

Brisbane Central Business District Bicycle User Group CBD BUG

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The Honourable Bart Mellish MP Minister for Transport and Main Roads and Minister for Digital Services GPO Box 2644 BRISBANE QLD 4001

Via email to: transportandmainroads@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Dear Minister

Firstly, on behalf of Brisbane Central Business District Bicycle User Group (CBD BUG) members I want to congratulate you on being appointed Queensland's Minister for Transport and Main Roads and Minister for Digital Services.

As background for you on the Brisbane CBD BUG, we are a grass roots volunteer organisation of more than 800 members, representing the interests of people commuting by bicycle to, from and within the Brisbane city centre. We are active in seeking policy decisions at all levels of government supporting people who want to cycle for transport, and especially focus on securing improved infrastructure, end-of-trip facilities, integration of cycling with other transport modes and a bicycle rider-friendly regulatory environment. CBD BUG members meet monthly to exchange information and ideas, discuss issues of relevance and discuss the policies needed to enable more people of all ages and abilities to ride bicycles.

While the CBD BUG focuses on issues affecting people riding bicycles, we also strongly support initiatives enabling people to travel more often by walking, scootering and by public transport.

People across Queensland want streets that work for everyone and government should make sure everyone has options to travel by these modes. Apart from freeing people from the daily grind of being stuck in traffic congestion, getting people out of their cars helps reduce the cost of living, enables people to stay healthy through being active and contributes to a healthier environment.

There's plenty the Queensland Government can do to create streets that are accessible to all of us to give people a greater range of options to move around safely and enjoyably.

The three Co-convenors of the Brisbane CBD BUG would like to meet with you to personally discuss the necessary major actions in this regard.

Yours sincerely

Paul French Co-convenor Brisbane CBD BUG 18 January 2024