



In the Matter of Ripley Green, Ripley, Surrey (No. 3)

DECISION

These disputes relate to the registrations at Entry Nos 1 to 3 and 5 to 13 in the Rights section of Register Unit No. VG 24 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Surrey County Council and are occasioned by Objection No. 318 made by the former Surrey County Council and noted in the Register on 3 October 1970 and Objection No. 242 also made by the former County Council and noted in the Register on 2 September 1970 and the conflicting registration at Entry No. 1 in the Land section of Register Unit No. CL 308 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Council.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Guildford on 21 January 1981. The hearing was attended by Mr R L Gale, the successor in title of Mrs G J Chadburn, the applicant for the registration at Entry No. 1A, Mr D M L Bolt, the successor in title of Mr R S Newton, the applicant for the registration at Entry No. 3, and Mr B H Cotter, solicitor, on behalf of the Surrey County Council. There was no appearance by or on behalf of the applicants for the remaining registrations.

Mr Cotter informed me that he was instructed not to pursue the Objections in so far as they related to the registration at Entry No. 2.

It is stated in the List of Antiquities in the Administrative County of Surrey published in 1965 by the Records etc. Committee of the former Surrey County Council that the semi-detached houses of Mr Gale and Mr Bolt were formerly one property known as The George. By the Inclosure Award for Ripley and Send made under the Ripley and Send Inclosure Act of 1803 (43 Geo. III, c.39 (private, not printed)) there was awarded to William Halliday a right of common for two sheep on Ripley Green in right of a freehold messuage lately called The George.

For these reasons I confirm the registrations at Entry Nos 1A and 3 with the following modification in each case, namely, the substitution of "1 sheep" for "6 sheep or 2 cows or 1 horse", I confirm the registration at Entry No. 2, and I refuse to confirm the registrations at Entry Nos 1 and 5 to 13 (inclusive).

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

6th

day of

February

1981

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Chief Commons Commissioner