

## Brisbane Central Business District Bicycle User Group CBD BUG

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The Right Honourable Graham Quirk Lord Mayor of Brisbane GPO Box 2287 BRISBANE QLD 4001

## Dear Lord Mayor

This letter is to request the provision to the CBD BUG of the report on the cost benefit analysis (CBA) (or similar study) undertaken in relation to Council's proposed \$650 million Kingsford Smith Drive (KSD) upgrade project.

I have been verbally advised by a Council officer that such a study has been performed in relation to this project. Accordingly, the CBD BUG would like review this report in the interest of confirming that the KSD upgrade project will provide a net economic value to the community.

I would also mention that Council's advice about this study included a statement that this report would not be publicly available until after the procurement process for the project was completed.

However this view is rejected on the basis that the project's economic viability is a matter of public interest, and should have been revealed prior to commencing the tendering process for the project's design and construction. Furthermore, it is unclear how the publication of this report could in any way unduly influence the tendering process, especially in view of the four short-listed tenderers having now submitted their final bids.

If there is any need to discuss this request I may be contacted directly on 0423 974 825 or via email to <a href="mailto:convenors@cbdbug.org.au">convenors@cbdbug.org.au</a>.

Yours faithfully

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