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Dear Mr Campbell

Thank you for your letter to the Lord Mayor of 19 July 2019 about the North Brisbane Bikeway: Bridge Street to Kedron Brook project. The Lord Mayor is currently away from the office and has asked that I reply on this occasion to avoid further delay.

Council is pleased to hear the Brisbane Central Business District Bicycle User Group (CBD BUG) is supportive of the project and your feedback about the project's concept design is appreciated.

I understand Mr John Cousins, Communications Officer, City Projects Office, contacted you on 29 July to discuss the CBD BUG's submission. The following responses to the CBD BUG's concerns and suggestions are given in the order in which they were raised.

Kedron Brook to Lamington Avenue

Council appreciates the CBD BUG's suggestions about the design of the bikeway between the Kedron Brook Bikeway and Lamington Avenue. In relation to the angle of the pathway connection to the Kedron Brook Bikeway, the CBD BUG's feedback will be considered during the development of the detailed design.

Lamington Avenue to busway underpass ramp

It is acknowledged the CBD BUG has concerns about the proposed crossing on Lamington Avenue at the Bradshaw Street intersection. The suggestion to construct a ramp from the Lutwyche Road bus station underpass to the existing signalised pedestrian crossing on Lamington Avenue is also acknowledged.

The project team investigated the option for a ramp from the underpass to the existing signalised crossing on Lamington Avenue via the bus station as part of the concept design phase. The proposed shared path on Bradshaw Street from the underpass is considered a more cost-effective option that provides access for cyclists travelling to the Kedron Brook Bikeway.

In relation to the CBD BUG's concerns about cyclist safety at the Lamington Avenue crossing, safety is one of Council's main priorities. As a further safety measure to minimise conflicts between cyclists and motorists at this intersection, the concept design proposes to remove the right turn movement into Lamington Avenue from Bradshaw Street for westbound vehicles.

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I can confirm the project team are aware of the future development on the eastern corner of Bradshaw Street and Lamington Avenue. The project design includes a four metre-wide shared path that is expected to provide sufficient space for all users of both the future development and the bikeway.

Busway to Bradshaw Street

The project team has been asked to investigate the CBD BUG's request to alter the ramp from the Lutwyche bus station underpass on the eastern side of Bradshaw Street.

With regard to the suggestion about the green street pavement markings and speed platform accessibility for cyclists, the project team are investigating improvements to these elements as part of the detailed design.

In relation to the suggestion for speed platforms where Marita Street and Torrance Street intersects with Wellington Street, I understand the locations of the speed platforms will be finalised as part of the detailed design, taking into consideration the feedback provided.

The suggestion for street tree plantings is acknowledged and I can confirm the project design includes new landscaping along Bradshaw Street. Any vegetation removal will be offset in accordance with Council policies.

Council appreciates the CBD BUG's support of the changed traffic conditions at the Wellington Street and Kedron Park Road intersection. This proposed change will greatly improve safety for all road users by minimising conflicts between motorists and cyclists entering and exiting the separated bike lane on Kedron Brook Road.

Kedron Park Road

Council also appreciates the CBD BUG's support of the dedicated cycle path on Kedron Park Road. The CBD BUG's recommendation for bikeway line markings to continue over the driveway crossings on Kedron Brook Road is acknowledged and this feedback has been passed on to the project team for consideration during the detailed design phase.

Chalk Street – Kedron Park Road intersection

The CBD BUG's feedback about the proposed bikeway crossing at the Chalk Street and Kedron Park Road intersection is acknowledged. Traffic signal phasing, advanced cyclist detection and call buttons are being considered as part of the project.

The project team has been asked to investigate all options to maximise the efficiency of this intersection for cyclists, pedestrians and motorists. Please be assured that the CBD BUG's suggestions will be taken into consideration as part of the detailed design.

Chalk Street

I understand that during the information session you attended on 4 July, you were advised by the project team that due to the insufficient width on Chalk Street, a shared path was included in the concept design instead of separated bike and pedestrian paths.

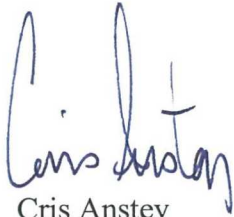
I can confirm that a dedicated cycle path on this section of Chalk Street is not proposed to be delivered as part of this project due to road width constraints. Council will continue to investigate opportunities to improve the pathway at this location in the future.

The project team will continue to provide you with an update as the project progresses, including the outcome of the detailed design phase and investigations into the CBD BUG's suggestions.

If you have any further questions about this project, please contact the project team on 1800 312 777 during business hours or by email at bikewayprojects@brisbane.qld.gov.au.

Thank you for contacting the Lord Mayor.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Cris Anstey', written in a cursive style.

Cris Anstey
CHIEF OF STAFF

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