

# Fears of flash floods in Taman Midah persists

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RESIDENTS of Taman Midah in Pekan Bt 11, Cheras are relieved that the Kajang Municipal Council (MPKj) has upgraded the area's drainage system.

However, they are not fully convinced that their flood problems have ended.

The residents, who have been experiencing flash floods for more than two decades, fear there is no escape from the floods if there is a continuous downpour.

Serdang MP Datuk Yap Pian Hon, who visited the area recently, said clogged drains used to be

blamed for the floods in Taman Midah.

"Now the problem seems to be at the confluence of Sungai Langat and the main drainage outlet to the river.

"The drain meets Sungai Langat at a 90-degree angle and since both are at the same level, water from the drain does not easily flow into the river during a downpour, causing a backflow.

"We are proposing that the main drain be widened, raised and diverted at a different angle for an easier flow," said Yap.

He said the residents were worried that if this project was not carried out soon, they would have to put up with another flood when the monsoon season began next month.