

The Ripley Academy and Sixth Form



Executive Headteacher: **Mrs H Frost-Briggs** BA (Hons) We are **AMBITIOUS**. We are **COMMITTED**. We are **PROUD**.

Dear Parent/Carer

The Law on Electric Scooters

We have seen an increase in the use of electric scooters within our school community and wanted to share with you our stance and the collaborative work we are doing with the police to uphold the law and ensure the safety of the public.

Electric scooters are currently classed as <u>'powered transporters'</u> by the government and fall under the same laws and regulations that apply to all motor vehicles.

This means that it's **illegal** to use them on pavements, in cycle lanes and in pedestrian-only areas, and it would only be legal to use them on public roads if they could meet the same requirements as motor vehicles (e.g., in terms of insurance, tax, licence, registration and vehicle construction), which in practice is virtually impossible.

Therefore, electric scooters can **only be used on private land** with the landowner's permission.

The Ripley Academy does <u>**not**</u> give anyone permission to use electric scooters on the school premises. If students bring electric scooters onto school premises, then they will be confiscated, under our Searching and Confiscating Policy, and handed to the police.

We want to thank you in advance for working in partnership with us to safeguard our community.

Many thanks,

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