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Docklands Light Railway Three-Car Capacity Enhancement Project

VINCI Construction UK Limited is undertaking a £208 million design and build project to enhance Docklands Light Railway (DLR) infrastructure to allow the current two-carriage trains to be upgraded to three-carriage trains. This is in response to growing user numbers and to meet passenger demand during the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

East India Station is one of a number of stations being upgraded as part of the DLR three-car project. During a 52 hour weekend possession, major capacity upgrade works were carried out which extended its platforms by 30 metres on each side of the track to accommodate the extra carriage.

Piled foundations and concrete support columns were constructed on site in preparation for the extension which involved two 110 tonne pre-cast concrete beams, measuring 30 metres each, being lifted into position by a tandem lift using two 500 tonne cranes. The beams had previously been fitted with backscreen steelwork, platform drainage and electrical ductwork. Pre-finished platform slabs were then installed, along with back screen glazing.

Through careful planning and the efficiencies of the construction methods, the site team consolidated what would have been a two month project into two days, thereby substantially reducing disruption to the railway and nearby residents.

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