



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.19/U/57

In the Matter of The Green, Charlton Lane,
West Farleigh, Kent.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Green, Charlton Lane, West Farleigh, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.V.G.54 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the 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 the Maidstone Rural District 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 Maidstone on 16th January 1974.

At the hearing the Rural District Council was represented by Mr.R.E.North, its Clerk.

Mr. North informed me that he had no evidence as to the ownership of the land in question. It is subject to a scheme made under the Commons Act 1899 on 18th June 1908 and approved on 17th July 1908. The Rural District Council has not delegated its powers of management under Part I of the Act of 1899.

In these circumstances I shall direct the Kent County Council, as registration authority, to register the Maidstone Rural District Council as the owner of the land 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 1st day of February 1974

Chief Commons Commissioner