

E-Bike Community Forum

WELCOME TO THE E-BIKE COMMUNITY FORUM

E-bikes and scooters are changing how people move around Pittwater—bringing affordable, clean and green independence, especially for young people. But **the rules aren't keeping pace** with the reality on our streets, creating **risks for riders, pedestrians and the wider community**. That's why we're **pushing for urgent reform to e-bike laws** in NSW, and why tonight's conversation is so important.

WHAT IS JACQUI CALLING FOR?



Improved Education and Student Licensing Scheme

Promote practical education programs, especially in schools, including support for Bicycle NSW's Student Bicycle Licence Scheme or EBSA's Digital License Scheme.



Safe speed limits

On footpaths and shared paths of maximum 10km/hr.



Prohibition on modifications

Prohibiting the modification of e-bikes to exceed speed and power limits.



Clarification of legal definitions

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Enhanced enforcement powers

Support granting police the authority to confiscate non-compliant or dangerously operated e-bikes.



WHAT HAS JACQUI DONE TO DATE?

Since 2024, Jacqui Scruby has:

- **Spoken in Parliament** about the dangers of modified e-bikes in Pittwater and more broadly.
- **Asked the Minister for Roads in Question Time** what the government is doing to address illegally modified e-bikes.
- **Given Notice of a Motion** urging the government to implement reform in consultation with local councils, enforcement agencies and community groups.
- **Drafted and given notice of a Private Members' Bill** aimed at prohibiting the modification of e-bikes and introducing speed limits for e-bikes on footpaths.
- **Joined the Highway and Traffic Patrol Command** in Avalon beach to educate riders about the rules on modifications, helmet use and riding on footpaths.
- **Met with the Northern Beaches Police Local Area Commander** to discuss the risk to safety for riders and pedestrians and request better enforcement.

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WHAT HAS JACQUI DONE TO DATE? (CONTINUED)

- **Met with the Premier, along with the Ministers for Roads, Transport and Police**, to discuss safety and enforcement.
- **Written to the Ministers for Police, Roads and Health** about e-bike enforcement and safety - and putting them on notice that it will only be a matter of time until a child dies whilst operating an e-bike
- **Written to the Northern Beaches Council** to encourage the take up of a Student Bicycle Licensing Scheme through Bicycle NSW or E-bike Safety Australia
- **Written to the Minister for Education** expressing my support for E-Bike Safety Australia's Identification Plate Accountability System
- **Written to Dr Sophie Scamps and the Federal Minister for Transport Catherine King** to requesting federal action to strengthen import controls and harmonise standards

WHAT IS THE GOVERNMENT DOING?

- **Established an E-micromobility Interagency Group** with representatives across 14 government agencies
- **Released an E-micromobility plan** in October 2024:
 - Reviewing regulation, road rules, road user policies
 - Reviewing safety standards re lithium-ion batteries and fire safety risks
 - Reviewing active transport infrastructure
 - Reviewing impacts on CTP insurance
 - Developing education resources and local enforcement operations
 - Get NSW Active grants program for local councils
 - Establishing a data program

FURTHER INFORMATION



Scan the QR code to download the **E-micromobility Action Plan**.



Scan the QR code to read the **Question Time transcript** of my exchange with the Minister for Roads about illegally modified e-bikes.



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