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Dear Mr French

Thank you for your email of 11 December 2018 about the shared pedestrian/cyclist pathway through the Howard Smith Wharves site. I also acknowledge receipt of your email of 27 January about recent work to the bikeway surface.

As you are aware, the Howard Smith Wharves development was approved by Council on 18 January 2016, and included the provision of a shared bicycle and pedestrian pathway (application reference A004162925). I note that a submission was lodged on behalf of the Brisbane CBD BUG during the assessment of the above application. I can assure you all matters raised by submitters were taken into consideration by the assessing officers. Additionally, conditions were included to ensure the road layout and shared pathway were designed to meet Council standards. Should you have any further queries on the development application, please contact Mr Phil Joyce, Team Manager Planning Services City West, Development Services, on 3178 0936.

With regard to the kerb ramp at the roundabout, I can advise that a temporary ramp is currently in place at the cyclist and pedestrian crossing. A permanent solution is expected to be in place by the end of March. This solution has been specifically designed to ensure a smooth transition from the Howard Smith Wharves precinct and boardwalk to Boundary Street.

In response to your email of 27 January, I am advised that the current surface was installed by Howard Smith Wharves Nominees. I can confirm Council is working with HSW Nominees to find a solution to the path repairs and appreciate your patience at this time.

As you are aware, the pathway through the Howard Smith Wharves site is recognised as a primary bikeway in the bicycle network overlay contained in the City Plan. While it is desirable to separate people walking and people riding bicycles where possible, this is dependent on the uses and environment surrounding the pathway. At Howard Smith Wharves, there is a need for visitors to move not just along, but across the pathway to lifts and areas of parkland, and high speed bicycle traffic would compromise the safety of those people crossing the pathway.

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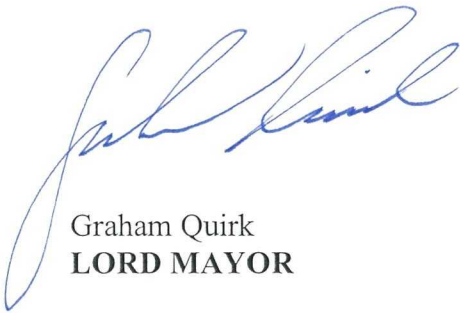
As a result, a lower speed shared pathway was proposed to continue to provide for through movements, as well as those movements across the pathway at various locations. Council will continue to work with Howard Smith Wharves to ensure that a safe through route is maintained for all active transport modes.

In relation to the pathway's design, the subtle bends have been deliberately designed to ensure Howard Smith Wharves is a shared space which caters for both pedestrians and cyclists. The bends are not only necessary to move around obstacles onsite, but also to encourage a slower, safer transition through the precinct for all visitors.

For more information on the Howard Smith Wharves revitalisation project, Council's project team can be contacted by phone on 1800 669 416 during business hours or by email at howardsmithwharves@brisbane.qld.gov.au.

Thank you for contacting me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Graham Quirk', written in a cursive style.

Graham Quirk
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