

MOTION ON NOTICE

City Council 24 June 2019



VETERANS

As a city with strong military links, this Council welcomes the Government's commitment for legislation designed to ensure service personnel and veterans are not subjected to repeated investigations on historical operations, many years after the events in question and applaud the hard work that our local MP Johnny Mercer has done in bringing this about. But like Johnny Mercer MP we are disappointed that this legislation will not include Northern Ireland.

This Council believes that those that served in Northern Ireland should also be included in the legislation, especially in light of the fact that over 200 members of the terrorist organisation the IRA received letters known as 'comfort letters', which exempted them from prosecution for their part in the troubles in Northern Ireland.

Therefore, the City Council resolves to ask the Leader to write to the new Prime Minister calling on them to end the witch hunt of former service personnel who served in Northern Ireland.

Proposed by Councillor Glenn Jordan by email 8 June 2019

Seconded by Councillor Rebecca Smith by email 9 June 2019

Dated: 13 June 2019