

## Brisbane Central Business District Bicycle User Group (CBD BUG)

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

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

Dear Minister Mellish

The Brisbane CBD Bicycle User Group (CBD BUG) is writing to you regarding the Queensland Government cycling grants for local councils that you announced on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

These grants included, Brisbane City Council (BCC) receiving funding to provide designs for bicycle infrastructure along:

- Sylvan Rd, Toowong Bicentennial Bikeway to Western Freeway Bikeway
- Lambert Rd, Indooroopilly Riverwalk to St Lucia Golf Course
- Witton Rd, Indooroopilly Western Freeway Bikeway to Riverwalk
- Annerley Rd, Dutton Park Gladstone Rd to Ipswich Rd.

These announcements are all very welcome as they will provide designs for some very important missing links in the cycle network. These missing links have held back many Brisbane residents from seeing cycling as a viable form of transport due to a fear of having to ride with no protection from general motor vehicle traffic.

The CBD BUG views it as critical that the designs from the announced funding are provided in a timely fashion so construction can commence as soon as practicable. We also hold the view that transparency in government funding is critical to maintaining public confidence in government and local council. For these reasons we would appreciate knowing if BCC will be required to complete this design work within a prescribed time period and if there will be a requirement for the designs to be publicly released when completed?

Looking forward to receiving your reply.

Yours sincerely

Donald Campbell Brisbane CBD BUG 10<sup>th</sup> August 2024

CC: Bicycle Queensland

Space for Cycling Brisbane

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