

# Commercial SUDS ~ The Innovation Centre

# Ely, Cambridgeshire



### Project Description

Our client excels at developing and producing innovative electro mechanical prototypes, equipment manufacturing and flexible automation solutions. They required an innovative landscape scheme to compliment their new Innovation Centre, office and factory, with a brief that stipulated the need for a pond, with decking surrounds and water filtration planting.

This pond was to provide a rain water collection facility from roofs and was to be used as a water cooling facility, as part of the Innovation Centre which in 2002, was a modern and forward thinking attitude towards landscape, drainage sustainability and reuse of natural resources, whilst also providing a visually attractive wildlife feature and arrival point at their new office.

The pond was lined with Butyl and a shingle beach provided over margins to cover the soil to give a clean and attractive finish in the first instance. Planting has since naturalised and matured to provide the desired effect of partial screening and green infrastructure to the building frontage, whilst circulating water as part of the filtration system within the building.

The photographs illustrate the entrance pond immediately after planting and again 11 years later.



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Images of the Pond After Construction in 2002 and Again in 2013.

### Project Particulars

Client: GB Innomech Ltd  
 Architect: Tony Walton Designs  
 Landscape Contractor: Fordham Lansdcares Ltd  
 Landscape Construction Value: £55,000