

## Rising Star award presented to Churchill

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Soft services provider [Churchill Group](#) has been awarded the Rising Star award by the Sustainable Facilities Management Index (SFMI). The group won the award following its third assessment from the sustainability benchmarking initiative.

The company was recognised for its multiple social value activities, including those embedded into its client contracts create social value resources and aspiration packs for school children.

The judges praised its internal wellbeing programme WellMe, which provides five pillars of wellness recommendations and goals for employees. The group is also a disability confident employer and offers additional support for neurodiverse colleagues, as well as workers going through menopause.

The company also became an [employee-owned business](#) in 2023, meaning that 53% of the company's shares are held by the Employee Ownership Trust for the benefit of the organisation's employees.

In addition to winning the award, the group retained the silver award this year, winning praise for its strong people-focused ethos and recommended that these initiatives become further embedded across its supply chain and stakeholders.

Environmental manager Thomas Farrell said: "The Rising Star award recognises how our sustainable initiatives and commitment to putting people first have developed in the past year. Nothing exemplifies this more than our transition to becoming an employee-owned business. The SFMI also provided some recommendations for improvement which we will be addressing in 2024 as we aim for the gold award next time."