

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 234/U/44

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

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as the Village Green. Hartest, Babergh D being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 102 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 Hartest Parish Council claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no other person claimed to have informatio: 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 H B Rendle appeared for the Parish Council and he told me that the land in question had by inadvertance been omitted from the registration of the major part of the Village Green, which included part of OS 382 adjoining the land in question, also part of OS 383 the major part of the Village Green has been the subject of a decision produced by Mr Rendle, that it is owned by the Parish Council. Mr Rendle told me that the land in question has always been maintained by the Parish Council as part of the Village Green.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Hartest Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Suffolk County Council, as registration authority, to register Hartest 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 Foltonian 1979

Commons Commissioner