


Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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Whilst PDMs are liked by their users, the dangers to pedestrians and themselves are very high. Additionally, the burden placed on public services like hospitals and police would something most people would resent. I would like to submit the following ideas for consideration by the Committee: The PMDs aren't 'devices' - they are as powerful as a some motorcycles and should be treated as such. Children under the age of legal driving/riding on roads (17 y.o. and not 16 y.o. Learner age) must not be permitted to use PMDs. They aren't allowed to drive a car or motorcycle for a good reason i.e. children aren't mature enough to be educated to be responsible enough to adhere to road rules, traffic, pedestrians, and foresee hazards. That is why people under 17 y.o. can't get a car or motorcycle licence! The use of PMDs should be limited to people from 17 y.o. and older, who hold a motorcycle licence and has passed the road rules test. The 'device' must be registered, insured (both comprehensive and CTP), and the user must be licenced. All PMDs should be banned from using footpaths, parks and public places. Parents, guardians and some of the community will protest any changes to tighten usage, however the majority of the community would prefer the safety (reduction of injuries/deaths/fear) and less burden on public service (health/police).Thank you