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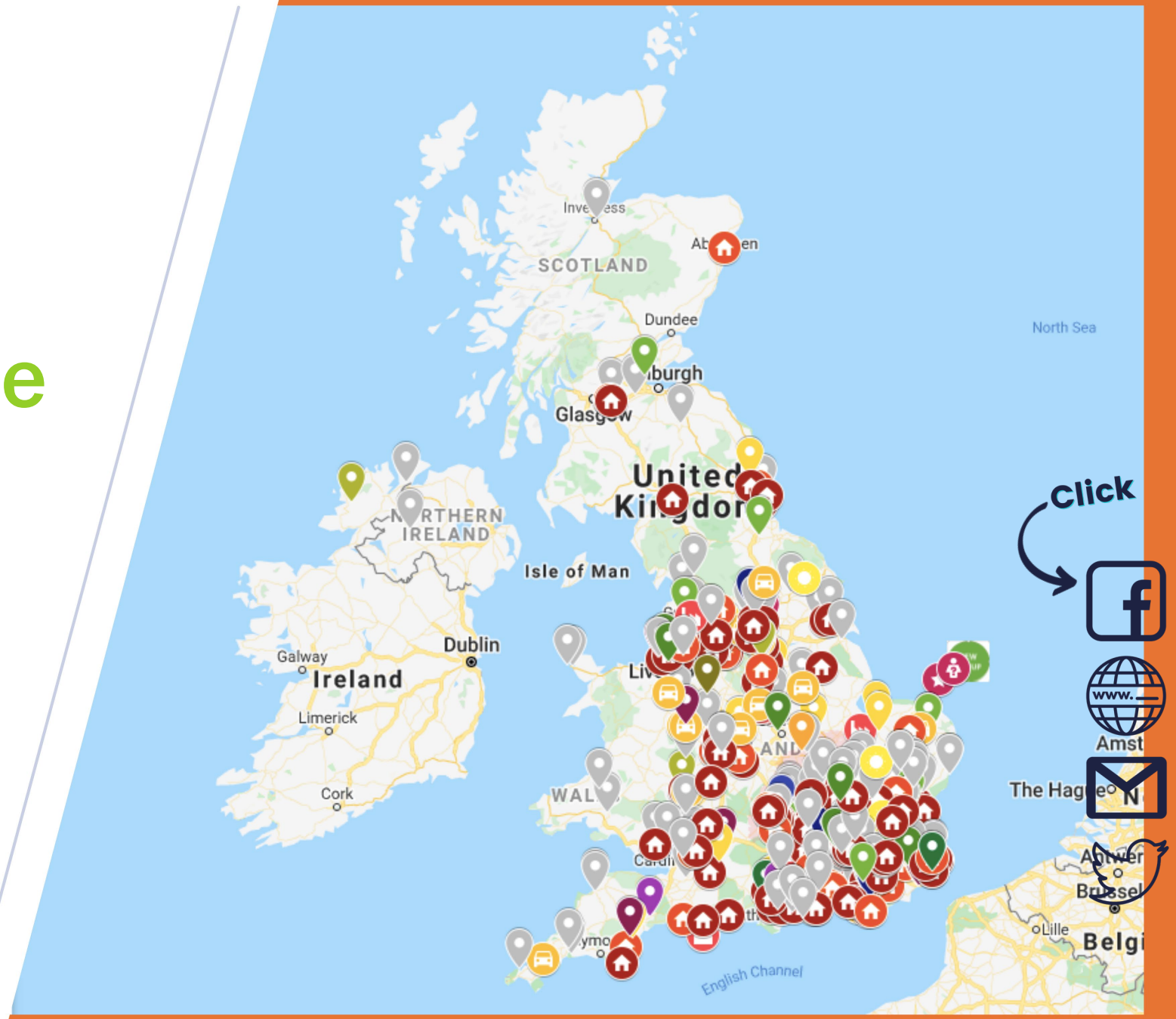
There are now **570** campaigns on the map

The key issues for our members include unsustainable housing, local plans, roads and incinerators, and many more



Throwing your hat into the ring

Introduction by

- Rosie Pearson, Chairman of the Community Planning Alliance

Speakers

- Joanne Beavis, District Councillor & previously County Councillor
- Tom Walsh, Councillor, District Councillor, previously town planner
- Simon Thomas, Parish Councillor, campaigner

Standing for election in 2022?

Jo Beavis & Tom Walsh

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NOW is the time to plan!

Get yourself selected for your preferred party or residents' association

Or go independent

Contact the Independent Network
www.independentnetwork.org.uk

Contact the Election Department of your district, borough, unitary council

There will also be advice on your councils' webpages with links to the Electoral Commission

www.electoralcommission.org.uk

Theme : Role and place for everyone, whatever level, & whatever level of commitment

Simon Thomas

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1. What are your interests and motivations ?

- Community & facilities
- Planning and development
- Health & Recreation
- Best use of Council Tax
- ?

2. What do you want to achieve ?

- Contributor
- Influencer
- Team leadership
- Policy formation and decision-making

3. Which level of local authority ?

- Parish
- District / Borough
- County
- Unitary
- “Double & even triple hatters”

4. How to actually get elected?

Adding to Jo and Tom comments

- Party or independent
- Information on Local Council web site / Democratic Services
- Publish and campaign about your beliefs / policies / goals
- Network, speak, write letters, use social media, attend council meetings, +
- Knock on doors, canvas at shopping centres – but follow the rules

5. Local Government Tiers

There are four main tiers of Local Government that have elected representatives called

- **Councillors or Members** who may have a small allowance, but these days no pension contribution.
- Paid Council staff are called **Officers.**

1. **Unitary** (Southampton City)
2. **County** (Hampshire) or **County Unitary** (Cornwall, Wiltshire)
3. **District** (Basingstoke & Deane) **/ Borough** (Eastleigh)
4. **Parish** (Four Marks) / **Town** (Alton)

- Some areas have three tiers, a few are Unitaries only (devolution agenda) with no District / Borough or Parishes, others operate two tiers (County & Town/Parish) plus some Districts and many Boroughs do not have parishes either.
- These different combinations manage the various statutory and optional responsibilities of local councils split between them, with appropriate shares of the Council Tax and limited central government funding. An example

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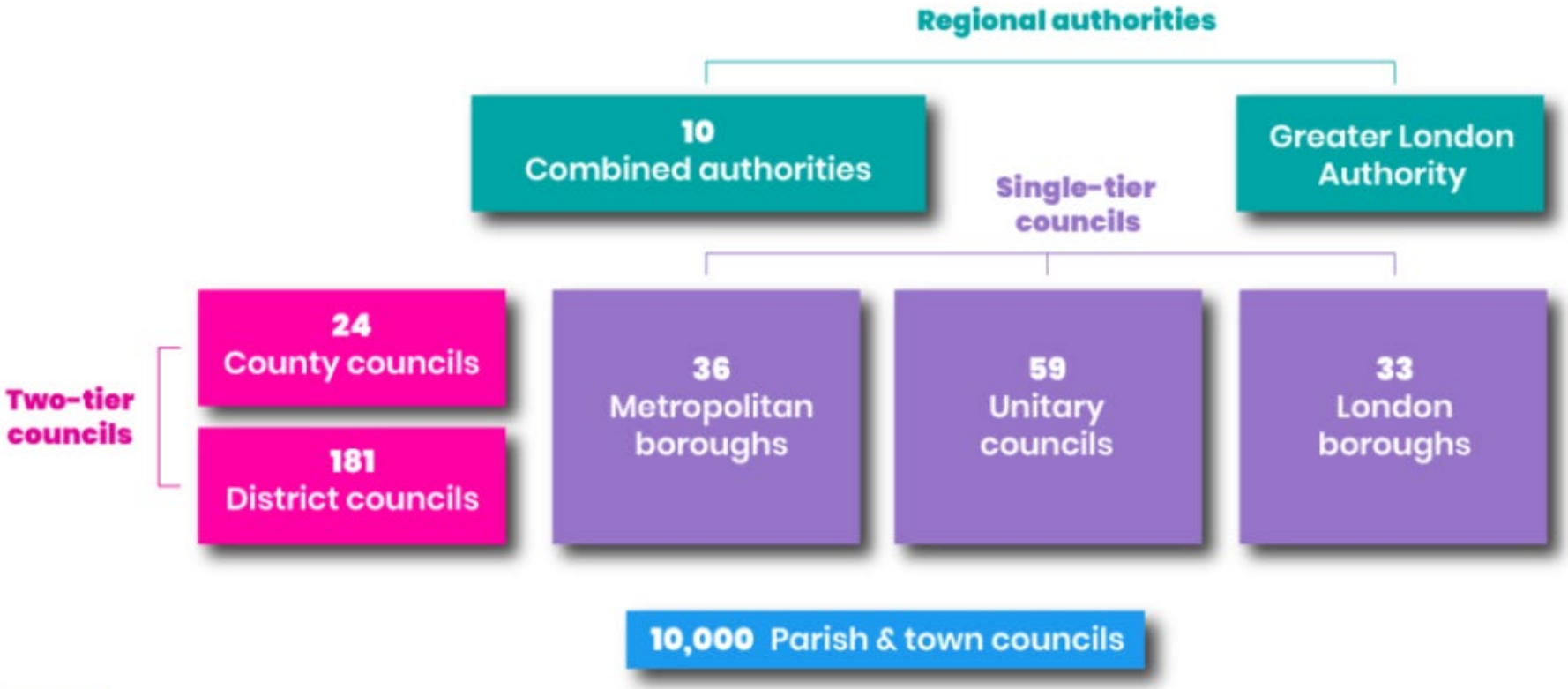
English local government structures



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This diagram represents the key local government structures in England.

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Reference Links

Central Government

- Nolan Principles of Public Life

Local Government Association

- LGA Councillors Guide

NALC – National Association of Local Councils

- The Good Councillors Guide National Training Strategy document
- The Good Councillors Guide – …ask your council
- NALC report on 2021 Local Elections

More Reference Links

- Become a councillor - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
- Become a county councillor | About the Council | Hampshire County Council (hants.gov.uk)
- Become a councillor | East Hampshire District Council (easthants.gov.uk)
- Recruiting-Councillors-poster.pdf (cheveley-pc.gov.uk)
- Check out the relevant Unitary, County, District, Borough, Town or Parish Council for you.
    - They should have detailed information about How to Become A Councillor and Election Regulations (and talk to the Council's Democratic Services, or for a Parish 'The Clerk').

QUESTIONS

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Thank you for listening

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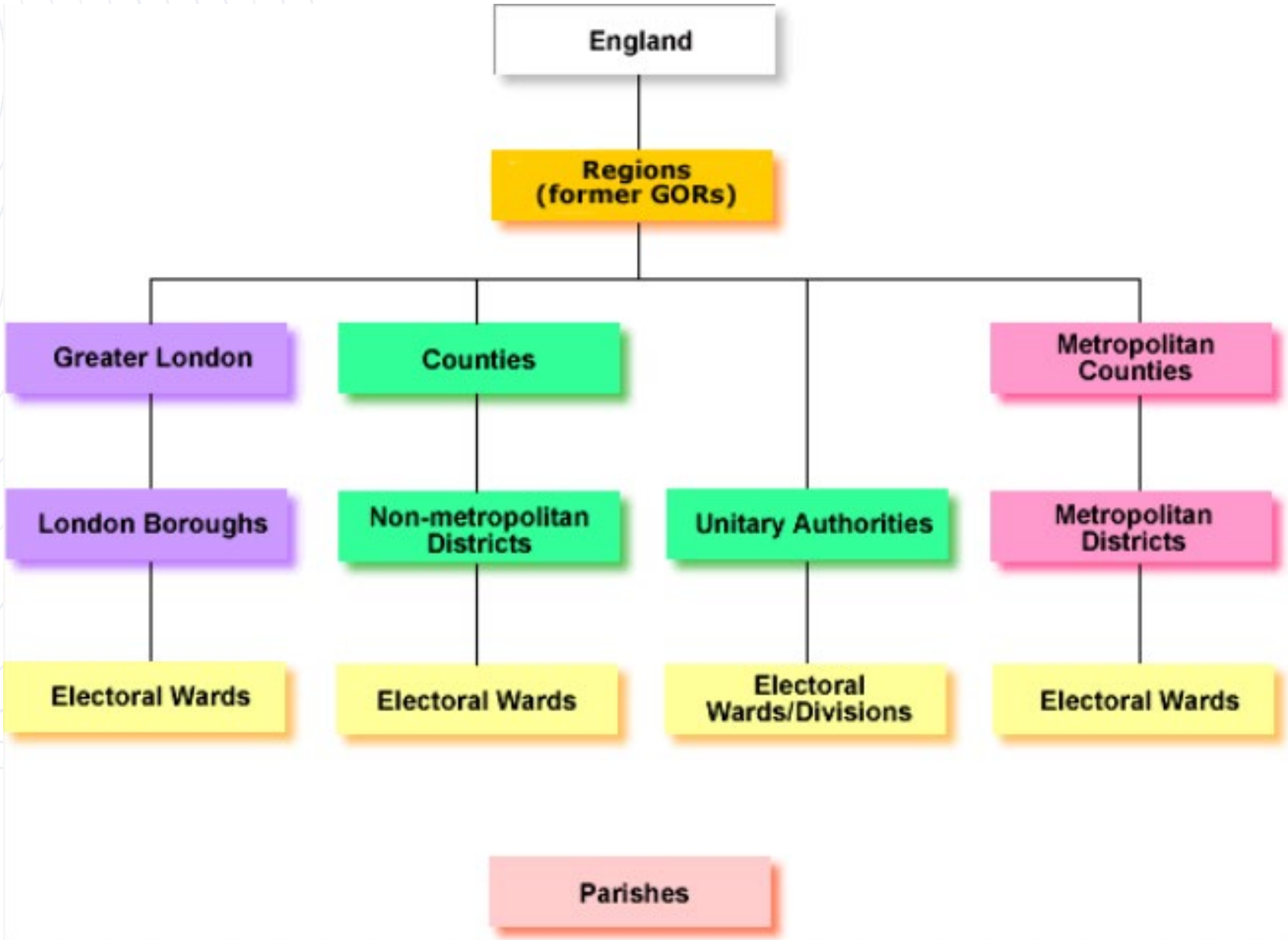
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Metropolitan Counties
London Boroughs
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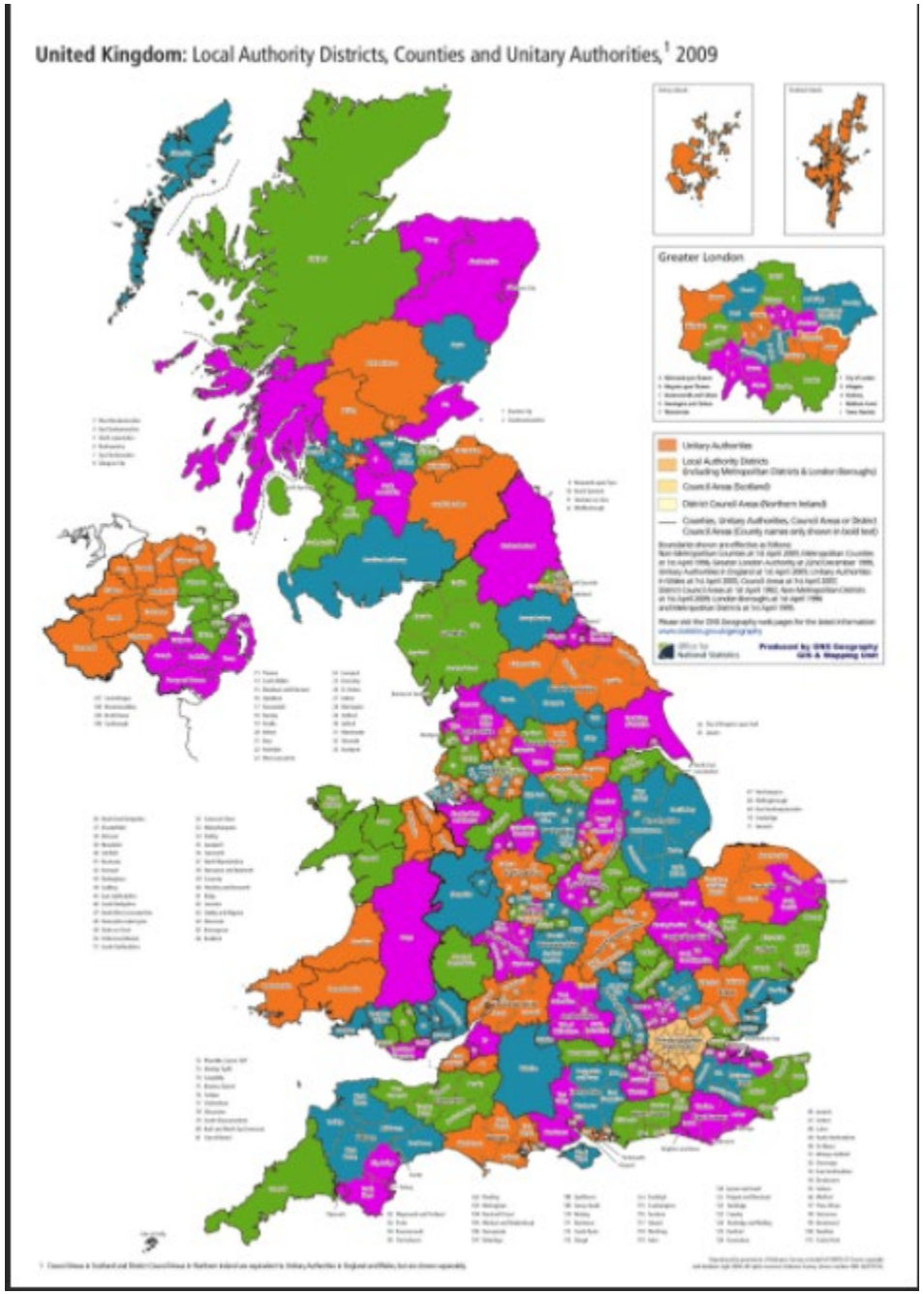

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