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## **MADOKERO STORM WATER DRAINS**

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It has been noted with concern that most of the stand owners or their home keepers are discarding waste and stocking building materials like bricks, river/pit sand and concrete stones in road servitudes and storm water drains. The 2017-18 rainy season is drawing near and drainage structures serve a very important role in preventing the flooding of homes, destruction of infrastructure and disease outbreaks.

Unblocked drains prevent the following threats to our homes and the neighbourhood infrastructure:

1. Road and property damage

When water is not able to flow away quickly it finds its way into any weak areas and it may seep into the underlying layers of the road and weaken these compacted road bases resulting in road failures and potholes. Some of the water may also find its way into buildings and weaken house foundations. This will result in costly repairs which can be avoided.

2. Health risk

When drains are blocked, water becomes stagnant and poses the risk of mosquitoes and other dangerous organisms to breed. Children like to play with water whenever they find it stagnant. This increases risk of disease outbreaks as well as drowning accidents.

3. Aesthetics

A beautiful home does not view well with dirty environs. The value of your investment is quickly eroded by unsightly disposal of unwanted building materials and refuse in storm water drains and servitudes.

4. Accidents

Roads can be blocked by building materials at intervals. Some of these blocked points are junctions or sharp curves which makes it difficult for drivers to see properly when they are supposed to give way to each other.

In light of the above, we implore on all owners and residents to clear the drains around their homes of any rubble and dirty before heavy rains commence. Lets also encourage each other to observe better ways of waste disposal for the good of your homes and the neighbourhood.

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