

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.10/D/29

In the Matter of Greenhayes, Okeford Fitzpaine, Dorset.

DECISION

This dispute relates to the registration at Entry No.18 in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.18 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Dorset County Council and is occasioned by Objection No.98 made by the County Council and noted in the Register on 26th October 1971.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Dorchester on 28th February 1973. The hearing was attended by Mr. D.G. Lambert, the Chairman of the Okeford Fitzpaine Parish Council, which applied for the registration, and by Mr. W.N. Taylor, solicitor, for the Objectors.

The grounds of objection were stated to be:-

"A narrow road crosses this Village Green. The tarred surface is about "6'0" wide and highway rights have been claimed to exist over a width of "10'0"."

At the hearing Mr. Lambert and Mr. Taylor jointly asked me to confirm the registration with the exclusion of the path, which they agreed to be only 4'0" wide.

It seems to me that this is a reasonable way of dealing with the matter and I therefore confirm the registration with the following modification:- namely the exclusion of a strip of land 4'0" wide along the route marked "F.P." on the 1/2500 Ordnance Map (1902 edn).

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 (5th day of March 1973

Chief Commons Commissioner