

ITEM 11

NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR CAMERON WALTERS - ONGOING SUPPORT TO TRIAL ELECTRIC PERSONAL MOBILITY DEVICES

Councillor Cameron Walters has submitted the following Notice of Motion –

“I formally move that Council –

- 1 Welcomes the announcement by the Transport Minister, Rob Stokes MP on 28 November 2021 for a 12-month trial (hereafter "trial") of e-scooters in consultation with local councils in 2022.
- 2 Affirms its support for active transport including cycling, e-scooters, electric skateboards and electric unicycles to improve health, protect the environment and reduce traffic congestion.
- 3 Writes to the Minister Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Cities, and Minister for Active Transport, and Rob Sharp, Secretary of Transport for NSW to -
 - a Select the local government area of Wollongong City Council as a location for the trial
 - b Provide an appropriate regulatory framework following the precedent set out in other state jurisdictions to ensure safety measures such as helmets, bells and speed limits are enforced to protect users, pedestrians and the broader community particularly on footpaths
 - c Recognise that electric personal mobility devices (hereafter "PMDs") including e-scooters, electric unicycles and electric skateboards are legal on bicycle paths, shared footpaths and local roads in Western Australia, Tasmania, Queensland and Australian Capital Territory
 - d Ensure the e-scooter trial includes PMDs such as electric unicycles and electric skateboards
 - e Support a trial that includes residents who privately own, use and take care of their own PMDs
 - f Highlight Wollongong Council's investment in cycling infrastructure that could support PMDs and Wollongong's status as a UCI Bike City.
- 4 In the event that Wollongong City Council be nominated for the trial, a report be brought back to Council and the Ministers be made aware that this will occur.”