<u>Welsh Government to consult on</u> <u>discounted bus travel for 16-24 year</u> <u>olds</u>

The consultation will encourage and consider views from interested individuals, groups and organisations across Wales and will look at how best to facilitate bus use amongst 16-24 year olds. It will last until the 4 January 2018.

Economy Secretary, Ken Skates, said:

"It's absolutely vital that those who stand to gain from a future discounted travel scheme are at the heart of any decision we make.

"When I announced the continuation of My Travel pass scheme in February, I was clear that we'd look to consult widely on what a future offering should look like and I'm delighted to announce that this will be launched on Tuesday.

"I've been particularly keen to explore what appetite there is for extending the age of discounted travel up to 24 year olds, potentially allowing us to help more young people make the most of bus travel across Wales.

"Based on the outcome of this consultation, a new scheme for young people will then be introduced in April 2018 – one that best reflects the needs and preferences of our young people and helps further boost bus travel as an option."

The full details of the Welsh Government's consultation will be released on Tuesday.