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

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I have constantly reported the issue of young kids riding powerful ebikes and scooters around Burraneer and Cronulla (particularly Cronulla Mall) to Cronulla Police and Council. Neither party appears the slightest bit interested in addressing this issue.

Lets be clear these ebikes are powerful motor bikes being ridden by kids as young as 10-12 years often with two and three on the bike and often without helmets. They have little of no road sense and in the main are full of attitude. They are laughing at the police (for good reason) because the police are too busy chasing older drivers for minor traffic infringements ( lazy policing!!!)

The other issue is that these bikes are uninsured so if and when they run some elderly person down the victim is not covered and left to fend for themselves..

E scooters are simply illegal in NSW yet the police do nothing to impound these things. .Before we have the police telling us they are "talking" to these kids I can tell you that every time I walk to Cronulla I see kids doing 50-60ks down Wooloware Rd and Dominic Street as well as Cronulla Mall .You never see police patrolling the Mall.

It is time to do something before someone is seriously injured or killed on these things.

There are numerous instances of injury to pedestrian already. This is policing issue and the police need to prioritise it above minor traffic revenue collection. We deserve better from our police.. It would be easy to put a stop to this nonsense with a concerted blitz by the authorities and that includes the Council who are very quick to issue parking infringements but completely incompetent on this safety issue.

The legislators should empower the police to confiscate overpowered ebikes and scooters and fine the parents who supply who supply these things to their kids.

This is a safety Issue and must be addressed urgently