



**Nomination Form**

GEORGE DAWSON AWARD

Background

The George Dawson Award for Environmental Contribution was established in 2008 and pays tribute to the memory of George Dawson, former Business in the Community colleague and Director of ARENA Network. George passed away in 2007, following a short illness.

During his nine years with Business in the Community, George developed the ARENA Network, a programme established to coordinate all business environmental initiatives in Northern Ireland and to provide an environmental support service for local business.

Those who knew George and had the opportunity to work with him are all the richer for the experience and greatly miss his contribution, commitment and sense of humour.

The Award

This award is designed to recognise and celebrate a significant contribution, made by a nominated businessperson, to improving the environmental performance and impacts of his or her organisation upon the environment and wider community. The award recognises those from a corporate background, as opposed to someone who works for an environmental organisation.

For example, someone who:

* Is seen as an environmental leader or champion, both within and outside of his or her organisation
* Leads by example and inspires others
* Raises environmental awareness, both internally and within the wider community
* Has introduced innovative solutions to environmental challenges across the company
* Significantly decreases the environmental impacts and/or cost savings for the organisation
* Undertakes environmental actions above and beyond the call of duty
* Offers support and guidance to other organisations

Nomination procedure

If you have worked with someone over the last year who you would like to nominate for the **George Dawson Award for Environmental Contribution** in 2021,please complete this nomination form and return to environment@bitcni.org.uk by 12pm on Thursday 14 October. Please do not mention your nomination to the individual concerned at this stage.

**Tell us about the person you would like to nominate:**

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| Name of your nominee |  |
| Job title |  |
| Name and address of the organisation they work for |  |

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| Why do you think they deserve this award? (max 300 words): |
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| How do they ‘walk-the-talk’ outside their official role? (max 200 words) |
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**Tell us about you:**

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| Your name |  |
| Your organisation and job title |  |
| Your work phone number  |  |
| Your mobile phone number |  |
| Your e-mail address |  |
| Name and address of your organisation |  |
| How do you know the nominee |  |

**What happens next?**

Nominations will be evaluated by a small panel of Business in the Community stakeholders. The winner will be announced at the 2021 NI Environmental Benchmarking Survey results launch (online) on Wednesday 24 November 2021.

**Closing date:** Please return your completed form to environment@bitcni.org.uk by noon on **Wednesday 14 October 2021**. All nominations will be treated in the strictest confidence.