# **Annex A Households in Absolute Poverty**

### Definition

Absolute low income: An individual is in absolute low income (or absolute poverty) if they are living in households with income below 60% of the 2010/11 median, uprated for inflation.

By using an income threshold that is fixed in time, this measure looks at how living standards of low-income households are changing over time.

After Housing Costs (AHC) measures allow an assessment of living standards of individuals whose housing costs are high relative to the quality of their accommodation.

Calculating poverty after housing costs give a more accurate measure of how much families have to live on.

#### Prediction

Absolute poverty: 18 per cent in 2019-20 16 per cent in 2020-21

Resolution foundation modelling predicts a rise to 17% per cent in 2021-22 and 18% in 2022-23.

Fall in 2020-21 was due to the £20 per week uplift to Universal Credit.

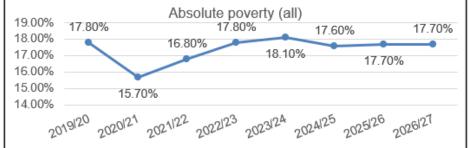
60% of the weekly wage, before housing costs, is approximately £370 per week.

IFS report shows that the absolute -poverty line after housing costs for example families in 2019-20 is:

£309 for couple with one child £258 for childless couple £201 for lone parent with one child £149 for single adult

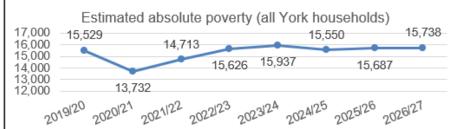
## Impact nationally

Resolution Foundation produced modelling of Absolute Poverty (after housing costs) at a national level:



### Impact for York

Applying these percentages to York data in the graph below:



### This shows:

2021/22 14,713 households 2022/23 prediction = 15,626 households

Approximately an additional 910 York households experiencing absolute poverty after housing costs

