

# susdrain SuDS Champion Nomination 2019

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<b>Nominated person</b>	Sue Illman
<b>Name of their organisation or community</b>	Illman Young Landscape Design – Landscape Institute
<b>Role in organisation or community</b>	MD of Illman Young, Past President of Landscape Institute
<b>Role in championing SuDS</b>	SuDS designer, Author, Speaker, Campaigner, Influencer

<p><b>Inspiring</b> – how has this champion inspired others regarding SuDS?</p>	<p>During her Landscape Institute presidential year she helped embed SuDS in practice by developing training and advocating for it in industry and Government. Sue promotes the use and benefits of SuDS in government and industry committees. She is co- author of the SuDS Manual and Guide to SuDS Construction.</p>
<p><b>Informing</b> – how does this champion share good practice?</p>	<p>Sue speaks at conferences to promote best practice to a wide range of people, has run training courses, contributed to CIRIA guidance, and even created a fun short animation explaining the concepts behind SuDS, called “Let’s Get Nibbling” – as well as getting SuDs built on the ground through the work in her practice.</p>
<p><b>Influencing</b> – how has this champion dealt with challenges and shared their enthusiasm about SuDS?</p>	<p>Sue uses her knowledge to influence Government policy and legislation; is a SuDS Champion for the Construction Industry Council and was Expert advisor to the All Parliamentary Group for Excellence in the Built Environments report ‘Living with Water’. Sue led a LLFA review to determine the true state of SuDS in planning.</p>

**How this person has demonstrably gone the extra mile to promote use of SuDS and why they deserve to be awarded the susdrain 2019 SuDS Champion Award**

Not afraid of ruffling feathers, Sue will push forward for the best solutions in project work, will happily ‘debate’ with developers and is respected by everyone involved in SuDS and those she seeks to influence.

Through her various roles; from LI president, CIC champion to most recently the Master of The Worshipful Company of Paviers (the first female to occupy the office), Sue has reached out across the built environment industry, promoting integrated thinking and cross discipline working. This, she firmly believes, is crucial for the advancement of the best environmental solutions, with SuDS playing a critical role.