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Re: World Youth Day Bus Priority Measures and Development of a high quality solution for Park and Druiitt Streets

Dear Ministers,

I am writing to you both in response to the Premier's comment at the CBD Mobility Forum about your portfolios being "joined at the hip". I would add that Bicycle NSW supports policy alignment across the various elements of our transport system that includes buses, trains, motor vehicles, bicycles and foot traffic.

We understand that bus timing surveys conducted following the introduction of bus priority measures adopted for World Youth Day show an improvement in reliability and that for this and other reasons the government is seeking to adopt these measures on a permanent basis.

In respect of Park and Druiitt streets these measures resulted in the removal of bicycle lanes in Park Street which were part of the east-west transport corridor for bicycles. The permanent deletion of these bicycle facilities seriously undermines the community and transport benefits associated with the existing and planned investment in bicycle infrastructure in and around the Sydney CBD, including the King Street connection currently under construction and the planned facilities in Kent Street and College Street.

We would welcome the opportunity to work with your agencies and the City of Sydney early in the New Year to assist in the development of a high quality solution for Park and Druiitt Streets that continues to prioritise public transport and improve pedestrian amenity, but that also provides for safe and dedicated east-west cycleways to link with existing and proposed cycleways in the CBD.

I am away on leave until the 19th January and in my absence any questions may be directed to my Chief Operating Officer Elizabeth Hole on 9218 5414.

Yours sincerely,

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