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Greater Anglia appoints construction firm to deliver Lowestoft station refurbishment works

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Greater Anglia has appointed leading construction firm Capel C.S Ltd to support refurbishment works at Lowestoft train station in Suffolk.

It will lead the refurbishment of the station's main canopy, enhancing both its structural integrity and aesthetic appeal.

Jon Shepherd, Contracts Manager at Capel C.S., said: "We are honoured to have been awarded another great project by Greater Anglia for a key station on their network.

"The Capel team is committed to delivering high-quality workmanship and completing the project to the highest standards, contributing to the station's revitalisation and satisfaction of Greater Anglia and its passengers".

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From the initial carpentry works (including the removal of existing materials and components) to the implementation of efficient drainage solutions for effective water management, and brickwork repairs, the construction contractors will undertake a comprehensive scope of works over the next few months, after identifying defects and necessary repairs to the existing canopy.

Carpentry works will be carried out to address structural requirements and ensure the canopy's stability and durability for today's climate. They will also see the repair of fracturing and displaced brick units, restoring the canopy's architectural integrity.

In addition to carpentry works, Capel C.S Ltd will undertake all roofing refurbishing works, replacing the existing felt roof covering and soffit boarding, installing boarding installation with EPDM roof membrane laying to ensure superior weather resistance and longevity.

Substitution of the system's downpipes with cast iron units will also be undertaken, alongside the installation of a roof access man-safe system to ensure that industry compliance and safety standards are being met.

British Heritage Preservation

Working closely with trusted contractors and the Greater Anglia project management team, Capel will preserve elements of the canopy of British heritage by the recovery and re-fixing of set aside Lowestoft station letters upon project completion, honouring the station's historical significance. The canopy will then see the incorporation of modern materials to enhance the canopy's resilience and visual appeal, including GRP Dagger boards panels.

Capel C.S. Ltd holds an array of station canopy completions under its portfolio for Greater Anglia. With the refurbishment works having recently commenced, the project is expected to be completed within early June.

It will finish all works in keeping with Greater Anglia's brand, preparing, priming, and applying finishing paintworks to all areas as required and give the canopy its new lease of life.