


Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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As an e-bike rider, I am being put into danger on a daily basis by people using illegal e-mobility devices. They have modified their e-bike/e-scooter to drive far in excess of 25km/h and go as fast as they can on dedicated bike paths without any regard for other users. They will pass me by at close range at speeds in excess of 40km/h. In 2 years time of daily commuting by bike I have only seen one police patrol on the Coronation drive bike path and zero police patrols on the bike path along the Centenary highway. There should be harsh penalties for people modifying these and as a minimum impoundment and destruction of the modified vehicle. Minors should never be allowed to operate e-mobility devices as they are not able to judge the impact they might have on other members of the public even when operating them at legal limits. Any parent/carer allowing minors using these on the public road should be facing harsh penalties for putting the minors in their care at risk of significant injuries.