



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No 236/U/9

In the Matter of Recreation Ground,
Plough Road, Smallfield, Tandridge D

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Recreation Ground, Plough Road, Smallfield, Tandridge D being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No VG. 69 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Surrey 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 Tandridge 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 Guildford on 10 November 1976.

Mr R C Wilson appeared on behalf of Tandridge District Council and produced a conveyance dated 17 August 1939 made between Sir Hugh Trevor Dawson and Godstone Rural District Council whereby the land in question (now registered under Title No SY301241) was conveyed to Godstone RDC. Tandridge District Council is now the successor to Godstone RDC.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Tandridge District Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Surrey County Council, as registration authority, to register Tandridge 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 21st day of February

1978

G. A. Little

Commons Commissioner