

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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I am a frequent user of my ebike and enjoy recreational riding as well as for shopping. Dedicated bike lanes make this safe and enjoyable, an expanded network would be better, obviously. My observations of scooters seems to highlight a different attitude to cyclists with frequent cutting from roads to pedestrian crossings to footpaths. Any unpredictable behaviour by a pedestrian not aware of a scooter behind them can result in a collision. Worst is the situation of a pedestrian exiting a shop directly into the path of a scooter. At Kangaroo Point we suffer a lot of scooters being abandoned so as to even block a footpath. According to the stats on the Green bridge, bicycles outnumber scooters by double yet do not have anything like the impact as mentioned above. I would think this is because most bikes are privately owned. Last point, Paris has banned scooters other than privately owned units. This would be a good way to regulate the casual attitudes of current users. MS