

Major East West Rail contract set out in DfT listing

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Details of a 1.1 billion contract for civils works on the East West Rail project have been revealed.

They have been detailed as part of the Department for Transport's listing of future commercial contracts — a broad if lightly detailed glimpse at some major work in the pipeline.

The East West Rail contract is for a construction phase main civil works partner or partners, with a procurement start date pencilled in as August 2024, work starting 2025 and finishing about 2032.

The East West Rail scheme will see better connections between Oxford and Cambridge. It aims to have the first trains running (between Oxford to Bletchley and Milton Keynes) from 2025.