

PM UNVEILS REVAMPED KL LOCAL PLAN 2040

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Public transport and addressing traffic congestion to be accorded priority

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THE Kuala Lumpur Local Plan 2040 (PTKL2040), which has been delayed due to the Covid-19 pandemic, has undergone a major overhaul.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said this was to ensure the plan was inclusive, holistic and aligned with evolving needs.

“Our approach must prioritise the majority of the people, who are still in the Bottom 40 and Middle 40 categories,” he said at the launch of PTKL2040.

“It is too often that urban development sidelines the needs of the wider population, with all the facilities centred around more affluent groups.”

Anwar said PTKL2040 would cover digitalisation, artificial intelligence and public housing.

The plan, rebranded from the Kuala Lumpur Draft City Plan 2020, introduces new measures such as redevelopment incentives, flexible plot ratio controls and revised land use zones to boost the urban community’s wellbeing.

“We are working in an existing context, bound by old structures that, in many cases, cannot be altered, making the task more difficult.

“Therefore, we should not assume that this launch signifies the creation of a completely new image for Kuala Lumpur.”

Anwar said that while KL was originally developed as a structured and modern city, over time, some plans became disorganised as projects were approved without consideration for sustainability. He said this reflected issues of governance.

“We may have plans, and these plans should help lay down key foundations, but sound approvals and adherence to existing regulations must support them. Otherwise, we risk repeating the same chaos.”

Anwar added that public trans-

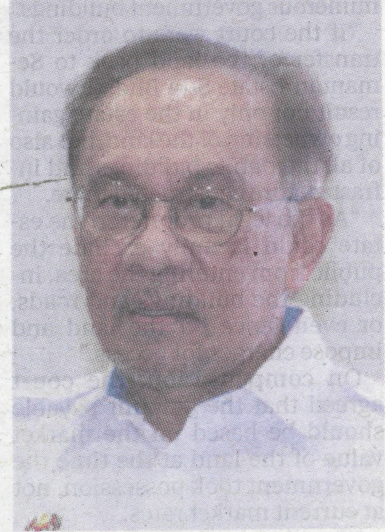
port and addressing traffic congestion would be prioritised under PTKL2040.

“We will make decisions that favour the majority, and that is why I have said that several new projects have been identified under the Transport Ministry to ensure that public transport becomes the backbone of the city.”

He said as part of the energy transition, new housing developments would be required to incorporate solar energy to a significant extent.

“This is a new condition not previously included in our regulations or legislation.

“This will help ensure the city’s sustainability going forward.”



Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim

KUALA LUMPUR LOCAL PLAN 2040

GOAL 1 – An innovative and productive city

- Adoption of smart city elements
- Upgrading digital and manufacturing infrastructure
- Attracting domestic and international investors
- Promoting efficient and sustainable transport networks

GOAL 2 – An inclusive, equitable and liveable city

- Ensuring an adequate supply of affordable housing
- Providing integrated, sufficient and high-quality community facilities
- Upgrading old housing areas
- Developing community hubs for local residents

GOAL 3 – A green, healthy and vibrant city

- Preserving and conserving the environment and natural resources
- Expanding green spaces through connected open areas
- Providing public facilities that promote a healthy urban lifestyle
- Planning cultural, artistic and heritage-related activities

GOAL 4 – A climate-smart and low-carbon city

- Emphasising clean and renewable energy systems
- Strengthening energy-efficient, low-carbon buildings
- Adopting green transportation
- Boosting awareness on low-carbon practices and climate change

GOAL 5 – Efficient and environmentally friendly mobility

- Developing a comprehensive, integrated transport system
- Strengthening rail and road networks
- Reducing dependence on private vehicles
- Prioritising road space for pedestrians and cyclists

GOAL 6 – Integrated and sustainable development

- Emphasising transit-oriented development
- Creating shared spaces with diverse activities
- Optimising land and space use
- Conserving heritage assets

