

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 37/U/104

In the Matter of Stumblewood Common (part), Maresfield and Horsted Keynes, East Sussex

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Stumblewood Common (part), Maresfield and Horsted Keynes, being the part of the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL 122 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former East 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 Lord Samuel claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and the Horsted Keynes Parish Council 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 Lewes on 15 November 1978.

At the hearing the Maresfield Parish Council was represented by Mr C R Stephens, one dits members, who stated that he had no observations to make. There was no appearance by or on behalf of Lord Samuel.

In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and it will therefore remain subject to protection under section 9 of the Act of 1965.

I am required by regulation 50(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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day of Decamber

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Chief Commons Commissioner