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The Right Honourable Cr Adrian Schrinner Lord Mayor of Brisbane GPO Box 2287 BRISBANE QLD 4001

Via email to: lord.mayor@brisbane.qld.gov.au

Dear Lord Mayor

This letter seeks your action to address a broad range of concerns in relation to the cycling corridor through the Howard Smith Wharves (HSW) development precinct, as the developer of this precinct has not delivered a path that is a pleasant or safe for people traveling on foot or wheels.

This letter could run to great length repeating in detail the long list of defects previously indicated in letters to your predecessor. Instead, to keep it succinct the CBD BUG's position is that the corridor will only be corrected to a sufficient standard to meet amenity, safety and capacity needs when Brisbane City Council requires HSW to take the following measures:

- 1. Replace the current active transport corridor path material with smooth even surface material that is highly wear resistant (e.g. asphaltic concrete or portland cement concrete)
- 2. Remove or realign unnecessary bends with the landscaped objects unnecessarily constructed to justify the current bends in the path removed or relocated.
- 3. Reconstruct the path as a segregated facility as originally desired and outlined by Brisbane City Council officials (DA A004897686).

It is only a matter of time until there is a serious incident along the HSW cycling corridor, which is part of the only direct, safe separated link between New Farm (and points beyond, including the new Kingsford Smith Drive path) and the Brisbane CBD. From your time as Chair of BCC's Public and Active Transport Committee, you will be aware segregation of bicycle infrastructure is world's best practice (for high volume corridors). Therefore, we ask you as Lord Mayor to ensure that the cycling corridor through Howard Smith Wharves be corrected as outlined above.

Yours faithfully

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Cc: Anne Savage, Chief Executive Officer, Bicycle Queensland

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Hon. Grace Grace MP, Member for McConnel