Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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E-vehicles are here to stay & the only thing missing is well considered legislation to actually embrace & promote what is a good form of modern transport. I find that there is much "community concern" from older people who cannot abide change. The e-scooters & similar have done a lot in showing up the level of incompetence with older people & other very situationally unaware people on the roads & footpaths. For instance, some people are unable to judge speed or trajectory of e-bikes etc: This lack of awareness & being able to judge speed etc is then apportioned as blame on the e-bike, e-scooter commuters. Another issue of situational unawareness is people on footpaths wearing noise cancelling head phones. It is impossible to let these people know of impending danger or traffic or the need to pass. They then get upset when they are "surprised" by an e-bike silently passing them. (Of considerable concern is these same folk are allowed to drive motor vehicles when their judgement & skill levels are so clearly inadequate) QLD transport & QLD state have an opportunity to get this sorted but have no history of competence in such arenas.