Uttlesford District Council

Submission of Proposals to Government for Local Government Reorganisation

Appendix 19 Comparison data on Unitary sizes

Snapshot of data taken January 2025

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Current unitaries by population quartile

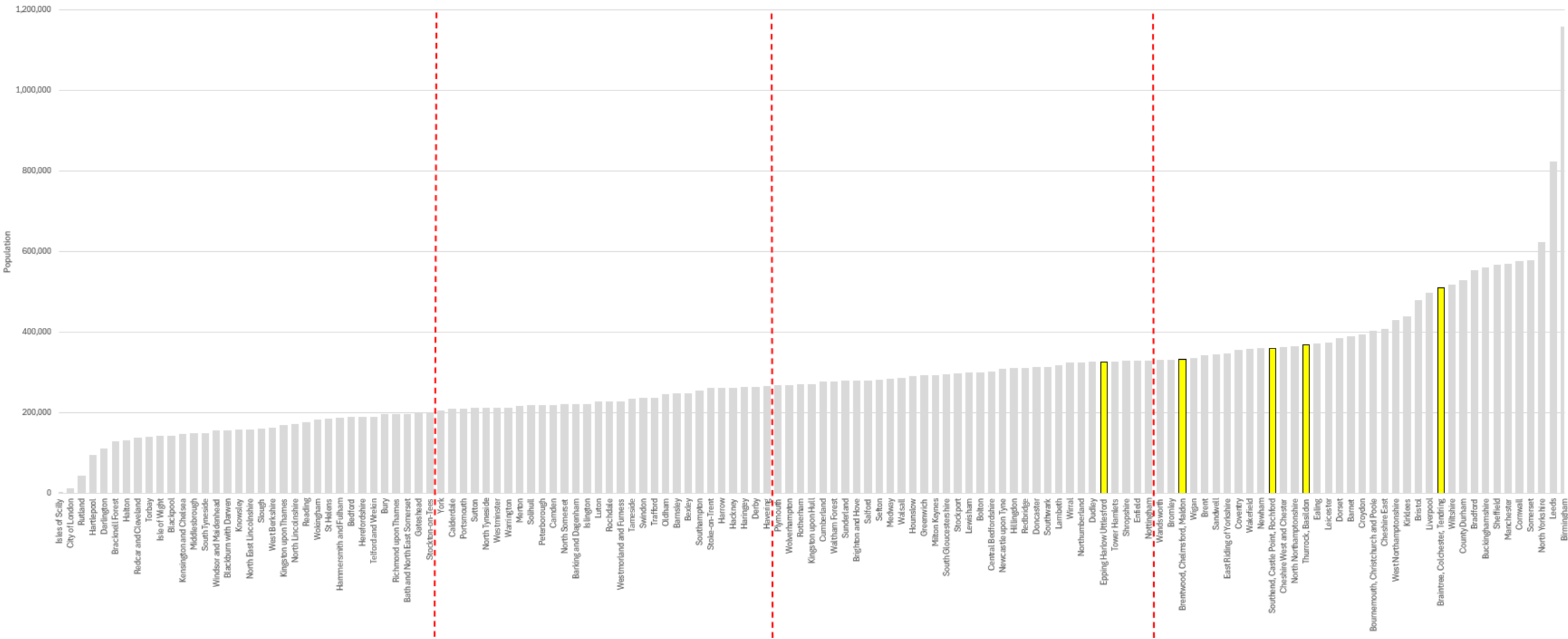| Council	Population	Council	Population	Council	Population	Council	Population
Isles of Scilly	2,281	Bath and North East Somerset	195,618	Plymouth	266,862	Wandsworth	329,035
City of London	10,847	Gateshead	197,722	Wolverhampton	267,651	Bromley	329,578
Rutland	41,151	Stockton-on-Tees	199,966	Rotherham	268,354	Wigan	334,110
Hartlepool	93,861	York	204,551	Kingston upon Hull	268,852	Brent	341,221
Darlington	109,469	Calderdale	207,699	Cumberland	275,390	Sandwell	344,210
Bracknell Forest	126,881	Portsmouth	208,420	Waltham Forest	275,887	East Riding of Yorkshire	346,309
Halton	128,964	Sutton	210,053	Sunderland	277,354	Coventry	355,600
Redcar and Cleveland	137,175	North Tyneside	210,487	Brighton and Hove	277,965	Wakefield	357,729
Torbay	139,479	Westminster	211,365	Salford	278,064	Newham	358,645
Isle of Wight	140,794	Warrington	211,580	Sefton	281,027	Cheshire West and Chester	361,694
Blackpool	141,574	Merton	214,709	Medway	282,702	North Northamptonshire	363,408
Kensington and Chelsea	146,154	Solihull	217,678	Walsall	286,105	Ealing	369,937
Middlesbrough	148,285	Peterborough	217,705	Hounslow	290,488	Leicester	373,399	←"large"
South Tyneside	148,667	Camden	218,049	Greenwich	291,080	Dorset	383,274
Windsor and Maidenhead	154,738	North Somerset	219,145	Milton Keynes	292,180	Barnet	389,101
Blackburn with Darwen	155,762	Barking and Dagenham	219,992	South Gloucestershire	294,765	Croydon	392,224
Knowsley	157,103	Islington	220,373	Stockport	297,107	Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole	401,898
North East Lincolnshire	157,754	Luton	226,973	Lewisham	298,653	Cheshire East	406,527
Slough	159,182	Rochdale	226,992	Bolton	298,903	West Northamptonshire	429,013
West Berkshire	162,215	Westmorland and Furness	227,643	Central Bedfordshire	301,501	Kirklees	437,593	←"very large"
Kingston upon Thames	168,302	Tameside	232,753	Newcastle upon Tyne	307,565	Bristol	479,024
North Lincolnshire	170,042	Swindon	235,657	Hillingdon	310,681	Liverpool	496,770
Reading	174,820	Trafford	236,301	Redbridge	310,911	Wiltshire	515,885
Thurrock	176,877	Oldham	243,912	Doncaster	311,027	County Durham	528,127
Southend-on-Sea	180,915	Barnsley	246,482	Southwark	311,913	Bradford	552,644
Wokingham	180,967	Bexley	247,835	Lambeth	316,812	Buckinghamshire	560,409
St Helens	184,728	Southampton	252,689	Wirral	322,453	Sheffield	566,242
Hammersmith and Fulham	185,238	Stoke-on-Trent	259,965	Northumberland	324,362	Manchester	568,996
Bedford	187,466	Harrow	261,185	Dudley	324,969	Cornwall	575,413
Herefordshire	188,719	Hackney	261,491	Tower Hamlets	325,789	Somerset	576,852
Telford and Wrekin	188,871	Haringey	261,811	Shropshire	327,178	North Yorkshire	623,501	←"enormous"
Bury	194,606	Derby	263,490	Enfield	327,224	Leeds	822,483
Richmond upon Thames	194,894	Havering	264,703	Nottingham	328,513	Birmingham	1,157,603

Base data source: Population estimates - Office for National Statistics (2022)

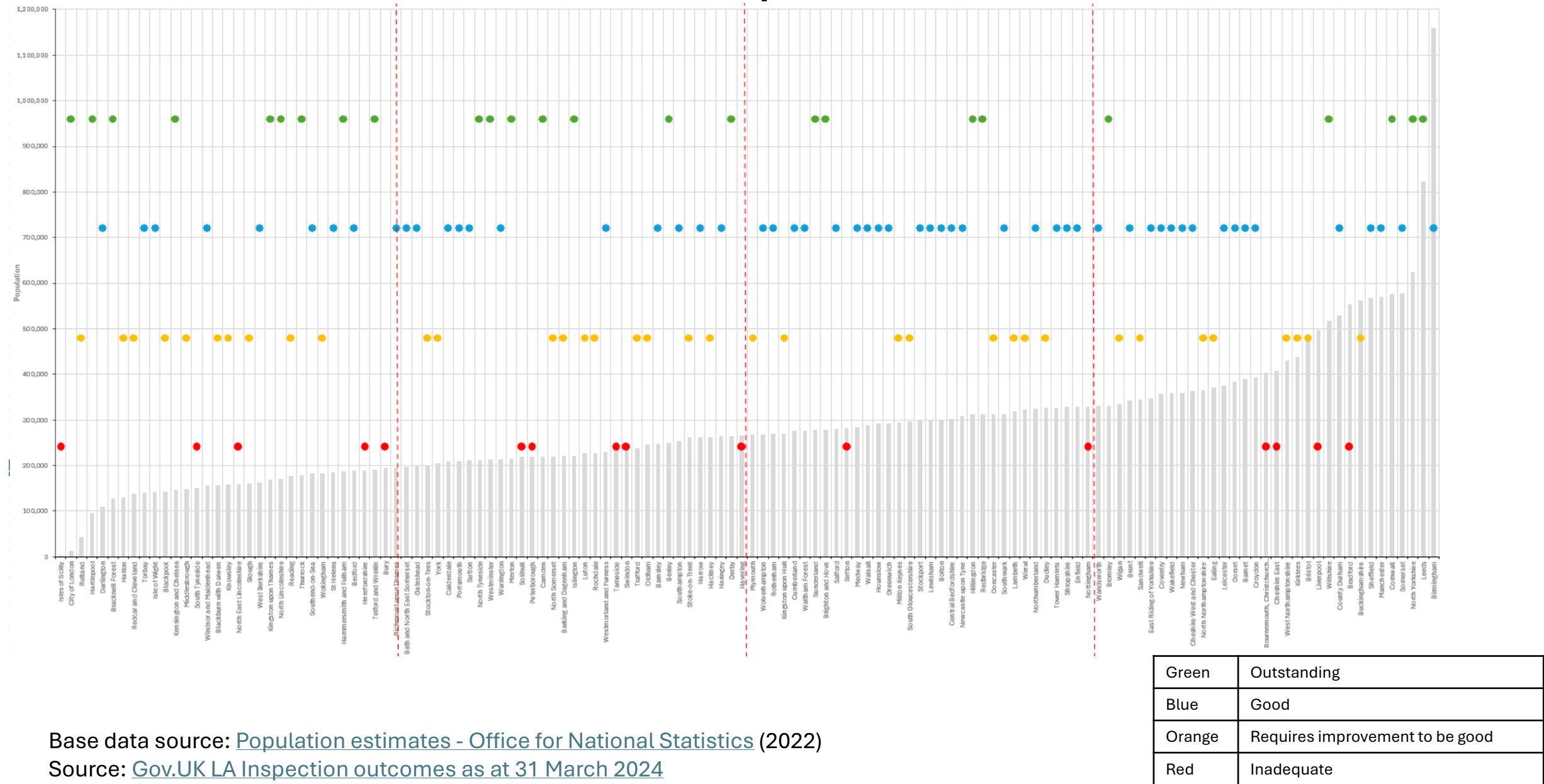# Graph 1 Ranking of current unitary by population size, adding in 5 proposed Essex unitaries as per Business Case A

Graph 2 – Criteria: financial viability: – ranking of current unitary by population size, showing the local authorities who issued a section 114 notice or had capitalisation directions in the last three years
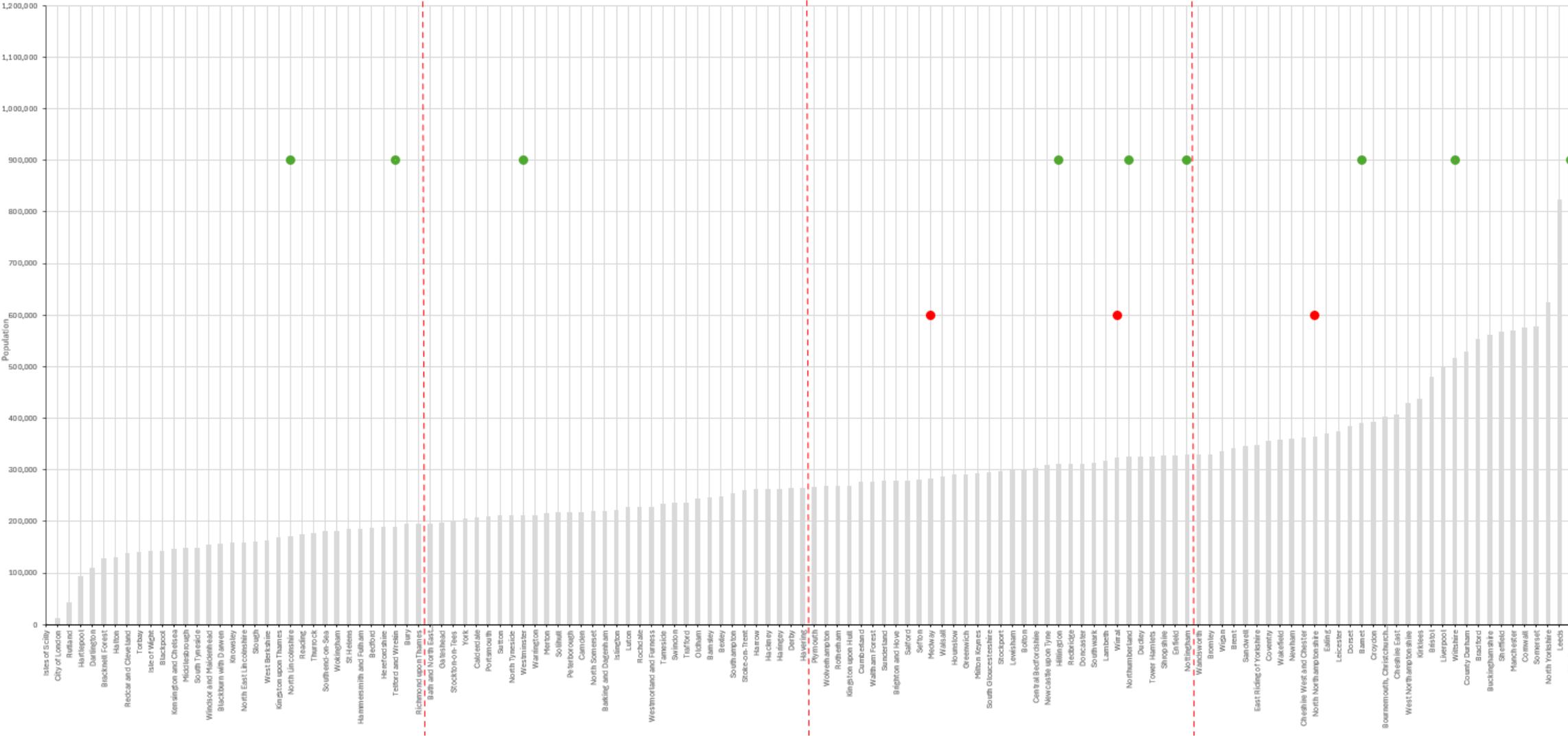
Graph 3 – criteria: Potential: – ranking of current unitary by population size showing most recent Ofsted Children's Services inspection result headline conclusion

Base data source: Population estimates - Office for National Statistics (2022)
Source: Gov.UK LA Inspection outcomes as at 31 March 2024

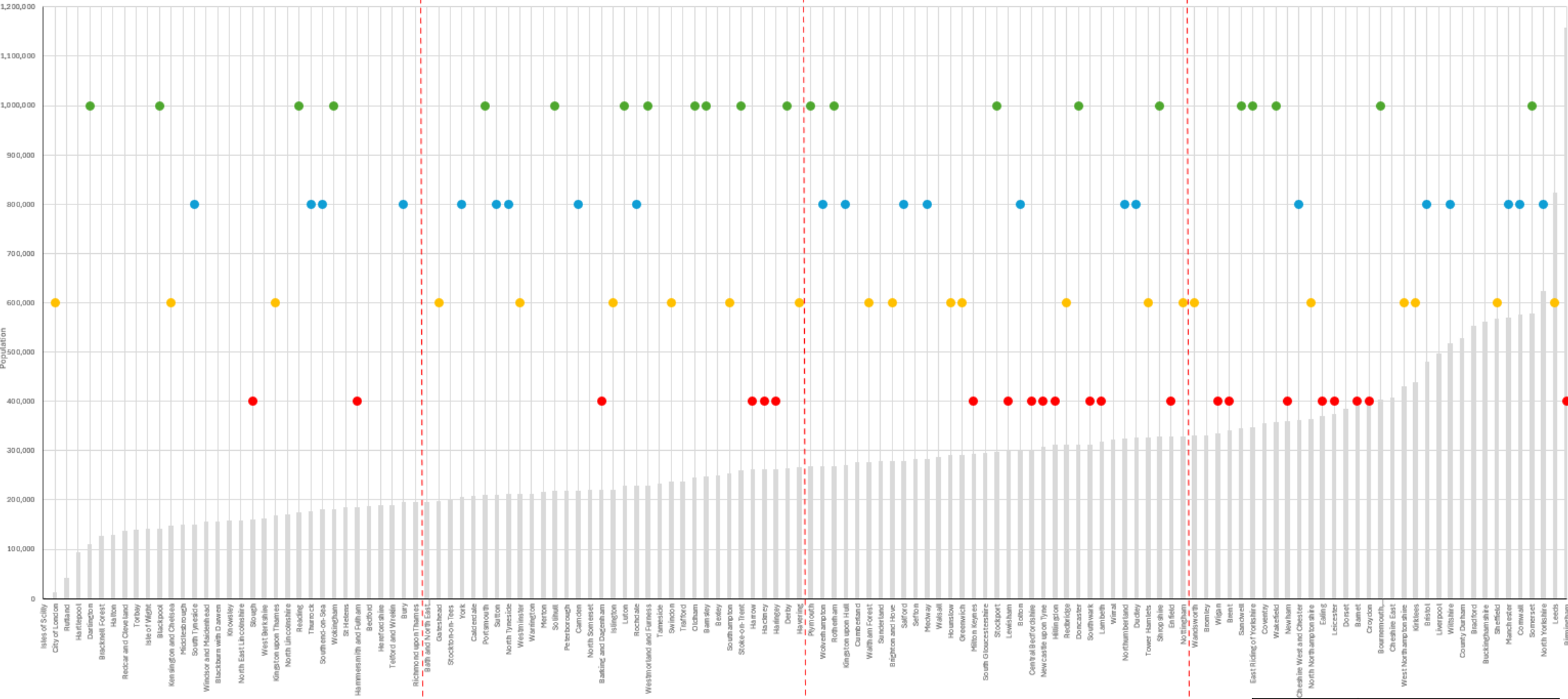| Green	Outstanding
Blue	Good
Orange	Requires improvement to be good
Red	Inadequate

Graph 4 – Criteria: Potential: – ranking of current unitary by population size showing most recent CQC ratings for Adult Social Care

Base data source: Population estimates - Office for National Statistics (2022)
Source: Local authority assessment reports - Care Quality Commission

Green	Good
Red	Requires Improvement

Graph 5 – criteria: Potential: – ranking of current unitary by population size showing most recent Tenant Satisfaction Percentage (TR01) split by quartile

Base data source: Population estimates - Office for National Statistics (2022)
Source: Regulator of Social Housing (RSH)

Green	Top Quartile
Lilac	Upper Quartile
Orange	Lower Quartile
Red	Bottom Quartile