

ROYAL SPOT CHECK

King flags rubbish, clogged drains during walk in KL

KUALA LUMPUR: His Majesty Sultan Ibrahim, King of Malaysia, walked 3.2km along Jalan Gallagher here to check the area's cleanliness.

The king, on Facebook, expressed concern over clogged drains and rubbish discarded by the roadside during the spot check.

He also called on local authorities to take immediate action to ensure that the environment remained clean and safe for residents.

"Waste disposal along the roadside not only creates breeding grounds for Aedes, but also poses health risks to residents nearby," he said.

"I also noticed large tree branches on the road, which could endanger the public, particularly motorists at night."

The king was accompanied by Comptroller of the Royal Household at Istana Negara Tan Sri Azmi Rohani, Grand Chamberlain of Istana Negara Datuk Azuan Effendy Zairakithnaini and palace staff.



His Majesty Sultan Ibrahim, King of Malaysia, walking along Jalan Gallagher in Kuala Lumpur yesterday. With him are Istana Negara staff. PIC FROM SULTAN IBRAHIM'S FACEBOOK PAGE

In response, Mayor Datuk Seri Dr Maimunah Mohd Sharif said the rubbish strewn along Jalan Gallagher was not caused by public littering, but monkeys rummaging through unsecured bins.

She said waste management

services in the area was Alam Flora's responsibility.

"City Hall has contacted Alam Flora to increase the frequency of cleanups in the area," she said.

"We have also asked it to replace the bins with more secure

ones to prevent monkeys from digging through the trash."

She said City Hall would need to hold discussions with the Wildlife and National Parks Department to address monkey intrusions.