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A New Project for families with children under 4 in South West Fife

The South West Fife Family Nurture Hub is a valuable new resource now open and ready to take referrals from everyone working with early years in the area. We are a partnership of 5 voluntary sector agencies working with local services and families to co-design and co-produce a holistic approach to early year's services.



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The Project is being developed by Fife Voluntary Action and the team is hosted and managed by Barnardo's bringing together the collective expertise, knowledge and breadth of experience from:

- Fife Gingerbread – working with lone and teen parent families
- Scottish pre-school play association (SPPA) – bringing therapeutic and nurturing care through play

- Aberlour – working with children and families with disabilities
- Home Start – bringing a family support model and skilled volunteer workforce
- Barnardo's – providing intensive family support to vulnerable families

The Hub is part of the Family Nurture Approach in Fife. This approach focusses on promoting attachment relationships; early literacy and communication and individual and Community Capacity Building. The Principles of the approach are to develop a coherent and integrated approach to early intervention and prevention within the local and national context and delivering quality services.

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