Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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The e-bikes are of a particular concern. We frequently see unacceptable behaviour of minors on these bikes. Butn outs in bparks, monos down the main street in traffic, speeds exceeding 70 km/hr.I would serious thought on licencing and registration of the electric (motorised) vehicles. This would set age limits for purchase, a licenced age, formal registration and third party insurance as mandatory. Speed limiting these devices would also assist in reducing the potential hazard of serious injury if a rider comes off the e-bike at unsafe speeds. There is definitely a lack of police intervention. I would encourge police to crack down on the street riding and have powers to crush offending vehicles on a three strike rule. The influencing on You-tube (social media) is a real concern. My grand-son (11 years) is in awe of the street rides and the behaviour of breaking road rules with no concern of police enforcement. We try to educate him on the responsibilities of road users, but social media is very powerful in driving youth behaviour. I do hope that the QLD goverment take this issue seriously and consider suggestions to regulate the e-bike, skateboards, scooters. Kind regards