Database of registered town or village greens in England

The data in the second tab of this workbook were gathered by the University of Aberystwyth in connection with (but not as part of) the biological survey of common land, and dates from the late 1980s. The data were collected from visits to the offices of commons registration authorities at that time. The data are not kept up-to-date with subsequent new registrations of greens, or amendments to existing registrations, because Defra does not receive details of amendments to the registers. So these data must be seen as a snapshot of the registers of town or village green at the time of the survey. Although deregistration of land registered as town or village green occurs very infrequently, the entries in this database cannot be guaranteed, and reliance should be placed on an inspection of the relevant register held by the commons registration authority for confirmation.

Please note that the greens listed in the database are located by a single grid reference, and that owing to limitations in the scale of mapping at which the data were collected, the grid reference may be located a short distance from the green itself. The location is therefore very approximate.

Click on the 'tvgs in England' tab below for the dataset

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