



Police Service of Northern Ireland

South Down Neighbourhood Policing Team

Newcastle PSNI Station
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Dear Parent / Guardian,

RE: E-Scooters & Scramblers

We have asked local schools to forward this to you on our behalf, as we are becoming increasingly concerned about the use of e-scooters and scrambler bikes by young people across the South Down area.

We are asking for the support of parents and guardians in helping to keep your young people, and the wider community, safe. We are appealing to parents and guardians not to purchase e-scooters or scrambler bikes for children where they may be used illegally or unsafely.

We would also be grateful if parents and guardians could speak with their children about the dangers associated with these vehicles, including the very real risk of serious injury, and remind them that e-scooters and scrambler-type motorcycles cannot legally be used on roads, footpaths, pavements, parks, or any other public place.

Their use on roads and other public places creates a number of potential offences.

If necessary, and in certain circumstances, we can seize these e-scooters and a fee is charged by the recovery agent for release.

Police will continue to patrol areas where concerns are reported and will take appropriate education and enforcement action where necessary.

We appreciate the continued support of the community in helping to ensure the safety of everyone.

Thank you,

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