

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 14/U/22

In the Matter of The Tennis Courts, Grayshott, Hampshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Tennis Courts, Grayshott, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.67 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 the Grayshott 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 Winchester on 31st May 1972

At the hearing Mr. D.P. Lawson, solicitor and Clerk to the Parish Council, produced a conveyance made 18th February 1924 between (1) Alexander Ingham Whitaker (2) Thomas Ashley Crook, Edward Albert Garner, and Charlotte Lyndon, wife of Arnold Lyndon as Overseers of the Parish of Grayshott, whereby the land in question was conveyed to the Overseers. Mr. Lawson also produced a conveyance made 15th March 1927 with the consent of the Charity Commissioners dated 11th March 1927 whereby the land was conveyed by the Overseers to the Parish Council.

I am accordingly satisfied that the Grayshott Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Hampshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Grayshott 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 27th day of fine 1972

Chief Commons Commissioner