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## Brisbane Central Business District Bicycle User Group

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The Right Honourable Councillor Adrian Schrinner  
Lord Mayor of Brisbane  
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Via email to: [Lord.Mayor@brisbane.qld.gov.au](mailto:Lord.Mayor@brisbane.qld.gov.au)

Dear Lord Mayor

### **Brisbane City Council Banana bar removal program**

I am writing on behalf of our members to encourage you to review and expand the banana bar removal program.

Quite some years ago Brisbane City Council (Council) commenced a program to remove the hazardous banana bars that Council had installed with zeal around the city's network of shared paths.

We are incredibly disappointed to recently see that Council has instead repainted and restored banana bars. The example below is from Hawthorne Terrace, Ashgrove and shows before and after photos from April and September 2023, where the bars have been repainted and reflective strips added.

We sincerely hope this example is an isolated instance, but query why funds and resources are being spent on restoring bars instead of actually removing them?

We request Council redirects its budget away from restoring and repainting these crash hazards, and towards removing and replacing them with entrance treatments that meet the current design and safety standards detailed in the Austroads *Guide to Road Design Part 6A: Paths for Walking and Cycling* (September 2021) available at <https://austroads.com.au/publications/road-design/agrd06a>.



Advocacy

Advice

Action

April 2023



September 2023

Yours faithfully

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