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Birmingham Westside Metro Extension Phase Two: Edgbaston

MAY 2022



At a glance

Length of route: 2.15km

Phases of Construction: Two

- Phase One: Grand Central to Library (Opened December 2019)

- Phase Two: Library to Hagley Road

Metro Stops: Five

Much of the main construction for phase two of the Birmingham Westside Metro extension has been completed and the project has now moved into the essential testing and commissioning phase.

Trams travelled along Broad Street and Hagley Road for the first time in April as testing got underway for the route allowing engineers to check the tracks, signals and other infrastructure. The extensive testing programme is also an opportunity for people to get used to trams travelling at low speeds in the area ahead of services opening to the public.

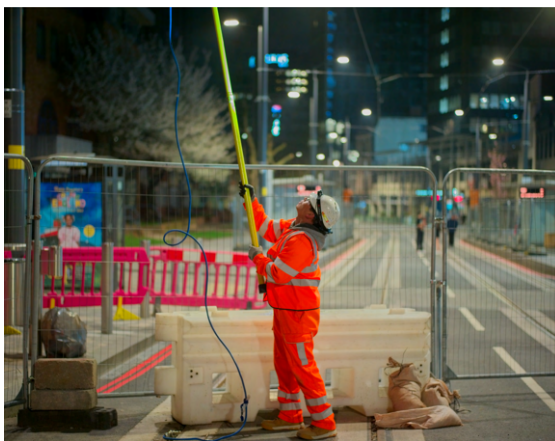
It's not just trams that are being tested; buses are also set to make a comeback to Birmingham's iconic "golden-mile" following successful infrastructure tests. Final tests will take place in May, including testing the interface with the tram network, before the buses, which have been calling at alternative stops since May 2019 when construction for the Metro first got underway, return in June.

Further testing and commissioning and driver training will continue through June and a start date for passenger tram services will be determined in due course.

Great strides were made to reach this final stage of construction, with the bulk of the extension being delivered during the height of the global pandemic. This included the installation and welding of much of the track along Broad Street and Hagley Road. The area has also been transformed with new paving, tram shelters, lighting and street furniture.

When the route opens, three new tram stops will connect passengers to Brindleyplace, Five Ways and Hagley Road. It will follow from the current Library terminus, which opened for passenger service ahead of schedule in December 2019, providing links to popular tourist attractions including the Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery, the International Convention Centre and Symphony Hall.

The new route will welcome passengers in time for Birmingham's hosting of the 2022 Commonwealth Games for which public transport improvements across the city, including the Metro extension programme, will play an important part in delivering a successful event.



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Brindleyplace



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