

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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Great to hear there is an inquiry into the use of electric scooters and bikes as I am concerned about mine and others safety. There is a really nice walk from Alexandra Headland along the footpath to Mooloolaba Spit at the mouth of the river. Over the last year this footpath has had a growing invasion of idiots on electric scooters and bikes that speed and come up from behind you silently and some yelling in your ear as they go past at high speed frightening the life out of you. Then there are those coming towards you at high speed terrifying you without any regard to the safety of others or themselves. These transport vehicles should only be allowed on the road, not footpaths as they can travel as fast as cars. I see the council has introduced new speed limits to the roads including double lanes to 50 klms an hour in this area but allow electric scooters and bikes to do this speed on our footpaths? Why? As we know these vehicles can and do severely injure and kill pedestrians or the rider. They need to be registered and licensed for road use as they go as fast as cars. Footpaths are made to walk on. The footpaths in this area need to be policed and penalties enforced.