



Submission

I think that Tom is a worthy nomination for this award, as he has had a wide impact on sustainability across the entire London Bridge BID area. Throughout the year, he has worked with and promoted the actions of Recorra, and constantly pushed for future sustainability projects too. Below, I talk about some of the main activities that he's done.

Firstly, Tom had made education of waste and recycling available to the whole London Bridge area. Last October, TLB and Recorra hosted a beach clean at Horsleydown Steps near Tower Bridge, a previously uncleaned area by Recorra! The event was a huge success, with a mixture of workers taking some much-needed fresh air, and London Bridge locals that fancied an afternoon activity. Lots of tech waste was collected on this clean, which provided a good opportunity to educate participants in the harmful nature of this waste stream. Also, in November, Tom organised a tour of our MRF for TLB members. The engagement that he showed was through the roof, looking to explore and ask questions on every part of the recycling process. This rubbed off on other members of the tour, who also had a great day.

As well as specific Recorra events, Tom has organised events which we at Recorra have found very helpful for our continued efforts to Recycle as much as possible. Every quarter, Tom organises a waste working group, this event encourages key stakeholders in the BID area to talk about waste issues that they are currently facing, and share tips to minimise waste. Through this, Recorra is able to connect with those facing recycling problems, and recommend certain waste streams that may boost their recycling rates. Also, we ourselves can learn about new technology within the waste sector. Team London bridge themselves help to greatly reduce waste in the area, having a Whatsapp group to re-home used furniture and a partnership with Plan Zheroes to reduce food waste.

Finally, Toms enthusiasm for Recorra's e-cargo push has been infectious! As well as hosting the e-cargo bike rally (which was not my finest hour), he was a great help of the recent cargo bike filming. Tom got us in touch with local businesses that could take part and used his previous director experience to get the best shots.

I think that this award should go to someone who consistently goes above and beyond in terms of enthusiasm and engagement, and I think Tom fulfils all of this criteria.

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