

# The Meadows Festival 5th & 6th June 2010

✘ The event is run by a committee of local residents and will include stalls, two music stages, a school football competition, a bicycle powered cinema, a school art competition, kids tent and on Saturday only animals from the Gorgie City Farm.

“The festival is run by local people for our community” said Meadows Festival Association Convenor Fred Mackintosh “We hope to make the festival this year the best ever, but that can’t happen without volunteers. I would urge local people who want to help over the weekend to find us on Facebook, Myspace or at [www.meadowsfestival.org.uk](http://www.meadowsfestival.org.uk) and volunteer. They would be made most welcome.”

The first Meadows Festival was held in 1974 and since then the Festival has been an annual feature of the calendar (except for a break in 2006-7). The Festival Committee work hard throughout the year to put on the event. In 2009 over 8,000 people attended on both days and this year the musical lineup is shaping up to be one of the best yet. There will 25 acts over 2 stages, playing everything from funk to indie-pop and rock to samba.

Headlining the main Festival Stage will be the wonderful Banana Sessions, who have built up quite a reputation for their quirky cover versions and the mental Big Fat Panda with their own brand of wild, bouncy ska.

“We’re really excited about this years lineup. We’ve got a really diverse range of music, a great mix of established bands and some of the best local up and coming talent. It should be a great weekend of live music on the Meadows.” said Daragh Lynch, Festival Stage manager.