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## Brisbane Central Business District Bicycle User Group

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Dear Minister

On behalf of all Brisbane Central Business District Bicycle User Group (CBD BUG) members I write this short note to thank you and your staff for the recent delivery of Stage E of the Veloway 1 between Birdwood Road, Holland Park West and Gaza Road, Tarragindi.

It is no exaggeration at all to state this new, 1.6km section of bike is a sensational addition to Brisbane's transport infrastructure. The upgrade of the footpath along Birdwood Road included as part of this project has also provided a much safer link to the previously completed Stage C of the Veloway 1.

Making this project's on-time completion even more impressive is the fact it occurred despite the COVID-19 pandemic conditions. As we know from the bikeway counts and "anecdata" bicycle use for transport and recreation has surged since COVID-19, while public transport usage has declined dramatically. These factors mean the opening of this new section of world-class bikeway could not have been better timed.

I'm sure you would be pleased to know how popular this new section of bikeway is already proving to be, with numerous people out riding along it quite late on the first night after it was opened regardless of the cold and windy conditions.

When this letter was proposed at the CBD BUG's June 2020 General Meeting the members attending immediately endorsed this action. So, can I once again say - well done and thank you!

Yours sincerely

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Co-convenor  
Brisbane CBD BUG  
30 June 2020

Cc: Mr Joe Kelly MP, State Member for Greenslopes  
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