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### Memorandum

**To:** Mayor & Council  
**From:** David Reynolds  
**Re:** Agenda Item: Discussion of E-Bike use by youth  
**Date:** 2/3/26

**Purpose:**

The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss growing concerns regarding proper e-bike use among New Castle youth. As the availability of low-cost e-bikes, many of which appear to be designed for younger riders, continues to increase, the Town has seen a corresponding rise in youth riders who may benefit from additional guidance on the safe and legal operation of these vehicles.

Police Chief Stu Curry and his team have researched this emerging issue, including applicable state regulations, and recognized best practices for safety. Chief Curry will present his findings to Town Council and offer recommendations on how New Castle can begin to address safety concerns while also accommodating this evolving technology and its appropriate use by younger residents.