What will fix our traffic woes: New link road, overpass and ...

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A NEW link road, overpass and a vehicle ban are part of a plan to end freight transport congestion around the Brisbane Markets.

However, long-lasting relief for Yeerongpilly, Yeronga, Annerley and Sherwood residents affected by truck noise and traffic on their suburban streets is still at least five years away.

Recommendations from the Sherwood/ Yeerongpilly Freight Transportation Study were released by Brisbane City Council on Monday.

Deputy Mayor and Infrastructure Chairman Cr Graham Quirk said the exact location of the link road between Fairfield and Ipswich roads was not decided but would most likley run between Lucy St and Muriel Ave.

An overpass is planned for Moorooka.

Cr Quirk said it was "probably some years off" given its estimated \$50-100 million cost, predicting work would not start for "about five years plus"

"This is just a proposal at this stage and there will need to be a lot of planning and consultation before any work is done," he said.

The study suggested a truck ban on Venner Rd, which has about 1500 truck movements each day, a figure expected to rise by 9 per cent every year.

In the interim it also suggests road improvements to Venner Rd and alternative transport options.

"One of the things we'd like to do is improve transportation by rail," Cr Quirk said.

