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“The recent reform of the Highways Agency, now known as Highways England, should give contractors the confidence they need to recruit and train skilled workers to deliver the growing number of transport projects over the coming years.”

– Claudia Preedy, B2B analyst

This report looks at the following areas:

- How have the individual sectors of the civil engineering market performed over the last five years?
- What is the impact of legislative and regulatory measures on civil engineering construction activity?
- How have the key players in the industry performed financially in recent years?
- What are the key drivers for growth over the next five years?

The new agency is now set budgets over five years instead of one, which should result in quicker, more efficient delivery, as work will not need to deal with the threat of funding being removed, as was occasionally the case when annualised budgets were applied.

The prospects for the civil engineering sector remain strong over the next five years, with development significantly exceeding GDP growth. Major projects set to drive output over the next five years include Crossrail, Hinkley Point C, the Thames Tideway Tunnel, various motorway upgrade schemes and, once fully approved, HS2.

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