

New West Midlands stations to have names chosen by local communities

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New West Midlands Railway stations are going to be named by their local communities.

Three new stations are on the way on the Camp Hill line in South Birmingham. However, only one of these, Kings Heath station, is agreed.

People living close to Stirchley and Moseley can have their say on names for their new stations, picking from a shortlist.

There is a three-way choice between Hazelwell, Stirchley and Pineapple Road for one. Meanwhile those living further along the route can pick between Moseley and Moseley Village for their station.

The reason these stations are being built is to enable regular passenger services to return to the Camp Hill line for the first time in 80 years. The project is led by Transport for West Midlands, part of the West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) and the West Midlands Rail Executive (WMRE).

Andy Street, Mayor of the West Midlands, said: "We recently announced that after much anticipation there



is real progress in the return of passenger services to the Camp Hill line with the appointment of a contractor to get the stations built. Now we need locals to help us name their new stations.

"Residents have been waiting decades for their local stations to return, and so it is only right they have a say in what they will be called. I am delighted that since I was elected Mayor we have been able to press on with these plans, and I look forward to seeing diggers in the ground and what station names come out top of the survey."

The WMCA is providing £36 million towards the cost, with £20 million from the Department for Transport (DfT) and the remaining £5 million from Birmingham City Council's clean air zone fund.

To have your say, complete the survey here by May 25. A decision is expected in June.