

'Kuala Kangsar Municipal Council has potential to become City Council'



Housing and Local Government Minister Zuraida Kamaruddin. -NSTP/Effendy Rashid

KUALA KANGSAR: The Kuala Kangsar Municipal Council (MPKK) has the potential to be upgraded to City Council in the next two years.

Housing and Local Government Minister Zuraida Kamaruddin said Kuala Kangsar known as the royal town also renowned for its education institutions such as the Malay College Kuala Kangsar (MCKK) and Universiti Sultan Azlan Shah Malaysia (USAS).

“I hope MPKK can take advantage of all these factors to improve its performance and to beautify this royal town of Perak.

“This will also help attract more visitors to Kuala Kangsar and as we know, the Sultan (Sultan of Perak, Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah) has been receiving a number of international guests (to visit Istana Iskandariah).

“I hope MPKK could achieve this target within two years, in line with the royal town’s image,” Zuraida told reporters after attending a briefing with MPKK staff at its office here today.

Also present was MDKK president, Zulqarnain Mohamad. Earlier, Zuraida visited Kuala Kangsar market in Persiaran Bendahara that was built about 30 years ago.

During her 15-minute visit, Zuraida also said the ministry has allocated RM1 million for the MPKK to make plans whether to upgrade the facility of the wet market or relocate it.

“The allocation is to be used for early stages of work that need to be done such as consultation services. They have to study the impact as well as the suitability of relocating the market.

“Should they want to relocate it, they must have a proper plan and name the suitable location. Meanwhile, another RM1.2 million has been allocated for Dewan Chandan Puteri here to improve its sound system,” she said.

