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Dear Mr French

Thank you for your email of 12 July 2016 about the Bicentennial Bikeway and assessment process and the public notification requirements for development applications in the Queen's Wharf Brisbane (QWB) Priority Development Area (PDA). I apologise for the delay in responding.

The QWB PDA is a major project which will transform the south-western edge of Brisbane's CBD, attracting significant investment to our city and creating up to 3,000 jobs during construction and 8,000 ongoing jobs post-construction.

Destination Brisbane Consortium's overarching design has been agreed to by the state, but it will still need to undergo a rigorous development assessment process, which will need to recognise the importance of the Bicentennial Bikeway and ensure the needs of cyclists are integrated into the master plan.

The QWB PDA Development Scheme provides that if a development application is lodged which compromises the implementation of the QWB PDA Development Scheme, it will require public notification. Under the *Economic Development Act 2012*, the Minister for Economic Development can also, within 20 business days after an application is made, give the applicant notice that they must publicly notify the application.

Public realm including cycle links is considered infrastructure. It is intended that detailed information about public realm will be included in the Infrastructure Master Plan, which is required to be lodged with the first material change of use PDA development application for the QWB PDA.

It is anticipated that the first development application for the QWB PDA will be lodged by the end of 2016, with public notification to commence shortly afterwards. A strategy ensuring appropriate ongoing communication with the public about any impacts the construction will have on the Bicentennial Bikeway, will be submitted as part of the Construction Management Plan, which will accompany the development application when lodged.

I would also encourage you to view the design and movement guidelines for the PDA released by the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (the department) earlier this year. These guidelines require development within the PDA to maximise connectivity through appropriate design and to maintain and improve cycling infrastructure, including the Bicentennial Bikeway and links to the rest of the CBD.

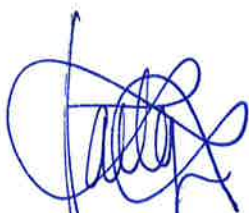
In addition to the design guidelines, public realm and cycling corridors through the precinct are being investigated by the recently appointed Urban Design and Places panel, made up of planning and design experts - to ensure that the QWB project delivers new high-quality public realm for our city. As part of this process the panel will investigate how people travel and move through the busy university and government precinct, and transforming the area into a desired destination.

To view the PDA Public Realm and Movement Network Planning and Design Guideline visit:
www.dilgp.qld.gov.au/qwb-pda.

For more information about the Queensland Urban Design and Places Panel visit:
www.dilgp.qld.gov.au/placespanel.

If you require any further information, I encourage you to contact Ms Karina McGill, Senior Planner, EDQ Development Assessment in the department on 3452 7518 or by email at karina.mcgill@dilgp.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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