

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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E Scooters have become a danger in our community. The use of them by all ages along the shared Esplanade walking/riding track has made it dangerous for many of the walkers and pets. The e scooter users travel fast and never ring a bell or make any acknowledgment that they are coming. We have had many near Moises while walking. On our roads they ignore the road rules, cut across traffic and travel as fast as a car in the suburban streets. A majority of the users wear no helmets, and dress in dark clothing which makes them hard to see as they zip along. There needs to be a registration for all e scooters so they can be recognised, especially after an accident when they just speed off and leave their victims. Mobility scooters must be registered so why not e scooters.

Many of the riders in our area are under age and use these to get around like to school. Schools should be enforcing their use to only those of legal age and our stretched police force needs to enforce some of the new fines to those who break them. I understand that these are a great form of transport but they are also a lethal weapon which the young ones do not seem to recognise. We have had elderly friends knocked down by riders and then left to sort themselves out. Please recognise that these are dangerous vehicles with no way to track them if they are involved in an accident.