



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.219/U/21

In the Matter of Letts Green.
Knockholt, Kent.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Letts Green, Knockholt, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.VG 207 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the former Kent 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, but Professor Sir David Smithers 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 Maidstone on 16th July 1975.

At the hearing the Knockholt Parish Council was represented by Mr J.R.M.Lees, its Treasurer.

The land comprised in the Register Unit consists of three small areas, of which one lying to the south-west of the cross-roads is registered in the Land Registry as part of Title No.K 36027 and therefore falls outside this reference. Mr Lees said that he had no evidence as to the ownerships of the remaining two areas and asked that they should be vested in the Parish Council under section 8(3) of the Act of 1965.

In these circumstances I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the two unregistered pieces of land, and I shall accordingly direct the Kent County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish Council as the owner of those pieces under section 8(3) of the Act of 1965.

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 30th day of August 1975

Chief Commons Commissioner