



A business operator at Block A Sri Desa Entrepreneurs Park has taken up parking bays by placing chairs and tables. — Photos: AZMAN GHANI/The Star



The MC of Block A Sri Desa Entrepreneurs Park has placed banners warning people of the risks involved in parking at the site.

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A BUSINESS owner is illegally taking up parking bays at Block A, Sri Desa Entrepreneurs Park in Kuchai Lama, Kuala Lumpur.

This not only prevents the public from using the space but also raises safety concerns in light of an incident last month where a beam collapsed at the site, damaging several vehicles.

Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) had given some owners and tenants the green light to resume business there just over a week ago.

Block A building manager Emily Sin said shop owners were not permitted to reserve parking spaces with tables and chairs.

She had lodged a complaint through DBKL's eAduan portal on Sept 6, and hoped that action would be taken.

On Aug 15, a beam from the upper floor of the five-storey

# Business hogging parking bays in commercial area

## DBKL urged to take action at Kuchai Lama entrepreneurs park

commercial block with 45 units fell at 10.40pm, crushing 10 vehicles parked at ground level.

The area was cordoned off until Sept 5.

On Sept 6, DBKL allowed owners and tenants operating at the ground, first and second levels of the block to return to work.

However, offices on the fourth and fifth floors are still off-limits.

It was previously reported that

DBKL had asked the Public Works Institute of Malaysia (Ikram) to submit its report.

The building's management corporation (MC) has also been instructed to hire a consultant to submit a civil and structural investigation report.

For safety reasons, DBKL issued a standard operating procedure for tenants and owners with a list of dos and don'ts.

Parking spaces at the back of

the block are still cordoned off, making the remaining bays highly sought after.

StarMetro visited the site several times and saw that a business owner had blocked several parking spaces on Jalan 1/116B with tables and chairs.

Kim Tan, a visitor going to a tailor nearby, said she had spent 30 minutes looking for a parking spot.

"This is not the first time.

Every time I come here, parking is an issue.

"Shop owners are always hijacking parking spots here by placing tables and chairs."

Marian Goh, who works in a nearby office, echoed her sentiment.

"This area is so congested and parking space is a luxury so why is this allowed?"

"Just fine those blatantly breaking the law," she added.