

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 234/U/47

In the Matter of Land known as The Green Stanstead, Babergh D

## DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land knwon as The Green. Stanstead, Babergh D being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 88 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former West Suffolk 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 Stanstead Parish Council 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 Ipswich on 12 January 1979.

Mr G J C Ince appeared on behalf of the Stanstead Parish Council and said that the land was less than half an acre in area and that the late Mr Bence who was the Lord of the Manor had informed the Council that he did not wish to be bothered with this small unproductive piece of land and that consequent an this disclaimer the Council had for many years maintained the land and permitted it use as a car park and planted trees on it.

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

day of February

Commons Commissioner

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