

**INQUIRY INTO USE OF E-SCOOTERS, E-BIKES AND
RELATED MOBILITY OPTIONS**

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Mobility scooter have not posed a problem in my area. They are usually ridden at a slow pace, and while bulky, that is the nature of the vehicle, and necessary to the user.

E-scooters and E-bikes are an absolute hazard on the footpath. The majority of users speed, have no respect for pedestrians and don't use bells. There is no way the individual can identify the offenders. Emails to Council have elicited a wish washy response, along the lines of all users are expected to behave responsibly. The path through Prince Albert Park has bike riders hurtling down the slope towards the city. It's hard to see if E-bikes or other, as personal safety is a priority.

Many don't wear helmets, putting themselves in danger should there be an accident. It wasn't too long ago that it was illegal to be on a bike without a helmet. What's happened?

I have seen E-bikers behave with absolute disregard for the traffic rules. In one instance, had the driver hit the cyclist, I would have gone to court on behalf of the car driver.

While I appreciate they are an efficient way to get around, they (generally) make the life of a pedestrian hazardous.