

*susdrain SuDS Champion nomination
2020*



1. Nomination details

Name of nominated person	Brian D'Arcy
Name of their organisation or community	Kinross-Shire Civic Trust Raingardens Challenge
Role in organisation/community	Active community member / contributor

Role in championing SuDS	Strong international and local campaigner
Name of nominator	Dr. Peter Morison
Relationship of nominator to nominee	Co-author and international colleague. I met Brian in 2011 when I managed Melbourne Water’s stormwater quality team, overseeing the successful 10,000 Raingardens program.

2. State your reasons for nominating this champion under the following headings (Max 50 words per heading)

Inspiring – how has your champion inspired others regarding SuDS?	Brian has inspired local and international audiences extremely well through clear communication, justification and campaigning for SuDS. He is well-known internationally for his work, while also driving it practically at a local level (e.g. Kinross Raingarden Challenge.)
Informing – how does your champion share good practice?	Persistence and clear and evidence-based communications are Brian’s main ways to inform. He is a tireless advocate for SuDS and will comfortably argue for its precedence over traditional forms of urban drainage management.
Influencing – how has your champion dealt with challenges and shared their enthusiasm about SuDS?	Brian has successfully engaged at various institutional, academic and community levels to drive his vision for SuDS across the globe. He gives the time to argue for SuDS rationally and respectfully, which has been on many occasions! Brian is the most enthusiastic SuDS advocate I know at a global level

3. Please give a quotable reason for your nomination (no more than 100 words)

Describe why this person has demonstrably gone the extra mile to promote use of SuDS and why they deserve to be awarded susdrain **SuDS Champion 2020**

Brian D’Arcy exudes a global passion for sustainable urban drainage that has inspired and influenced policy change and a community drive for SuDS across the UK. Honest, enduring, knowledgeable and passionate, Brian is a true SuDS Champion!

Personal statement

It's 25 years since the Nature's Way video introduced multiple-benefits approaches for stormwater management to the UK as a national policy led initiative. The international experts involved in that film and seeing the range of examples at first hand made it a life changing experience.

Although those ideas are mainstream across much of the UK now, there is still plenty to do to really achieve our early aspirations. The rise of raingardens as green infrastructure offers additional creative opportunities and it's great to share our enthusiasm with the public here, with our Kinross-shire Civic Trust Raingardens Challenge; such positive responses.