

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.35/U/3

In the Matter of Little Knowles Green, Hargrave, West Suffolk.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Little Knowles Green, Hargrave, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit Mo.V.G.6 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the 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 no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question, but Mrs. E.G. Pettit 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 Bury St. Edmunds on 31st January 1973.

At the hearing Mr. G.R.B. Storey, solicitor, appeared on behalf of the Hargrave Parish Council. Mr.Storey was not, however, able to adduce any evidence as to the ownership of the land the subject of the reference and asked me to direct that the Parish Council should be registered as the owner under section S(3) of the Act of 1965.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the West Suffolk County Council, as registration authority, to register the Hargrave Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(3) 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 16th day of February 1973

Chief Commons Commissioner