

DISPUTE RESOLUTION SERVICE

DRS 18986

**Decision of Independent Expert
(Summary Decision)**

Mr Darren Smith

and

Global Internet Development Ltd

1. The Parties:

Complainant: Mr Darren Smith
Putteridge Bury
Hitchin Road
Luton
Bedfordshire
LU2 8LE
United Kingdom

Respondent: Global Internet Development Ltd
Mbx 1391 London Road
Leigh On Sea
SS9 2SA
United Kingdom

2. The Disputed Domain Name:

<putteridgebury.co.uk>

3. Notification of Complaint

I hereby certify that I am satisfied that Nominet has sent the complaint to the Respondent in accordance with section 3 and 6 of the Policy.

Yes No

4. Rights

The Complainant has, to my reasonable satisfaction, shown rights in respect of a name or mark which is identical or similar to the Disputed Domain Name.

Yes No

5. Abusive Registration

The Complainant has, to my reasonable satisfaction, shown that the Disputed Domain Name <putteridgebury.co.uk> is an Abusive Registration.

Yes No

6. Other Factors

I am satisfied that no other factors apply which would make a summary decision unconscionable in all the circumstances.

Yes No

7. Comments (optional)

The Complainant has supplied ample evidence that it has unregistered rights in the term PUTTERIDGE BURY in connection with a conference centre and wedding venue since at least 2002. The Disputed Domain Name identically reproduces the Complainant's name. Therefore, the Expert finds that the Complainant has Rights in respect of a name or mark which is similar to the Disputed Domain Name, in accordance with paragraph 2.1.1 of the Policy.

As far as Abusive Registration is concerned, the Respondent appears to have acquired the Disputed Domain Name further to the Complainant's failure to renew it. However, the Respondent's use of the Domain Name to resolve to a parking page containing sponsored links that refer to the Complainant's business activities (including "Wedding hall venues", "wedding venues on a budget", "Castle Wedding venues", amongst others) and offering the Domain Name for sale, is sufficient for the Expert to find that the Disputed Domain Name is an Abusive Registration, in accordance with paragraph 2.1.2 of the Policy.

8. Decision

I grant the Complainant's application for a summary decision. In accordance with section 12 of the Policy, the Disputed Domain Name will therefore be transferred to the Complainant.

Signed: David Taylor

Dated: 7 August 2017