

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.219/U/15

## In the Matter of Bessels Green, Chevening, Kent.

## DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Bessels Green, Chevening, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.VG 134 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 and no one 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 Chevening Parish Council was represented by Mr A.G.Russ, its Clerk.

The land the subject of the reference was granted to the Parish Council by a copy of the court roll of the Manor Chevening in the Honor of Otford, dated 15th December 1914. This was enfranchised under the Law of Property Act 1925.

On this evidence I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Kent County Council, as registration authority, to register the Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(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 142 day of August 1975

Chief Commons Commissioner