Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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My 1 year old daughter likes to walk on the grass and path near our local playground in Kirra. The path is too dangerous for her to walk on, even while holding hands, because the e-bikes come so quickly and would not be able to stop for her if she moved unpredictably. Regular bikes are able to swerve to dodge her, but e-bikes wouldn't be able to. We now walk on the grass between the path and the beach instead as it's a safer place for her to run around. However, e bikes are now wanting to avoid the traffic on the paths and choosing to ride on the grass instead. It's a danger to people having picnics, sunbaking, and kids playing. The grassed area in Kirra is a popular spot, particularly on weekends, for people living in apartment blocks who don't have a yard of their own. It is not for e bikes.