



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.10/D/30

In the Matter of the Parish Green,  
Worth Matravers, Dorset.

DECISION

This dispute relates to the registration at Entry No.20 in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.20 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Dorset County Council and is occasioned by Objection No.96 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. W.N. Taylor, solicitor, on behalf of the Objectors. There was no appearance on behalf of the Worth Matravers Parish Council, which applied for the registration, or on behalf of Mrs. Monica Killingbeck, whose application was noted in the Register.

The land the subject of the reference consists of a small grass area between a county maintained road and the adjoining property. It has been treated as part of the highway and the grass cut by the County Council's roadmen as part of the general maintenance of the area. There is no evidence that it has ever been used for exercise or recreation or for any sports or pastimes - indeed, it appears to be too small (about 0.015 acres) for any such use. On the map attached to the tithe apportionment dated 29th December 1840 it is indistinguishable from the adjoining roadway.

For these reasons I refuse to confirm the registration.

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 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1973

Chief Commons Commissioner