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Subject: Concern about closure end of trip facilities 41 O'Connell Tce Bowen Hills
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Good Morning Mr French

Thank you for your email of 18 March 2020 on behalf of the BrisbaneCBDEBUG which was sent to the Hon Mick de Brenni, Minister for Housing and Public Works and raised concerns about the closure end of trip facilities utilised by Queensland Health staff at 41 O'Connell Tce Bowen Hills. Minister de Brenni forwarded your email to the Hon Steven Miles, Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services (and now Deputy Premier) who has asked that we respond on his behalf.

We apologise for the time it has taken for our response. As I am sure you can appreciate this is a fast-paced situation and Queensland Health is actively managing the frontline actions required to prepare and protect the community from COVID-19.

The Building Managers (Jones Lang LaSalle) notified users on 18 March 2020 of their decision to close the end of trip facilities at 41 O'Connell Terrace, Bowen Hills in order to limit the possibility of any exposure of users to the coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) and prevent the spread of COVID-19 infection. The Minister has been informed that the decision was reversed by the building owners within a very short time of that notification.

As you indicated, the choice of cycling as a preferred mode of transport has the benefit of limiting close contact in public transport thereby reducing the risk of transmission of the SARS-CoV-2 throughout the community. I trust that the situation was resolved to the satisfaction of members of the Brisbane CBD BUG and that they have been able to continue cycling to work.

We would appreciate your promotion of measures to prevent the spread of the SARS-CoV-2 such as physical distancing, hand washing hygiene and testing if experiencing acute respiratory symptoms as outlined at: <https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19>. Please also download the COVID Safe App to assist with contact tracing when people test positive for the virus and encourage your family and friends to also download the App.

Kind Regards

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