

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

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### Submitter Comments:

E-scooters and E-bikes are currently being used on footpaths, roads and public property. Users of such devices generally hold no insurance. As a Medical Doctor I have treated both users who have fallen off their scooters/bikes and those that have been hit by them. Most E-scooters and E-bikes have been unlocked so that they exceed the recommended speed limit of 25km/hr. Users generally do not follow any basic road rules (ie don't indicate when turning, exceed speed limit of local roads, do 'wheelies' on 1 wheel, ride into oncoming traffic, ride in the dark with no lights and wear helmets 50% of the time. All these types of activities I have personally observed between Maroochydore and Alex Headland on the Sunshine Coast. Policing of these activities appears to be minimal in my opinion. Pedestrians are being put at risk due to the fact that they have to share footpaths with scooters/bikes that are being ridden at high speed and in an irresponsible manner. The committee should find out why these devices can be unlocked so speeds of 60km/hr can be achieved. Insurance should be compulsory for all users. It should be made clear where these devices can be used and what rules will have to be followed with strong enforcement and penalties if rules are not followed. In the absence of the above, more injuries/deaths will occur. Yours sincerely