

## Key tunnelling milestone reached

With the completion of the first underground tunnel on the Olympic Park site today, the Olympic Delivery Authority (ODA) has set out the next phase of its work between now and 2008.



Contractors have now built the first of the underground tunnels which will carry the powerlines needed during and after the Games.

All tunnelling work is on track to be completed in the summer of 2007.

Also today the ODA published the milestones it is aiming to achieve by the time of the 2008 Beijing Games next summer.

The ODA is calling this new stage of the development 'Demolish, Dig, Design'.

This phase includes the cleaning up and clearing of the Olympic Park site, the building of bridges and roads, improvements of transport links, and preparations for venue construction.

ODA Chief Executive David Higgins said: "In our first year we have hit every milestone on the project. We now move to the next strategic phase: 'Demolish, Dig, Design'.

"This is an extremely challenging project, but by setting out the programme of work in this transparent way we believe that we are breaking new ground for a project of this scale."

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