



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.14/U/17

In the Matter of Headley Recreation Ground,
Kingsclere, Hampshire

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Headley Recreation Ground, Kingsclere, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.52 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Hampshire 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 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 Winchester on 31st May 1972.

By the award made in February 1845 under the Kingsclere Inclosure Act (5 & 6 Vict.,c.5 (private)) the land in question in this reference was allotted to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the parish of Kingsclere for the purposes of recreation. By the combined operation of sections 6(1)(c)(iii) and 67 of the Local Government Act 1894 the land passed to and vested in the Kingsclere Parish Council.

For these reasons I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Hampshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Kingsclere Parish Council as the owner of the land.

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 15th day of June 1972.


Chief Commons Commissioner