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Mr Donald Campbell
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Dear Mr Campbell

Thank you for your submission of 27 April 2020 about the Victoria Park Draft Vision on behalf of the Brisbane Central Business District Bicycle User Group (Brisbane CBD BUG).

I appreciate your support of the broader vision for Victoria Park as articulated in the Victoria Park Draft Vision. The Victoria Park Vision will be a significant project for all of Brisbane and we value the Brisbane CBD BUG's ongoing involvement and support as an important stakeholder in the project.

The Draft Vision encourages a focus on public transport patronage, active travel and a balanced approach to increasing carparking within the park. As part of the active transport network, the Draft Vision proposes a network of pedestrian, cyclist only and shared pathways. I note your comments and suggestions for revised cycle links, which will be reviewed by the project team.

I also note your concerns over increases to carparking. The matter of parking will be the subject of more detailed investigations in the next stage of the project. The park will be well serviced by two Brisbane Metro stations at QUT Kelvin Grove and Herston as well as the new Cross River Rail Exhibition station. The intention is to encourage active travel (walking, cycling) to and through the park via new pedestrian and cyclist connections and two new bridges to better connect the park to the city centre.

At this stage of the project, Council is still receiving feedback on the Victoria Park Draft Vision. You may be aware that Council recently extended the consultation period due to COVID-19 to give more residents and stakeholders the chance to share their thoughts before the vision is finalised.

After the vision is reviewed and finalised, the next phase of the project will be the preparation of a Master Plan and Implementation Plan, which is currently anticipated to occur in the 2020/21 financial year (subject to budget). This phase will include detailed studies and site investigations. I acknowledge that the comments and suggestions you raise are very relevant to refining the scope for further investigation and design work to inform the Master Plan.

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A draft of the Master Plan will also be open to formal stakeholder feedback and we look forward to continuing to work with Brisbane CBD BUG on this exciting Victoria Park project.

Should you have any further enquiries about this matter, please contact Ms Kerri Heilbronn, Victoria Park Vision Project Manager, on 3403 6316.

Thank you for contacting me.

Yours sincerely

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Adrian Schrinner
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