

# Midland Metro

## 1.2 The Proposed Scheme

The scheme runs through the Metropolitan Boroughs of Sandwell and Dudley. Between Wednesbury and Dudley the alignment follows the mothballed heavy rail corridor until Tipton Road in Dudley, where it passes through Dudley town centre on street, before re-joining the railway corridor at Cinder Bank after running adjacent to the Dudley Southern Bypass. The alignment then continues on the railway corridor before leaving the mothballed railway for a second time, at Harts Hill. The scheme passes through the Waterfront Development and Merry Hill Centre before terminating at Brierley Hill. The system will operate light rail vehicles similar to those currently in use on Line 1 and will be powered by an overhead electricity supply.

The scheme will include up to 17 stops, of which four are provisional subject to development taking place. Four park and ride sites are also proposed.

The scheme will be served by an existing depot facility located in Wednesbury adjacent to Line 1 of the Midland Metro, although works will be required to expand sidings and maintenance facilities at the site. A detailed description of the proposed scheme is provided in *Section 2*.

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