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Dear Mr French

Thank you for your letter of 18 December 2009 requesting approval for Council officers to provide a range of briefings to members of the Central Business District Bicycle Users Group (CBD BUG) during the 2010 calendar year.

I am pleased to support Council officers in continuing to provide available information on the delivery of Council projects to interested groups, such as CBD BUG. The regular meetings between Active Transport staff and the CBD BUG Executive provide the perfect opportunity to identify projects and issues that CBD BUG members would like to receive more information on.

I am told that Mr Simon Banfield, Principal Active Transport, discussed your five briefing requests with you at your meeting on 18 January 2010. Mr Banfield has forwarded any requests that Active Transport cannot address to the relevant program areas in Council for their consideration and direct response to you. I appreciate your understanding that the timing, manner and forums of any future briefings will be reliant on the availability of the necessary resources.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of community organisations such as CBD BUG to assist Council to achieve the best possible outcomes for Brisbane's cyclists. Please feel free to continue to provide me with your thoughts and feedback on these issues.

We would also really welcome your Group's support to widely communicate the benefits of the CityCycle bike hire scheme, which will open later in 2010. High use of this scheme will play a big role in promoting cycling in Brisbane.

Thank you for taking the time to contact me about this matter.

Yours sincerely

Campbell Newman

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