Amendment to Motion 15(a)

Proposed by:		Councillor Heaney
Seconded by:(Councillor Fielding

After the sentence ending "with a particular role to be played by Arab neighbours" insert the following:-

"Breaches to International law

Allegations of breaches of international humanitarian law should always be treated with utmost seriousness. Assessing specific allegations is the proper task of lawyers and competent international courts.

Council reaffirms its support for the UK's commitment to the rules-based international order, international humanitarian law and the jurisdiction of the ICC to address the conduct of all parties in Gaza and Hama's attacks on Israel

Wider violence in the West Bank

We totally condemn acts of violence and extremism by Israeli settlers in the West Bank and call on the Israeli authorities to prevent settler violence, ensure accountability for perpetrators and condemn extremist rhetoric.

Council calls on the UK government to do all it can to work with the international community to avoid further escalation in the West Bank and the wider region.

Towards a two-state solution

We want a return to the truce we saw last week to protect civilians, prevent displacement, ensure humanitarian access, and release hostages. The international community can and must use the next cessation to make political progress towards what we all want an end to conflict and a permanent ceasefire. That means creating the conditions where Israel is secure from another attack like October 7 and Palestinians can see a path to statehood and the reconstruction and renewal of Gaza.

Therefore the Council calls for the immediate release of all hostages and for the Government to do all it can to ensure an enduring cessation of fighting as soon as possible and a credible, diplomatic and political process to deliver the lasting peace of a two-state solution."