Subject:	RE: Cycling in Little Stanley Street/Grey Street
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Hi Paul,

Thank you for your organisation's concerns about the recent changes.

Little Stanley Street and Grey Street have become a vibrant, desirable dining destination for the wider Brisbane community. Both streets are renowned for their high level of outdoor dining offerings that spill out into the hard scape. Retailers have been permitted to utilise 'licensed areas' that are located adjacent to their tenancies as well as sections along the kerbside.

Due to the high level of patronage there is frequent crossing of retail staff and patrons to access and service these 'detached' areas. Furthermore, the transient pedestrian foot traffic has also increased throughout the precinct. Consequently, this poses a potential risk to pedestrians and cyclists alike.

In addition, Grey Street is home to a residential community above the retail space. Whilst the residents acknowledge that they live in a busy and active environment, they have expressed concern about entering and exiting their building safely. There have been numerous 'near misses' and incidents reported by the residents and Body Corporate Management.

South Bank Corporation has consulted with various stakeholders prior to the installation of the current signage. This initiative is to encourage a safe environment for all visitors. For clarification purposes, the sign requires cyclists to dismount while on the footpath, it does not ban bikes from the area.

The Corporation actively supports cyclists throughout the precinct and has installed bike repair stations, bike racks, and has a number of dedicated bike paths through the Parklands as well as dedicated bike lane along Grey Street.

The Corporation welcomes any feedback on how we can make the precinct more attractive for cyclists.

Kind Regards,



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Subject: Re: Cycling in Little Stanley Street/Grey Street

Hello Reid

Many thanks for forwarding that information.

There are a number of concerns arising for the Brisbane CBD BUG from the Southbank Corporation's installation of No bicycles signs in the Grey St/Little Stanley Street precinct.

In particular, the ban on footpath riding along Grey St that has been implemented despite the limited cafe/eatery presence and pedestrian traffic along here, now serves as a significant barrier to people wanting to cycle along this through-route.

The *Cycling at South Bank Parklands* document you forwarded states "Grey Street has dedicated on road bicycle lane which should be used as preference by all cyclists, opposed to the shared footpath". However, this statement ignores the fact that the Grey Street bicycle lane is located in the "door zone", where a hazard exists due to motorists existing vehicles suddenly throwing open their doors without heed to approaching cyclists. Furthermore, many cyclists would not be confident to ride on-road with the traffic along Grey St, and for families with children the footpath would be regarded as the only safe option.

Accordingly, responses on the following questions would be now appreciated.

- 1. When were the No bicycles signs installed in the Grey St/Little Stanley Street precinct?
- 2. Over the last 12 months how many actual crashes between bicycle riders and pedestrians have been recorded on the footpaths in this precinct? A breakdown of these crashes between those occurring on Little Stanley St as against Grey Street would be appreciated.

- 3. Over this same period how many complaints about people riding bikes on the footpath in this precinct have been recorded, and from how many different complainants?
- 4. Prior to these signs being installed what were the results of the observational studies undertaken to assess interactions between people riding bikes and people walking on the footpath in the Grey St/Little Stanley Street precinct?
- 5. What consultation occurred with BCC in relation to No bicycles signs being installed in the Grey St/Little Stanley Street precinct?
- 6. What consultation has been conducted with cyclist advocacy groups in relation to this change?
- 7. How and when has written notification been distributed to bike riders about the installation of the No bicycles signs?
- 8. Were police advised about these No bicycles signs and/or requested to conduct enforcement action in relation to these signs?

Regards

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Subject: Cycling in Little Stanley Street/Grey Street

Hi Paul

Brisbane City Council contacted me regarding your enquiry regarding the signage on Little Stanley Street and Grey Street

Please see the attached information documents that were distributed prior to the installation.

Please let me know if you have any further queries.

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