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Dear Mr French

Thank you for your letter of 24 December 2012 seeking Council's commitment to work with the Queensland Government in delivering the North Brisbane Cycle Way. Your feedback as co-convenor of the Central Business District Bicycle User Group (CBD BUG) is appreciated. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to you.

I acknowledge the importance of this project for members of CBD BUG and asked Mr Andrew Macbeth from Council's Bikeway team to contact you. I am pleased to hear that you are meeting with Mr Macbeth on 20 February.

I can assure you that Council will continue to work closely with the Queensland Government in the delivery of the North Brisbane Cycle Way. As you would be aware, Council has invested \$100 million over the past four years to create 1100 kilometres of bikeways and shared pathways, and we strengthened our resolve by committing a further \$120 million over the next four years.

Our priority is to encourage more people to take up active, healthy and environmentally friendly transport alternatives on a network of bikeways that link neighbourhoods to key destinations across the city. The North Brisbane Cycle Way will be an important part of this cycling infrastructure and will help meet the active transport needs of our rapidly growing city.

I can tell you that the southern section of the North Brisbane Cycle Way, south of Kedron Brook, is being managed by the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR), as most of the land is owned by the Queensland Government. The northern section will be largely built on Council land and we are taking the lead on design and construction. I am pleased to advise that Council has allocated \$250,000 this financial year to investigate and design this section of the bikeway. Please be assured that Council's Bikeway team is committed to the North Brisbane Cycle Way and regularly meets with TMR to discuss any emerging issues.

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Should you wish to discuss the North Brisbane Cycle Way in more detail before your meeting with Mr Macbeth, please contact him on 3403 8888.

Thank you for taking the time to write to me and for your continued advocacy and support for active transport.

Yours sincerely

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Graham Quirk
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