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East Sussex County Council awards the contract for the Bexhill to Hastings Link Road

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A joint venture between HOCHTIEF and VINCI has won the contract for the detailed design and construction of East Sussex County Council's £99 Million Bexhill to Hastings link road scheme. HOCHTIEF/ VINCI will design and build a new 5.6km single-carriageway road between the A259 in Bexhill and the B2092 Queensway in Hastings. The scheme will link the outskirts of Bexhill and Hastings, providing access to areas that have been identified for regeneration in addition to easing congestion and improving air quality on the A259 at Glyne Gap.

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The joint venture beat tough competition from other major contractors to win the Early Contractor Involvement (ECI) contract.

Works are planned to start on site in the summer of 2010 with the road expected to be open to traffic by the end of 2012, subject to the outcome of the Public Inquiry into Compulsory Purchase Orders and Government approval.

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