

# **Supplementary Papers**

## **Cabinet**

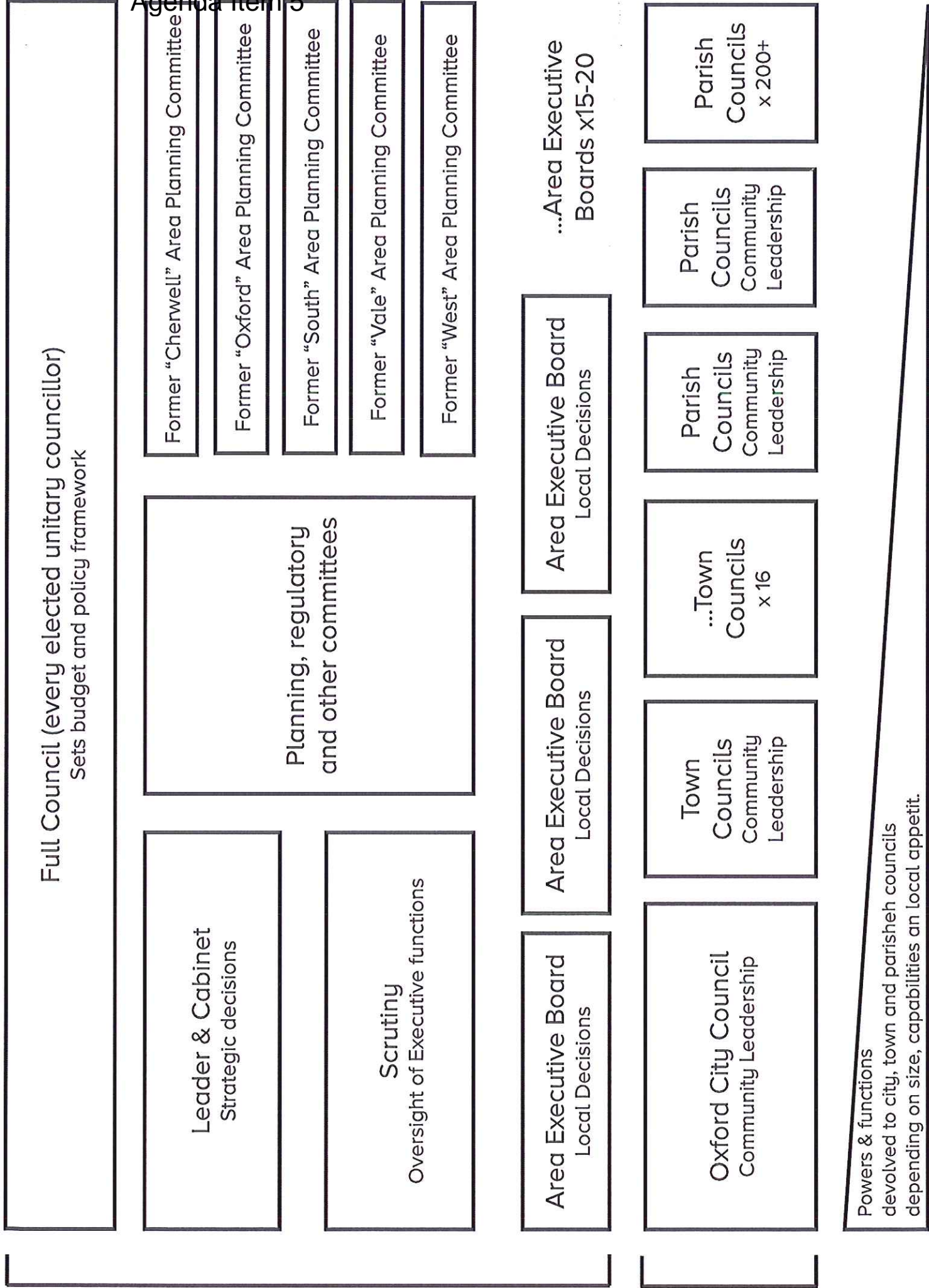
held in the Meeting Room 1, 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, OX14 4SB  
on Monday, 6 March 2017 at 4.00 pm

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**5. Unitary authority proposals for Oxfordshire (Pages 2 - 7)**

The attached papers were tabled at the meeting.

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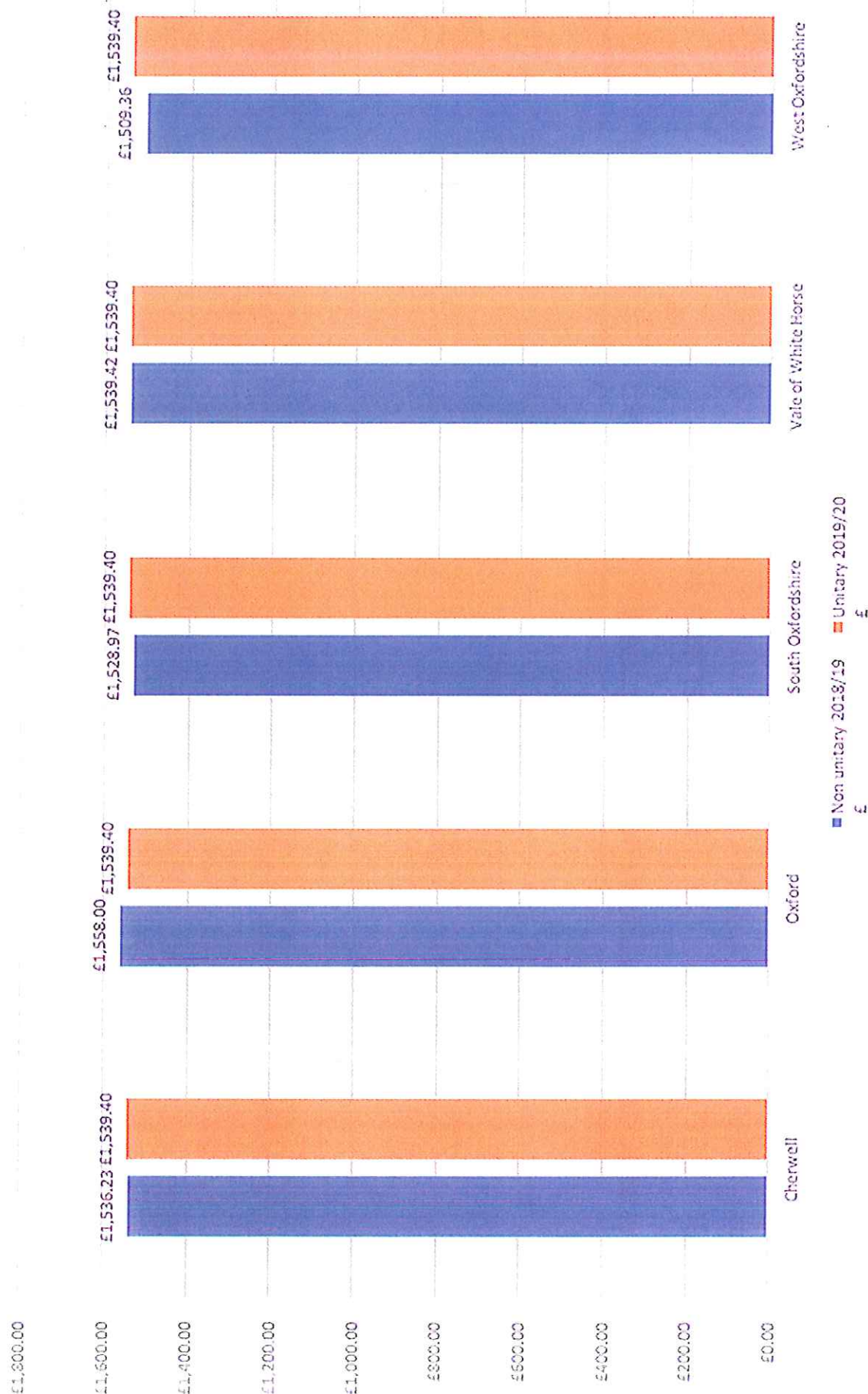
Oxfordshire Proposals					
	One Oxfordshire	Better Oxfordshire		Wiltshire	Cornwall
Name	Executive area boards on current district/city geography	Executive area boards at a more local level Bespoke arrangements for Oxford City area additional to boards		Area Boards at a local level	Community networks
Description	Localised decision making and budgets – presumption for local decision making	Localised decision making and budgets – presumption for local decision making with significant powers		Localised decision making and budgets	Localised decision making and budgets, with emphasis on devolution to towns and parishes
Membership	Unitary councillors	Unitary councillors (voting) Representatives of towns and parishes and other agencies (non-voting)		Unitary Councillors Representatives of towns and parishes Other partners (eg police, NHS, MoD)	Unitary councillors Representatives of towns and parishes Other partners (eg police, NHS)
Number	5	To be determined by further work of the proposed Joint Committee, illustrated in the proposal as potentially around 15-20 based specifically on engagement feedback	18		19
Status	Committee of the Council	Formal Committee of the Council (only Councillors vote)		Committee of the Council (only Councillors vote)	Informal network community networks
Key features of the model	Significant devolved powers, decision making and resources to area boards	Significant devolved powers, decision making and resources to area boards – detail to be developed by Joint Committee  Most local level for decision making  Holding to account council executive, officers and other agencies on local matters  Local engagement on unitary-wide matters such as consultees on the budget and formulation of policy  Creation of dedicated 'area' plans to target resources and direct activity  Local relationship building		Community leadership and influence  Community Area grants (community and youth groups)  Consultation and engagement (eg. on local transport)  Minor works budget (~£15k per board)	Community networks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public forums</li> <li>• Leadership on local priorities</li> <li>• Providing local voice</li> <li>• Promoting wellbeing of the local area and communities</li> <li>• Relationship building</li> </ul>
Local planning	Area boards take local planning decisions, with a strategic planning committee for the county	Five local planning committees and a strategic planning committee – to be revised as new planning framework develops, but in the interim need to reflect existing Local Plan areas.		Four local planning committees and a strategic planning committee	Three local planning committees and a strategic planning committee





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Non unitary 2018/19 Council Tax compared to Unitary Council Tax 2019/20



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## Saving from Unitary Council Tax 2018/19 - Oxford less £150

