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Dear Mr French

Thank you for your letter of 11 December 2009 about the Shafston Avenue service road, also known as Thorn Lane, Kangaroo Point being made one-way inbound.

Prior to construction of the Clem Jones Tunnel, now known as CLEM7, Thorn Lane was a one-way lane providing access between Thorn Street and Castlebar Street. The lane was converted to two-way traffic during construction of the CLEM7 due to the closure of the Thorn Street traffic lights.

As you may be aware, construction works in Shafston Avenue for CLEM7 are nearing completion with the final layer of asphalt recently being laid and the completion of the tunnel portal canopy. As part of the completion works, Thorn Lane was converted back to its original state as a one way lane at the end of August 2009.

Construction of a two-way bike lane similar to the one recently opened on Tank and George Streets in the city has been approved for Thorn Lane, Kangaroo Point. Funding has been made available through the CLEM7 project to ensure that construction of the bike lane commences as soon as possible and I am told that this should be mid-February 2010.

The concerns you have raised about motorists disobeying the one-way signage are regarded as poor driver behaviour, and are best dealt with through enforcement of the Road Rules. As this is a matter for the Queensland Police Service, I have referred your letter to Commissioner Robert Atkinson APM, and requested that an officer respond directly to you in this regard.

Thank you for contacting me with your concerns.

Yours sincerely

Campbell Newman LORD MAYOR

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