

Committee Secretary
Transport and Resources Committee
Parliament Housing
George Street
Brisbane QLD 4000

Submission re: Hooning on Residential Streets and Muffler Noise (either modified or non-compliant). Submission date ending April 15, 2021

To the Committee:

I would welcome some kind of vehicle inspection facility on a regular basis. The traffic noise in my residential area is horrific; the regular hum of traffic is not what I mean. There are many vehicles including motorbikes that speed through this residential area; indeed, the hoons do laps at intervals well into the evening for fun. Their noise echoes up and down the street. It is not possible to watch television, listen to music or have a telephone conversation with the sliding doors to my apartment open. Many people are captive in their apartments due to the hooning; air. con on and/or earplugs in at night. The other issue is health, mental health from the irritation and loss of amenity in our homes and physical health from the carbon residue that ends up on my balcony (photo enclosed below).



For three years I've been writing letters to authorities; yes, Council (the Mayor, Traffic Division), Police, my Councillor and each passes the buck. The reality is no one polices. Why aren't there regular policing check-points with Police checking for licenses, registration, alcohol and drugs while the Transport Dept. checks for Vehicle Modification and Compliance particularly MUFFLERS? The only person who listens and attempts to help is Fiona Simpson.

There is anarchy on our roads. Sadly some people only learn by being fined. If the Police are so poorly funded and overworked perhaps a Special Unit could be established solely to do check points as outlined above. They could rotate around trouble areas. Where there have been many infringements issued, set up another check point soon after until the offenders are "re-educated". I do hope this helps; you cannot imagine what it is like to live pent up with doors closed. Even at night doors are closed in order to have a decent sleep.

Yours sincerely,

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