

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 204/U/28

In the Matter of The Green, Kingston, Cambridgeshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Green, Kingston, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 24 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Cambridgeshire County Council of which no person is registered under section 4 of the Camons Registration Act 1965 as the owner.

Following upon the public notice of this reference the Kingston 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 Cambridge on 26 January 1979.

At the hearing the Parish Council was represented by Mrs M Brian, its Clerk.

It appears from the minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on 6 August 1953 that the Parish Council took possession of the land in question by placing a seat on it, and from the minutes of a meeting held on 20 February 1969 that the Council had at some time planted chestnut trees in the land, since it was resolved to replace damages trees. The Parish Council has thus been in possession for a long enough time to acquire a possessory title.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Cambridgeshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the 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

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Chief Commons Commissioner