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## £1 MILLION FACELIFT FOR SOUTH QUAY STATION

Work has started on a £1 million project to up-grade passenger facilities at South Quay Station the key Docklands Light Railway 'gate-way' station to the Isle of Dogs business district.

The refurbishment contract which is also designed to meet increased passenger through-put was won by Wiltshier Construction(London) and Putney-based architects Pascall+Watson following a design and construct competition jointly organised by the DLR and the London Docklands Development Corporation (LDDC). Criteria for competition entrants were design quality, value for money, speed and ease of construction.

Due for completion by Easter 1994, the project will provide new access to and from trains in the form of two new glass enclosed stair towers with new canopies to both platforms offering additional weather protection and improved lighting.

Station concourse appearance and environment will be improved by re-cladding the existing structures in stainless steel to match purpose-built retail kiosks, new ticket vending units and new automatic WC. Additionally the area alongside Marsh Wall and underneath the DLR viaduct will be landscaped to add extra definition to the new concourse and to fully develop the site potential.

Throughout the works there will be no interruption to passenger flow and the station will operate at full capacity using two temporary staircases.

Following completion the improved South Quay Station will be comparable in design and facilities to the new high tech West India Quay station and the ten new stations on the Beckton extension due to open to passenger services between Beckton and Poplar by 28 March 1994.

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