

In the Matter of St Catherine's Hill, Artington, Surrey (No. 1)

DECISION

These disputes relate to the registration at Entry No. 1 in the Land section of Register Unit No. CL 406 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Surrey County Council and are occasioned by Objection No. 321 made by the former Surrey County Council and noted in the Register on 30 November 1971 and Objection No. 496 made by the Rev. Canon William Goddard and noted in the Register on 26 February 1971 and Objection No. 640 also made by the former Surrey County Council and noted in the Register on 1 August 1972.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the dispute at Guildford on 21 February 1981. The hearing was attended by Miss E Tarr, an officer of the Guildford Borough Council, the successor authority of the former Guildford Rural District Council, the applicant for the registration, Mr B H Cotter, solicitor, on behalf of the Surrey County Council, and Mr F D Kennedy, solicitor, on behalf of the Rev Brian Taylor, the successor of Canton Goddard as rector of St Nicholas's Church, Guildford.

The County Council objected only to the inclusion in the Register Unit of highway land shown coloured pink on the plan attached to Objection No. 640, and Cannon Goddard's Objection related only to such part of St Catherine's Hill as is occupied by the land of St Catherine's Chapel. Miss Tarr informed me that the Borough Council agreed to the exclusion of these areas.

In these circumstances I confirm the registration with the following modifications; namely, the exclusion of the land shown coloured pink on the plan attached to Objection No. 640 and the land the subject of Objection No. 496.

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

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Chief Commons Commissioner