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Fears grow Middle East conflict will dominate many councils as Muslim Vote group issues Starmer with list of 18 demands

DOZENS of pro-Palestinian campaigners have been elected as councillors as the war in Gaza hit town halls across Britain.

More than 40 councillors were elected in England after makBy Martin Beckford and Ryan Hooper

ing the conflict part of their campaign, analysis of Thursday's vote suggests.

Some wore rosettes in the colours of the Palestinian flag while others dedicated their victories to the people of Gaza. One shouted: 'We

will raise the voice of Palestine. Allahu Akbar!' In at least 12 town halls, they defeated Labour candidates, prompting opposition leader Sir Keir Starmer to pledge to win back the trust of voters alienated over his stance on the issue.

His comments led one pressure group, The Muslim Vote, to issue

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'Allahu Akbar!' The Greens' Mothin Ali