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Dear Mr French

Thank you for correspondence dated 2 February 2009 wherein you seek advice about the consultative processes Thiess John Holland (TJH) will undertake during the construction of Airport Link, Northern Busway (Windsor to Kedron) and the Airport Roundabout Upgrade projects, and we provide the following information in response.

TJH has prepared a draft cycling communication strategy and expects to finalise this strategy with the State Government (specifically, City North Infrastructure (CNI)) this month. This will include a detailed briefing for cycling groups. The communication strategy will be outlined at this briefing. A date has not yet been set for this briefing, but I understand CNI will set this shortly. I also understand the Central Business District Bicycle Users Group (CBD BUG) will be invited.

TJH and CNI have considered whether a specific cycling liaison group should be formed. It is proposed that during the construction of the project, regular briefings and opportunities for discussion will be provided, rather than constituting a formal group. All parties will continue to receive traffic alerts that advise stakeholders of changed conditions.

From TJHs perspective, it is important to confirm the roles and responsibilities for the projects' scope and approvals. The State Government has determined the scale and scope of the project, with decisions influenced by extensive investigations and consultation. In this regard TJH has a role to construct the project. Brisbane City Council and Department of Main Roads will define and approve conditions for traffic and pathway changes. Bicycle Queensland and local bicycle user groups will be consulted where there is scope for involvement.

In relation to project scope, we need to emphasise that this is essentially a road, busway and tunnel project, with relatively limited surface works. Design packages for the various project elements are progressively completed. At this stage, final surface design (including paths and bike paths) is not fully developed or confirmed. Detailed design proposals for surface elements will be completed in due course and there will be opportunity for review at a later stage in the project.

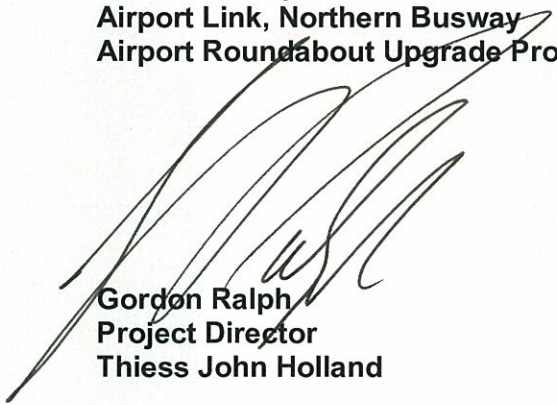
TJH acknowledges that there may be changes to existing cycling infrastructure/ routes necessary to construct the projects. Alternatives for cyclists during construction will be provided where practicable.

The proposed Bowen Hills to Moreton Bay parkway was a design and scope option that Brisconnections offered the State Government. The State has decided to not include this in the final scope, and TJH understands that this will not be constructed as part of this project.

Thank you for your continued interest in the project, and my community staff look forward to meeting you or your delegate at the cycling strategy briefing.

Yours sincerely

**Airport Link, Northern Busway  
Airport Roundabout Upgrade Project**



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