

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

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I am very concerned about the lack of safety of pedestrians on footpaths due to electric bikes. A family member had brain surgery as she was knocked down by a bike on the foot path. She had took considerable time off work. The bike rider did not stop. I am a long term resident. In the Sydney CBD and my local area for years delivery drivers constantly ride on the footpath. They ride towards you and close to you in an unsafe way. I have not once seen a police officer book them. There are no ways to identify bike riders. There are no signs to deter them. The rights of safety of pedestrians are completely ignored. Also e bikes constantly dumped on footpaths, private property and street verges in our already crowded local streets. The council does absolutely nil to manage this including if complaints are made. The onus is on pedestrians to manage this issue. That is the stakeholder that has done absolutely nil to contribute to the issue. The complete leeway given to irresponsible e bike companies and users is totally inappropriate. Another issue i have noticed is young men repeatedly riding e bikes seemingly 60kmh on local streets that are 40kmh zones, and speeding in our local shopping mall car park. This has been shocking to see. Again the police have been no where to be seen. As a tax payer and rate payer i believe the rights of pedestrians to use foot paths safely have been completely ignored. I object to this. We have a right to move safely in our areas via the foot paths. Keeping people moving is vital to the health and amenity of our community.