## Bumpy road in Desa Setapak upgraded after complaints

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RESIDENTS and business owners in Desa Setapak, Kuala Lumpur can now rejoice because Jalan 1/27B, which needed upgrading, has been resurfaced.

The upgrading work by Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) was done following complaints that the road was in poor condition and had not been upgraded for a long time.

Desa Setapak Kawasan Rukun Tetangga (KRT) committee member Yeap Wai Keong said he received many complaints about the bumpy road from businesses nearby.

"Businesses are happy about the newly resurfaced road as it is much-needed for the stakeholders and motorists here," he said.

Yeap also highlighted the lack of parking bays in the area.

Wangsa Maju MP Datin Paduka



Jalan 1/27B in Desa Setapak has been resurfaced, with freshly painted markings to indicate parking bays.

Dr Tan Yee Kew's special assistant Andre Lai said numerous complaints were received about the pothole-riddled road.

"The markings on the road for parking bays were also faded over the years.

"This caused motorists to park haphazardly in front of the shops, upsetting business owners," he said.

Lai highlighted the problem to DBKL's Civil Engineering Department and the road resurfacing was completed at the end of last month.

"The upgrading work has had a positive impact on business owners in the vicinity.

"Although DBKL tried to optimise the parking space in the area, it is still not enough to cater to the high volume of traffic in the commercial area.

"I have suggested that DBKL convert the government reserve land nearby the commercial area into a parking lot," he said and expressed hope that DBKL would consider the suggestion.

Lai also said that previously, parking along the roadside was free but after the road resurfacing, the space was turned into paid parking bays.

"This is good for the commercial area as many LRT passengers used to park their cars here in the morning to take the train to work.

"Now that motorists have to pay for parking, it will turn away some of them.

"This will allow others who patronise the shops here to use the parking bays," he added.