

## Melanie Donovan Press Pack

### Inner City

As cities evolve, it is vital that we preserve existing green spaces but also create new ones, for the benefit of the planet and our communities. As space is often at a premium in cities I wanted my design to demonstrate how a small border can be created to benefit local wildlife and our health and wellbeing. I was inspired by the changing skyline of my home city, Manchester. Seven metal obelisks, representing skyscrapers, tower above the planting of pretty pinks, purples and yellows – a warm contrast to the coldness of the city.



### Relocation

My sponsor, J Parker's and myself have been working with the NorthCare Charity and Northern Care Alliance NHS Foundation Trust, to find a location for my design following the show and we are thrilled that the design will be relocated at The Royal Oldham Hospital.



### About Me

I'm a 50 something year old wife, mother and rescue boxer dog owner. I have lived in Greater Manchester my whole life and I'm a very proud Mancunian. Like many during the pandemic I found my garden to be my refuge and my connection with plants and nature bloomed. Since then I have completed the RHS Level 2 Diploma in Horticulture and I'm currently studying RHS Level 3 Garden Design. I also volunteer as a gardener at National Trust Lyme. I find volunteering extremely rewarding and a great way to preserve our existing green spaces, put into practice my learning and pick up more skills along the way.

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