Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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I have been an E bike rider for approximately 15 years. I am courteous to foot path users but find 12 klm an hour on an E bike very slow. My age 71.

My E bike is used to commute and recreational purposes

It is continually frustrating riding on the Gold Coast, we are abused on footpaths and take our lives in our hands riding on the roads, where there are no bike lanes or they run out.

The problem I see is young children riding the Fat Boy bikes with no helmet, 3 up on the bike and they are not governed.

My bike is ungoverned but find this a safer option riding on the roads as you can ride through the roundabouts and keep up with the traffic.

Currently I am riding the Central NSW trail being about 400 klms.

My solution to the problem is to separate cyclists and pedestrians similar to what they have done in Brisbane.

Do not allow children to ride Fat Boy bikes when they have no understanding of road rules or traffic and no respect.

The Gold Coast is a perfect place to get cars off the road by using bikes, terrain is mostly flat.

I often hear the comment "I don't ride my bike as it's too dangerous on the roads"