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The Honourable Robert Swarten MP  
Minister for Public Works and Information  
and Communication Technology  
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Dear Minister

This letter seeks your advice regarding the Queensland Government's plans for future cyclist / pedestrian bridges spanning the Brisbane River.

The Central Business District Bicycle Users Group (CBD BUG) is a grass roots volunteer organisation of some 400 cyclists representing the interests of the very large number of Brisbane residents who ride bicycles to, from and within Brisbane's city centre. It is highly active in pursuing policy decisions at all levels of government relating to cycling, and in particular relating to improving cycling infrastructure, end-of-trip facilities, making the regulatory environment more cyclist-friendly and the integrating cycling with other transport modes.

The CBD BUG applauds the Bligh Government's forward-looking approach to encouraging increasing numbers of congestion busting, healthy and environmentally friendly cyclists and pedestrians. With the fast approaching completion of the Kurilpa Bridge, the CBD BUG is interested in the Queensland Government's plans for constructing pedestrian/cyclist bridges.

We understand some planning has already occurred for the three cyclist/pedestrian bridges proposed in the Smart Cities plan, between Kangaroo Point and the City at the Botanic Gardens end of Edward Street, between Kangaroo Point and New Farm, and between Teneriffe and Bulimba.

We are seeking information on the current state of planning for the abovementioned bridges, particularly in relation to their timeframes, locations, costs and preliminary designs. We would also be interested in any other relevant information on these proposed river crossings, or on any other cyclist/pedestrian bridges being considered.

I look forward to your response on this important issue. Please do not hesitate to contact me on 0423 974 825 if you or your staff wish to discuss this matter.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul French', with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Paul French  
Co-convenor  
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