

## **APPENDIX B**

### **Definition Of Vulnerable**

Vulnerable households have been defined for the purposes of the Decent Homes Standard as a whole as those in receipt of at least one of the principal means tested or disability related benefits. For the purpose of establishing the national 2001 baseline from the English House Condition Survey the benefits taken into account were:-

- Income support
- Housing benefit
- Council tax benefit
- Disabled persons tax credit
- Income based job seekers allowance
- Working families tax credit
- Attendance allowance
- Disability living allowance
- Industrial injuries disablement benefit
- War disablement pension
- Child tax credit
- Working tax credit
- Pension credit

The details definition of qualifying benefits used to define vulnerable will be subject to change. The last three qualifying benefits have been introduced since 2001 and they have different qualifying thresholds periodically reviewed by DCLG.