

Reference Nos. 203/U/84 203/U/89

In the Matter of (1) Little Green, and (2) The Green, Earl Scham, Suffolk Coastal District, Suffolk

DECISION

These references relate to the question of the ownership of lands known as (1) Little Green, and (2) The Green, Earl Soham, Suffolk Coastal District being the lands comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit (1) No. VG 47 and No. VG 46 in the Register of Town or Village Greens maintained by the Suffolk 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 obtained to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no 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 Ipswich on 4 October 1979. At the hearing Suffolk County Council as registration authority were represented by Mr J W Gibbs and Mr I Rands of the County Secretary's Department.

Mr Rands said that on the Tithe map for the Parish, these lands are named (as now) "Little Green" and "The Green" but are not otherwise distinguished from the highways, and in the Award are treated as not Tithable. In the absence of any evidence I am not satisfied that any person is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Suffolk County Council, as registration authority, to register Earl Scham Parish Council as the owner of the lands under section 8(3) 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 16k — day of October — 1979.

Commons Commissioner

a. a. Bade Fulle