



In the Matter of The Grove or Staplegrove Green,
Staplegrove, Somerset.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Grove or Staplegrove Green, Staplegrove, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 95 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Somerset 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 no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no one 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 Taunton on 28 July 1981.

At the hearing the Staplegrove Parish Council was represented by Mr R W Morgan, solicitor.

The land in question was, with other land, allotted to Abraham Turner and Charles James Turner by the Staplegrove Inclosure Award made on 6 March 1841 under the Inclosure Act 1845. This land was conveyed to the Parish Council by a conveyance made 26 November 1956 between (1) David Louis Drummond and Geoffrey Frederic Powell (2) Launcelot Henry Beaumont Burlton (3) The Parish Council of Staplegrove.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Staplegrove Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Somerset County Council, as registration authority, to register the 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

August

1981

Chief Commons Commissioner