

First look as design of Queen's Wharf bridge released

THE final design of Brisbane's newest bridge has been unveiled, with Queenslanders given a fresh look at the multi-million-dollar structure.

Tourism Minister Kate Jones yesterday announced that the contract for the Neville Bonner Pedestrian Bridge (pictured) would soon be released. Ms Jones said the bridge would cost taxpayers nothing, but is expected to cost the consortium about \$100



million. "We're partnering with the private sector to build big infrastructure projects that create jobs for Queenslanders," Ms Jones said.

"Once the tender is awarded, the contractor will recruit the next wave of labourers to work on this historic project," she said. The bridge, which will

link the new Queen's Wharf development to South Brisbane, is set to create 100 jobs for labourers, engineers and designers.

"The Neville Bonner Bridge will be the pivotal link between South Bank and Queen's Wharf – with 50 new restaurants and bars and a world class-retail hub."

The bridge is named in honour of Australia's first indigenous parliamentarian.