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Dear BUG Convenor/s

Brisbane City Council's Active Transport section is proposing to review and update Brisbane's strategic cycle network plan, the *Bicycle Brisbane Plan*, in the 2010/11 and 2011/12 financial years.

The *Bicycle Brisbane Plan* contains information about the existing and proposed future cycle network. The original plan was first created in 1994 as the first strategic study into the needs of cyclists in Brisbane. Subsequent updates have occurred in 1998, 2001 and 2003.

The *Brisbane Active Transport Strategy – Walking and Cycling Plan 2005-2010* identified priority links for construction between 2005 and 2010 and up to 2020. Many of the original proposed future links in this Strategy have been completed or are planned for delivery by 2012 as a result of the Lord Mayor's \$100m accelerated construction program between 2008 and 2012.

The review and update of the *Bicycle Brisbane Plan* will enable Council to review current cycle network planning approaches and update the future network to meet the needs of existing and future cyclists to 2031. The update of the Plan will consider population and employment growth projections, development of a hierarchical cycle network and associated level of service for guidance on the design of new facilities, maintenance and future upgrades.

Phase 1 of the project to be undertaken in 2010/11 involves:

- Confirming network user groups and their respective needs;
- Identifying and analysing trends in cycle activities and bike network usage in Brisbane;
- Identifying future cycle demands by user type, location and timing;
- Development of integrated planning principles, objectives and targets to underpin the development of a preferred cycle network plan;
- Consultation with key stakeholders, including representatives from Brisbane City Council, State Government, regional local Councils and cycle user groups;
- Development of a draft preferred city-wide cycle network at an arterial and district network level; and
- Identifying associated infrastructure requirements for arterial, district and local level cycle networks.

Consultation with Bicycle User Groups (BUGs) will provide useful information on:

- Local area knowledge of cycle routes (commuting, recreation, utility and sports/training);
- Local area knowledge of cycle network issues; and
- General feedback on issues and concepts for the review and update of the city's cycle network.

Council is hosting an information session on Thursday 28 October 2010 in the Community Meeting Room on the Ground Floor of the Brisbane City Council Brisbane Square Library in Reddacliff Place, Brisbane CBD. The session will run from 4:00pm to 6:30pm and will include a presentation by Brisbane City Council and discussion time on key issues and concepts relating to the development of Brisbane's cycle network.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your input in recent years and welcome your feedback and suggestions at the workshop. Please RSVP by 5pm Wednesday 27 October to nominate the representatives who will be attending on behalf of your BUG group to [active.transport@brisbane.qld.gov.au](mailto:active.transport@brisbane.qld.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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