### Living standards domain

#### Capabilities – the central and valuable freedoms and opportunities

- To enjoy an adequate standard of living, with independence and security, and to be cared for and supported when necessary.
- Every person should be capable of:
  - Enjoying an adequate and secure standard of living, including nutrition, clothing, housing, warmth, social security, social services and utilities
  - Having control over personal spending
  - Getting the care they need
  - Having control over how care is provided to support independent living
  - Getting around inside and outside the home and enjoying their home in peace and security
  - Living with independence, dignity and self-respect
  - Owning property and financial products including insurance, social security, and pensions in their own right

#### Outcomes\(^1\) – the future we want

- People’s right to the highest attainable standard of living is respected, protected and fulfilled
- Everyone has an adequate standard of living, including nutrition, clothing, housing, warmth, social security, social services and utilities
- All people can live as independently as possible and with dignity
- Nobody lives in overcrowded accommodation
- Social/affordable housing is readily available
- Those who rent have security of tenure
- People have access to and control over effective and high-quality social care and support to enable independent living, including accessible housing

#### Indicators\(^2\) – how we measure progress

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| Poverty | - Adults and children living in households below 60% contemporary median income after housing costs
- Social security/benefit system
- Child poverty and poverty of disabled people, refugees and asylum seekers
- Food and fuel poverty
- Material deprivation |
| Housing | - Homelessness
- Overcrowding and suitable accommodation
- Housing benefits
- Housing tenure
- Housing for Gypsies, Travellers and disabled people |
| Social care | - Access to social care
- Quality of social care
- Dignity and respect in social care
- Choice and control over support to enable independent living, and independent advocacy
- Social care funding
- Impact of caring on carers |

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\(^1\) Section 12(1)(b), Equality Act 2006

\(^2\) Section 12(1)(c), Equality Act 2006