

**Supplementary  
Submission  
No 36a**

## **REDUCING TRAUMA ON LOCAL ROADS IN NSW**

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## NSW STAYSAFE COMMITTEE

Dear Members

As indicated in our submission, here are the recommendations from the NSW E-Scooter Trial.

The committee included a very wide range of key stakeholders.

We met for nearly a year.

The recommendations were unanimous.

We believe that these E-Scooters are essentially a toy and no-one has proven any significant benefits which outweigh the enormous threats to the safety, amenity, access and health of pedestrians. You get more exercise walking to a car, than riding an E-Scooter.

Please add all of this (including the email below) to our Submission.

PS: It should be noted that many jurisdictions including Victoria and South Australia have banned the use of ALL Shared Vehicles (Rideables) because of the likelihood of COVID-19 transmission via handlebars and compulsory shared helmets. Many of the providers have voluntarily withdrawn their E-Rideables throughout the world, due to the coronavirus.



It took humans a million years to learn how to walk...  
and five minutes to forget.

Regards

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**Subject:** Electric Scooter Trial Recommendation Report

Dear all,

We would like to thank you again for participating in the Electric Scooter Advisory (ESA) Working Group and supporting Transport for NSW (TfNSW) in developing recommendations for a potential electric scooter trial in NSW.

The final recommendation report provided by the ESA Working Group to TfNSW has been attached for your reference and is also available [here](#).

While we are proactively looking to technology and our industry partners to improve mobility and create seamless transport experiences, the safety of our customers is absolutely paramount.

It is acknowledged that a controlled trial of electric scooters in NSW could support Transport for NSW's understanding of the impact of 'micro-mobility' technologies on our network. However, considering the recommendations provided by the working group and engagement with industry, TfNSW does not support a trial at this stage.

Consideration of any future trial would require identification of a suitable trial location based on the recommended criteria, and supported by the relevant local Council area. In addition to the location, the local council and prospective delivery partner would need to demonstrate the technological capabilities to meet geo-fencing and speed limiting requirements. TfNSW would need to formally consider any proposal, ensuring that all recommendations of the report were met, in advance of considering any future trial in the context of our broader network.

The NSW Government acknowledges that other jurisdictions have fast tracked micro-mobility trials to provide an alternative mode of transport in the context of COVID-19. In light of the evolving pandemic and advice within the e-scooter working group report, the NSW Government does not deem it appropriate to run a trial without the appropriate infrastructure, technology or resources required to ensure compliance. Public safety is and will continue to be paramount in NSW.

For any questions, please feel free to contact [REDACTED], Director of the Smart Innovation Centre.

Kind regards,

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