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**SEBAHAGIAN ahli Persatuan Penduduk Taman Ukay Bistari melihat kesan pembinaan jalan sambungan di Jalan UB 2A, Ampang, baru-baru ini. -UTUSAN/FAIZI BAHARUDDIN**

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**'Jangan guna jalan kami'**  
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Penduduk rayu projek bina jalan keluar masuk dipindah ke lokasi alternatif

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**"JANGAN** guna jalan kami." Itu antara gesaan penduduk Taman Ukay Bistari, di sini yang meminta supaya Majlis Perbandaran Ampang Jaya (MPAJ) tidak meneruskan projek pembinaan jalan keluar masuk di kawasan mereka.

Penduduk mendakwa, laluan yang menghubungkan kondominium Estana Court, Kampung Pasir ke Jalan UB 2A, Taman Ukay Bistari itu akan menimbulkan kesesakan lebih teruk sehingga menyusahkan penduduk.

Selain itu, projek jalan itu dikhawatiri menjejaskan keselamatan serta mengganggu ketenteraman masyarakat terutama kanak-kanak yang bermain di sekitar kawasan perumahan tersebut.

Pengerusi Persatuan Penduduk Taman Ukay Bistari, Ghazali Mohamad, 46, berkata, pemaju perlu mencari laluan alternatif jika berhasrat meneruskan pembinaan jalan tersebut.

"Mengikut pelan asal (projek tersebut) adalah di Jalan Taman Ukay Bestari 2 tetapi penduduk syorkan supaya guna sahaja laluan di Kampung Pasir memandangkan projek kondominium sedang dibina di situ.

"Namun kesalnya apabila MPAJ memilih laluan di sini tanpa mengambil kira pendapat dan berbingang terlebih dahulu," katanya ketika ditemui dalam himpunan bantahan bersama kira-kira 200 penduduk Taman Ukay Bistari, baru-baru ini.

Katanya lagi, kesesakan itu bukan sahaja akan menjejaskan masyarakat di kawasan berkenaan malah mereka yang menetap di sekitarnya.

"Ada beberapa kawasan perumahan berdekatan antaranya Ukay Seraya dan Taman Ukay Tropika.

"Jika jalan baharu ini dibuka, ia bagaikan mimpi negeri kerana menambahkan kesesakan jalan raya yang amat teruk terutama pada waktu puncak," katanya.

Tambah Ghazali, pelbagai usaha dilakukan penduduk termasuk pertemuan bersama MPAJ dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri (ADUN) kawasan berkenaan.

"Namun usaha yang dilakukan hanya sia-sia kerana tiada jawapan konkrit diberikan. Projek laluan tetap juga diteruskan malah lebih rancak lagi," jelasnya.

**NORMAN ZAHLAN, 47**  
Penduduk

"KAMI tidak menolak pembangunan kondominium tersebut tetapi soalnya mengapa perlu menghubungkan jalan di kawasan taman ini dan mengorbankan kesejahteraan penduduk perumahan Taman Ukay Bestari."

**A. SARAVANAN, 35**  
Penduduk

"MPAJ tidak sepatutnya membenarkan pemaju membina jalan baharu itu. Ini kawasan taman di mana kanak-kanak selalu bermain di sekitar kawasan perumahan. Keadaan ini sekali gus mendatangkan bahaya kepada mereka."

**info**  
**TAMAN UKAY BISTARI**

- > Jalan dari apartmen baharu ke Jalan UB 2A
- > Projek bermula 2013
- > Bantahan kali ketiga
- > Kesesakan sedia ada 1 jam ke MRR2 di waktu pagi
- > Jejas keselamatan penduduk
- > 600 unit rumah Taman Ukay Bestari



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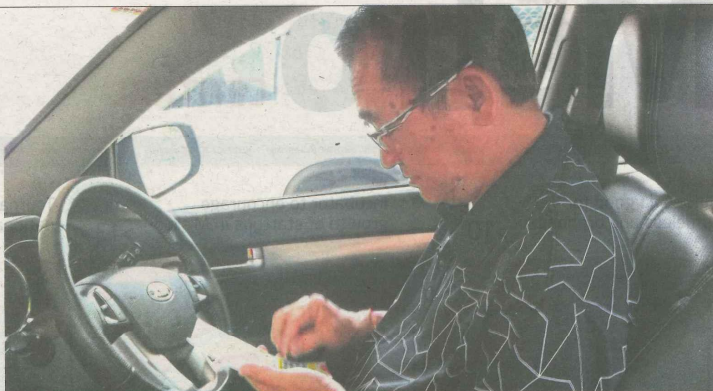
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Petalung Jaya residents are looking forward to the return of the parking coupon system, saying that it is hassle-free and safer. — filepic

# Return of parking coupons in PJ

MBPJ to reintroduce scratch-and-display method upon termination of the current concessionaire's services

By **BRENDA CH'NG**  
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PETALING Jaya will have a new parking system implemented citywide once the services of current parking concessionaire Godell Parking Sdn Bhd are terminated.

Discussions are still ongoing between both parties but Petaling Jaya mayor Datuk Mohd Azizi Mohd Zain has confirmed that Petaling Jaya City Council (MBPJ) will take back the management of the parking system.

He said the council had engaged a lawyer and they were going through the paperwork.

He disclosed that a letter of demand seeking payment of arrears was sent early this year and Godell had offered to pay half the amount, which MBPJ said was unacceptable.

It was previously reported that there were over 700 parking machines in the city to cater to about 21,000 public parking bays, but today, more than half of them are faulty.

For every bay, the parking concessionaire is supposed to pay a monthly rental of RM37.45 to the local council.

"A decision will be made at the full board meeting later this month as we need to get the approval of the full board on this matter," said Mohd Azizi.

When contacted, Godell declined to comment on the issue.

In the meantime, MBPJ is working on implementing a new parking system to replace the current coin machines once the existing contract is terminated.

MBPJ plans to implement the parking coupon system first as this method can be rolled out easily.

"All we have to do is engage retail shops in commercial areas to be our official coupon agents."

"Motorists just have to buy the coupons and scratch out the cards to display on the dashboard," said the mayor.

He said the Treasury Department was working out the cost for implementing the parking coupon display system.

Mohd Azizi said the coupon system was chosen because it was easy to implement on a short-term basis.

They are also looking at allowing motorists to pay using mobile parking apps.

A check at commercial areas such as SS2, PJ Old Town, Section 52 and Sunwaymas Commercial Centre recently found many of the parking machines there were not functioning properly.

"Some machines accepted the coins but did not issue any ticket."

"The parking duration on the screen of some machines stays the same even though you put in extra coins to extend the time," said Section 1B Old Town Rukun Tetangga chairman Kok Kuan Yong.

He said most parking meters in the Old Town commercial area were faulty and it was a hassle for motorists to walk around looking for a machine that worked.

"The machines along the whole of Jalan 1/12 are damaged and only one or two along Jalan Dthman are working," he said, adding that he had lodged numerous complaints at MBPJ.

Kok was glad to hear that there would finally be a new parking management system in Petaling Jaya and welcomed the idea of using parking coupons as these were more convenient and safer for motorists.

Section 14 (Jalan 14/1-14/15) Residents Association chairman Selve Sugumaran Perumal said it was difficult to find a parking machine in working condition in Section 52.

"The machines there are always faulty and not serviced regularly," he said.

Gasing Indah Rukun Tetangga chairman Eric Chew said many residents were upset and frustrated over the faulty machines mostly located in busy commercial hubs in the city.

"MBPJ should introduce the parking coupon system soon because even if the coin machine is faulty, motorists have the option to use coupons."

"There should be no more excuses for not paying for parking at council bays," he said.

Over in SS2, resident Chris Low said there was a day where he went to five parking machines and not a single one was working, adding that he gave up after that even though he was worried about getting summoned.

Idaman Ara Damansara Residents Association chairman Albert Lau urged the local council to ensure better management of the machines rather than introduce a new parking system.

"I prefer the coin machines where you just pay as you park, there is no upfront payment involved which would be the case with parking coupons."

"It is also an inconvenience to visitors and those who are not from the city who will have to purchase the coupon booklet although it is only a one-off visit," he pointed out.

In Shah Alam, residents have three choices in parking payment methods - coupon, parking machine and a mobile application called Flexi Parking that was



A screenshot of the MBSA's app which motorists can use to pay their parking fee in Shah Alam.

introduced early this year.

"Users do not have to search for parking meters or even coupons and they do not have to rush out to top up their parking ticket if their appointment drags on," said Shah Alam City Council Corporate Communications head Shahrin Ahmad.

To-date there are over 7,000 users registered on the app.

Enforcement officers on patrol are equipped with smartphones to check if the vehicle owner has

# Dealing with faulty parking machines in KL

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CITY motorists who are lucky enough to find a public parking bay have to count their lucky stars if the parking machine closest to them is in perfect order.

This is because 7% of the parking machines in Kuala Lumpur are faulty.

From motorists' experience and a check by *StarMetro*, many of the parking machines' buttons do not work properly in Bangsar and Sri Petaling. Users have to press the buttons multiple times before their vehicle numbers can register.

Community manager Joy Chong, 29, said the parking machines in Bangsar, where she works, were always out of order. "One day, I called the customer service number on the machine to

complain and the person on the line was helpful and advised me to download the JomPay application, where I can buy prepaid token and use them via the mobile application.

"I go to Bangsar every day and this prepaid service saves us the hassle of paying for parking.

"I hope more people will use this application and say no to coins," she said.

Housewife K Eswari, 55, said it was very frustrating when the parking machines did not work.

"Often times the 'Enter' button does not work at machines in Sri Petaling commercial centre.

"I walk from one machine to another until I find one that works.

"It is a waste of time especially after circling multiple times to find a public parking bay, which is the cheapest option here," she said.

Last year, Kuala Lumpur City

Hall (DBKL) appointed Yayasan Wilayah Persekutuan (YWP), the welfare arm of Federal Territories Ministry, to manage the city car-park system.

YWP consultant Datuk Nik Haidi Nik Mohamad said about 121 parking machines had problems with the buttons.

"The number keeps changing as the technical team is doing their best to change the parts.

"They repaired the machines in Taman Tun Dr Ismail (TTDI) not too long ago.

"The sensors are very sensitive and it has been coated with high-intensity coating or layer that is used worldwide, similar to the systems used on automated teller machines and petrol pumps.

"But there are people who continue to vandalise these machines and it is a challenge for us to maintain them well.

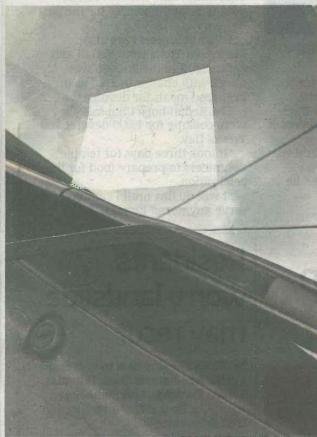
"All the machines are insured and we are not affected in terms of cost. These unscrupulous people's actions only cause inconvenience to the public," he said.

Nik Haidi said frequent users were encouraged to buy the monthly pass, which does not require any dealing at the machines.

"JomPay is popular in areas like Bangsar, Hartamas and TTDI. About 8% of total gross income per month comes through JomPay.

"On any one street, parking machines are not far from one another, as each machine caters for an average of about 20 bays only," he said.

He said there were 1,741 machines to serve about 35,000 parking bays and another 250 machines were due to arrive this month for 5,000 new bays.



A motorist in Petaling Jaya leaves a small note on his dashboard that reads 'Parking meter rosak'. This is a common thing to do to notify officers that the parking fee was not paid due to the faulty machines.



Since the parking coupon system was introduced in Klang, the local council has received positive feedback and complaints have reduced.

paid the parking fee and if the amount is sufficient.

Other councils using the mobile parking app in Selangor are Sepang Municipal Council, Kuala Langat District Council and Ampang Jaya Municipal Council. Klang Municipal Council (MPK) has been using the parking cou-

pon system since they took back parking management from a concessionaire in 2011.

"We have over 560 vendors licensed to sell the coupons throughout the town and we have received positive feedback since this change took place," said MPK Corporate Communications direc-

tor Norfiza Mahfiz.

She said motorists were pleased that they no longer had to search for a parking machine or look for coins.

"The complaints about faulty parking meters and other parking woes have reduced a lot since we implemented the coupon system,"

she noted.

After parking coupons were introduced towards the end of 2011, enforcement officers issued only about 60,000 compound notices related to parking offences, compared to more than 143,000 compounds in the previous year.



There are over 700 parking machines in the city to cater for about 21,000 parking bays and today over 50% of them are faulty.



### SUBSCRIBE TO THE STAR

Visit the Star Media Group booth at Konvensyen Hartanah at KL Sogo (Level 7) from May 11 to 14 between 10:30am and 9pm, and at Dream Car Expo at Mid Valley Exhibition Centre (Hall 2, booth no B46) from May 12 to 14 between 10am and 9pm. Subscribe or renew The Star bundle & ePaper, and get attractive freebies with your subscriptions. All gifts and freebies are while stocks last.

### NO DISCOUNT BY DBKL

Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) has denied rumours that it had issued a statement offering a "promotion rate" of RM10 to settle a summons, as stated in a viral message on social media. Those who wish to check their compound notices can refer to <https://appsys.dbkl.gov.my/ezbill/index.asp> or at Counter 13, Menara DBKL, Jalan Raja Laut, Kuala Lumpur.

### MBPJ MEETS THE PEOPLE

Petaling Jaya City Council (MBPJ) is organising a Meet the Customers Day tomorrow from 8am to noon at Tingkat 1, Ibu Pejabat MBPJ, Jalan Yong Shook Lin. Call 03-7956 3544.

### CHARITY WALK POSTPONED

The Sempoi Charity Funwalk at the KL Bird Park that was scheduled to take place on May 13 has been postponed to July 15 due to unavoidable circumstances. The Race Kit Collection day also has been rescheduled to July 8 and 9, from 11am to 4pm. Notification on the postponement date has been sent to participants via email on May 2. For details, visit <http://home.hooaha.asia/SempoiCharityFunWalk2017.aspx>

### MUSEUM VISIT

The Lincoln Medical Museum is inviting Form Five students to visit their premises on May 17 from 2pm to 5pm in conjunction with the International Nurses Day celebration at Lincoln University College campus, Jalan Stadium 557/15, Kelana Jaya. There will be free health screenings, a blood donation drive, jumbo sale and other activities. For details, visit <http://lincolnluc.eventbrite.sg>

### HEALTH FORUM

In conjunction with Mothers and Fathers Day, Tropicana Medical Centre will organise a public forum on Parents Day on May 13, from 2pm to 4.30pm, at its premises located at 11, Jalan Teknologi, PIU 5, Kota Damansara, Petaling Jaya. The topics covered are: "Understand your gastro", "Pacemaker - When do you need it?" and "Love your breasts". Admission is free. For details, call 019-790 7507 (Hilmi), 018-211 1079 (Fazulie) or email [fazulie@tmclife.com](mailto:fazulie@tmclife.com)

### BLOOD DONATION DRIVES

● PKAM is organising a blood donation drive on May 15 from 9am to 4pm at SJK (T) Simpang Lima, Taman Sri Andalas, Klang. For details, call 012-291390 (Alagappa).  
● There will be a blood donation drive on May 18 and 19 from 11am to 4pm at the iTech Tower Lobby, Jalan Impact, Cyber 6, Cyberjaya. This is organised by Shaftsbury Square and the National Blood Bank.

### FREE MEDITATION COURSE

A Mindfulness Meditation 9-Lesson Beginners' Course will take place from 7.30pm to 9.30pm for nine Wednesdays starting May 17 at the Buddhist Maha Vihara, Brickfields, Kuala Lumpur. Admission is free. For details, call 016-323 7342 (Shymin) or 019-277 6259 (Lim).

### CULTURAL SHOW IN KL

At 8pm every Saturday this month, there is a cultural showcase at Central Market in Kuala Lumpur, where visitors can enjoy the beauty of multiculturalism in Malaysia and dance along during Fun 'Joget Lambak' session.