

susdrain SuDS Champion Nomination Form 2021



1. Nomination details

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| Name of nominated person | Sue Illman | |
| Name of nominee's organisation or community | Illman Young Landscape Design - Landscape Institute | |
| Role of nominee in their organisation/community | MD of Illman Young, Past President of Landscape Institute | |
| Role in championing SuDS | SuDS designer, Author, Speaker, Campaigner, Influencer | |
| Experienced SuDS professional (worked with SuDS for more than 10 years) or 'rising star' (worked with SuDS for 10 years or fewer) | Established | Please indicate category Yes |
| | Rising star | No |
| Name and organisation of nominator | Bridget Woods Ballard, HR Wallingford | |
| Relationship of nominator to nominee | Co-author, research and SuDS promotion collaborator, | |

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)

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| <p>Inspire – how has your champion inspired others regarding SuDS?</p> | <p>During her Landscape Institute presidential year she helped embed SuDS development design by developing training and passionately advocating for its implementation by lobbying both industry and Government. Sue has continued to promoted the use and benefits of SuDS on wide-ranging committees and has recently advocated the inclusion of a national amenity standard for SuDS through a Defra funded review of the current standards. She is a co- author of the SuDS Manual and Guide to SuDS Construction, both of which continue to inspire practitioners, regulators and approving bodies.</p> |
| <p>Inform – how does your champion share good practice?</p> | <p>Sue speaks at conferences to promote best practice to a wide range of people, gives training courses across the development and water industry, contributes to wide-ranging 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>Influence – how has your 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 which has been crucial in highlighting the deficiencies in current approaches. 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.</p> |

Please submit this form to Louise Walker (louise.walker@ciria.org)

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