

## Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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My wife and I are a retired couple in our late 60's. We live at Currumbin Waters and lead a reasonably active life. As such we are often exposed to e-bikes and e-scooters and are often traumatised by how these vehicles behave on the road and footpaths, regularly witnessing bikes speeding on the road and footpaths, doing wheelies, running red lights, dodging in and out of traffic with most riders not wearing helmets. The riders we see locally are often under the age of 12 and wonder why and how their parents condone them riding these death traps. In addition to this, on numerous occasions we have been traumatised by nearly being hit when walking by ourselves or with our grandchildren. This has resulted in a total change to our walking habits whereby we need to be ever so vigilant of e-bikes approaching from behind or towards us. The added concern is that they are so quiet that we cannot hear them approaching. School time sees a proliferation of these vehicles on the roads and footpaths and we now try to avoid going out at these times. In my opinion these vehicles are no different to motor bikes and should be regulated in a similar manner. Thank you for finally reviewing these vehicles and I sincerely hope that this is not just a tick box exercise and that real action is taken to control the infiltration of these vehicles into society and return our standard of living to normality.