

CBD BUG Meeting

March 21 2007

12:30pm – 2pm

Community Meeting Room,
Brisbane Square

Meeting called by:	CBD BUG	Type of meeting:	CBD BUG Business
Facilitator:	Paul Murdoch	Note taker:	Sebastian Tauchmann
Timekeeper:	Paul Murdoch		

Attendees:

Leslie Martin, John Nightingale, Paul Murdoch, Ian Lister, John McIntosh, Donald Campbell, Paul French, Adrian Walsh, Dave Ingram, Chris Biggs, Sebastian Tauchmann, Paul Culshaw, Emma Rose, Barry Haworth, Aaron Wray, Steve Finimore, Scott Evans (BCC ATU), Doug Paterson, Ben Wilson (BQ), Peter Whittle, Elizabeth Catchpole, Aaron Ball, Sasha Fuller, John McIntosh, Alan Brake, Michael Callinan, Ian Joyner, John Morse, Andrew Digby

Please read: Minutes of Previous Meeting; Correspondence List; CBD BUG email

Minutes

Agenda item:	Apologies	Presenter:	Paul Murdoch
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Discussion:

Apologies were received from: Tim Capes, Justin Fenton, John Lister, Peter Berkeley, Deanna Hebst, Norm Morwood.

Thanks for letting us know.

Agenda item:	Announcements and Correspondence	Presenter:	Various
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Discussion:

- PedBikeTrans seminar entitled "*What will Brisbane's CBD Masterplan do for pedestrians, cyclists and transit users?*"; Wednesday March 28th at 6.00 pm;
- Bicycle Queensland (BQ) AGM, also on on Wednesday March 28th at 7pm;
- CBD BUG has registered as an interested party for the development of the Lutwyche Road Corridor Neighbourhood Plan. BCC will be holding a planning workshop on Monday March 26 - Aaron Wray and John Lister are coordinating input on behalf of CBD BUG - Paul Murdoch will circulate a copy of the invitation, and any member interested in attending should contact John Lister on john@whcp.com.au.
- Correspondence items were discussed (see attachment 1 for a full list of correspondence since the February 2007 meeting);
- Port of Brisbane Authority signs on Riverside bikeway have been changed. BQ correspondence to Minister for Transport (to whom POBA reports) appears to have headed off consideration of closing riverside path to cyclists. CBD BUG to monitor situation and send letter if required.
- The impending Level 5 water restrictions, focusing on business and workplaces, have reportedly been cited as a reason to turn off showers at a Mary Street building - CBD BUG is following up to clarify this report. Suggested that members monitor their own building situation and/or talk to the applicable building managers. CBD BUG could raise this with BCC and property managers if any further instances are reported.
- NSBT issues addressed under specific agenda item.
- Eastern Busway issue addressed under specific agenda item.
- Ben Wilson - BQ update: Ben circulated a petition regarding a No Parking Zone sought to be added in Austral Street, St Lucia..
- correspondence with information on an overpass being installed @ Geebung / Robinson Rd level train crossing.
- Outgoing correspondence included letters to Translink re Busway cycling facilities; NSBT; BCC re review of traffic operations on Mt Cootha; Tank Street Bridge; Northbank; BCC ATU re Energex-related closure of SEF bikeway; QT re Normanby Ped/Cycle Link.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ monitor shower facilities in CBD buildings to ensure current water restrictions not used as excuse to cease providing shower facilities – report any instances to cbdbug@yahoo.com.au	all	on-going

Agenda item: Minutes and Matters Arising **Presenter:** Various

Discussion:

- Despite some technical difficulties, last month's minutes have been circulated and uploaded onto website at <http://cbdbug.googlepages.com/> .
- Bike Week has been and gone; CBD BUG entered a GBBR team and had bright new orange t-shirts designed for the occasion. Almost 50 new members signed up on Ride to Work Day. BQ reported a successful turn-out and media coverage.
- No letter yet sent to Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor re importance of all BCC areas consulting with ATU before any works/action which could affect cyclists (Paul Murdoch awaiting response from David Hinchliffe re request for regular meetings with him in his capacity as 'local councillor')t to it.
- No letter yet sent to BCC or Main Roads re future works list.
- Nothing new on Boggo Rd Busway.
- Response to CBD BUG letter received from BQ – President Bill Loveday is available to speak to CBD BUG at April meeting (agreed to invite).
- No questions raised.

Agenda item: NSBT **Presenter:** Paul French & Aaron Wray

Discussion:

Written reports in relation to the southside (Paul French - sfpf@optusnet.com.au) and northside (aaron Wray - aaron_wray@health.qld.gov.au) were circulated, prior to discussion and questions.

- missing signs have gone up
- despite our efforts, these detours are not a good result for cyclists; (Paul French reported feeling safer on Logan Road.
- Currently the worst part of detour process
- question re O'Keefe st bikelanes: Bikelights for crossing? Footpath upgrades? To be followed up.
- Reese St bikeway will close in future.
- Bike counting gizmos are in place, possibly for analysis purposes.

Northside correspondence available; new issues: new detour is nasty and alternatives needed.

- question: re whether new signage will fix the problems? Can more pressure be brought to bear on the JV?
- Almost no alternatives through this area, avoidance is probably best. Concern is that someone will be hurt or killed.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Continue to raise issues, queries and concerns with Paul French (southside) and Aaron Wray (northside)	All	On-going
✓ Continue to liaise with NSBT JV	Paul French / Aaron Wray	On-going

Agenda item: Eastern Busway **Presenter:** Donald Campbell & Paul Murdoch

Discussion:

CBD BUG had received further correspondence (see website) and had attended a meeting along with BQ, EaSTBUG and QT.

- Following meeting Paul Murdoch wrote to Translink seeking more information and discussion on draft policy re provision of cycle facilities at busway stations – no response yet received.
- there are minimal provisions for cyclists, with so many tunnels and so they either can't or won't provide

surface cycling (on or off-road) facilities. The bare minimum being provided is not consistent with the intent or detail of the cycling strategic plan; and the current approach is contrary (diametrically opposed to, even) the stated goals and aims. Blame is being directed at Treasury for not providing funding. BQ also expressed surprise at the attitude, will ask for a correction and also ask for more facilities in other areas "to make up for it".

- concerns raised that CBD BUG not adopt a policy accepting the exclusion of space for a future bikeway – to be discussed in more detail at next meeting.
- feedback & issues needed from members to include in a CBD BUG submission.
- Eastern Busway CID is available on CBD BUG website <http://cbdbug.googlepages.com/>.

Conclusions: Further detailed discussion required.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Consider information from website and provide feedback and information for Eastern Busway submission	All	asap

Agenda item: Items Carried Over **Presenter:** various

Discussion:

Western Freeway cycling connectivity

Contact Ian Lister (ilister@email.com) to find out more and/or contribute to the development of a comprehensive, long-term proposal for a safe, connected high-quality access route from the west.

Northbank

CBD BUG has lodged a fairly detailed submission in relation to the Multiplex proposal - available on website

ATU Update

Scott Evans provide updates on several detours and closures, including the on-going Energex works.

Suggested that cycling issues be raised by members through the BCC Council Enquiries 3403 8888 and/or by email to ensure that there is visible tracking and records of issues.

Agenda item: Tank Street Bridge Presentation **Presenter:** Jeff Griffin. Project Manager, Tank Street Bridge Project, Dept of Public Works

Guest speaker Jeff Griffin was introduced by Paul Murdoch, and delivered a powerpoint presentation regarding the design and construction of this recently announced infrastructure initiative.

Points raised during the presentation included that:

- the Tank Street Bridge traffic is estimated to be 36.5K p/w in 2009, up to 47K p/w in 2014. (cf Goodwill @ 53k p/w)
- Biggest "transegrity" bridge in world. Grade expected to be 1:22 max .
- Will be covered 100% length and 70% width (from one side of bridge, not center)
- links will be to Bicentennial Bikeway via ramp to North Quay/Ann St entrance (3m wide, 120m long) and to Roma St parkland via the new Superior Court area. Tank Street to become a shared area for cars, peds, bikes. Will be one-way and speed limited to 15 - 20kmh
- Construction to start Aug/Sep 2007, completion in 2009. Currently at concept design stage. Impact on Bicentennial Bikeway is expected to be minimal, since the Riverside Express way is scheduled to be closed for one night only.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Co-ordinate CBD BUG feedback to project	Leslie Martin	On-going

Agenda item: Next Meeting **Presenter:** Paul Murdoch

Next meeting is Wednesday, April 18th, 2007. 12:30 at Brisbane Square – BQ President Bill Loveday to speak (subject to availability).

Attachment 1

CBD BUG
Correspondence list since February 2007 meeting

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE			
Date of letter	Letter received from	Subject	CBD BUG action required?/comments
21 Feb 2007	Jurgen Pasieczny, Manager (Eastern Busway), Translink	Eastern busway update	Circulate
22 Feb 2007	Brett Freeman, NSBT JV [email]	Response to CBD BUG re NSBT northside issues	
24 Feb 2007	Bill Loveday, President BQ	Response to CBD BUG letter of 31/1/07 re BQ-CBD BUG interactions and relationship	For discussion at meeting
26 Feb 2007	Kate Humphrys, BCC Neighbourhood Planning North [email]	CBD BUG added to mailing list for Lutwyche Road Corridor Neighbourhood Plan issue	
6 March 2007	Dean Jones, NSBT JV [email]	Response to CBD BUG summary of outcomes of meeting with CBD BUG representatives on 1 March 2007 re NSBT southside issues	
7 March 2007	Scott Evans, BCC ATU [email]	Response re Energex closure of SEF bikeway extension	
10 March 2007	Brisbane City Council	Robinson Road Open Level Crossing Replacement Project [Newsletter No. 1]	
15 March 2007	Melissa Tucker, Parsons Brinckerhoff [email]	Tank Street Bridge Project Update	
20 March 2007	Kate Humphrys, BCC Neighbourhood Planning North [email]	Invitation to Lutwyche Road Corridor Neighbourhood Plan Urban Design Workshop – March 26 2007	Attend if available
OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE			
Date of letter	Letter addressed to	Subject	Action required?
21 Feb 2007	Brett Freeman, NSBT JV [email]	NSBT northside issues	Await response
27 Feb 2007	Jeff Griffin, Department of Public Works [email]	Tank Street Bridge project	

28Feb2007	Victoria, Project Manager, T&T Bath, BCC	Review of MCOH track operations	
6March2007	Dean Jones, NBTJ [email]	Summary of outcomes of meeting with CED B. Geppert on 1 March 2007 re NBT outside issues	
7March2007	Scott Evans, BCCATU [email]	Energy disclosure of SEFikava, extended	
13March2007	North Park Project Director, Department of Infrastructure	Submission re North Park Development Refered Strategic Plan	
14March2007	Bert Freeman, NBTJ [email]	Summary of outcomes of meeting with CED B. Geppert on 1 March 2007 re NBT outside issues	Await response
15March2007	Luke Frazznam, General Manager Translink	Development of Translink policy recycle facilities at B. & V. stations and stops	
20March2007	Patricia Byrnes, C.O. Major Projects Office, Min Rats	Non-rail Pedestrian Cycle Link	