MEDIA STATEMENT

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Improving safety for bike riders, pedestrians and e-scooter users in Dutton Park

Bike riders, e-mobility users, pedestrians and motorists will benefit from safety improvements at a busy Dutton Park intersection.

Transport and Main Roads Chief Engineer Dennis Walsh said the installation of a new shared path and traffic signals at the intersection of Gladstone Road, Little Denbigh Street and TJ Doyle Memorial Drive would provide a safer environment for road users.

"The shared paths will separate bike riders from traffic, keeping them safer on a separate parallel path through the busy intersection," Mr Walsh said.

"This innovative new intersection arrangement is a great example of Transport and Main Roads and the Brisbane City Council (BCC) working together to deliver an outcome that will benefit the Brisbane South State Secondary College community, local residents and bike riders across the city."

Mr Walsh said the recently activated signals included flashing, yellow, left arrows installed for motorists turning left from Gladstone Road into Little Denbigh Street and also from Gladstone Road into TJ Doyle Memorial Drive.

"These flashing, yellow arrows are accompanied by signs reminding drivers to give way to vulnerable road users and avoid conflicts between left-turning vehicles and people walking, riding bikes and using personalised mobility devices," he said.

"While flashing, yellow, arrow signals have been part of Queensland's road rules for many years, they are not commonly used and road users are reminded of their purpose."

BCC Civic Cabinet Chair for Transport Ryan Murphy said the council was committed to improving safety and access to local bikeway networks through innovative design and expert advice.

"The improvements to the Dutton Park intersection significantly improves active transport links in the area, creating a safer route for thousands of bike riders and pedestrians to reach their destination sooner," Cr Murphy said.

Education Minister Grace Grace said the Brisbane South State Secondary College community would benefit from the new safety features on Gladstone Road.

"The shared path and traffic signals were designed by TMR and BCC, and installed by our contractors Broad Constructions," Ms Grace said.

"The safety of our students and the local community is paramount and these new features will support road safety around the school."

Motorists are encouraged to drive safely and watch out for vulnerable road users.

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