Statement of Reasons

The Ivinghoe area is one of the locations identified for intervention through the Countywide Freight Strategy, based upon initial analysis work and comments from local communities regarding volumes of HGVs. Therefore a proposal was drawn up for various roads to have a 7.5 Tonne weight limit introduced in order to cut the unnecessary HGV through-traffic.

In order to help ensure HGV through-traffic is directed along appropriate strategic routes and that only necessary journeys occur on the local network (i.e. for access to business parks, farms, deliveries etc.), an area-based approach has been taken for managing freight movements. The Countywide Freight Strategy recognises the need to allow access of HGVs to support local businesses, whilst managing impact on residents and the environment.