



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 238/U/33

In the Matter of Ifield Green, CrawleyDECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Ifield Green, Crawley being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. VG.57 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the West Sussex 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 Crawley Borough 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 Chichester on 3 October 1979.

Prior to the hearing the Crawley Borough Council wrote to the office of the Commons Commissioners claiming to own the land in question and enclosing a certified copy conveyance dated 1st February 1940 whereby Sir J F Drughorn conveyed the land in question and other land to the Parish Council of Crawley.

Fortunately Mr R Lester was present at the hearing on behalf of West Sussex Council and he was able to satisfy me that the land in question was comprised in the land conveyed as aforesaid identified on the plan on that conveyance.

On this evidence I am satisfied that Crawley Borough Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the West Sussex County Council, as registration authority to register Crawley Borough Council as the owner of the land under Section 3 (2) 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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November 1979

G. A. Little

Commons Commissioner