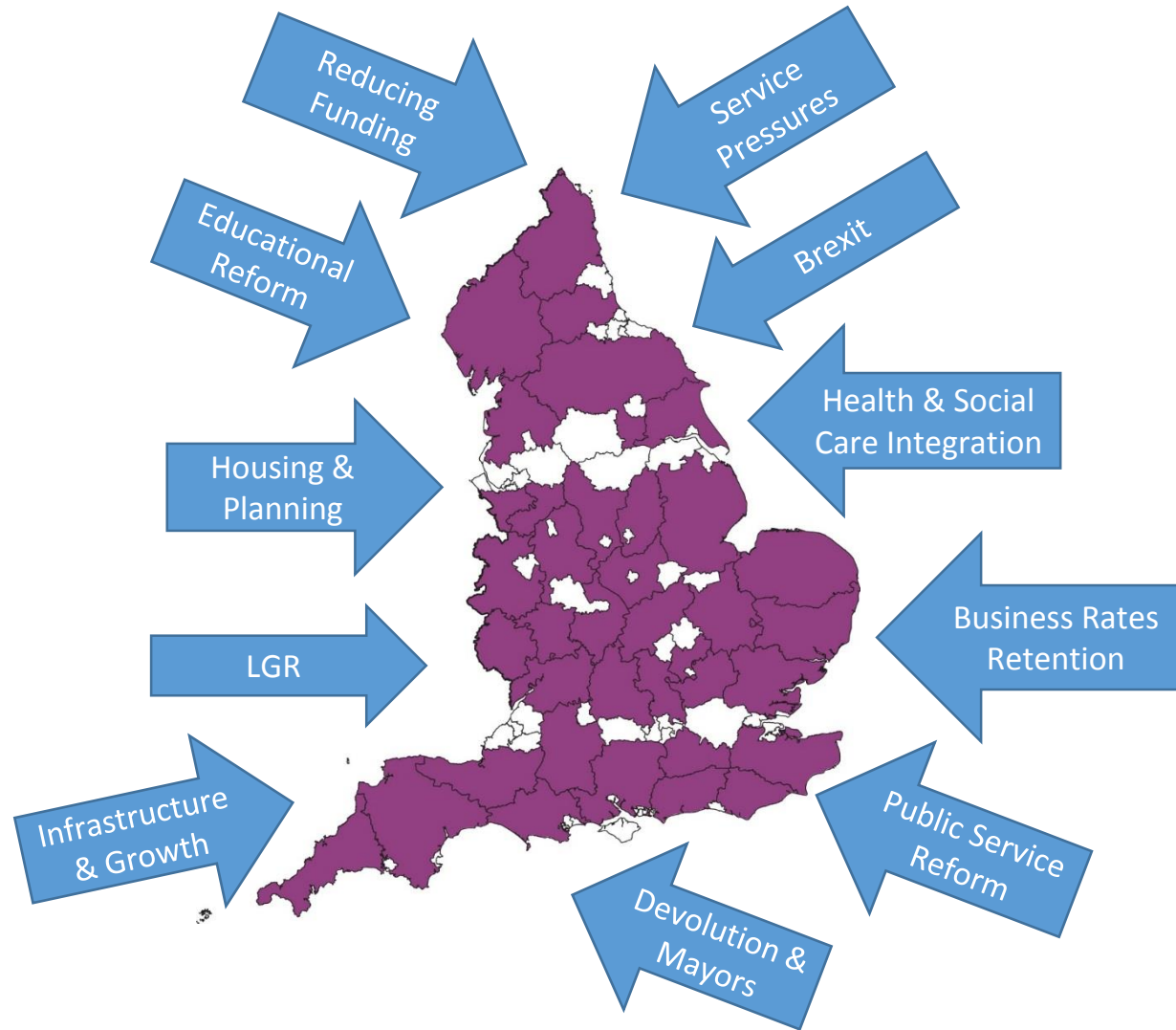


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Pointers from Government

“It is time to remember the good that government can do ... We should employ the power of government for the good of the people.” Theresa May

“Our productivity is grossly uneven ... tackling those regional differences will be one of the key drivers for the industrial strategy.”
Philip Hammond

“We will identify the places that have the potential to contribute to growth and become the homes to millions of new jobs.” Theresa May

“As elected representatives, we are here to take the right decisions - not the easy ones. Ultimately, we have a responsibility to build more houses.” Sajid Javid

Scale: A Direction of Travel

Now

Sustainability and Transformation Plans

Local Enterprise Partnerships

Devolution Deals & Combined Authorities

Sub-National Transport Bodies

'Regional' Industrial Strategy

Future?

Strategic Planning Areas

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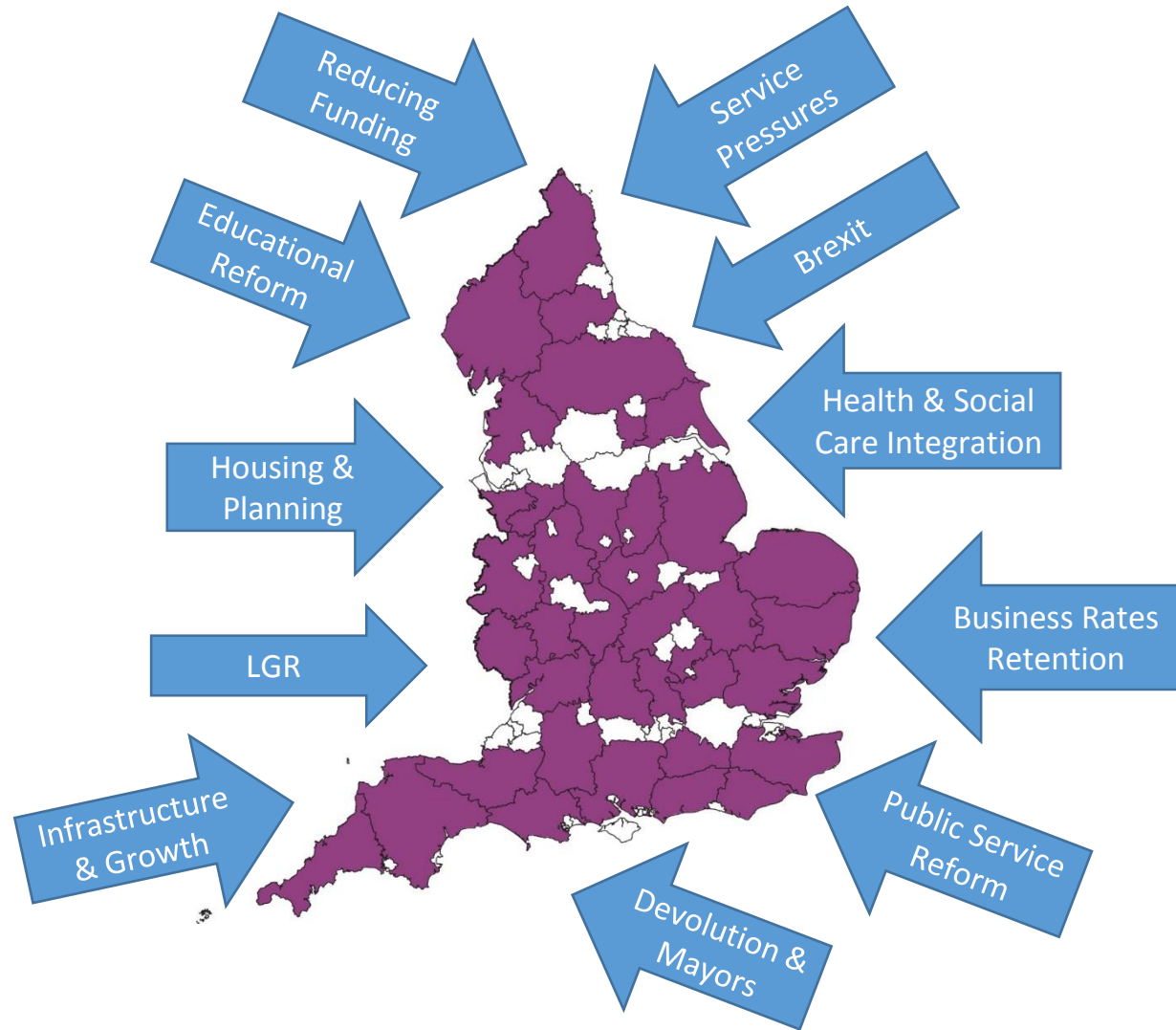
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The Future Role of Counties Discussion

What can counties do individually and collectively to :

- ✓ Strengthen their role as **strategic system and place leaders**
- ✓ Continue to drive **public sector integration**, efficiency and effectiveness
- ✓ **Deepen collaboration** with local government colleagues - pool sovereignty where appropriate
- ✓ Make the most of **county scale**, and **economies of scale**
- ✓ Develop more effective and **empowered governance at the local level**
- ✓ Make **county leadership ever more visible and responsive** (in an increasingly complex public sector system)
- ✓ Reinforce the capacity to make **strategic decisions** - across a **wider geography** where appropriate
- ✓ Build **new forms of governance**, which enhance partnership working
- ✓ Drive **rationalisation and reduced duplication** in the local government sector