

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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I use a e-scooter as an alternative to having a second car for my wife and myself. I do not have to travel far so this is a more economical and environmental form of transport.1/ I find it strange that I am restricted from riding on roads that are over 50 k/h or have centre lines, while kids can pass me on these roads riding their push bikes and I'm restricted to 12 k/h on the footpath. I believe it would be better to allow e-scooters where push bikes are allowed as this would be a safer outcome for pedestrians on the footpath.2/ There is also restrictions on shared bikeway/walkways of 12k/h which is makes sense if there are a lot of users but in some areas I can travel 1 or 2 kilometers with out seeing anyone. Would it not be better to only have to slow down to 12 k/h or less if necessary, when approaching pedestrians?3/ Finally can the speed limit be increased by 5 k/h to 30 k/m as many of the faster pushbike riders can cruise at this speed and I find that when going down a hill the e-scooter is still very stable at this speed. Thank you.