



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No 238/U/36

In the Matter of Village Green Billingshurst
Horsham D.C.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Village Green Billingshurst Horsham D.C. being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.VG.3 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the West 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 Billingshurst Parish 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 Chichester on 4 October 1979.

Mr Griffin appeared for the Billingshurst Parish Council and produced a conveyance dated 16 September 1949 with plan thereon whereby the Duke of Norfolk conveyed the land in question to the Billingshurst Parish Council.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Billingshurst Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the West Sussex County Council as registration authority, to register Billingshurst 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 9th day of November 1979

J. A. Little

Commons Commissioner