

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.37/U/36

In the Matter of Roadside Strips
between Birch Grove and Horsted Keynes,
Horsted Keynes, East Sussex.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Roadside strips between Birch Grove and Horsted Keynes, Horsted Keynes, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.C.L.21 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the East Sussex 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 and no one 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 Lewes on 28th and 30th November 1972.

At the hearing Mr. J.M. Blyth, solicitor, appeared for the Ashdown and General Land Co.Ltd. Mr. Blyth produced a conveyance dated 1st April 1937 between (1) Ranulph Brand; (2) Glynde Estates Company; and (3) Ashdown and General Land Co.Ltd, whereby the whole of the land in question in this reference was conveyed to the Ashdown and General Land Co.Ltd.

For these reasons I am satisfied that the Ashdown and General Land Co.Ltd. is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the East Sussex County Council, as registration authority, to register that company 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 1202 day of December 1972

Chief Commons Commissioner