Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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As a parent of a 6 year & 15 year old I understand the conflicting points of view. My call on the government is to properly regulate e-bikes & e-scooters as they can go as fast α other vehicles, particularly in residential areas with low speed limits. 1) all mobility devices to be registered so that they can be reported be civilians if being operated dangerously2) All e-bikes/e-scooter users must do do training course on road rules & safe scooter use regardless of age & be able to present evidence on demand 3) preferably license e-bike riders - many don't know/apply road rules or give way to pedestrians. My 6yo is very concerned about walking on paths now & jumps off the path the minute she sees a bike. 4) preferably devices should be on the road in residential areas5) traffic police/wardens/officers should be recruited to enforce rules - maybe a way do this this with restricted powers so less training needed? More often than not see no helmets, double & tripling on one vehicle, going faster than safe in conditions or tailgating cars. 6) Graphic ad campaign demonstrating injuries to both riders & pedestrians 7) Parents should be fined as well as riders if child is under 18 or maybe demerit points. Essentially, the devices have similar capabilities of destruction & injury as other vehicles & should be treated by law as such. Children not knowing or caring about the road rules & lacking the executive function to consistently make safe decisions is a community issue to address or an individual, family, community and system level. It is not acceptable to continue to allow these devices without training & regulation. 4) 2)