

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

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Hello, My issues with e-bikes and e-scooters are based on my direct experience living in Twin Waters and surrounding suburbs. I was also a resident in the city of Melbourne during their experiment with these vehicles. The issue that I have here in the sunshine coast is that they are Motorised Vehicles and are often on sidewalks where slower moving people or non motorised bicycles are present. The speed that they are allowed to travel far exceeds any safe speed on a small sidewalk. In addition, they are regularly misused with children operating them with multiple riders and without safety padding or helmets. I don't see a way to practically monitor and check the correct and safe operation of these types of vehicles without robust training and community checks (much like how helmets were introduced to bike riders in the 80s/90s and are now widely accepted as being safe operating practice. As it stands now, motorised vehicles should be licensed, operators should be licensed and safety of these vehicles should be monitored and checked. Operators should be fined if they are found on sidewalks and paths - they should only be on roads with other motorised vehicles.