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To: Transport Housing and Local Government Committee
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Dear Sir/Madam,

There is no-one on the planet more obnoxious, self entitled, unreasonable, aggressive and anti-social than a person who slips on lycra and gets on a push bike to ride on our roads.

In most cases Queensland main and suburban roads are wide enough for a motor vehicle to overtake a cyclist with adequate (ie 1 metre) passing distance. The conflict that arises is when cyclists exercise their current rights under legislation to ride 2 or more abreast. Other road users are impeded. **Riding 2 or more abreast should be banned.**

Where cycling events, races and road race training requires cyclists to ride 2 or more abreast, then permits should be sort and approvals should include warning and safety measures as it would for any other activity that impedes other road users.

I am also a cyclist but, quite frankly, I am disgusted at the way certain cyclists aggressively and unnecessarily exercise their "rights" over the carriage way, float every road rule that suits them (ie stop signs, red traffic lights, indicating etc), pay no registration or insurance, often ignore purpose built bikeways and bike lanes, aggressively abuse other road users and....claim to be hard done by.

The practice of cyclists riding 2 or more abreast on roads is anti-social and dangerous. It should be banned.

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