Definition of Vulnerability

There is no specific VPC definition of vulnerability but, we define vulnerability within the VPC as below, although it is not an exhaustive list, as it can also depend on the demographic within a police force area -

Vulnerable to committing crime

• Due to domestic influences
• Due to social influences
• Due to peer pressure
• Vulnerable to re-offending
• Vulnerable to being a victim of crime
• Vulnerable to the effects of fear of crime

Vulnerable to Exclusion

• Vulnerable to social exclusions
• Through disability
• Through language barriers (Inc. dyslexia etc.)
• Through cultural barriers
• Through isolation or commitment (young carers etc.)
• Vulnerable to financial exclusion
• Vulnerable to educational exclusion

Vulnerable to Abuse

• Emotional
• Physical
• Sexual
• Psychological

OR for any reason they may not achieve all the following:

• Be healthy
• Stay safe
• Enjoy and achieve
• Make a positive contribution
• Achieve economic well-being