

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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I live and work in the same neighbourhood, travelling on a busy main road to get to work. The road is now teeming with kids on e-bikes who show blatant disregard for safety and road rules. They are easily identifiable by their full face helmets. They also ride e-bikes in the loosest sense of the word as they don't have bikes with pedals and chains - they just have foot pegs so they're clearly unlicensed motorbikes. I regularly have them cut in front of me on the road and they then will do wheelies all the way down the street in busy traffic. Last week, a kid cut in front of me on a busy road, chucked a wheelie then flipped his leg over so he was full standing on one side of his illegal motorbike and continued on down the road like this, still doing a wheelie. Don't even get me started on all of this happening in school hours. They are undeservedly over-confident and dangerous on the road. I recommend the police have the power to impound the bikes and the implementation of a hefty fine for the bikes to be released. These kids need their behinds kicked. As for e-scooters, too dangerous, too fast, too reckless, too unpredictable - footpath and road. Is it going to take another death on one of these e-scooters or e-bikes for sensible action to be taken?