

# News

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## **Morgan Sindall wins £16.9 million Redbridge school expansion project**

Morgan Sindall has secured a £16.9 million contract to expand a Redbridge high school.

The project will involve the design and construction of a new building to accommodate 840 additional students at Beal High School in the London Borough of Redbridge.

The popular mixed community school, which caters for pupils ranging in age from 11 to 18, will be expanded from an eight form entry school to a 12 form entry, with the design and construction of a new building to accommodate Key Stage Three students.

Morgan Sindall and its design partners, DLA Architecture, won the contract to design and construct the building after an extensive eight month consultation with the school and the London Borough of Redbridge. The expansion is being managed by Quantem Consulting LLP.

The new building will comprise general and specialised teaching spaces, a learning resource centre, assembly hall and sports hall and the construction of external hard and soft landscaping.

The new building is aiming for a Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method (BREEAM) Excellent rating and includes several sustainable features such as rainwater harvesting, photovoltaic cells, and a combined heat and power (CHP) plant which captures and utilises the heat created by the electricity generation process. By generating heat and power simultaneously, the use of a CHP can reduce carbon emissions by up to 30 per cent compared to conventional heat and power generation via boilers and power stations.

Bob Ensich, area director for Morgan Sindall, said: "We are delighted to have been appointed to this exciting development, which will provide much-needed additional space for students at Beal High School.

"We have enjoyed an extensive consultation with the school and the council during the procurement process and are looking forward to working closely with them, and our design partners DLA Architecture, to deliver this exciting project."

Morgan Sindall has had a successful year working on education projects across the south of England, including a £17.8 million development for the University of Sussex. The building, which is the biggest lecture theatre on the university's Falmer campus, will house the School of Law, Politics and Sociology, and the School of Business, Management and Economics and is the ninth project Morgan Sindall has completed for the university.

Morgan Sindall has also recently completed work on a new £5 million youth centre for young people in Brent. The landmark Roundwood Youth Centre in Harlesden will provide hundreds of teenagers with a safe and secure central hub and will make a significant contribution to the overall regeneration of the local area.

The company is currently on site constructing a new £6.6 million teaching block at Canterbury College in Kent. The project involves the demolition of the existing four storey Herring building and the construction of a new three storey teaching block to complement the existing newly re-developed campus.

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Pictured: An artist's impression of the Beal High School development

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