

### **CONNECT M77/GSO DBFO ROAD**

#### **Introduction**

Balfour Beatty is co-promoter/developer of and a 100% investor in Connect, the Concessionaire awarded the 32 year Design, Build, Finance and Operate (DBFO) Contract by the Scottish Executive and East Renfrewshire Council to construct a section of the M77 from Fenwick to Malletsheugh (M77) and the Glasgow Southern Orbital (GSO). The Project reached Financial Close in May 2003.

#### **Project Description**

On behalf of Connect, Balfour Beatty Civil Engineering Ltd (BBCEL) will carry out the construction over a period of 2 years for the main M77 and GSO elements with a further period of 4 months to conclude the detrunking works to the existing A77 and associated roads.

The total construction value will be £132 million which includes 15.2km of two lane motorway on the M77, 9.4km of dual carriageway for the GSO and 800m on the A726 junction with the GSO.

#### **Contractual Arrangements**

The DBFO Contract is between Connect and East Renfrewshire Council (ERC) who are acting as Agent for the Scottish Executive (SE) and South Lanarkshire Council (SLC). The DBFO Contract is the principal Project Agreement and sets out the obligations of both parties in relation to the Project.



Under a Construction Contract between Connect and BBCEL, BBCEL assume all design and construction related obligations contained within the DBFO Contract and is responsible for the management and obligations of construction sub-contractors.

Connect will be responsible for all routine operational and maintenance obligations and will also be responsible for periodic major life cycle maintenance of the project roads including full replacement of worn out elements.

These responsibilities will be coordinated and managed by Connect's Operations and Maintenance unit.