

In the coming months, the Midland Metro Alliance will be holding information events, writing to certain landowners and meeting local people to discuss the benefits of this proposed extension.

Our team will also be carrying out additional structural survey works on bridges along the proposed route.

Who is the Midland Metro Alliance?

The Midland Metro Alliance, working on behalf of the West Midlands Combined Authority, will expand the tram network by approximately 32km across the region.

Our six projects include routes along Broad Street to Edgbaston, out to the Eastside of Birmingham along Digbeth High Street, to Wolverhampton Railway Station and all the way out to Birmingham Airport in Solihull.

The aim of the Midland Metro Alliance is to provide continuity, learn lessons and apply them to future schemes to help deliver a lasting legacy, aiding social and economic regeneration across the region.

How can I get further info?

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Wednesbury Brierley Hill Extension



What is the plan?

An important driver for this route is the creation of a link from this part of the Black Country to HS2 and everywhere in between.

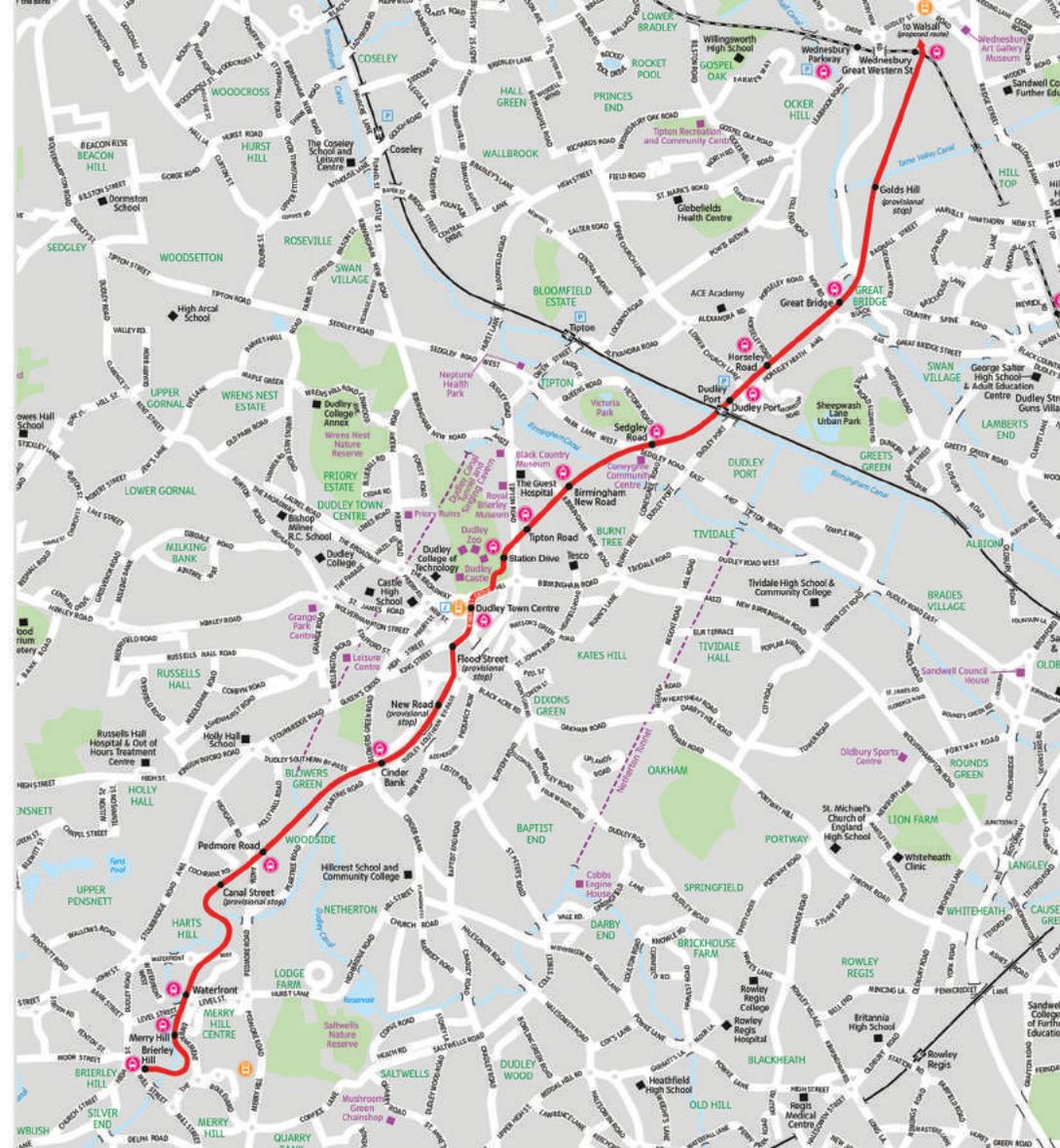
The Wednesbury to Brierley Hill tram route will enhance public transport accessibility across the Black Country as a whole and reduce journey times between strategic centres of the region, particularly Dudley town centre and provide easy access to the intu Merry Hill shopping centre.

The proposed extension is 11km in length travelling from Wednesbury running via Dudley to Brierley Hill, with around 7km of this route using a disused railway corridor.

Recently, a business case for the extension was presented by the Mayor of the West Midlands to the Secretary of State for Transport in summer 2017. At a local level, in order to plan, design and eventually build this route the Midland Metro Alliance is working very closely with Sandwell and Dudley Councils.

What are the benefits?

When the route is open for passenger service in 2023, it will increase employment opportunities across the region. The construction of the route will also provide a number of job opportunities with the Midland Metro Alliance who are dedicated to building the tramway with local resources and labour to ensure the region truly benefits from the growth of Midland Metro.



What happens next?

Some preparatory work has already been completed with vegetation clearance earlier in the spring and ecological surveys taking place during Summer 2017.