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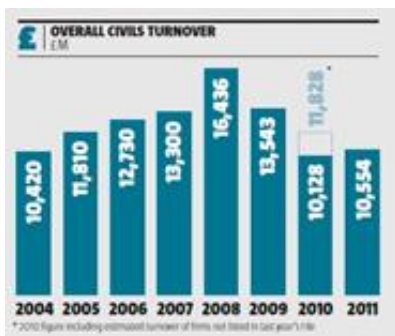
10-Sep-2012 | By NCE Editorial

The Green Investment Bank faces lengthy and "disappointing" delays in gaining crucial borrowing powers, according to an Association of Consultancy and Engineering (ACE) report out today.

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## Alternative to landslide-prone A83 will be ready in 12 weeks

23 August 2012 | By [Claire Symes](#)

Targets defined by Transport Scotland's newly established A83 taskforce includes the aim to have an alternative road to the landslide-hit Rest and be Thankful route built within 12 weeks.



## Questions remain over West Coast rail cost savings

23 August 2012 | By [Margo Cole](#)

Details are still unclear as to how the award of a new 15-year West Coast rail franchise last week will produce some of the cost saving benefits identified by Sir Roy McNulty in his review of the rail industry published last year.



## Recycling plants may see new regulations for fire and building

23 August 2012 | By [Alexandra Wynne](#) , [Declan Lynch](#)

Building Regulations and fire safety standards must be amended to force recycling plants to introduce fire suppression systems, a leading industry expert has told NCE in the aftermath of a major fire in London last week.



## Beaminster Tunnel ground investigation work due to start

23 August 2012 | By [Claire Symes](#)

Environmental Scientifics Group was due to start work on a ground investigation of the slopes above the Beaminster Tunnel portal in Dorset as NCE went to press this week in a bid to stabilise the area and allow the structure on the A3066 to be reopened.



## Rapid growth triggers massive Indian power cuts

9 August 2012 | By [Declan Lynch](#)

A series of severe blackouts that left 660M of India's 1.2bn population without power for up to 18 hours last week has exposed major flaws in the country's energy infrastructure, experts told NCE this week.



## Hansford is new chief construction adviser

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Industry bodies have welcomed the appointment of immediate ICE past President Peter Hansford as the government's new chief construction adviser.

## Top features



### Bridges: Russian Masterpiece

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Last month Russian prime minister Dmitry Medvedev declared the new world-record cable stayed Russky Island bridge a "beautiful, unique" structure as he opened it to traffic. Mark Hansford was in Vladivostok before him to speak to those who have made it happen.



### Crossrail: Supporting cast below the capital's streets

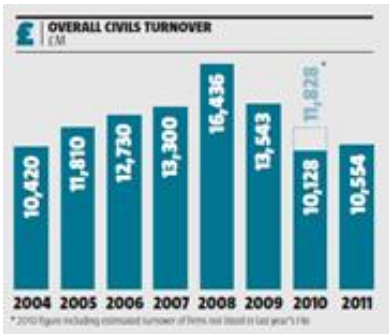
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In the centre of London, Crossrail project teams are engaged in a major programme of compensation grouting.



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### BIM and the UK construction industry: meeting the government’s challenge one year on

3-Sep-2012 | By NCE Editorial

One year on from the government’s decision to mandate the use of Level 2 Building Information Modelling (BIM) on all publicly procured projects by 2016, NCE has joined forces with software provider Bentley to host a webinar to discuss the steps that the construction industry has taken - and still has to take - to prepare for the deadline.

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