

Wimbledon Putney

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An Act for vesting the Management of Wimbledon Common (including Wimbledon Green and Putney Heath) and Putney Lower Common in the county of Surrey in a body of Conservators, with a view to the preservation thereof, and for other purposes. A.D. 1871.

[16th August 1871.]

WHEREAS there are in the county of Surrey open spaces of large extent, uninclosed and unbuilt on, known as Wimbledon Common, (in which Wimbledon Green and Putney Heath are commonly and in this Act included,) and Putney Lower Common, (in this Act jointly referred to as the commons):

And whereas it would be of great local and public advantage if the commons were always kept uninclosed and unbuilt on, their natural aspect and state being, as far as may be, preserved:

And whereas a small part of Wimbledon Common is situate within and is or is alleged to be part of the wastes of the Manor of Battersea and Wandsworth, and the residue thereof and Putney Lower Common are situate within and are or are alleged to be parts of the wastes of the Manor of Wimbledon:

And whereas the Right Honourable John Poyntz Earl Spencer (in this Act referred to as Earl Spencer) is or claims to be entitled in fee simple in possession to those manors:

And whereas it is expedient that provision be made for the transfer from Earl Spencer of his estate and interest in the commons to a body of Conservators to be constituted so as to represent both public and local interests, whose duty it shall be to keep the commons for ever open and uninclosed and unbuilt on, and to protect the turf, gorse, timber, and underwood thereon; and to preserve the same for public and local use, for purposes of exercise and recreation, and other purposes:

And whereas plans have been prepared for the purposes of this Act, showing (among other things) the respective areas of the