1. Baseline current position – how are we doing?
   - Where are we now with family partnership working?
   - What evidence have we already got of our current position on family partnership working?

2. Action planning – what more should we do?
   - How can we further improve our family partnership working?
   - What targets should be set?
   - What action do we need to take to move policy and practice forward?
   - Who will perform which actions?
   - What is a realistic timescale to meet the priorities and activities set?
   - Which resources will be required?
   - What are the success criteria?
   - Which outcomes do we want?

3. Evidence-gathering and monitoring progress
   - Which evidence will be gathered to demonstrate success and good practice?
   - Are there any aspects of family partnership working that are problematic in gathering evidence?
   - Are the agreed actions happening?
   - Is the Family Partnership team keeping on track with the tasks set?
   - Are the outcomes from ongoing monitoring being recorded?

4. Reviewing and assessing progress
   - Which actions need to be taken next if we still have some aspects of family partnership working to be addressed?
   - What are our strengths in family partnership working?
   - How do we know if we have achieved the expected outcomes?
   - Are we ready to go forward for the final external assessment?
   - Next steps, following the assessment judgement?

Figure 2.1 The family partnership working self-evaluation process

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