

Wednesday 30 July 2008

# CBD BUG Meeting

12:30pm – 2:00pm  
Community Meeting Room,  
Brisbane Square

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

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## Minutes

**Attendees:** Paul French, Leslie Martin, Ian Lister, Ainslie Just, John Lee, Donald Campbell, Melanie Scott, Mark Rossiter, David Hannah, John Lister, John Nightingale, Guy Scott, Christopher Biggs, Alan Brake, Wendv Herbert, Anita Robinson

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**Agenda item:** GUEST PRESENTATION – Brisbane City Council  
08/09 Cycling Budget      **Presenter:** Alton Twine

Cycling projects are split into two basic areas: Network Planning and Travel Behaviour Change.

All projects are based on the *Draft Transport Plan for Brisbane 2006-2026* which has recently been revised and is about to be reprinted. The *Walking and Cycling Plan 2005-2010* sits under that.

Most of the \$17 million budget for 08/09 is for off-road facilities as on-road bikeways are supposed to be included in the Road Action program. (Notes from BCC website: The Road Action Program involves the staged delivery of congestion reduction projects over the next four years. Council has allocated \$1.2 billion to implement the program. Delivery of some projects in the Road Action Program will depend on contributions from State and Federal governments.)

[http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/BCC:BASE:1496927816:pc=PC\\_3224](http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/BCC:BASE:1496927816:pc=PC_3224)

Breakdown of 08/09 cycling projects:

- Bikeways and greenways: (these were listed by Donald Campbell at our last meeting and are available on the website). One particular item of interest is a contraflow bike lane at the Toowong bus depot. Small projects – under \$150k are classified as Local Links
- Bike racks: 40 installed per year
- Safety Signage
- Bicycle shelters: installed at shopping centres. Secured facilities, free to use with electronic card from information desk at centre. 2 planned this year
- Bikeway lighting: Victoria Park (2 stages)
- Automatic bikeway counters: counts are done in October each year
- Bike Hire Scheme: will be up and running in early 2009

Some questions from the floor included:

- Size of the Active transport Unit. Alton is working on a business case at the moment to increase staff.
- BCC has to cater for all types of cyclists in these projects. In deciding which ones will be included each year, what is BCC's focus?
  - Safety based on lowest common denominator, which is a very young and inexperienced cyclist
  - Connectivity
  - Volumes of cyclists
  - What has become more of an issue, eg lack of access for pedestrians along Seventeen Mile Rocks Road due to owner blocking off land (mum's with children and prams)

GUEST SPEAKER NEXT MEETING: Ed Chandra, Department of Main Roads re cycling projects in their 08/09 Budget

Future guest Speaker: BrisConnections to talk about Bowen to Bay Urban Parkway. John Lister to organize.

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Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Organize BrisConnections guest speaker	John Lister	Before Sept 08 meeting

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

Apologies were received from: Sebastian Tauchmann, Fleur Ward, Aaron Wray, Paul Murdoch, Andrew Massey, Stephen Larten, Paul O'Neill, Steven Jones, Robert Love, Jonathon Coleman, Deanna Herbst, Robyn Davies  
Thanks for letting us know.

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

All current Correspondence (in folder) was circulated through meeting  
Actions arising that are still outstanding have been included on the agenda for today's meeting

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

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

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

**Discussion:**

- Detour at QUT due to Main Roads upgrading the Freeway bearings (?). 3-4 year project. A worksite is in place and will exist for 12 months. No warning given.
- Hale Street Link: took down green mesh on fencing to improve visibility. Aim of Mesh was to catch fragments from construction work.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ NIL		

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

**Discussion:**

- Andrew was unable to attend the meeting. Action items from last meeting will be pushed forward to next meeting.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Provide results of Northbank workshop to CBD BUG	Andrew Demack	ASAP
✓ investigate 10km speed signs at Kangaroo Point and report back	Andrew Demack	27 Aug 08

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**Agenda item: AIRPORT LINK PLANNING AND NORTHERN ROUTES** **Presenter:** John Lister

**Discussion:**

Goal of the planning session was to come up with a proposal or proposals to allow cyclists to commute in the Airport Link corridor to the CBD safely.

Meeting was very successful and a letter has already been sent to the Premier (see copy of correspondence on website) requesting she overturn the Cabinet decision to sell off properties in the Northern Transport Corridor until further investigation of a bikeway concluded.

Also identified some connectivity issues.

**NEWS:**

- Airport Link Community forum, Saturday 2 August 2008 at the Booralbin Bowls Club, Newstead.
- A pedestrian refuge is currently being constructed in O'Connell Terrace for cyclists/peds to safely cross into Bowen Bridge Park. There is no car parking around the refuge.
- BrisConnections also have Community Liaison groups

Further information will be loaded onto the CBDBUG website.

Thank you, John for organising the session and providing such hospitality.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Provide information to Leslie Martin for website	John Lister	ASAP

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**Agenda item: TOOWONG ROUNDABOUT CYCLIST OVERPASS** **Presenter:**

**Discussion:** Work has commenced.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ NIL		

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**Agenda item:** NSBT **Presenter:** Paul French/John Lister

**Discussion:**

Nothing specific to report.

**Action items**

✓ NIL

**Person responsible** **Deadline**

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**Agenda item:** QLD ROAD SAFETY AWARDS

**Presenter:** Leslie Martin

**Discussion:**

Closing date is Friday 15 August 2008. Decided not to nominate this year and concentrate on nomination for next year. May even nominate CBDBUG for the work that has been done to create safe cycling access from the North side into the CBD.

DH suggested that the fact that we have no nomination this year could be the subject of a media release.

LM to continue working on nomination(s). If you have any suggestions, please email them to [convenors@cbdbug.org.au](mailto:convenors@cbdbug.org.au)

**Action items**

✓ Prepare media release for consideration

**Person responsible** **Deadline**

Leslie Martin ASAP

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**Agenda item:** CAMPAIGN RE UPCOMING ELECTIONS

**Presenter:** Paul French

**Discussion:**

Meeting between Heather Horne, Paul French and Aaron Wray decided on a campaign using letters and media releases. Our platform is to get "serious" money for cycling projects – current promise is \$235 million over twenty years! A media event will also be staged: probably midday on a Sunday as Sunday is a slow news day.

DH suggested that instead of a blanket campaign we target a few specific seats and focus all our resources on those. PF mentioned that he wanted to focus on the Gold Coast.

This campaign would include all Queensland BUGs, asking them to concentrate on their local electorate.

More details and further discussion at next meeting.

**Action items**

✓ Prepare media strategy and timeline for next meeting

**Person responsible** **Deadline**

Paul French 27 August 2008

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**Agenda item:** NATIONAL RIDE TO WORK DAY

**Presenter:** Leslie Martin

**Discussion:** <http://www.ride2work.com.au/>

Last year CBD BUG discussed our possible involvement in the National Ride to Work Day and proposed holding a breakfast. On further investigation it is clear that a breakfast would not be the best idea as each workplace is encouraged to provide a breakfast and a sponsor provides some of the catering.

Suggestion for our involvement:

- provide Bike Buddies or Bike buses: LM to liaise with National Ride to Work organisers, perhaps link with BQ
- arrange for one high profile rider on each major route into CBD (let's say 5 routes). Any suggestions or contacts? Or volunteers? Please email [convenors@cbdbug.com.au](mailto:convenors@cbdbug.com.au)
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JL suggested we provide Bike Buddies/Buses for every day of Bike week. LM to liaise with BQ

**Action items**

✓ Liaise with organizers re Bike Buddies/Buses and report back

✓ Liaise with BQ re Bike Buddies/Buses during Bike week

✓ Suggestions on high profile riders

**Person responsible** **Deadline**

Leslie Martin 27 August 2008

Leslie Martin ASAP

YOU 27 August 2008

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**Agenda item: OTHER MATTERS**

**Presenter:** Various

**Discussion:**

Chalk Hotel, Woolloongabba

PF reported that the Chalk Hotel wants cyclists to dismount at the footpath in front of their hotel, where they have footpath dining/drinking. After some discussion, it was decided to approach the Chalk Hotel to get them on side to lobby for an on-road contraflow bicycle lane on Stanley Street.

Northern Link (Ian Lister)

The current practice for major infrastructure projects appears to be ripping up bikeways (often major cycling infrastructure) for long periods of time with little to no regard for the commuters and the return of facilities in improved order. The Northern Link will come up on the Western Freeway Bikeway, which is already being diverted for 100m. The designs of Northern Link do not clearly show the cycleway after work is completed. The last Environmental Impact statement is due for release soon and the last Community Consultation sessions are on (eg, Suncorp Stadium Sat 2 Aug). Please go along.

Designing for pedestrians and Cyclists – 2 Day training Course

As promised Main Roads have sent us an invitation to register one free participant to each of three courses. The applications are due by **FRIDAY 8 AUGUST** so you'll have to move fast if you are interested. LM, Ian Lister and Mark Rossiter have already expressed interest. LM to send details and application form to them. Please email [convenors@cdbdbug.com.au](mailto:convenors@cdbdbug.com.au) if you are interested.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Approach Chalk Hotel re joint lobbying for contraflow lane on Stanley Street	Paul French	ASAP
✓ send details and application form to Ian Lister and Mark Rossiter	Leslie Martin	immediately
✓ email <a href="mailto:convenors@cdbdbug.com.au">convenors@cdbdbug.com.au</a> if you are interested in attending Designing for Pedestrians and Cyclists course	YOU	Before Friday 8 August

**Agenda item: NEXT MEETING**

**Presenter:** Paul French

Wednesday 27 August, 2008.

12:30 – 2:00

Community Meeting room, Brisbane Square

**GUEST SPEAKERS:**

- **Ed Chandra**, Main Roads – Cycling projects funded in Main Roads' 2008/09 Budget