Venices to be towed away in June'

DBKL enforcement action against motorists who park illegally along Jalan Kiara 1

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TOWING operations to address the problem of vehicles parked illegally. along Jalan Kiara 1 in Kuala Lumpur will kick off in June.

Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) Enforcement director Osman Ismail said operations to tow away the vehicles would start next month.

"DBKL will give a two-week allowance as it is still Hari Raya but will move in come June," he said vesterday.

Residents have been questioning the delay for initiating enforcement action after lodging repeated complaints to DBKL on vehicles occupying the Ialan Kiara 1 roadside.

They want stern action taken, including towing away vehicles to prevent motorists from parking indiscriminately.

Ialan Kiara 1 is the sole access to several condominiums in the Mont Kiara area.

According to residents, the vehicles obstruct traffic flow and are a safety hazard to motorists and pedestrians.

StarMetro in an April 13 report highlighted that DBKL had issued 2,386 compounds to errant motorists for parking along Jalan Kiara 1



Motorists who park their vehicles along Jalan Kiara 1 are obstructing traffic along this main access to several condominiums in Mont Kiara. - YAP CHEE HONG/The Star

and Ialan Kiara 4 last year.

DBKL had earlier said in a statement that towing operations would be carried out after Hari Raya.

10 Mont Kiara Joint Management Committee (IMC) resident manager Sobel Phang said the situation had not improved despite forwarding complaints to DBKL.

"Cars are still parking along Jalan Kiara 1 during the day.

"We even sent a letter to DBKL before Hari Raya but have not received a response.

"Residents also complained of rubbish being littered by the roadside," he said.

"We hope City Hall will act on these errant motorists soon," he said.

10 Mont Kiara IMC chairman Hiten Asher said vendors trading by the roadside were adding to the problem.

"One sells coffee and the other offers pet grooming services.

"They have even set up tables and are blocking the pedestrian walkway.

"Motorists who patronise these services are adding to the traffic congestion too," he said.



StarMetro's report on April 13.