



# News

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### **VINCI GIVES A BOOST TO FOOTBALL IN STOCKSBRIDGE**

Footballers in the north of Sheffield received a boost for the start of the new season with valuable support for their club.

In association with their work on the new Stocksbridge High School, VINCI Construction UK will be supporting Stocksbridge Park Steels FC to show their commitment to the local community.

The Club is very much a grass roots community organisation and has 16 teams with around 350 players, ranging in age from five years through to the seniors. They now have achieved the coveted FA Charter Standard Community Club status.

Allen Bethel, Chairman of Stocksbridge Park Steels FC added: "The Club is very grateful for this support from VINCI Construction UK, as it is always difficult finding funds to run so many teams through various age groups. VINCI Construction UK are one of the few multi-national organisations in this country who support local community football. The Club provides a way for hundreds of young people to get involved in a positive and healthy way of using their spare time."

The Look Local Stadium now has two VINCI Construction UK sign boards on the ground to show their support for the Club.

Gary Finney, Contracts Manager at VINCI Construction UK said: “We were keen to invest in the local community and to build on the work we are doing at Stocksbridge High School. We know this is a thriving football club with players drawn from several age groups in the town, so we hope this gives them all a boost and the club has a really successful season.”

VINCI Construction UK, in partnership with Sheffield Local Education Partnership and Sheffield City Council, began work on the Building Schools for the Future project at Stocksbridge High School last September. The new school will consist of both new and refurbished buildings and the construction process has been programmed into a number of separate phases to allow the 900 pupil school to be fully operational while work proceeds.

Staff and pupils have been very much involved in the design and progress of the building work, which is due to be completed in August 2012.

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