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Morgan Sindall appointed to carry out £7.3 million of refurbishments at Heathrow

Morgan Sindall has been appointed by Heathrow Airport to carry out £7.3 million of refurbishments and improvements to its infrastructure, runways and stands.

Pre-contract enabling works have been carried out to ensure there is no damage to underground services and the project team has already completed the first phase of the scheme, which involved resurfacing the T5 end of the southern runway. The runway was re-surfaced with a new polymer modified bitumen (PMB) asphalt, designed specifically for use in airports due to its high strength and resistance to cracking.

The next stage of the project involves working directly in front of the BAE line maintenance base to replace underground stone water-drainage pipes. The site team is working during the night and has constructed a purpose-built route so that aircraft are able to access the base, ensuring there is minimal disruption to one of the airport's busiest areas.

The work was awarded to Morgan Sindall due to its place on the Q6 Framework. It is one of four contractors appointed to deliver a £1.5 billion programme of upgrades and improvements at Heathrow Airport by 2019. The company has worked extensively at Heathrow Airport, both on the airfield and in the terminals, for more than 20 years.

Keith Cannin, managing director of aviation at Morgan Sindall, said: "We have a long standing relationship with Heathrow Airport and a track record of successfully delivering this kind of work.

"Our site team understand the pressures and considerations involved working in a live airside environment and always take the necessary measures to mitigate interruptions at the airport."

The work is expected to be complete by the end of 2017 and follows the successful refurbishment and resurfacing of the airport's Sierra Taxiway as part of a £16 million contract completed last year.

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