

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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E bikes are causing havoc on our roads and pathways everyday . It is embarrassing as a taxpayer and resident that we have allowed the present situation develop in a civilized society. We are also putting our kids and many members of the public in danger as they are out there riding these vehicles with no care, no responsibility, no roadworthy certificate, no license , no knowledge of road rules, no insurance, no lights at night, no indicator, mostly no helmets. If the law is in, then why is it not enforced. How are these bikes sold to these people without and duty of care from the seller. We all have to ultra defensive drivers as these bikes go in and out of traffic, on the road off the road, I myself was driving the other night and an ebike was behind me, no lights, no helmet, doing 50 or more KPH. Could not see this person at all. How are they allowed on pathways and on roads. How are they allowed to cross a pedestrian crossing by coming to a halt and then crossing on the bike. Imagine a poor driver in a car driving along, an ebike stops and then crosses a crossing without due care in front of them. We walk at Currumbin regularly and have ebikes on a walkway that meant to be relaxing along the shoreline, lots of money spent there, no signage for ebikes or other bikes, so we walk along and these ebikes come from behind at high speeds, they come from our front at high speed, how is this happening in these areas. Where is the signage, the speed limit signs etc I hope something is done soon before we lose more lives and drivers can hop in their cars and not be in fear of when the next ebike will swerve in front of them . My plea is for our Government to take control here. thanks.