



**Brisbane Central Business District Bicycle User Group –
CBD BUG**

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The Honourable Paul Lucas MP
Deputy Premier and Minister for Infrastructure and Planning
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Dear Deputy Premier

Re: Redevelopment of North Bank

I refer to the announcement from the Premier and yourself earlier today in relation to a new process of professional and stakeholder consultation to address concerns regarding the redevelopment of North Bank.

The CBD BUG is an organisation formed to represent the interests of the very large number of Brisbane residents who commute or ride bicycles to, from and within the Brisbane city centre. Since its formation in early 2005 the CBD BUG now has more than 300 members, and potentially represents several thousand regular city cyclists.

The CBD BUG meets monthly to discuss issues of concern and interest to CBD cyclists, and continues to canvass members and other cyclists who cycle in and through the central city regarding cycling issues. Major concerns include bicycle parking facilities (both building facilities and on-street facilities); the lack, and poor quality, of end-of-trip facilities provided by building owners, employers and government, whether mandated or otherwise; and the cycling-friendliness (or otherwise) of Brisbane's streets, paths, intersections and spaces generally (with particular focus on the central city areas).

The CBD BUG directly and indirectly represents a large number of individual stakeholders in this proposal, and has information directly relevant to the project's assessment and consideration. The CBD BUG has previously met with officers of your department, and lodged a detailed submission in relation to the preferred strategic plan in early 2007. Accordingly, we seek inclusion of the CBD BUG in consultation and in any working group which might be established by your department.

I look forward to receiving your early advice that the CBD BUG will be one of the stakeholder groups involved in the process to ensure any revised development of North Bank embraces key policies relating to alternative transport and encourages, rather than deters, cycling and cyclists.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul French'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Paul French
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