and the conflicting registration at Entry No. 1 in the Land section of Register Unit No. CL 385 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Council.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at King's Lynn on 28 June 1977. The hearing was attended by Mrs S Wright, a member of the Great Massingham Parish Council, the applicant for the registration, and by Mr B Chilton, solicitor, on behalf of the Norfolk County Council. There was no appearance on behalf of the Norfolk Association of Amenity Societies, the applicant for the conflicting registration.

The Objection relates to only a narrow strip of land adjoining a road, and Mrs Wright informed me that the Parish Council were willing for the strip to be excluded from the Register Unit.

Mr V H Reeve, who has lived in Great Massingham for the last 40 years, gave evidence which satisfied me that the remainder of the land comprised in the Register Unit falls within the definition of "town or village green" in section 22(1) of the Commons Registration Act 1965.

In these circumstances I confirm the registration with the following modification:- namely, the exclusion of the strip of land the subject of the Objection.

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 13th day of July 1977

Chief Commons Commissioner