

KUALA LUMPUR STRUCTURAL PLAN 2040

Building a city for all with focus on tech and wellbeing



Kuala Lumpur City Hall employees browsing through the Kuala Lumpur Structure Plan 2040 book launched by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim yesterday. BERNAMA PIC

KUALA LUMPUR: The newly launched Kuala Lumpur Structure Plan 2040 (PSKL2040), aimed at creating a city for all, takes into consideration challenges and trends, including new technologies.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said the plan not only focused on driving the economy and public sector, but also emphasised the well-being of the people.

"We have all these skyscrapers, but we must also provide affordable housing and clean stalls, for instance.

"This is while adapting to new technologies such as AI (Artificial Intelligence) and energy transition that were not included in past plans," he said in his speech at the launch of the PSKL2040.

PSKL2040 is a comprehensive

framework that considers the current situation and future challenges from climate change, the economy, social demography, lifestyle and infrastructure.

Kuala Lumpur Mayor Datuk Seri Kamarulzaman Mat Salleh said the plan was prepared in accordance with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and New Urban Agenda (NUA) to ensure that Kuala Lumpur fulfilled today's and tomorrow's needs.

The plan, which would replace the PSKL2020, emphasised the transformation of economic, social, environmental and cultural aspects of the country's capital through six main goals.

The goals included innovation and productivity; inclusiveness, equity and livability; green, health and vibrancy; smart and

low carbon emission; efficient mobility and environmental friendliness; and integrated and sustainable development.

Gazetted on Oct 19, it would oversee the city's strategic development for the next 20 years, ensuring sustainability and prosperity for all people.

Anwar said he had given Kuala Lumpur City Hall two weeks to prepare a report on any application it received. This was to ensure that City Hall improved its ease of doing business.

"We want the decision-making process to be fast, not just in Kuala Lumpur (City Hall), but nationwide.

"Even though the speed of approval is fast, we are still behind other countries like Vietnam in terms of pace (implementation)," he said.