

# News Release

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## PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

### LDDC CHIEF EXECUTIVE TO OPEN NEW ROUTE TO A13

at: 11.30 am  
on: Friday, 24 November 1989  
at: East side of Prestons Road Roundabout,  
Prestons Road, E14.

A third main route from the Isle of Dogs onto the A13 (East India Dock Road) will open to traffic on Friday, 24 November 1989.

Michael Honey, Chief Executive of the London Docklands Development Corporation (LDDC), will signal the opening by removing a row of traffic cones, the last barrier to vehicles using the new Aspen Way extension. The new route, linking Prestons Road roundabout and Leamouth Road, allows traffic onto the A13 at the signalled junction with Leamouth Road.

The two main routes onto the Isle of Dogs are currently via West India Dock Road and Cotton Street.

Michael Honey commented: "Getting this new route open early is more good news for London Docklands. This new access will assist traffic travelling to and from the Isle of Dogs, and help to relieve pressure on the A13 junction with Cotton Street. It is all part of our commitment to improving access to London Docklands, as

soon as possible, not only by building major new roads, but also by keeping traffic moving during the critical construction period."

The Aspen Way extension, built by Wimpey Major Projects Ltd and designed by consulting engineers Mott MacDonald, is the first phase of the LDDC's East India Dock Link scheme. The full scheme will be built in stages over the next few years beginning mid 1990. By the early 1990s, a dual carriageway road, about one kilometre long, will link Prestons Road roundabout with East India Dock Road at the Canning Town flyover, via a route along the south and east quays of the former East India Dock.

Access to development sites will be from roads connecting to a new roundabout at the southern end of Leamouth Road, which in turn will link to the planned Lower Lea Crossing. The northern end of East India Dock Link will connect with the A13 by a tunnel under East India Dock/Leamouth Road. Leamouth Road is being upgraded, including a new junction with the A13.

Further road improvements in this area include the proposed Poplar Link scheme to the west of the roundabout and the widening of Prestons Road, to generally a four lane road, from the roundabout to the Blue Bridge over the main West India Lock entrance. In addition an east-west flyover is planned, over the roundabout, connecting Poplar Link with East India Dock Link.

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# LDDC Major Road Schemes

## Limehouse to Leamouth

