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INTRODUCING BRISCONNECTIONS

The Queensland Government has given BrisConnections the green light to deliver the \$4.8 billion Airport Link, Northern Busway (Windsor to Kedron) and Airport Roundabout Upgrade projects.

As Australia's largest road infrastructure project, it comprises the 6.7km mainly underground Airport Link toll road, the Windsor to Kedron section of the Northern Busway and the 750m flyover and signalised intersection replacing the current airport roundabout.

BrisConnections, now listed on the Australian Stock Exchange, is responsible for the finance, design, construction, maintenance and operation of Airport Link, which connects the East-West Arterial at Toombul to the inner-city at Bowen Hills and the northern suburbs at Kedron.

BrisConnections has contracted Thiess John Holland, a joint venture between Thiess Pty Ltd and John Holland Group, to undertake the design and construction.

Thiess John Holland is one of Australia's leading infrastructure design and construction teams with award winning expertise underpinned by the recent successful delivery of Melbourne's EastLink road project five months ahead of schedule, and Sydney's Lane Cove Tunnel.

BrisConnections Chairman Trevor Rowe AM said, *"We are excited to be leading the most complex engineering and tunnelling feat in Queensland's history, increasing connectivity between the airport and the city."*

When completed in 2012, the Airport Link toll road will allow motorists to travel from the city to the airport in as little as six minutes, while the Northern Busway (Windsor to Kedron) will provide fast, reliable connections for bus commuters.



Lutwyche Busway Station architecturally designed for safe and easy access.

LOCALLY BASED TEAMS

Thiess John Holland's construction teams will be working with the community in five key precincts across the projects' alignment. The precincts will be Bowen Hills, Lutwyche and Windsor, Kedron, Toombul and Airport Roundabout.

Thiess John Holland Project Director David Moran said "The establishment of dedicated construction teams for each precinct will enable them to be fully aware of local issues and ensure community impacts are minimised throughout the construction phase."

"Our commitment to the community will be steered by project managers and community relations teams who will establish key relationships with residents, business owners and community groups in each of the precincts."

We have established Community Liaison Groups as an effective way for community members to gather and share information about the projects.

A NEW VISION FOR THE AIRPORT ROUNDABOUT

A highly efficient, signalised intersection and a 750m flyover bridge will provide the solution to reducing congestion at one of Brisbane's biggest bottlenecks – the airport roundabout.

Traffic modelling has shown that motorists will save more than 10 minutes in peak hour traffic at Brisbane's airport roundabout upon completion of the upgrade.

The flyover bridge will directly connect the East-West Arterial to Airport Drive, and underneath, the roundabout will be replaced with a highly efficient, signalised intersection.

Due for delivery in 2011, the project will reduce congestion and improve traffic flow.

Key features of the Airport Roundabout Upgrade include:

- a four-lane flyover linking the East-West Arterial to Airport Drive
- a signalised intersection to replace the existing roundabout
- widening of the East-West Arterial road from two to three lanes each way
- lane widening and surface road improvements to Airport Drive
- an improved intersection at Nudgee Road and the East-West Arterial.



The Airport Roundabout Upgrade will reduce traffic congestion providing reliable access to the airport.

OUT AND ABOUT IN THE COMMUNITY

In recent weeks you may have noticed Thiess John Holland sub-contractors in your area undertaking surveying works. Surveys are being conducted to confirm the locations of services, property boundaries and roadside barriers and will occur across most parts of the project alignment.

Specialist geotechnical investigations including drilling and ground sampling are also being conducted to better understand the ground conditions.

Residents of Bowen Hills may have caught a glimpse of our cultural heritage archival documentation team recently, as they photographed property frontages and streetscapes in some local streets. This cultural heritage archival process is undertaken according to strict guidelines set by the Queensland Government's Environmental Protection Agency and is required to formally record information about properties and areas of cultural significance.

The Thiess John Holland team will provide these images and information to the State Library of Queensland for archiving once reporting has been finalised, and residents will be notified when this information is available.

These types of work will continue for a number of months as we prepare for construction. Residents and businesses will be notified in advance via a notification letter or you can contact the 24 Hour Community Hotline for further information.



BrisConnections' design is underpinned by our commitment to preserve the environment and enhance the local community through sustainable design and construction practices.

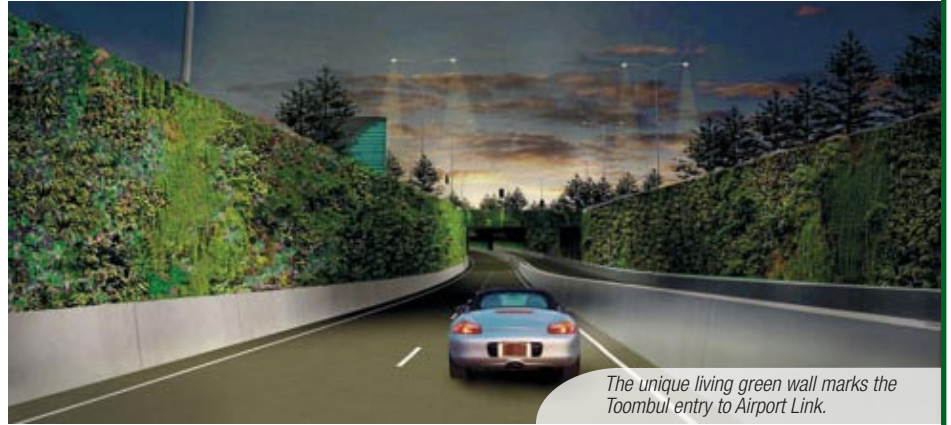
Environmental management, water conservation and sustainability have been planned into the design and construction methods, and a sustainability action plan has been developed for the life of the projects. Some key construction initiatives of the sustainability action plan include:

- **Eliminating truck trips by using an enclosed conveyor belt system**

Rock and soil from construction works will be transported to the Brisbane Airport Corporation site by conveyor, which will remove 80,000 truck movements from local roads.

- **Recycling and managing water use**

BrisConnections will not draw on any town water for the construction of these projects; a recycled water pipeline and desalination plant will be used. During operations BrisConnections will return water to the SEQ Water Grid enabling the projects to be water neutral in 5.5 years.



The unique living green wall marks the Toombul entry to Airport Link.

- **Reducing energy consumption**

The projects will align with the State Government's ClimateSmart 2050 strategy. The Airport Link Operations Centre will achieve a 4.5 star greenhouse rating and the BrisConnections Operations & Maintenance fleet will have compressed natural gas or Euro 4 equivalent engines to minimise emissions.

- **Planting new trees**

More than 1 million new plants and 5,400 new trees will be planted throughout the projects.

- **Monitoring air quality**

Air quality monitoring will be undertaken during Airport Link's operations to ensure Australia's stringent health-based goals are met. The results will be available via the BrisConnections web site.

With sustainable practices driving the innovative design of the Airport Link, Northern Busway (Windsor to Kedron) and Airport Roundabout Upgrade projects, Queensland will host a traffic solution that raises the bar for sustainable infrastructure in Australia and leaves a lasting legacy for future generations to enjoy.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Airport Link, Northern Busway (Windsor to Kedron) and Airport Roundabout Upgrade projects will deliver significant economic benefit for Queensland throughout its four year design and construction schedule.

With more than 10,000 opportunities anticipated for skilled and unskilled personnel and businesses, engagement on the project as an employee, sub-contractor or supplier is an opportunity to be involved in the shaping of Queensland's future.

All positions will be advertised on the BrisConnections website; www.brisconnections.com.au and at www.seek.com.au as they become available.

To join the Thiess John Holland team and be part of one of Australia's largest road infrastructure projects, register your interest online.

Suppliers and sub-contractors can express interest in the projects by emailing eoit@tjh.com.au.



Enhanced pedestrian and cycle paths and green space along Kedron Brook.



VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

Since opening the Visitor Information Centre doors on May 22 more than 1,000 local residents, property and business owners have viewed BrisConnections unique project design solution and asked a range of questions about design and construction.

The maps, models and fact sheets on display help answer popular questions relating to traffic management and access on and off the Airport Link toll road once completed. The projects' community relations specialists are also on hand to help explain some of the finer project detail such as pedestrian access to the Northern Busway (Windsor to Kedron) and construction techniques.

A key feature of the Centre is an animated 3 dimensional flythrough taking you on the projects' virtual journey. It gives motorists, public transport users, pedestrians and cyclists a feel for the high quality urban and landscape designs, providing a driver's journey experience to show ease of connectivity to the city and northern suburbs.

In addition to the Visitor Information Centre, BrisConnections will use the maps, models and flythrough at Community Open Days to be held throughout the projects' construction to keep the community informed and up to date.

OPENING HOURS

The Visitor Information Centre is located at 109 Gympie Road, Kedron (intersection of Stafford Road and Gympie Road). Parking is available underneath the building.

Wednesday	10am – 4pm
Thursday	2pm – 7pm
Friday	10am – 4pm
Saturday	9am – 12pm

keep in touch

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