



Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and  
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Dear Mr Campbell

Thank you for your letter to the Honourable Dr Steven Miles MP, Acting Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports, about the status of the North Brisbane Bikeway (NBB) Stages 2, 3A, 3B and 3C.

I am committed to the delivery of this vital project and I am pleased to advise this project is on track for completion in advance of the 2019–20 to 2020–21 timeframe as published in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program 2017–18 to 2020–21*.

The perceived recent lack of progress you mentioned has in fact been a period of intense activity. The NBB project team has been working with Brisbane City Council to ensure the lessons learnt following Stage 1B's priority crossing opening at Somerset Street, Windsor, are incorporated into the bikeway's future stages. While this has resulted in some additional design work, the benefits will be invaluable in the long term.

With regard to funding, you refer to \$24.789 million as being published in the *2016–17 Budget Paper – Capital Statement*. This figure however, was published in the *2015–16 Budget Paper – Capital Statement* and was the total estimated cost for Stage 1A, 1B, 2, 3B and 3C works. As Stages 1A and 1B at Bowen Hills have been delivered and are now in use, they did not form part of the 2017–18 Budget Papers. Costs for the remaining stages have been reassessed with the indicative total cost for Stages 2, 3B and 3C being adjusted from \$13.18 million to \$14 million, and an additional \$4 million has been assigned to Stages 3A and 4.

As projects progress through the design phase, funding refinements similar to these are not uncommon and in no way should be interpreted as a reduction in scope. I can assure you that my department is working hard to ensure the delivery of this bikeway which offers cyclists a safer, dedicated passage through Brisbane's northern suburbs.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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