



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 35/U/40

In the Matter of Sandpits Green
Sharpes Corner, Lakenheath, Forest
Heath D., Suffolk

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Sandpits, Green, Sharpes Corner, Lakenheath, Forest Heath District, Suffolk being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG.51 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 Forest Heath District 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 Bury St. Edmunds on 22 April 1975. Mr. R. Taylor Assistant Secretary to the Forest Heath District Council and Mr. V.C. Phillips clerk to the Lakenheath Parish Council appeared.

Mr. Taylor produced a Deed of Dedication dated 20 March 1969 whereby Bryant and May (Holdings) Limited gave up and dedicated the land in question to the public and covenanted to convey the land to the Mildenhall Rural District Council. Forest Heath District Council is the successor to Mildenhall Rural District Council.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Forest Heath District Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Suffolk County Council as registrational authority to register Forest Heath District 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 30th day of April 1975

C A Little

Commons Commissioner