

# Supporting your child's early years development

## PATHFINDER in POWYS

### (Early Years Integration Transformation Programme)

Your child's early years see them develop as an individual, learning language, play and movement skills, understanding their own thoughts and actions and developing a relationship with you and wider family.

Support for your child during these early years can help them grow and develop, reducing the need for specialist interventions later and giving them the best start in life.

Pathfinder is a Welsh Government project helping the Health Board, Council and other agencies to work better together. **The Pathfinder approach aims to support children in the foundation years from Antenatal through to age 7.**

Pathfinder looks at the needs of children and families in the Foundation Years, looking at services available for the children and working together to test and deliver a programme of support for the best start in life.

Pathfinder has been working all across Powys to understand the needs of children and families and services. Asking questions such as "What services are available and are they suitable, accessible and in the right place?"

The project has been gathering the views of families and the professionals who support them to understand what needs to be done.

The pilot project will be delivered in the communities of Knighton and Llanfyllin from April 2023 until March 2024.

The project will offer more support activities and groups for babies and children aged 0-7.

**A Community Nursery Nurse (CNN)** for the Pathfinder project will be running groups for 0-4 year olds providing additional support such as play and language support groups.

The CNN will link with families looking at children's well-being at 21months and 4 years of age. Health Visitors will undertake an Antenatal visit for all pregnant women in the pilot areas.

Within each area there will be a **Foundation Years Community Coordinator**, who will support the community pilot through sharing information of what is available with families and professionals. They will link in with existing activities for children aged 4-7 years, and where there are gaps they will develop new groups and activities.



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