

Seaside tack attacks on mobility scooters

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TACKS have been scattered on pavements in a seaside town in an apparent vendetta against **mobility** scooter drivers.

Residents say that pensioners have had to dodge roof **tacks** thrown around the streets of Clacton-on-sea, Essex, which has one of the highest number of **mobility** scooter users in the UK.

A repairman has spoken about the disturbing rise in tyres being punctured by **tacks** after seeing 15 cases in just two weeks. Roger Ball, 67, of Easy **Mobility** Services, said he was running out of tubes of the particular

size needed to fix tyres.

Mr Ball said there had been a “suspicious” surge in the number of **scooters** punctured by the same type of **tacks**. He said he had been called out by one woman from Jaywick whose wheels were punctured three times in four days.

Barry O’connell, 71, a disability campaigner, said he suspects people are dropping the nails on purpose to get the electric **scooters** off the roads.

He said: “Someone’s getting back at **mobility** scooter users, and the problem is how they’re driven.”

He added that drivers had a bad

reputation as they hit people and don’t claim responsibility.

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