

"We should be ready in about another five years with widespread awareness and the younger generations with their phones, they would be more exposed to use these gadgets," she said.

Zuraida also said that smart city developers must work together with local authorities to fine tune its development in Malaysia to ensure a holistic development with long term strategic planning, instead of creating a piece-meal solution.

She pointed out that a piece-meal development will incur more costs in the long run and is wasteful and less efficient.

The federal minister also said that by working holistically with local councils, developers can help create more awareness and educate the local communities on smart cities and how they can take care of its facilities.