

Drainage upgrade at Jalan Kolam Air to prevent flash floods

WORK on a damaged drain at Jalan Kolam Air, Kuala Lumpur, that caused water to overflow into nearby residences is expected to be completed this month.

Previously, houses located at the bottom of a slope were affected by flash floods whenever there was a downpour.

Residents had also voiced concerns over fallen trees along a hill slope.

They had approached Wangsa Maju MP Datin Paduka Dr Tan Yee Kew and her special assistant Andre Lai for help.

Dr Tan and Lai made a site visit to check on the progress of upgrading work by Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL).

Also present were representatives from several government agencies and residents associations.

"Jalan Kolam Air is located at the boundary of Kuala Lumpur and Selangor, which makes things tricky.

"However, several upgrades are currently being conducted by DBKL.

"These include trimming trees on the slope of Jalan Kolam Air and upgrading the drainage," said Lai.

"At the same time, we hope DBKL can look into resurfacing the potholed stretch of Jalan Kolam Air heading towards Desa View Tower condominium and Bukit Mas housing areas.

"The stretch of road leading to Jalan 1/4b Bukit Mas is closed due to a sewage upgrading project and is only expected to be reopened by the end of February.

"We hope all these measures will address residents' concerns on



The drainage system along Jalan Kolam Air is being upgraded by DBKL.

flash floods," he added.

Taman Melawati Residents Association chairperson Azhari Taharim said the concrete drains should be maintained to prevent flash floods.

"The problem has persisted for

years and we are glad that upgrading work is being done.

"We also want the stretch of Jalan Kolam Air that is closed to traffic now to be reopened as soon as possible," he said. — **By JAROD LIM**