

## susdrain SuDS Champion Nomination Form 2021



## 1. Nomination details

Name of nominated person	Amanda Skeldon	
Name of nominee's organisation or community	Business in the Community (BITC)	
Role of nominee in their organisation/community	Campaign Manager - Climate Action Technical Lead - The IGNITION Project	
Role in championing SuDS	Driving forward work on innovative investment in SuDS and the retrofit of SuDS by business.	
Experienced SuDS professional (worked with SuDS for more than 10 years) or 'rising star' (worked with SuDS for 10 years or fewer)		Please indicate category
	Established	No
	Rising star	Yes
Name and organisation of nominator	Sam Evans - Head of Natural Environment, GMCA	
Relationship of nominator to nominee	Project partners in the IGNITION nature-based solutions project.	



## 2. Please give us some bullet points to explain how your nominee inspires, informs and influences SuDS, with examples of SuDS delivery.

(Maximum 150 words total)

Inspire – how has your champion inspired others regarding SuDS?	<ul> <li>Amanda project managed a pilot project for BITC that looked at financing SuDS in schools</li> <li>Organised Seeing is Believing visits in Greater Manchester to showcase pilot SuDS projects in schools for European projects, business leaders and local authorities</li> <li>Her passion and ability to translate SuDS for a range of audiences enables her to inspire audiences from primary school children to business leaders and investors.</li> </ul>
Inform – how does your champion share good practice?	<ul> <li>Supported development of GLA SuDS sector guides and additional business facing guides on SuDS and NBS</li> <li>Project managed the delivery of 2 pilot SuDS projects in Greater Manchester, used these to showcase the value and potential of urban SuDS</li> <li>Champions SuDS within Business in the Community to both colleagues and business members</li> </ul>
Influence – how has your champion dealt with challenges and shared their enthusiasm about SuDS?	<ul> <li>Leading 12 IGNITION partners in influencing a range of audiences to install and invest in nature-based solutions.</li> <li>Amanda has brokered meetings with policy makers, DEFRA, EA, water regulators, water companies, SuDS experts to help understand the drivers, opportunities and challenges to create an enabling environment for SuDS</li> </ul>

Please submit this form to Louise Walker (<a href="louise.walker@ciria.org">louise.walker@ciria.org</a>)

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