

CBD BUG Meeting

Wednesday 28 May 2008

12:30pm – 2:00pm

Community Meeting Room,
Brisbane Square

Meeting called by: CBD BUG	Type of meeting: CBD BUG Business
Facilitator: Paul French	Note taker: Leslie Martin

Minutes

Attendees: Heather Horne, Ainslie Just, John Lee, Liam Clancy, David Cutcheon, Rolf Kuelsen, Donald Campbell, Melanie Scott, Jon Giles, Mark Rossiter, David Hannah, Aaron Wray, Ian Lister, John Lister, Paul French, Leslie Martin, Andrew Demack

Agenda item: **APOLOGIES** **Presenter:** Paul French

Apologies were received from: Paul Murdoch, Sebastian Tauchmann, Fleur Ward, Tom Spencer, Constable Kylie Tracey (Guest Speaker)

Thanks for letting us know.

Constable Kylie Tracey has postponed her talk due to illness and will present at June meeting

Agenda item: **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE** **Presenter:** Paul French

All current Correspondence (in folder) was circulated through meeting

No actions arising

Agenda item: **PREVIOUS MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING** **Presenter:** Paul French

Those actions that remain outstanding have been included in the agenda for further discussion

Agenda item: **REPORTS – Active Transport** **Presenter:** John Lee

Discussion:

We welcome John Lee to our CBD BUG meetings. As we had not asked him to report on anything specific, there was no report provided.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ NIL		

Agenda item: **REPORTS – Bicycle Queensland** **Presenter:** Andrew Demack

Discussion:

- **Airport Link:** the morning of a scheduled meeting between BAC and Bicycle Queensland, BAC backed down from their stance of 'banning' cyclists from the airport precinct. They are now "strongly discouraging" cyclists from using the roads in the area by writing to the tenants advising them that they strongly discourage cycling and by displaying notices in the dressing rooms, etc.
 - AD mentioned a potential use of the corridor under the Airtrain as a bikeway.
 - Paul French intends to put out further media releases on this issue as CBD BUG supports the freedom of everyone to cycle to their place of work and supports BQ in their efforts in this regard.
 - Suggestion to investigate Brisbane Airport Master Plan, which is reviewed every five years. As part of this plan, BAC must consult with the public. This could be an avenue for us to ensure cyclists are not maltreated but facilities are provided. Leslie Martin to investigate and report back at next meeting.
 - **Northside issues:** met with Tom O'Conner (Main Roads) and James Morris (RBWH) to discuss possible cycle path through Bowen Park from O'Connell Terrace. They have agreed to remove some of the bus shelters and other obstacles to allow for cyclist safety. They will also include a refuge island for crossing O'Connell Terrace.
 - **NSBT:** Morrisey Bridge opening 29 May 2008 (Southside - over Ipswich road). Please note: there are still detours in place on either side of this bridge.
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- **Kangaroo Point:** someone has complained about 10km speed signs on the shared pathway. One member noted that they have been in situ for a while. AD to further investigate.
- **Cycle Queensland:** AD rode the route last week and says it is fantastic.
- **Hale Street Link:** Riverside drive closure is only affecting vehicles at present but planned detour for pedestrians and cyclists will connect to Bouquet Street and onto Montague Street (and vice versa).
 - To achieve this they will have to install a connection from Bouquet Street to Riverside Drive. At present this is quite a steep drop. BQ have asked to see proposal.
 - Bouquet Street will also be the construction headquarters. This means vehicle parking will be removed. Nevertheless there will be lots of trucks on this route which could raise a safety concern for cyclists in particular
 - If there is no on-road cycling facilities on Montague Street then the footpath from Bouquet Street to GOMA roundabout will need to be made accessible by both pedestrians and cyclists.
 - PF asked for a CBD BUG Member to volunteer to consult on this project. Email your interest to convenors@cdbug.com.au

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ investigate BAC Master plan timing and report back at next meeting	Leslie Martin	25 June 08
✓ investigate 10km speed signs at Kangaroo Point and report back	Andrew Demack	25 June 08
✓ Email your interest to be involved in Hale Street Link project	YOU	ASAP

Agenda item: REPORTS – Protest Ride – Friday 9 May 2008

Presenter: John Lister

Discussion:

- Good turn out - stopped counting attendees at 30. There was a diversity of people and bikes including a recumbent.
- Media release was successful – three radio interviews were conducted by Paul French and John Lister. Lesson learnt was to reissue the media release closer to the event to pick up print media.
- Started at Old Museum and rode to the MacDonaldis at Lutwyche
- Bunch was maintained and everyone rode safely. Even the car traffic behaved well. Thanks everyone for being involved and responsible.
- Busways people were there taking photos and they attended the recent RBWH BUG meeting.
- Talk of a permanent path outside the RBWH (to replace the one recently lost due to Northern Busway works) and a detour, as well as a possible Cycle centre in the RBWH bus stop.
- When the Busways people (including Main Roads personnel) were in situ on Lutwyche Road, 4 cyclists who were commuting stopped and spoke to them about the appalling conditions.
- Path and detour are to be approved by Brisbane City Council before progressing.
- John Lister believes that we now have a good relationship with the Busways people.
- Thanks, John for all your work in organizing the event
- JL requested that CBD BUG work together with BCC Active transport Unit to complete an audit of the signage from Wavell Heights to Federation Street, Lutwyche.
- LM mentioned the Premier's media release 18 May 2008 entitled "No worries' as road corridor land goes on the market", in which the Northern Transportation Corridor is discussed. Could this corridor be the missing northern arterial that cyclists need? AD mentioned that this can be seen in the UBD (called U11). Is Queensland transport looking into this one? CBD BUG to follow up. Any volunteers?

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Write letter to BCC ATU re audit of signage from Wavell Heights to Lutwyche	John Lister	ASAP
✓ Investigate Northern Transportation Corridor and report back at next meeting	?	25 June 08

Agenda item: REPORTS – NSBT – South **Presenter:** Paul French

Discussion:

- Had some small wins on this front. PF believes that we have annoyed them to the stage where they will give us things to get us 'out of their hair'.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ NIL		

Agenda item: REPORTS – meeting with Councillor Jane Prentice **Presenter:** Paul French

Discussion:

- Attended by Paul French, Heather Horne, Aaron Wray
- PF took along a list of issues. JP wanted to focus on the cycle hire scheme without going into detail.
- PF asked about the Bicycle Advisory Committee which she didn't recognize – it has changed its name to Brisbane Bicycle and Pedestrian Reference group. Further work needed for CBD BUG representative to be included.
- CBD BUG conveyed desire for all levels of government as well as levels within government to communicate with each other
- JP showed interest in the obstacles for cyclists caused by the final design for the north cycle path after the completion of NSBT

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Further work needed for CBD BUG representative to be included Brisbane Bicycle and Pedestrian Reference group.	Paul French	ongoing

Agenda item: REPORTS – new logo **Presenter:** Leslie Martin

Discussion:

- Displayed samples of submitted logo designs
- Will put these on the website for further creative stimulation
- Deadline to be decided and voting method agreed

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Put sample logos on website	TBC	ASAP
✓ Decide deadline and voting method	LM	25 June 2008

Agenda item: REPORTS – State Government Audit of cycling facilities **Presenter:** Paul French

Discussion:

- Received a response from Department of Public Works (DPW) – refer website
- Referred to recent Premier's media release 22 May 2008 entitled "Urban Congestion to be Targeted in State Budget" which devotes \$2 million to upgrade end of trip facilities for government employees in 80 George Street and Neville Bonner Building (William street). Leslie to investigate further.
- PF suggested we combine with other BUGs to campaign marginal electorates for the next State Election using letters and media releases. Need to decide on our campaign. PF to put something together for next meeting

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Investigate \$2M spending on end of trip facilities in 80 George Street and report back to next meeting	LM	25 June 2008
✓ Proposed campaign for next State election for report back at next meeting	PF	25 June 2008

Agenda item: REPORTS – Northbank **Presenter:** Paul French

Discussion:

- Nothing to report

Action items: NIL

Person responsible **Deadline**

Agenda item: REPORTS – BCC Cycle Hire Scheme **Presenter:** Paul French

Discussion:

- BCC have put out tender for this project and have already received 8 – 10 responses
- Project area includes West End and New Farm
- Problems will be helmets and parking, the latter because the expectation is that the cycles will gravitate to the CBD and the most popular areas. Will need to incorporate a scheme to move excess bikes out to other hubs.

Action items: NIL

Person responsible **Deadline**

Agenda item: OTHER BUSINESS **Presenter:** Various

Discussion:

- John Lister asked for letter to be sent to BCC and State Government re future of ICB. Letter already drafted
- Talked about opening of King George Square Cycle Centre
- LM mentioned detour for Boggo Road Busway (BRB) over pedestrian side of Eleanor Schonell Bridge. LM to draft letter with comments and send to Boggo Road Busway. CC to BCC ATU. It was suggested that BRB should perform a safety audit.
- LM suggested that CBD BUG should submit a nomination for the 2008 Queensland Road Safety Awards. We can use this material for a positive media release. LM suggested one of BQ's initiatives – perhaps Ride to School. Normanby Cycle Link was also suggested. Need to check closing date, eligibility, and in which category we would be nominating. LM to follow up.
- Airport Link provider announced. Airport Link now has a physical office located in Lutwyche. Aaron Wray to drop in.
- Initial Northern Link Proposal is now out. 1km length of road will be affected and will affect cyclists. After problems with NSBT (North) we need to ensure scope of other TransApex projects includes safe cycling access during project, as well as improved facilities at the end of the work. Ian Lister to draft letter.
- Need more members to put themselves forward to represent CBD BUG on various issues and reference groups.
- Seb Tauchmann (Co-Convenor) needs assistance in maintaining website: any volunteers?
- Bike racks on buses: BCC are planning to scrap the existing bike racks on buses. Letter already drafted to BCC requesting that they are retained and improved.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ draft letter with comments re detour over Eleanor Schonell Bridge and send to Boggo Road Busway with CC to BCC ATU	Leslie Martin	ASAP
✓ check closing date, eligibility, and in which category we would be nominating	Leslie Martin	ASAP
✓ Drop in to Airport Link Public display office	Aaron Wray	ASAP
✓ Draft letter to Northern Link project	Ian Lister	ASAP
✓ Volunteer to represent CBD BUG on various issues and reference groups	YOU	ASAP
✓ Volunteer to help maintain website	YOU	ASAP
✓ Send letter to BCC re bike racks on buses	Paul French/Donald Campbell	ASAP

Agenda item: NEXT MEETING **Presenter:** Paul French

Wednesday, June 25th, 2008.

12:30 – 1:30

Community Meeting room, Brisbane Square

GUEST SPEAKERS:

- **Constable Kylie Tracey**, Brisbane Bike Squad
- **Robyn Davies**, Program Manager, Cycling & Pedestrian Facilities, Main Roads – Main Roads Cycling Policy

