

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

Submission No: 991
Submitted by: [REDACTED]
Publication: Making the submission public but withholding your name
Attachments: No attachment

Submitter Comments:

My submission relates to 2 and 8 in relation to safety and hospital implications A relative was severely injured when an e- scooter collided with him. My relative was on the bike path following all rules. The e-scooter was on a personal scooter and was riding dangerously and approximately 50 kms an hour. The use of these scooters and e bikes has exploded and people are not following any rules, often do not wear helmets and the riders are young and inexperienced. The other impact of particular concern is the impact on the health system. In the case of my relative, the following were involved in his care (not an exhaustive list). Emergency services (paramedics, police), the hospital emergency department, intensive care, the neurosurgery team, other surgical staff, nurses, physios, occupational and speech therapists etc. The cost to the taxpayer through no fault of his own was substantial. There is likely to be ongoing health issues as a result of this accident and it's important the laws keep pace with the increased usage (and misuse) of these vehicles to save other people and their families going through a similar ordeal.