

# Midland Metro

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## Introduction

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### About this Document

Centro, the West Midlands Passenger Transport Executive (WMPTE), is promoting an extension to the existing Line 1 of the Midland Metro light rail system, which runs for approximately 11 km from Line 1 at Wednesbury to Great Bridge, Horseley Heath, Dudley Port, Dudley town centre and Merry Hill, before terminating at Brierley Hill town centre (hereafter referred to as the Wednesbury to Brierley Hill scheme). The alignment follows a mothballed heavy rail corridor <sup>(1)</sup>, development land and existing highway.

The route of the proposed Wednesbury to Brierley Hill scheme is illustrated in *Figure 1.1*.

This document is an Environmental Statement (ES) and reports the findings of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) that has been undertaken for the proposed scheme. In doing so, it describes the environmental impacts resulting from the construction and operation of the scheme and, where appropriate, the measures which are intended to mitigate <sup>(2)</sup> these impacts. The means by which mitigation measures will be secured is also described.

This ES has been prepared by Environmental Resources Management (ERM) on behalf of Centro. ERM is an independent environmental consultancy with extensive experience of undertaking EIAs for major transport infrastructure schemes such as this.

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