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

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The City of Coffs Harbour's endorsed position on the above matter is articulated in the Coffs Harbour Movement and Place Strategy (the Strategy) adopted by Council in 2023. The Strategy is available online: <u>Coffs Harbour Movement and Place Strategy</u>.

In regard to micro-mobility options such as e-bikes and e-scooters:

- the Strategy objectives state "the City of Coffs Harbour in collaboration with the NSW Government, will harness new technologies and innovations to make our movement networks and our places safer, greener and more sustainable." [page 31 of the Strategy]
- the objectives in the Strategy also make the following statement: "To make the most of the advantages offered by e-bikes, we need to create safer, connected, and inviting networks of paths and streets for cyclists to use. These networks will be designed to accommodate not only traditional bikes and e-bikes but also other forms of micromobility. In the future, this may also include e-scooters." [page 31 of the Strategy]
- Under the initiative of "Improving our walking and cycling networks", the Strategy commits to adopting contemporary design guidance that, among other things, will "encourage people to walk, ride or use other forms of micromobility" [page 43 of the Strategy]
- Under the initiative of "Harnessing technology", the Strategy makes the following statement: "The City of Coffs Harbour will work with Transport for NSW and private industry to take advantage of technological advancements to deliver better transport options. Key initiatives include, **designing flexibility to accommodate new forms of mobility such as e-bikes and e-scooters,** transitioning to a zero emissions bus fleet and providing real-time bus service information to help customers better plan their journeys."

Regards



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