



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 214/D/157

In the Matter of The Village Green at
East End, East Woodhay, Basingstoke
and Deane Borough, Hampshire

DECISION

This dispute relates to the registration at Entry No.1 in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG 201 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Hampshire County Council and is occasioned by Objection No. OB 609 made by the said Council and noted in the Register on 14 May 1971.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Winchester on 20 March 1979. At the hearing East Woodhay Parish Council were represented by Mrs N Tomkins one of their members, and Hampshire County Council were represented by Mr E Mason, senior assistant solicitor with the Council.

The grounds of objection are:- "The land was not village green at the time of registration, it was highway".

The land in this Register Unit is a small triangular piece in the centre of the junction of three roads. Mrs Tomkins said (in effect):- The land is the focal point of a very small hamlet. It has on it a War Memorial (1914-18). Research into local history showed at one time the stocks stood there.

Mr Mason handed me a request signed on behalf of the Parish Council, the Borough Council and the County Council requesting the Commons Commissioner to make final the registration, and he explained that there had not been enough time to follow the consent procedure provided by regulation 31 of the Commons Commissioners Regulations 1971, and thus avoid a hearing.

I consider I should give effect to the said request, and I therefore confirm the registration without any modifications.

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 16th day of April 1979.

C. A. Bacon, F.R.S.

Commons Commissioner