The Buckinghamshire's Draft Freight Strategy,' (2018-2036). The 'Draft Freight Strategy' was launched on 26th February by **Cllr Paul Irwin**, he thanks you in advance for your interest and participation.

Today (Monday 26th February) I'm launching a six-week public consultation on Buckinghamshire's Draft Freight Strategy. I'm inviting you to take part and have your say through our short survey.

Transporting freight plays a key role in servicing Buckinghamshire's industry and communities, and supports our growth and economic development. Freight offers our residents choice as consumers and businesses.

This Draft Freight Strategy analyses the impact freight is having in Buckinghamshire and looks ahead to the impact it might have in 2036. It sets out what can be done to harness the benefits of freight and manage its impact.

To support the Draft Freight Strategy we have developed 14 policies which demonstrate our commitments on how we intend to manage freight. The policies cover appropriate use of our road network, our environment, partnership working and considering freight in decision making. Within each policy we have identified ways we can put what we are proposing into action.

Achieving these commitments will require strong partnerships with central government, the district councils, communities and businesses. So we need to know what everybody thinks of our plans.

I urge you to have your say, and to share this through your networks. There's more information at <u>https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/transport-and-roads/transport-plans-and-policies/freight-strategy/</u> where you'll also find a link to the consultation survey.

If you have any questions about this consultation, please contact the Transport Strategy team by email at <u>transportstrategy@buckscc.gov.uk</u> or by telephone 01296 395000.

Kind Regards,

Cllr Paul Irwin

Deputy Cabinet Member for Transportation