

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

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The electronic bikes, like the 'fat boy' are becoming very popular and easy mode of transport.

Unfortunately they are being ridden by young children in increasing numbers, often doubling a friend, without helmets, no safety protection. They are going exceptionally fast and being ridden on pathways, roads with little concern for safety of others.

I walk my dog daily and constantly have young people come up behind me, with no warning, not slowing down and in many cases forcing myself and my dog to move out of their way.

One came around a corner on day and ran into me and my dog, the young boy was also carrying a surf board on the side. It hit my dog , scared him, the boy didn't stop, my dog is now reactive to these bikes.

I have seen young people , speeding on these bikes on the road, Port Hacking Road, playing chicken with cars, each other, ducking in and out of the footpath and road.

A few weeks ago I was coming back from Greenhills along Captain Cook Drive, Travelling at 50 kms per hour, there were two girls on fat boy electric bikes on the footpath , clowning around, forcing pedestrians to move off the pathway along Cronulla golf course, Woollooware High. They were going g faster than me in my car.

These bikes MUST BE speed limited to a lot less than they are currently capable of, regulated rules and laws for age, number of people on one bike, safety protection compulsory , also where they can be ridden, preferably only on roads .

What will it take for serious action to be taken, an unfortunate accident, resulting in death or severe harm / disablement.