

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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I walk along the creek and around the front at currumbin and up to tugun surf club in the morning for my exercise . I have become increasingly afraid and aware that my safety is being compromised by the addition of electric bikes etc on the paths as they are relatively silent and at no time have never heard a bell or indication that one is coming. The speed that most travel at is frightening and i worry at 78 years of age i will not survive if I get hit at that speed. There is no insurance and as there is no registration number so we can't identify them as they disappear out of sight too fast. We see near misses everyday. Just the other day a little girl of about 3 yrs nearly got cleaned up. The father tried yelled out to the rider to stop but he swerved and sped away. Lucky there was room to swerve, one day there won't be . I wouldn't like to be the innocent person he swerves into. Since hearing that an elderly man was hit and killed in Victoria my distress is at such a level that I will have to forgo my walk in this area. Why should I have to do that? This is my home and my area, and this menace has been allowed to come into it in an unchecked form putting us all at risk. Why? Can we please have some meaningful laws for these bikes not like the laws that have been recently passed by the nsw committee. 20 k and hour is still to fast amongst pedestrians. If they want to ride them like a motorbike, then ride on the road with the other vehicles not on the pathway with pedestrians. They also need to be registered, and they must have insurance. Just like the rest of the road users. If they are allowed to travel with gay abandon as they do now tragedies will certainly occur. The volume of bikes has increased over time and is now unmanageable.