

DBKL faces court action over failure to provide access road

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THE board of directors of SJK (C) Tai Thung in Jalan Sungai Besi plans to take Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) to court for failing to provide the school with the promised access road.

With only one access road currently through a narrow Jalan Razak Mansion, the traffic situation when sending and picking up schoolchildren has been chaotic.

Lawyer Joseph Tan, who is representing the board, said the promised access road was initially the main route for many years before it was closed for a development project.

The road passed through land gazetted for school use connecting SJK (C) Tai Thung to Jalan 4/108a, which is a main road, but it was closed from 2019 to 2022, he said.

“For many years, the land served as the main access to the school, connecting it to

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Joseph Tan

Jalan 4/108a.

“On Jan 30, 2019, during a meeting between the school, DBKL and stakeholders, it was agreed that access to the land would be closed from March 1, 2019 to March 1, 2022 for safety reasons due to the development.

“It was also agreed that this access would be reopened after three years, but it was not so.

“Instead, a new school is now being built on the land,” he said.

Tan said the school's only access currently was through Jalan Razak Mansion, which is narrow and hazardous.

“There is chaos daily, especially during school drop-off and pick-up times, which has caused a decline in enrolment,” he said, adding that the school management also feared for pupils' safety.

Tan said the board of directors filed a case against DBKL for discovery of documents last year to determine if any alternative access routes were provided for the school.

“On Aug 22, the High Court ordered DBKL to provide all documents to the school but it was not adhered to.

“The board members urge DBKL to provide the documents and fulfil its promise to provide safe access to the school.

“If DBKL fails to respond, the school will have no choice but to explore legal action,” he said.

DBKL could not be reached for comment at press time.



The only access road to SJK (C) Tai Thung is Jalan Razak Mansion in Sungai Besi.