

Other interventions can include:

Youth Work

We have youth workers who your young people may have the opportunity to work with. The young person will be expected to have fun but to also be open to discussing important issues in their lives with the youth worker.

Domestic Abuse support

If you are, or have been, suffering any sort of abuse within a relationship we can offer a dedicated worker who will support you with practical help; whether you are the victim or the perpetrator of the abuse.



The project will utilise the following resources:

- Parenting Support
- Youth Work
- Domestic Abuse Support
- Family Group Conferences
- Tenancy support
- Help and advice on employment, further education, benefits and debt
- Help and advice on health including drug and alcohol issues
- The project will make referrals to mainstream and specialist services where needs are identified.

For more information regarding the Project or to find out how to make a referral please contact:

YCAP Family Intervention Project

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Bristol Area: Youth Crime Family Intervention Project

Over half of violent and acquisitive crime in Bristol is committed by about 400 prolific offenders. Many of these offenders live within a family Environment. The YCAP FIP has been specifically developed to target and engage these family groups.

What is the Bristol Youth Crime Action Plan (YCAP) Family Intervention Project (FIP)?

- This is a Safe Bristol project that works with households where one or more members have a history of offending behaviour.
- The project works with families with young people at risk of offending.
- These are families that are experiencing multiple problems that increase the risk of their children offending.
- The average period of engagement for a family is around 12 months.
- The project uses a team of key workers to engage families.
- The key workers have a highly supportive, dynamic and creative approach yet adopt an assertive and persistent style of working. They are willing to find and drive through flexible solutions to complex problems.

What does the Family Intervention Project do?

Families are asked if they want to join the project and there are many benefits if they do. Every family joining the FIP will be allocated a key worker who will work intensively with the whole family to address the issues that may be causing the offending.

The programme offers family members the ability to:

- engage those services that can assist in reducing offending and avoid the risk of court action and/or custody;
- reduce the level of intensive monitoring, reporting and surveillance by way of their continued engagement with the FIP;
- access support, advice and guidance in addressing life's difficulties.
- keep their home and;
- reach their potential.

Family commitment

If the family agrees to join then they agree to:

- **sign a Family Behaviour Contract and Support Plan;**
- **attend regular timetabled multi-agency review meetings;**
- **attend arranged family activity sessions; and**
- **participate in Triple P Parenting programme/parenting support.**

We hope to maintain an active and clear relationship with all members of the family in the aim to effectively engage and consult with families in decisions that affect their lives.

Important to know - sanctions

Active engagement in the programme is essential to its success. Lack of commitment is likely to lead to:

- increased surveillance and monitoring;
- breach of license agreement and possible return to custody;
- court action;
- various Orders - Parenting Orders, ASBO's;
- tenancy enforcement or injunction action.

Partnerships and resources:

We aim to assist the Integrated Management of Prolific Acquisitive Crime Team (IMPACT) in their aim to:

- Reduce the level of offending in the city
- Improve delivery of effective services to hard to reach groups
- improve the outcomes for whole families.

YCAP Key workers will coordinate the day to day needs, assessment and support provision for priority families. Cases will be regularly and systematically reviewed with the involvement of all relevant agencies.