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Dear Mr French

I refer to your letter of 23 October 2009 regarding the Kurilpa Bridge (the Bridge). The various issues raised in your correspondence have been noted by the Bridge Project Team.

I am advised that over the last three years, a number of communications were made with the Central Business District Bicycle Users Group during both the design and construction phases of the project. I understand these communications also included formal presentations to the Central Business District Bicycle Users Group to ensure that your members were fully consulted and informed of all details of the project. However, given the concerns you have now raised, I have asked officers within the Department of Public Works to investigate the issues and report back to me on their findings.

The strategic location of the Bridge was planned to encourage people to leave their cars at home and invite the public to walk and cycle their way to better outcomes for public health, the environment and a reduction in traffic issues.

The Bridge provides an important link between the CBD to Kurilpa Point Park and beyond to the Queensland Cultural Centre and South Bank. It also completes a pedestrian and cycle loop linking the city and South Bank via the Goodwill Bridge.

I trust this information addresses your enquiry. If I can be of assistance with other matters within my portfolio, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Yours sincerely

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