What is a Family Intervention Project?

A Family Intervention Project provides the most ‘at risk’ families with the intensive support they need to make positive changes.

So who is it for?

Families with multiple problems who have a child under 10 in them. Families who are most challenging. Anti-social families with entrenched and complex issues.

Where will FIPs happen?

In our most needy communities. Areas which have the highest levels of child poverty will be targeted because these are where the negative impact of being in a family with multiple problems is greatest.

What happens?

A family receives intensive support from a key worker who can really get to know them. They will work with the family for up to 24 months. Sometimes they will see the family for 6 hours a week. The key worker will get other agencies to help.

Why?

Some families need to make significant changes to their lives so that they can do better and so that they can make a positive contribution to their community. Whatever has been done before hasn’t worked so we need to do something different. National and local evidence tells us that this works.

How does this support our Shared Framework?

The FIP is part of a broader framework. A relatively small number of families will be supported in this way. Others will be supported by universal, targeted and specialist services delivered by the voluntary, community and statutory sectors. Services commissioned to meet each type of need will join-up with each other so that there is a clear pathway of support for families in West Sussex.